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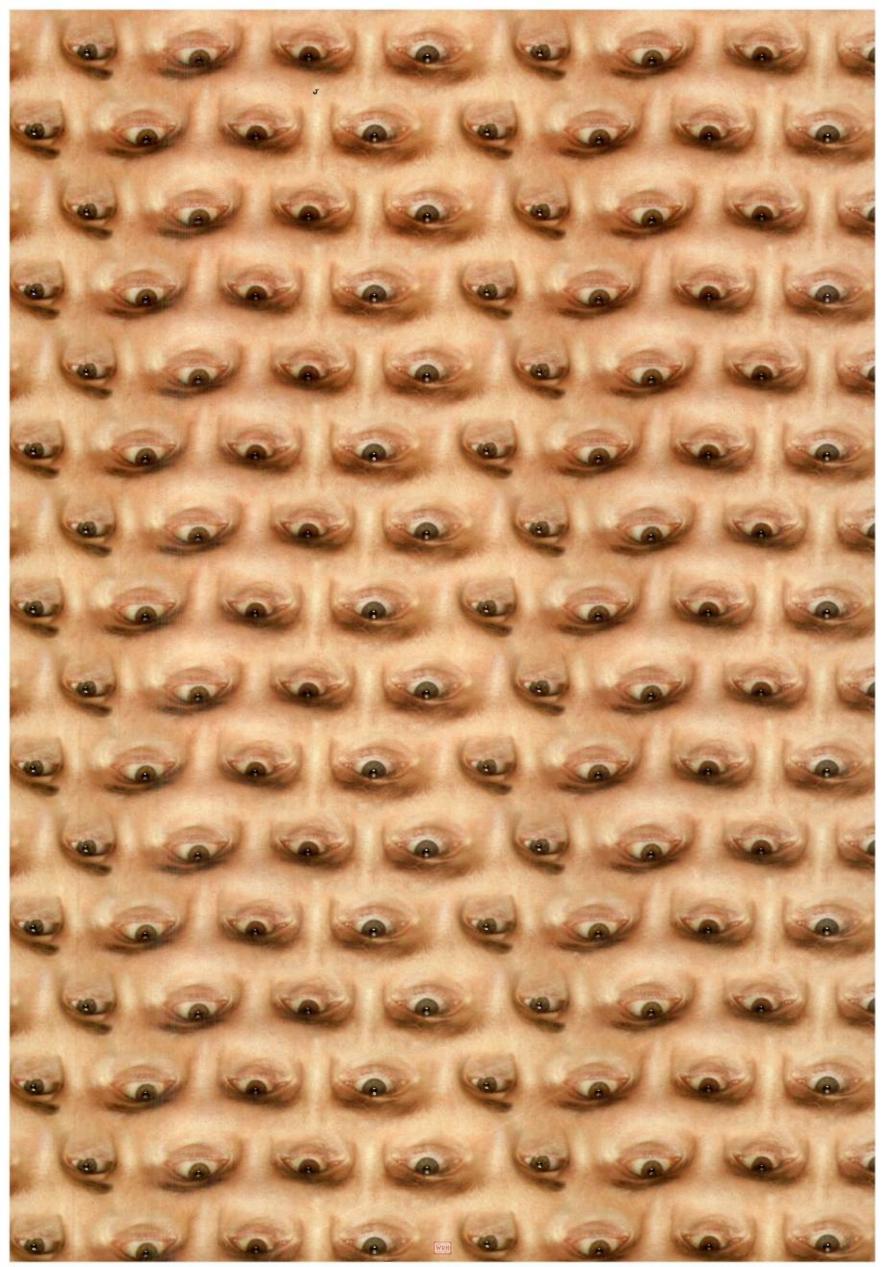
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On May 22nd 1989 Queen release their long awaited album 'The Miracle' through Parlophone Records.

The international release of 'The Miracle' marks Queen's sixteenth album release during their eighteen years together as one of the world's leading rock bands.

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Tapes and CDs storm on, but vinyl's slipping

THE SUPPLANTING of the vinyl album by cassettes and compact discs is strongly indicated by the latest set of trade delivery figures from the BPI.

In the year to March 31, vinyl LPs dropped by eight per cent compared with the previous 12 months while cassettes rose by 11 per cent and CDs were 51 per cent

up. Comments the BPI: "LP discs are now very much less than 30 per cent of the total market. It would not be surprising to see the downward trend accelerating." In the year ended March, 48.6m

vinyl albums were shipped com-pared with 83.9m cassettes and 31.3m CDs.

The boom in sales during the first quarter of this year that retailers TO PAGE FOUR

THE DEADLINE for nominations for chairmanship of the BPI has

been extended by a week. All names should have been submitted by the beginning of last week but BPI director-general John Deacon says he is still awaiting the formal acceptance of nomination. He does not reveal how many candidates have been pro-posed.

RECORD PRODUCERS are staking their claim for a share of needle time payments to make up for what they believe will be a falling income from mechanical royalties.

The Producers Guild has already met with Phonographic Perform-ance Limited to make its case as part of an initiative to become established as one of the mainstream music industry organisations. The guild, established two-and-

Record producers

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a-half years ago, feels it has a role to play in representing the interests of producers and in providing a link between the creative asp of making records and A&R staff and radio stations.

One of the immediate challenges facing the organisation is to repeat the success it had in Germany in securing needletime payments for its members.

Says guild member Phil Wainman: "PPL's reaction to our

suggestions was very favourable. "We say that producers should receive needletime payments be-cause, sometimes, the producer has made more of the record than the artists."

To secure payment from GVL, the German equivalent of PPL, the guild insisted on the implementation of forgotten clauses in copyright legislation. However, in the UK the organisation will have to negotiate a system for payment with PPL from scratch.

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STOP PRESS: EMI Music is continuing its buying spree. The com-pany's Capitol/EMI division was expected to conclude a deal in Los Angeles on Friday (19) to ac-quire 50 per cent of leading US independent label, Enigma. The acquisition is said to be in the \$10-12m range.

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Free-spending Fifield combats **CD** shortfall

EMI IS to increase its investment in compact disc marufacturing sub-stantially by establishing a plant in the heart of Europe

In London last week for the launch of the restyled EMI Classics free-spending EM Music Worldwide president and chief executive officer Jim Fifield confirmed that a firm commitment had been made and the money allocated, though he said that a decision had not been made on whether to build a plant from scratch or try to acquire an existing operation. A recent forecast predicted a

shortage of CD pressing capacity at the height of the season this au-tumn (MW, May 20).

More venues likely as roadshow gathers speed

MORE VENUES are likely to be added to the BPI's roadshow tour following a positive turnaround in

support from dealers. The organisation's retail liaison committee plans to run additional shows after overall attendances at the events doubled during the sec-

ond week of the tour. Poor turnouts at Birmingham and Newcastle in the first week began to turn the roadshow into a disaster for the five record com-

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pany managing directors who expecting a lot of healthy feedback from retailers.

during the second leg of the tour, the response turned to overwhelm-

"It definitely has been worth-while," says committee and Pinnacle Records chairman Steve Ma-

But at Manchester and Glasgow

ing support with more than 40 attending each event.

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Prevezer has been promoted to

head of press and the company's new senior press officer is Penny

Caplowe, previously of CBS ... Andrea Tarlor joins Fleming And Smallman, from MCA, as a radio promoter David Smith a the

new markeing manager at Trax Music ... Former K-tel marketing manager Vicky Blood is now do-

ing the same job at BMG Enter-

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REBOUND IS the new single from Cactus World News, on MCA, which is released on June 5 and will be promoted by a UK tour by the band during the latter half of May.



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THE TITLE track for the new James Bond film Licence To Kill, which is sung by Gladys Knight, will be released by MCA on May 30. Support includes point of sale promotions and advertising.

• CBS IS releasing the single Radio Silence by Russian artist Boris Grebenshikov this week to tie-in with the ITV showing of a documentary on the artist entitled The Long Way Home, on Monday, May 29, at 10.30pm.

THE SNAPDRAGONS will be touring the UK in support of their new single on Native Records called Dole Boys On Futons.

TRAILBLAZE IS the new single by Shy Reptiles which is released on June 5 on Fontana, on 12-inch only, and the band will be touring to promote the release.

• EPIC is releasing the single Up Against The Wall by Cry Before Dawn this week and the group will be supporting Big Country on tour to back the single.

FRAZIER CHORUS will be touring for the next two weeks to support the release on Virgin of their debut album. Sue.

BLIPVERT RELEASES the new Jnr Manson Slags single Silver Train on June 5 to coincide with the group's UK tour.

THE RELEASE on Circa of Paul Haig's new album Chain this week ties in with Haig's showcase tour.

Pick 'n' pack for greater profit urges BARD five-point plan

CHANGES ACROSS the board are needed if the UK's distributors are to improve efficiency and increase profits for the industry.

That is the conclusion of the British Association of Record Dealers' five point plan for the standardisation of company systems which was formulated by one of its subcommittees (MW, May 20). Details of the document, which

it intends to present to the BPI, include a recommendation for or-

ders, delivery and advice notes. The information on these should include the account number, ad-dress, reference number, date, catalogue number, title/artist, format details, quantity, price per unit with extended gross and totals. Invoices should, says BARD, in-

clude the order/delivery/advice notes number, date, reference number and value of O/D/A. Special terms should be mentioned on the invoice and not the O/D/A and ex-car sales should tie in with the formats used in the normal invoice O/D/A systems. Statements should have cross

referenced credit notes, easy-toread invoice information and a column of special discounts/terms. Colour coding and a uniform size is also advised.

Packaging recommendations for seven-inch and 12-inch singles suggest a consistent number of units in a one-ended, perforated flap.

Cassettes should be packaged in a similar way but double tapes should be packed landscape or back-to-back and not portrait style.

Compact discs would be best suited to flat opening boxes with the spines showing and sell through videos should be in the standard Amaray boxes. A standard cassette box size

label should be featured on all types of packaging. This should contain a bar code, catalogue number, artist/title, quantity and a one-inch space for any over-writing. Colour coding may also be an advantage.

The suggested standard system for returns is based on a regular automatic schedule with defined company contacts for each account. For returns, a standard pro-cedure of a figure given and no authorisation needed is recommended but not crediting or returning mistakenly submitted deletions is not acceptable.

For sent in error items, BARD claims there is a need for a faster pick up system and for faulties there is presently a great difficulty in labelling each fault. This must be overcome, it says.

With specials like SOR and SOE, the one problem is to define mint condition, which is a request when returning product and can often lead to rejected product. A standard guideline is advised.

One unified list of deletions is suggested and in future this may be incorporated as part of the Elec-



FORMER RCA managing directors David Betteridge and Geoff Hannington returned to help their ex-colleagues celebrate the 20th anniversary of the formation of the RCA sales team. The event was organised by BMG sales director Dave Harmer, the only survivor of the original team. That original group is pictured 'left' while Harmer is head and shoulders above the celebrations (right).

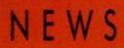
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Producers

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The German deal, though, has brought some substantial incomes for guild members. Says Mike Vernon: "Two tracks from the last Chris Farlowe album earned more from GVL than I got from sales royalties in Germany." Adds Wainman: "Secondary in-

Adds Wainman: "Secondary income is very soon going to be more important than mechanicals." Wainman goes on that the organisation is addressing its larger

Wainman goes on that the organisation is addressing its larger aims by meeting with Radio One as a means of helping staff there and its members better cater for each other's needs. In addition, it maintains a continual dialogue with A&R personnel, says Wainman. Membership details are available on 01-586 9795.

Tapes and CDs

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have already indicated is borne out by the figures. Although the particularly strong month of April is not included in the statistics, the market rose by 11.5 per cent compared with the same period in 1988.

The BPI, though, sounds a note of caution around the figures. It points to the markedly quiet market in the first quarter of last year when comparisons are made about growth.

In addition, while acknowledging the growth of music sales, it warns that the rate of increase is being slowed as the Chancellor's policies of restraining consumer spending begin to take effect.

Roadshow

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son. "I think you have to relate the earlier poor turnouts to catchment areas. With Birmingham, we perhaps lacked a little publicity for the event but in Newcastle it was a limited catchment area and late night shopping. "As the publicity increased be-

"As the publicity increased between the two weeks, the turnout also increased," says Mason. "Each region had different

"Each region had different points of view and many of those issues that were raised were eye openers for us all," he says. "We will now seriously consider extending the tour.

ing the tour. "We will go back to the BPI and, with a few weeks notice, organise some other dates."

Ay up, put money in thy tills, says EUK

SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES of the UK record industry went north of Watford last week as Entertainment UK sought to show them that even Yorkshiremen buy music.

Some 20 sales and marketing executives from as many record companies visited a Woolworths entertainment-only store in Manchester and supermarkets in Ashton-under-Lyne and Bradford supplied by EUK.

EMI HAS restructured its classical

division with the intention of capturing 20 per cent of the world market by 1993.

Aiming to capitalise on a widen-

the former International Classi-

ing audience base for classical mu-

cal Division has been re-styled EMI

Classics and will be run by a seven

member board headed by newly appointed president Richard Lyttel-

ton. Announcing the move, EMI Music's president and chief execu-

tive officer Jim Fifield says that it is a "crucial element in the

implementation of our aggressive

business plan". According to Lyttelton, EMI Clas-

Mike Sommers, managing direc-

tor of the Woolworths-owned EUK, comments: "We do not think people recognise the length and breadth of our customer base. They think we are simply Woolworths — which we are not.

"Secondly, we do not think the record companies realise how much music is sold by non-record shops.

shops. "We also wanted to make sure they realised what range of product we will sell. A lot of people

ment of £25m in more than 100

new recordings in each of the next

four years. He says that the new structure "will unify EMI's classical interests into a single cohesive and

Lyttelton acknowledges that the

world classical market is becoming

increasingly competitive with the arrival of new companies in a

buoyant market whose growth has been driven by the compact disc. Although EMI Classics will be run

from London, Lyttelton emphasises that the national recording programmes in the UK, France, Ger-

many and the US will continue.

dynamic force".

think a rack jobber's customers carry just chart material but they saw there was a lot of back catalogue around.

logue around. "People do not recognise how much they can get out of featuring product in the supermarkets that is just a couple of months old. It really will sell in the grocers when some people might think it was dead product."

Sommers says his guests were very positive about the trip. "It was an information and awareness exercise and I think it achieved that."

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FORMER EMI Music Publishing managing director Frans de Wit is to join the London office of US rights organisation the American Society of Authors Songwriters and Composers. De Wit, who resigned from EMI

De Wit, who resigned from EMI following the appointment of Peter Reichardt as head of the newly combined SBK Songs-EMI Music operation, will have a pon-European brief. He will be based at ASCAP's London office alongside UK regional director James Fisher

UK regional director James Fisher. Until recently, De Wit was president of the Music Publishers Association and a council member of the Performing Right Society and his wide knowledge of the European scene is expected to strengthen ASCAP's ties with affiliated societies in continental Europe.



STOCKHOLM: PolyGram International Music Publishing has acquired Swedish music publisher Sweden Music AB. The company is one of the leading independent music publishers in Scandanavia and in represents the works of Cole Forter, Irving Berlin, Evert Taube and Abba, among others. Sweden Music AB owner Stig Anderson will continue cs managing director of Poly-Gram's interests in the country for the next five years. This ceal makes PolyGram the halder of the largest share of Europe's recorded music market.

LOS ANGELES: Berry Gordy's slimmed-down business interests, known as The Gordy Co since he sold Motown Records to MCA, had \$105m in turncver last year. As such, it was the fifth-largest black-owned business in the US, according to Black Enterprise magazine (Motown Industries, including the record division, was for many years America's largest black-owned company).

NEW YORK: According to buss of Tower Records Russ Salomon, during the first quarter of 1989, Warner represented 32.8 per cent of Tower's purchases while CBS was secand at 15.5 per cent and Poly-Gram third at 14.4 per cent.

B R I E F S
 PROFILE RECORDS, which claims to be the largest indie label in the US, is launching its UK operation this week

ation this week. Initially, Profile will be releasing American product but the company says it intends to sign artists from its London office, based at 10 Tech West, Warple Way, London W3 ORQ (01-749 8777).







end of this month, has been marked by a dinner hosted by EMI Music

ords founder Mickie Most and Elton John's manager John Reid.

Worldwide chairman Bhaskar Menon. East is pictured with his wife, Dolly, with (from left): Menon, Cliff Richard's manager Peter Gormley, RAK Rec-

EMI Classics' new image

aims to up world sales



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FRONTLINE



BOB BARNES watches intently as JON WEBSTER shows him the future of retailing

Seconds out, round one: the roadshow kicks off

XPLOSIVE MIXTURES can be produced in a variety of ways. One recipe involves combining five record company managing directors and about 20 independent retailers with some free beer and a handful of contentious subjects.

Such were the ingredients when the BPI's retail liaison committee met the dealers in Birmingham. However, nobody actually lit the blue touchpaper and the evening passed off without anybody being forced to retire immediately.

Powerful arguments were put -- complaints were made, even -- but within an atmosphere of humour and conviviality.

Main topic for discussion was the cassette single which the BPI council is very enthusiastic to see launched in the UK. Said retail liaison committee chairman Steve Mason: "The BPI sees it as one way of arresting the decline of the singles market."

Challenged about the dealer price of cassette singles (from next month, they must be shipped at £1.20 or more to qualify for the chart), BPI council mem-

'The multiples, by the nature of what they are, have to be blander and blander. You just can't give individual managers freedom of choice' ber Rupert Perry asked for dealers to bear in mind the cost of launching the format.

Mason picked up on the theme and said the BPI was intending to take national newspaper advertising to promote the format. Record companies with top 40 product would consider buying co-operative space in *The Sun* and *Daily Mirror* to advertise their individual singles and the format in general.

The dealers present said they thought cassette singles were a good idea but they expressed some concern about packaging and racking. Richard Wootton of Ainley's

Richard Wootton of Ainley's in Leicester said the push behind cassette singles must come from all record companies and that there should be a uniformity in the packaging.

the packaging. Bob Barnes, head of the West Midlands-based Discovery group, asked about a generic logo for cassette singles and was told by BPI council member Jon Webster that the idea was being considered. Said Webster: "We are asking all companies to consider putting the words 'cassette single' at the top of each box."

In terms of availability of cassette singles and racks, Mason said it is intended for the top 40 plus 10 others to be displayed in-store. The additional titles would include new releases, climbers and tracks out of the top 40 but still selling well.

The discussion then moved to the future of vinyl and the price of compact discs. Told by a retailer that CD prices should fall, Webster replied that perhaps it was not that CDs were too expensive but that vinyl was too cheap.

Wootton responded that the

'If you've got the customer to accept a certain price level then why throw that away? If CDs do come down to £9.99, how long will they stay there?'

penetration of CD hardware was being held back because the price of software was deterring potential customers. The record companies were

The record companies were pressed to make all CDs available at a dealer price that they could retail for under £10, but Perry stated: "If you've got the customer to accept a certain price level then why throw that away?

"If CDs do come down to £9.99, how long will they stay there?"

Responded Dick Raybould from Spinadisc in Northampton: "The punter is aware that he's being ripped off by CD."

Mason then asked how the independent retailers saw themselves in relation to the multiples. Liz Wootton from Ainley's replied: "We're back to where we were 20 years ago with the independent coming back up again." She added that a range of specialist stock and quality service should maintain a market for an indie in any town. Added Mason: "The multiples,

Added Mason: "The multiples, by the nature of what they are, have to be blander and blander. You just can't give individual managers freedom of choice." BETTER PRESENTATION



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A & R LP REISSUES

by Phil Hardy

TOP OF the list this month is undoubtedly **Hank Williams**' 40 Greatest Hits (Polydor 821 233-2) which is just that from one of the seminal recording artists of the 20th century. An added bonus is that the sound quality is sunus is that the sound quality is su-perb, far better than on my vinyl greatest hits collections. Also a joy to behold is the budget-pric-ed **Fleetwood Mac's** Greatest Hits (CBS 4607042), a melodic and melancholic collection of and melancholic collection of songs from the era of Albatross and Man Of The World Days. Equally fine is The Blues Collec-tion (Castle CCSLP 216) a live set from the same time. Best known as session guitarist and song-writer (Cover Me, Sure As Sin) Eddie Hinton has been describe ed as the last great white soul singer. Letters From Mississippi (Line INCD 9.00172 0), a collection of demos made in search of a contract and previously only available in Sweden, confirm this to perfection. Over a surging Muscle Shoals backdrop Hinton wails the blues. Now if someone would reissue his 1977 Capriwould reissue his 1977 Capri-corn album ... Another fine al-bum from a cult figure is **Townes Van Zandy's** The Late Great (Decal CD 145) which includes his own version of the off-record-ed Pancho And Lefty. From Ed-sel there's two superior singer-congustar outpart. songwriter outings, Kate & Anna McGarrigle's Dancer With Bruised Knee (ED 307)[•] and Randy Newman's Trouble In Paradise (ED 305)[•]. The former includes the moving First Born and is a superb example of deli-

cate harmonising, while the latter sees Newman at his most mordant, particularly on My Life Is Good, Christmas In Capetown. More exhuberant is Ritmo Caliente (CD Charly 131), a rousing collection of Seventies salsa, in-cluding **Ruben Blades** first ma-jor hit, Pedro Navaja, an account of an immigrant's life in America. The event of the month is CBS's

reissuing all **The Clash**'s six al-bums on mid-price CD. Listening to them in chronological order their eponymous debut album (CBS 32232) remains as striking as ever. With Never Mind The Pollocki it is the such album Bollocks it is *the* punk album. (But note it's the US vesion with a different running order and some track changes). Equally impres-sive is London Calling (460114 2) while Sandinista! (463364 2) remains as perplexing as ever. It will be interesting to see how they sell. Have enough of the Clash's audience of 10 years ago moved into CDs? Also from CBS comes a trio of **Rey Orbison** re-(4634172), Best-Loved Stan-dards (4634192) and the pick of the bunch, Rare Orbison (4634182) which includes The Orbison Actress, Paper Boy and Today's Teardrops. From Ace comes an teadrops. From Ace comes an-other batch of **Grateful Dead** reissues, including From The Mars Hotel (GDV 4007), the live set I Steal Your Face (GDV2 4006), the interesting Tiger Rose (GDV 4010) from the Dead's lyricist **Robert Hunter** and Garcia

(GDV 4011) probably the best of Jerry Garcia's solo outings. On the country front there's been a slew of albums from Stetson. The best of these are Juck Guthrie's Greatest Songs (Hat Guthrie's Greatest Songs (nor 3095)", Al Dexter's Pistol Packin' Mama (3101)", Jimmy Rodgers' My Rough and Rowdy Ways (3091)" and Merle Haggard's celebration of gos-pel music, Land Of Many Churches (3097/8)". Jack Guthrie's career has been for too long overshadowed by that of his cousin and frequent collabor-ator, Woody, but his version of Oklahoma Hills, included here, was one of the earliest country hits to achieve national recogni-tion in the Forties. Similarly, tion in the Forties. Similarly, though, a 1962 recordings of his hits, the Dexter album is a timely reminder of his contribution to the evolution of the honky tonk sound. Rough and Rowdy Ways is a straight reissue of the classic 1960 RCA survey of Rodgers' career and Land Of Many Churches one of the more inter-esting of Haggard's concept al-bums of Seventies. And then there's **Speedy West**. Guitar Spectacular (Hat 3093)* is a straight reissue of his 1963 al-bum in its original sleeve; Steel Guitar From Outer Space (See For Miles See 249)* couples that album with 12 selections of West's Fifties recordings and comes complete with an Churches one of the more intercomes complete with an authorative sleeve note from John Firminger. You pays your

money and takes your choice. Also from See For Miles is Cal-fornia Rose (See 241)* a 20-track selection of the influential **Rose M. ox**'s early Sixties capitol recordings.

Collectors of various persua-sions are well served this month. The Four Lovers (Bear Family Records BCD 15424) collects together all the RCA recordings of e group that later became the Four Seasons and shows the wide range of influences on the group. Also from Big Bear is the double The New Orleans Sessions 1950 (BFD 15308 VA* Bald Head) and the salty blues of the little known Alma Mondy. Epitaph For A Legend Decal LIKD 52)^{*} includes cult raries from Lelan Roger's Inter-actional Artists label. From Denon there's two intriguing Hi re-leases, **AJ Green**'s Love Ritual HILP 443)", which consists most-y of unreleased material and arities such as his first Hi single, a cover of The Beatles Want To told Your Hand, and Rare And Unissued Hi Recordings (HILP 430° which includes two marvelbus previously un tracks by O V Wright unavailable

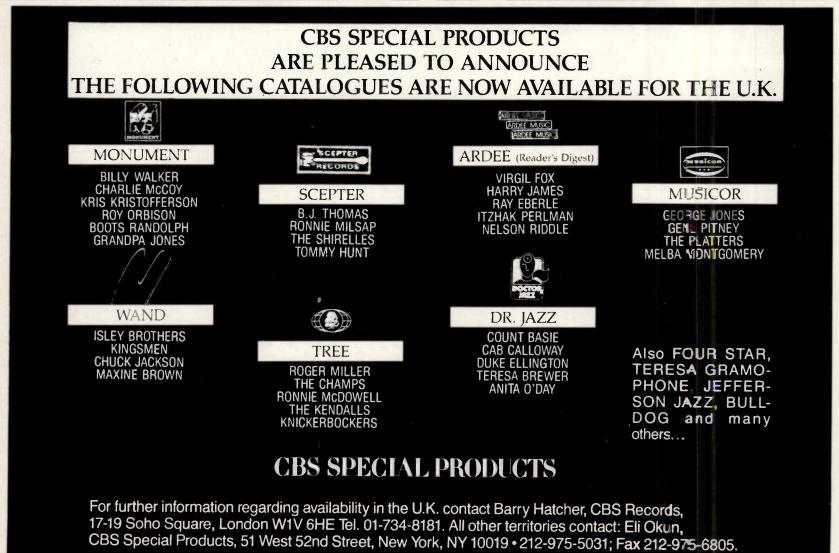
As the years roll by the nostal-gia market seems to be broadening considerably. A trio of Best Ots from EMI, Ronnie Hilton



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which consists of a complete run through of Mercury's first record-ing sessions in the Crescent City. The result is a time capsule of New Orleans music with stand out tracks from **Professor** Longhair (notably the raucus

CD² 7 9220 2), **Eve Boswell** (7 92259 2) and, the best of the bunch, **Michael Holliday** (92260 2) are obviously targeted at that market. PELEASES MARKED * are only available in LP and cassette form.



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by Barry Lazell LONGSY D'S This Is Ska has

taken up what seems to be near-permanent residence in the dance chart, outlasting and quite probably outselling a lot of records which streaked faster and higher but burned out much more quickly.

The single also made not inconsiderable inroads into the national top 75 a few weeks ago, and continues to sell in consistent "bubbling under" quantities.

Apart from Longsy himself, the person to whose face this success has brought the biggest smile is Patrick Meads, who helms the Big One label for which the Willesden, north London-based rapper and musician records.

Meads is an experienced industry veteran, who ran Trojan Records through the first half of the Eighties, and was responsible for many compilations of that label's impressive ska and reggae back-catalogue.

He first set up Big One in mid-1985 as "an evening and weekend label, running paral-lel to my day job at Trojan". It wasn't that Meads was particularly desperate to run a label himself, but he was fighting a growing frustration that he was not making full use of his talents.

"I was known as a marketing man, but I also knew that I had skills for A&R, promotion and talent development, as well as an ability to do things with catalogue; the problem was convincing anyone to agree with me. Big One was the eventual 'Okay, I'll show you' answer.'

The label's first single was by Birmingham group, Xpertz — "part of the post-ska revival which seeded in the wake of the Specials and 2-Tone" — and it did well enough to convince Meads to continue where he had started



CORPORATION OF One: Cutmaster MC, Patrick Meads and Longsy D

Was there any particular sig-nificance to the name? "Not really. Just my own brand of humour and a slight dig at the industry I was taking on single-handed, as it were: I could say, 'this is going to be the big one

Meads and Trojan eventually parted company in July 1987, by which time Big One had chugged into gear in the specialist market with some low-key regare 12-inchers. That some week, he met Longsy D, whose ideas and obvious talents were an immediate catalyst.

"Within weeks we'd been into the studio to cut Hip-Hop Reggae, and we had it on release. Big One was suddenly a full-time company with a good reason to be. Of course, we didn't have a major chart success, but it was one of the cult dancefloor sounds of 1987, and we sold something like 18,000," says Meads.

In the 18 months or so since that initial seller, releases on Big One have been easily-paced and care-fully considered. "We've put out just nine singles between then and - I'm a firm believer, particularly since this is basically a oneman operation, in only releasing product at a rate to which you can do each individual release justice, and I would rather issue just one record a year that I believed in, rather than several in which I didn't. Anyway, three of the eight prior to This Is Ska, including Longsy's second release, To The Rhythm, made the top 100 as well as specialist charts, and now, of course, we've had our first 'real' chart hit, inside the 75!

This Is Ska came from an idea I had last October, which I suggest-ed to Longsy as an LP track. In fact, it was the last track of the batch that we cut (Meads, as befits his jack-of-all-trades jack-of-all-trades approach, doubles as producer under the

name Patrick T Rojan - no prizes for sussing out the origin of the name!, and it was recorded, mix-ed and edited in six hours, at a grand cost of £100."

and cost of £100. Big One is, and will basically remain, a dance-oriented label. genre itself is so wide now", says Meads, "house, hi-NRG, hip-hop - they've all proved to be viable commercial forms in their own right. Basically, anything which is good and original will find a sec-tion of the dance audience, and mixing elements of some of these genres has proved to be one of Longsy's and our trump cards so far. We can be as versatile as necessary within the area of what we feel to be worthwhile, and as we develop, I can see us releasing more pop-oriented mainstream dance music. Perhaps that will even break the barrier of Radio One airplay — or rather, lack of it, which, l would say, is the chief problem faced by any — particularly dance — indie label.

Future projects include work with former Bad Manners frontperson Buster Bloodvessel, the development of the completely street-level First Bass subsidiary label, and of acts like Kash, Twin-Beat, Syndee, and Interlocutor 3. Meads feels: "I've already fulfil-

led my original ambition - I can thumb my nose at those majors who didn't want to use me".

Important to the smooth flow of an essentially one-man operation are good working relationships with those who cover the necessarily farmed-out aspects, and Meads has good words for Cartel distribu-Secret Promotions (who cover tion his PR and club promo) and his artwork people, who conveniently occupy the office beneath Big One's ("I only have to do a rough, and slip down the stairs with it; it

all helps ease the process"). Big One is based at 343, Goswell Road, London EC1V 7JT (Tel. 01 486 5353).

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AN IMPORT EP called Back To Basks — which only sold moderately well when new last winter — is proving to have been one of the most important dance records of the year, in that it spawned first the original version of what became the current Jonnanda hit, and now likewise the lurching bass powered striding instrumental PRECIOUS Definition Of A Track (Big Beat BB-0007), given several hip PRECISION DETINION OF A Frace (signed) Beat BB-0007), given several hip house vocal remixes in this form too, the hottest US release of the moment! Other imports doing business include the strong slickly speeding huskily soulful house FORTE (featuring Leon Evans) I'll Set Ya' Free (Pet Project WAR-044); Monkees Theme introad then Stone Fox Chase and other scratching Todd Terry-type samples backed exciting rap TWIIN HYPE Do It To The Crowd (Profile PRO-7255); good rare groove funcy break beats woven jogging rap NU SOUNDS Condition Red (UNI Records UNI-8016); Bobby Glever Your Spell rewriting Reger produced teasingly started then soulful high pitched harmonies washed rolling LYNCH Magic Spell (Capitol V-15462); Grown Hights Affettr 'dada dada, dip dip dip' scat-based and many other funkily chugging break beats woven THE DYNAMS. DUO In The Pocket (Nu Groove NG-020); Frankle Knuddles remixed beefily thumping and bounding bury house LOST BOYS II's Time For A Change (4th + B'way BWAY 474); Vistor Succedil Terry-type samples woven raucously rapped and a bit untidity frantic hip house BROOKLINF FUIK ESSENTIALS Change The Track (Minimal Records 6); hard to find languidly chatted funkity rolling rap 'n' scretch SUPFEME DJ NYBORN Versatility (Payroll Records RR-732); rawly mixed bright dated jazz-funkily jiggling WALTER P.P.K. Get On Board (Basic BS 202); Full Force created spikily jolting swingbeat CHERTL PEPSII BILEY Seein (Sellevin' (The Pepsii Dance Remix) (Columbia 44 68237). On import LP are the real soul fans pleasing though not really that exceptional gruff dated 'D' Train-type swingbeat and slowies oriented ALTON 'WOKLE' STEWART All Our Love (Epic FE 45210), and likewise good enough largely downtempo soul EUGENE WILDT I Choose You (Tonight) (Magnolia Sound MCA-42282), while out here and likely to create rather more of a stir is the eagerly

artic pited and long awaited GLUD A KHAN Life Is A Dance — The Remix Project (Warner Bros EX 205 – double album of oldies in moder remixes (like her hit single). Big aw UK released club smoshes to loo out for are the fascinatingly beautrul sinuous subtle deep house FLAMEKIE KONUCKLES procents STOCHT TOMILE featuring Rebeat Owems Tears (ffrr FX 108); Glassifier of the PROFT 250); Fast Lable remixed bumpily bubbling hip house SWEIT THE Let's Dunce Profile PROFT 250; Fast Lable remaking and arg is ang bright y forceful commercial SMOON MARRIS Kentening Lossifier Gordon (I've Got Yeu) easure Control (ffrr FX 106); media Lossifier Owens Mix) (Kool Kat Link (Link Link) (Kool Kat Link (Link Link) (Kool Kat Link 1 via Big Life); excellent Al Harmanu-Stub Ammonies and a a e. (specifically by Cappella's h) ca. hy driving LNR Work It To The Bone The Clubhouse Mix) (Kool Kat UFR I, via Big Life); excellent Al Jarreau-style harmonies and South Professor scratches cambeing exotic jounty OMAR I Darit Hind The Waiting (Kongo DPST 5 via) etStar); fiercely scratched famue percussion break beats backed wordy fast rap MINK tenering 2WICE THE TROUBLE Hy Leyl Can You Relate? (FON Rear FON T18); M-D-Emm cracte samples stuffed mournfully dram Latin house MYSTROUE from the Keering Life ON (Reformed to the Star Heart reaker (I Can't Understand) (R-Fu lic Records LICT 009); Iem Latine may Kid Valles Heart reaker (I Can't Understand) (R-Fu lic Records LICT 009); Iem Latine on All Over The World (Nghmare MARE 103); monotonous bu outreemely powerful intense percul on jittered RENEGADE Sour Sour By Star (Siren Sourd Wave The Phantom (It's In There Mute France AF 19364). Pap takes will doubtless go also for the Starp Petitibane remixed Manuel Anter Your Girl (Siren Sourd Dy ABDONNA Express Youse f (Sire W 2948T); perky shrill sm k: g jiggly US pop PAULA And Charter Your Girl (Siren Sourd Dy Canking pop house Manuel An on't Fight The Music (The Dance Yand Recording Carse and on YARD T7).



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COMPILED BY MUSIC WEEK FROM GALLUP DATA. BUBBLERS ARE FROM OUTSIDE THE TOP 50 ON THEIR WAY UP

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3 2 4 Kylie Minogue PWL PWL(T) 35 (P)
4 22 2 Bobby Brown MCA MCA(T)1338 (F)
5 5 8 London Boys Teldec/WEA YZ345(T) (W)
6 4 4 Edelweiss WEA YZ 353(T) (W)
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15 11 5 Debbie Gibson Atlantic A 8919(T) (W)
16 10 3 Diana Ross EMI (12)EM91 (E)
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20 16 8 Holly Johnson MCA MCA(T)1323 (F)

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2 (1) BUN AND CHEESE Cloment Ine	Blue Mountain BMD 055
3 (3) FATAL ATTRACTION Taxmon	Stush STU 001
4 (8) SWEET AND NICE Lombert Douglas/Wayne Fit	re Charm CRT 29
5 (18) PUSH PUSH Slim Baston	Nu Edge NE 00912
6 (7) TWO TIMING LOVER Janet Davis	Fine Style FS 020
7 (12) COME TO RULE Sanchez D.	Sir Coxsone BD 8908
8 (4) I WANNA BE LOVED BY YOU Philip Loo	Fine Style FS 021
9 (6) MAKE UP YOUR MIND T Sports/B General	Blue Trac BTRD 034
10 (5) TAKE YOUR TIME Sandra Cross	Ariwo ARI 87
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1 (1) LOVE LINE Frankie Paul	Olory Gold GGLP 003
2 (3) TOP TEN '89 Various Artists	Super Power SPLP 11
3 (5) SELEKTA SHOWCASE 89 Vorious Artists	Greensleeves GREL 130
4 (2) BOWLED OVER John McLean	Anwa ARILP 037
5 (6) SCANDAL SKA Vorious Artists	Island Records ILPS 9929
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LOVERS FOREVER Various Artists

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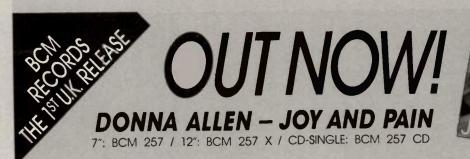
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3	TAKE SOME TIME OUT Arnold Jarvis	Republic LICT 024 (CAR)
4	WE GOT OUR OWN TH Heavy D & The Boyz	MCA MCA 23942 (F)
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6	LET IT ROLL Raze Presents Doug Lazy G	rove Stree GSR 018 (IMP)
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9	LOOKING FOR A LOVE Joyce Sims Sle	eping Bag SLX 40142 (IMP)
10	ROCK TO THE BEAT Lisa M	Jive JIVE(T) 201 (BMG)





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AIRWAVES

IBA contracts roll out as Sunderland shuns top 40

by Bob Tyler THE IBA has announced the winners of the second batch of In-cremental radio contracts last week. However, time for the overworked authority, ran out and it deferred the decision on the Tendring contract until June. The Isle of Wight, contract went to Isle of Wight Radio, a group led by broadcaster and journalist Jean-Paul Hansford. He is a native of the island and had been preparing the application for a number of years with a local consortium. He is currently a presenter with Ocean

Sound which he is planning to use as an overnight service. Hansford says: "Our policy will be to play quality familiar music going back four decades." The island has a large population of over 25s but he promises that the station will

sound "exciting and exhilarating". In London the Haringey station went to a joint bid between Lon-don Greek Radio and WNK Radio, offering black music. They plan to operate by dividing the day between the two groups and broad-casting the two ethnic services as different stations

In Sunderland, the contract was awarded to the local community radio association who plan to broadcast a daily show of Thirties and Forties music and several evening specialist music shows. Alan Fry, spokesman for the group added that "we are not a top 40 station

The final successful applicant is Radio Harmony based in Coventry. Again an ethnic station, with a base of Asian music, together with Polish and Ukrainian.

Jazz blows its own trumpet

WITH RECENT Arts Council re-search suggesting a UK audience for jazz of 31/2m and the emergence of a new pressure group for more jazz on radio, hopes are high that the new London FM in-cremental radio contract might go to one of three applicants with a

strong jazz emphasis. London Jazz Radio, with a per-sonality-led presenting team fea-turing Humphrey Lyttelton, includes former LBC newsman Ron Onions. Thames Radio will offer a mix of

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STREET FIGHTING YEARS

PAST PRESENT, Clannad

MIND BOMB, The The

PARADISE, Inner City

A NEW FLAME, SIMPLY RED

DON'T BE CRUEL, Bobby Brown

STEPPIN' TO THE SHADOWS,

GOOD TO BE BACK, Natalie Cole EMI-USA

TEN GOOD REASONS, Jason Donovan PWI

KALEIDOSCOPE WORLD, Swing Out Sister For BLAST, Holly Johnson

NITEFITE 2, Various

ANYTHING FOR YOU, G.Estefan/Miami Snd

PRECIOUS METAL, Various

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BIG DADDY, John C Mallencamp

BLIND MAN'S ZOO, 10,000 Maniocs

EVERYTHING, The Bangles

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rock and jazz while an amalgamation of two established radio groups, Tower and Pyramid from Brixton includes world music and improvised music in its proposed programming. This application also, includes input from Edinburgh-bas-ed Radio Forth.

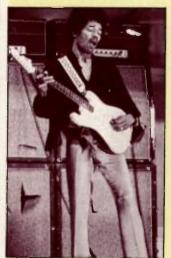
The Arts Council findings pro-vide ammunition for an Is Radio

Fair To Jazz? campaign launched by the Association of British Jazz Musicians. The ABJM's Chris Hodgkins says the research shows that while live classical music is at-tended by 12 per cent of the popu-lation and live jazz by 8 per cent, the former gets 95 hours of BBC national radio a week while jazz has just four and a half. BT

B R I E F

 BBC-1 is broadcasting a Paul McCartney special, Put It There, on June 10. Produced by PMI for the BBC and MPL, the 50-minute show will feature a mix of tracks from the new album Flowers In The Dirt, some classic songs from the past and an interview with McCartney. NBD Pictures, which distributed McCartney, a previ-ous BBC profile, is handling inter-national distribution NBD mon ous BBC profile, is handling infer-national distribution. NBD man-aging director Nicky Davies says the show is "selling like hot cakes. Most European countries are taking it and serious negoti-tions or taking along with the ations are taking place with the US.

GREAT NORTHERN Rock, BBC North East's indie rock show, expands its territory from June 3. Simulcast for over two years on BBC local radio stations in Leeds, York and Humberside, radios Sheffield, Cleveland and



JIMI HENDRIX Channel 4 goes into the archives



PAUL McCARTNEY: BBC Special

Newcastle will now be included. The show also moves to a regular Saturday night slot from 8 to 10pm. Presenter/producer Jer-emy Hibbard says "I'm hoping to give airlime to as many of the regive airlime to as many or more gion's excellent bands as poss-ible." Previous live session bands have included Dub Sex, The Brochute Men and The Cardiacs

Cardiacs. • ELTON JOHN has chosen MTV Europe to open for his forthcoming British concert tour with Nik Kershaw. The first con-cert, at the NEC Birmingham, took place on May 17 and mark-ed the UK debut of MTV On The Road. MTV opens each concert with a 30-minute package of video clips, segments and animation.

 STARTING MAY 30, Chan-nel 4's late night music slot moves into summer with a wide variety of programmes featuring artists like Billy Bragg, Rory Gallagher and Ziggy Marley, plus archive footage of Abba and Jimi Hendrix and a documentary about the emergence of rock music in the USSR.

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A&R TALENT DIY Frv

by David Giles "YOU CAN bet 80 per cent of people who call themselves managers are either hustlers or completely incompetent", says Martin Fry, who knows far more about management than most popstars — mainly be-cause ABC have been their own bosses for the majority of their existence. They're back in business at the moment with a new single, One Better World, from the forthcoming Up al-bum, which is their fifth LP, 10 years after Fry and Mark White released their first single in a band called Vice Versa.

Since then, there has only been a short period when an outside manager has been involved (although in the US they are managed by Bennett Freed). Fry explains why: "We only manage ourselves

now because we've searched high and low for a manager. They seem to be split into two camps: the guy who is a fifth member of the band, if you like, who is invaluable if you develop over the years. But it's difficult to locate somebody like that when you're established. Or there are the fat cat companies management who've got a roster of 10 names, and sometimes that doesn't suit an artist.

"Management isn't about going to a couple of five-star restaurants. The most successful people I've come across work for the group or artist. Often groups get intimidated by their management, or they end up with celebrity managers who are plugging themselves rather than the people they represent. If you're clear about what you're do-ingjust seek a really competent lawyer or accountant but I'd love a manager to do battle with

ABC have always created the impression of being a separate 'company' — "the purveyors of fine product" boasts the Neutron slogan — dusting up the charts with a big broom rather than being merely an extension of a major label. A mixture of outrageous selfconfidence ("We want to shake the world to its foundations" Fry said in an early interview) and astute business and artistic acumen has been the key to their success. Would Fry ever consider managing another band himself?

reah, but I think we've got a lot more records to make. Maybe, when I'm 50! I'll be in there, bang-ing on all those record company doors — 'oh no, it's him again!' Then again, music might change radically in the next century. The best managers are the silent guys, y'know? They're few and far be-tween ... but if there's anyone out there interested in managing ABC, send us your curriculum vitae!"



"IT'S LIKE a UK version of the Travelling Wilburys," claims man-ager Andy Price-Watts of the Corporation, an amalgam of Sixties' rock stars. Already nicknamed the Travelling Wrinklies The quintet in-Travelling Wrinklies The quintet in-cludes Merseybeat Tony Crane, Brian Poole, ex-Searcher Mike Pender, Clem Curtis (Foundations) and Reg Presley of The Troggs. Their first single, through Pinnacle, is a revival of The Showstoppers' Ain't Nothin' But A Houseparty. And even though this is one he didn't produce, Pete Waterman's got an interest since All Boys Music owns the publishing.

Popped in, sold out? by Selina Webb

THE TROUBLE with Pop Will Eat Itself, as RCA is discovering, lies with their impulsive blend of hip-hop vocals, loud grunging guitars and laddish humour. It's not designed for an off-the-peg marketing cam-paign and so far both radio and TV have been reluctant to jeopardise programme continuity by pro-viding the exposure it deserves.

Frontman Clint says he can "appreciate the limitations of a band like us not getting on Going Live," but is frustrated that moving to a major, from manager Craig Jen-nings' Chapter 22 label, has made little impact on their profile. The behaviour of the band's first two single releases on RCA (a fortnight hovering around the 40 mark before plummeting) confirms it's the fans — and plenty of them — who are buying the records. The challenge of getting The Poppies to the

masses is still to be met. "On the whole it's been pretty says Clint of the RCA signaood." ing, which he attributes to "needing more money" and better distribu-tion than The Cartel could provide. "The people who work directly with us seem to be genuinely into what we do, but there have been certain cock-ups that really narked us. If The Cartel got something wrong it was still annoying but only a couple of people were involved - when you've got a whole corporation working on something and they still get it wrong, that's

really bad."

The bone currently of contention is that PWEI's new LP, the wildly enjoyable This Is The Day, This Is The Hour, This Is This, has gone out nude in its overcoat. The band are incredulous that RCA has, they're told, lost the artwork for the inner sleeve "somewhere between here and Germany". There's also disagreement on the

There's also disagreement on the choice of the next single. RCA is keen to re-release Def Con I, the band wants Preaching To The Per-verted to go out, while neither party seems keen on Not Now James, We're Busy, the LP track earning most media interest and lacking the radio-repellent multiple Bia Mac references and doday title Big Mac references and dodgy title of the two contenders. The Poppies acknowledge that it could take them into the top 10, but say it's "too much of a novelty record". "We don't want to be seen as

the next Morris Minor And The Majors, and it's hard to shake off people's first impressions," says Clint, who believes "there's no point panicking" as bands like The Cure have proved it's possible to get to the top without ever pander-ing to radio producers. "If you do it your own way you can still get there in the end," he says.

Carry on regardless

by Martin Aston

WHAT DO you do when you've been compared to Fleetwood Mac, Sinead O'Connor, T'Pau and Hazel O'Connor, a list of names that only shows that the lazy journalist has noticed you have a fe-male lead singer? What do you do when some bright spark at EMI calls your singer the worst he's had the privilege to hear? What do you do when you have big sacks of ambition and a small bag of a budget?

You just carry on in your own You just carry on in your own sweet way. Bristol's Love Jungle re-leased their debut mini-album, Welcome To The House Where The Extras Are Free in October 1988 on their own Sugar Shack label, a complete and self-sufficient package full of pop promise. "We do pay attention to what people say but mostly we just carry on, because there is such a contradiction in what people have said," points out guitarist and co-writer Nel Darby. "Some say Angela is the star and the band aren't and others say the opposite. One guy though our problem was that we had 'spaghetti junction' of a musical direction But no-one's said, 'this

band are exactly the same as ...'" Only the EMI comment has really hurt: "I find it shocking as I don't know how anyone could say Angela hasn't got a good voice," says Darby. But Love Jungle's trump card might well be their singer, who like Yazz, is tall, strik-ing, with closely cropped hair and an individual feel for fashion. "She an individual reel for tashion. She looks totally different every time she goes out and makes all her own clothes," Darby says rather proudly. "I've always been quite fussy about who I work with, and about working with people who can sing really well but also have something about them that gets them noticed."

them noticed." But don't go thinking house is Love Jungle's bag, because they're definitely pop. "But not just 'classic' pop," Darby feels, "because I think we have a slightly brighter edge than just another pop band." In other words, Love Jungle still feel independent, in both the musical and mental definitions of the word and mental definitions of the word, which might be the reason why A&R folk are just a little confused.

The group's problem is that bold, accessible songs like Am I Good Enough and Blue Skies — the al-bum's stand-out tracks — never got the necessary bold, accessible production they needed. Darby read-ily agrees, but adds: "I think you can tell how cheaply the record was done and how little studio time we had. It was stupid money but considering, we think we did real y well

Passage from India

by Adam Blake

ZOH HAS sold 20m records in India alone. He has had five number ones in South America, with eno-mous success in such places as Peru. But not, so far, in the UK: 'I was signed to EMI for two years but it didn't work out because they had a pre-conceived image for me, they wanted me to take a very Indian route with tablas, sitars and so forth, and I didn't want to do that."

Zoh is far more interested in Luther Vandross and Stevie Wonder as his new single, Dor't Think Twice, released on the Silva International label, testifies. "I want to get away from the traditional Indian stereotype. I love soul, azz and I love writing," he says. To finish a song after maybe three days working on it, it's great. But I hate having to promote it afterwards, it

takes all the fun out of it." However that's exactly what Zah has been doing with Don't Thirk Twice, making personal appear-ances at clubs up and down the UK. With his touring band he has appeared in the Middle East, Portugal, Canada and the US, done one date at Hammersmith Odeon, and he is about to tour India. He explains: "I don't have a manager, sc fo a tour I employ all the musicians I get all the equipment, I make sure the contracts are in order, organise the promotion — that's the only way you can make organise the promotion money.

Zon has a second career as a businessman. He somehow manages to combine being a pop star wth tudying for an MBA (Master of Business Administration): "It's of Business Administration): It's quite separate. It has a lot to do with my parents. I always put music as a second priority, always. I make sure my studies are done. Musie is very important but I'm not going to sacrifice my life for it. You con't rely on the music business."



ZDF You can't rely on the music business

Plain Wailing

by Adam Isaacs

BOB MARLEY'S death in 1980 was the start of the lean times for hs band The Wailers. "We had no contract with him" says guitarist Junicr Marvin, recently in the UK to promote a new Wailers Band al-

bum on Atlantic. The lack of legal documents meant intermittent Jamaica-only releases by the group, whose most seccessful project was the Alpha Bondy's Jerusalem album, a gold reco d in France. This was the last reco ding of drummer Carlton Bar-rett scho died in a shooting. It ook us seven years to get a

It ook us seven years to get a deal Junior stresses "because people thought Bob was The Wail-es. We had to struggle, to prove ourselves. But we kept working. We did the Sunsplash tour in '86 and before that the Legend tour in ' ϵ 4 and various tribule tours to Australia and Naw, Zooland". Austmalia and New Zealand". The new album ID features new

members Michael "Boo" Richards on diums, Irvin "Carrot" Jarrett (ex-Thirc World) on percussion and ex-Barklee College scholar Martin Battiata (piano). Although good salesare guaranteed in the US and Japan, Marvin's soulful vocals are

let down by poor songwriting. The Wailers Band now set out an c world tour with UK dates fixed for Birmingham Humming-bird June 28) and London Astoria 1291





STEVIE WONDER: birthday boy at his best

Wonder stuff

NOT MANY birthday parties are held at **Wembley Arena** and when **Stevie Wonder** started celebrating, it was certainly a special occasion.

His brilliant performance gave the audience a chance to sit back and re-live some of the most excit-ing moments of his career. These included songs from his classic Innervisions album and the old R&B favourites recorded before he was 21 years old.

These were backed with a wealth of other songs from his colourful repettoire and the whole show was held together by Won-der's friendly chats between songs, which included a hilarious attempt at a posh English accent and im-pressions of artists like Michael Jackson and Diana Ross.

The set showed exactly why Wonder has such tremendous respect from so many others. His songs throughout the years — ex-cluding the abysmol I Just Called ... period — have been characterised by their depth and strong memor-

able melodies. Even when he played a new track, Good Light, that too was distinctive for the same reasons and proved that his creativity has not left him.

But perhaps the most impressive aspect of the show was how his voice was on top form for the whole of the three hours-plus show. Even after that time he didn't want to leave the arena - and neither did the audience. NICK ROBINSON

Beautiful visions

HURRAH! HEAD off along the road that so few guitar-based rock/pop groups can successfully navigate. On one side lies the

of scul-less wimpy wreckage janglers, while on the other sits the burnt-out shells of shallow overpompous fakers. For many, il seems hard enough to steer a steady course in the studio, but when performing live things beeven more difficult. come

With their second LP, The Beauti-ful, Hurrah! have shown that they can still successfully manage the former. And at London's Marquee they set out to repeat the achievement on stage. Things got off to a shaky start with the night's only new song, Hallelujah, which could do with some tightening up. It was followed by an unnecessary re-arrangement of Gloria — why meddle with something which is al-

ready perfect? But by the third song they had found their stride and there was no looking back. Having three singer/songwriters ensures plenty of variety: from Paul Handyside's studied pure-pop approach, via Taffy Hughes' more dramatic style, through to Dave Porthouse's rockout. Fuelled with frustration, they delivered all the hits that never were: Sweet Sanity, How Many Rivers and Big Sky.

When almost everyone else's standards seem so low, Hurrah! set their's almost beyond reach: at the end of a concert which would put so many to shame, the group seemed genuinely dissatisfied with their performance. On a "good night" they would be unmissable. ANDY BEEVERS

Back on the Kane gang

HUE AND Cry's performance at London's Hamn ersmith Odeon was a very different affair from the gig I attended a year or so ago in a Birmingham nightclub.

That night they had a very small but highly excited audience who'd come to hear their first hit, Labour Of Love. Brothers Pat and Greg Kane gave them that great anthem twice plus a double dose of a version of Prince's Kiss. And, good as it was, I left feeling disappointed that Hue and Cry hadn't come up with more worthy produce of their own

Patrick's brilliant batch of new songs — from their second album Remote — hit Hammersmith hard. They appealed across the board. to the screaming kids on the balcony and the thoughtful music buffs in the stalls. And I was pleased to note that

Now I am disillusioned no more.

Pat isn't afraid to rub in what they're about: the evils of Poll Tax, office politics, problems of painful shyness and so on.

But the showstopper was their brilliant cover of Kate Bush's Man With The Child In His Eyes, sung by the brothers without the accompaniment of the superb three-man brass section which boosted them so admirably on other tracks. Tonight's performance came up

with the goods, demonstrating that over the last 12 months the Kane clan have matured against the odds into a band with a great long term future CHRIS WILSON

Never mind the Balkans, here's Muzsikas

BALKAN FATIGUE has yet to affect us, so rich and enduring is the music transported to our door. Hannibal Records is mostly respon-sible for the efforts; and following the epic and equally acclaimed Bulgarian ensemble, comes Hun-gary's **Muzsikas**, featuring Marta Sebestyen, who's been called the Hungarian Sandy Denny before now. Which doesn't make now. Which doesn't make Muzsikas the Hungarian Fairport Convention because they're more in the tradition of a gypsified, mediaeval Chieftains.

Quite why these five Hungarians share something with the Celtic spirit is something for the ethno-musicologists, but the **Woolwich** Tramshed audience were too busy being bewitched by the

group. With soaring and sawing fiddles, cuatro and double bass, Muzsikas songs are wonderful string-driven things, uncannily simple and in-tense at the same time, while the addition of hurdy-gurdy and bagpipes varies the recipe. Another key to the enjoyment of this dance/house sound was the double bassist's comments. In versatile and humorously dry English his explanations of the functions of this traditional music — for weddings, sad love poems, danc-ing and so on — freed the stuff from a purely objective appreciation of the form.

Between the explanations, these Balkans know how to get down, and in the elfin Marta they have a singer who might sing a little bit too far off the microphone, but has a tone and emotion that should be the envy of many a Brit-warbler. Glorious stuff, but then you expect that now. The Balkan beat goes on. MARTIN ASTON

Scoring those Pixie points

THE PIXIES may be rubbing shoulders in the LP chart with INXS and The Bangles but they're not letting on. With looks that wouldn't

turn a head in The Rover's Return their on-stage banter at London's Town and Country Club amounted to a couple of 'thank you's'

Instead, every ounce of sweat and creativity percolates through their boiler of musical invention, building up a head of steam that powers along their glorious sound. It's cunning stuff, playing on minute touches as much as raw power as The Pixies work overtime to em-

phasise every last hiss and whisper. Where so many US four-piece acts mark their territory with a guitar sound, the Pixies' hallmark is the unique lyrical and vocal gen-ius of Charles "Black" Francis. Looking more like a St Bernard he whined like a coyote and barked like a Doberman.

The might and majesty of songs like I Bleed and This Monkey's Gone To Heaven coupled with the groovy infection of There Goes My Gun and Gigantic is a near perfect recipe. If great is six then The Pixies are seven.

MATTHEW COLE

Get a Grip IT'S NOT often that you can place bands within a field of one but in the case of **The Grip** you are left with no option. Their unique brand of joyful rock has steadily built up a healthy and enthusiastic following, allowing for yet another packed out show at the **Marquee** and a fitting climax to their UK tour.

It's easy to get carried away with superlatives when describing The Grip on stage. From the opening Silicon And Wire, through When The Rain Comes Down, right up to Old Getting Older (unrecorded as yet but now elevated to the high-light of the set), there's no mistaking the band's undoubted ability to produce quality songs, packed full of irresistible melody and infectious charm. In Willie they have not only a tunesmith but a confident and witty frontman capable of stirring up a party atmosphere, creating the perfect environment for The

Grip to operate in. By the time they reach Be Yourself, the title track of last year's debut album, the Teenage Bride, the current single via Survival, The Grip have made their point. The latter, incidentally, witnesses the band at their heaviest, yet losing none of their instantly commercial appeal. The guitars seek to com-plement and bolster, not camou-flage the songs, a quality that they make look easy.

With the encore of Tiger Feet, the band deliver a song that best sums up Grip philosophy, before bow ing out with a speedy Great Balls Of Fire. With the essential components of tunes, power, humour and optimism well in evidence it shouldn't be long before the senti-ments of their England You're Dead EP become a distant reminder of a valuable apprenticeship. KIRK BLOWS

As clear as Mudhoney

"WE'RE NOT going to play until everyone joins us on stage," said everyone joins us on stage," Mark Arm, Mudhoney's vocalist, to the packed crowd at The Lon-don School of Oriental and African Studies. The result of this oft-used humorous remark was a stage invasior which delayed the gig for more than 30 minutes and put paid to any chance the night's headline's had of living up to their high star dards.

Even when they did play, there were numerous interruptions most of which seemed to have little to do with audience misbenaviour. Their eventual performance did offer some compensation with tidy versions of Chain That Door and their classic Touch Me I'm aick, but the edge of a normal gig was de-stroyed by the stop-start rig marole. It could have been a great set, but given the attention their Superfuzz Bigmuff LP has aroused, they should soon get the chance to play London again.

Earlier in the evening former fellow Sub Pop stablemates Soundgarden showed why A&M has invested n them. Singer Chris Cornell has a voice that helps you remember Robert Plant at his best and the kind of Yank good looks that will soon have the lttle girls screaming and A&M's accountants sleeping happily. Musically, they're almost straight metal but retain some of the wackiness and intelligence cf hardcore. LEO FINLAY

Another band, another planet

THE TRUDY are every single Sixties kitsch TV noment throwr together. They're The Monkees re-done with Thunderbirds type suppets, they're Captain Scaret's favourite band. In the same way that pop music was d splayed as a disposable youth object in programmes of the time, The Trudy are frivolousness transcribed into music.

They claim to come from another planet and you can tell. The stage gear is a bundle of preposterous outfits, cll shoulder pads, glitter and bacon foil suits while the music is packed with outer space reterences. Giant white balloons decorated with earie cosmic projections surround the proceedings, making sure that nothing goes out of hand and in a way nothing really does. It's fun, it's fantastic and yes it's been done before (The Rezillos to name but one) but that's no reason to deny an evening of solid entertainment.

The stage is littered with bodies all scrabbling to play as many in-struments as possible. Organs, guitars, paper plates, no holds barred in the search for the pop music equivalent of a space hcpper. The audier ce, to say the leas, is affected. The ony reason nc-one's up at the front at the **Powerhaus** is that they're all getting down and this is truly a close encounter of the fun kind

Like Grease on another planet, Blondie playing Lost In Space, The Trudy are the past meeting the fu-ture and throwing one big girly power pop party. Commercial suc-cess, hell who needs it. Prepare to fall in love. IAN WATSON

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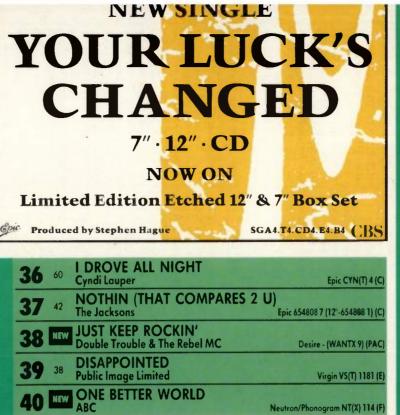
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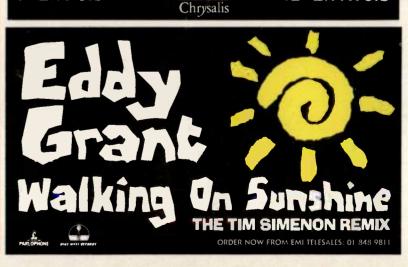
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4*	4	SOLDIER OF LOVE, Donny Osmond	Capitol
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9	3	I'LL BE THERE FOR YOU, Bon Jovi	Mercury
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18	10	LIKE A PRAYER, Modonna	Sire
19	13	SECOND CHANCE, Thirty Eight Special	M.8A
20*	24	CRY, Waterfront	Polydor
21*	27	POP SINGER, John Cougar Mellencamp	Mercury
22*	30	BABY DON'T FORGET MY NUMBER, Milli Vanilli	Arista
23*	28	THIS TIME I KNOW IT'S FOR REAL, Donna Summer	Atlantic
24*	29	MISS YOU LIKE CRAZY, Natalie Cole	EMI
25	26	VOICES OF BABYLON, The Outfield	Columbia
26	17	IKO IKO (From Rain Man), The Belle Stars	Capitol
27	18	THINKING OF YOU, So-Fire	Cutting
28*	35	GOOD THING, Fine Young Cannibals	I.R.S.
29	32	LITTLE JACKIE WANTS TO BE A STAR, Lisa Lisa & Cult Jam	Col
30*	34	COMING HOME, Cinderella	Mercury
31	16	CULT OF PERSONALITY, Living Colour	Epic
32*	-	I WON'T BACK DOWN, Tom Petty	MCA
33*	40	I DROVE ALL NIGHT, Cyndi Lauper	- Epic
34	23	FUNKY COLD MEDINA, Tone-Loc	Delicious
35	25	SHE DRIVES ME CRAZY, Fine Young Cannibals	I.R.S.
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18*	25	TWICE SHY, Great White	Capitol
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20*		DISINTEGRATION, The Cure	Elektra
21.	-	REPEAT OFFENDER, Richard Marx	EMI
22	17	MYSTERY GIRL, Roy Orbison	Virgin
23	20	HYSTERIA, Def Leppard	Mercury
24	22	SHOOTING RUBBERBANDS AT THE STARS, Edie Brickell	Geffen
25	23	MELISSA ETHERIDGE, Melissa Etheridge	Island
26	24	AND JUSTICE FOR ALL, Metallica	Vertigo
27	27	GUY, Guy	Uptown
28	21	EVERYTHING, The Bangles	Columbia
29*	33	NICK OF TIME, Bonnie Raitt	Capitol
30	29	OUT OF ORDER, Rod Stewart	Warner Bros
31	31	WINGER, Winger	Atlantic
32	30	WATERMARK, Enyo	Geffen
33	26	GREEN, R.E.M.	Warner Brothers
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35	32	LET'S GET IT STARTED, M.C. Hammer	Capitol
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37	28	LOOK SHARP!, Roxette	EMI
38	37	LIFE ISTOO SHORT, Too Short	Jive
39	39	SPIKE, Elvis Costello	Warner Bros
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LP REVIEWS

TIN MACHINE: Tin Machine. EMI USA. MTLS 1044. David Bowie returns under the guise of a raging rock and roll four piece that owes more to his Ziggy Stardust period than his recent efforts. But while this return to roots will please Bowie's dedicated followers, the abrasive edge and wailing guitars might well restrict wider sales. That said, there are some damn fine songs that find Bowie free-wheeling and having a lot of fun, particularly the Stoogesstyle Crack City and the tongue-incheek lament of Bus Stop. The man's undeniable style remains intact but this time he delivers the goods too.

A & R



k d lang: Absolute Torch And Twang. Sire WX59. There's none of the careering energy of lang's last album with the reclines (Angel With A Lariot) or its dramatic tongue-in-check extremes. This is a more polished offering, highlighting that lang — in collaboration with Ben Mink — is capable of writing a decent ballad on which to hang her voice or a pure country number with a swing in its tail. But the high points — such as Three Days, Trail Of Broken Hearts and Pulling Back The Reins — are sparkling enough to sustain lang's current kudos.

LISA LISA & CULT JAM: Straight To The Sky. CBS 463446-1. While the hardcore hip hop element continues to bombard the dancefloors, Lisa Lisa can be found exploring the more commercial side of the genre. This album is in more of a pop vein with distinct Latin influences but still retaining some sturdy hip hop rhythms. And as the single Little Jackie has proved, it works well.

JODY WATLEY: Larger than Life. MCA. MCG 6044. Watley follows her platinum-selling debut with this breezy, 12-track summer collection which, despite some cloning in the funk workout and ballad departments, has its impressive moments. The v. Minneapolis For Love's Sake, vocal collaboration with rappers Eric B and Rakim on Friends and the glorious Lifestyle are all made memorable by producer Andre Cymore, the former Prince cohort who also takes writing credits with Watley for all but one of the tracks.

THE OUTFIELD: Voices Of Babylon. CBS 4634451 (C:-4/CD:-2). A band who have never matched their US success back home in England return with a classy set of songs that still echo The Cars and The Police, although the stunning title track which is already a US hit and climbing over here, is their most stylish and individual single to date. No real surprises, but they never promised any either. GT

SABBAT: Dreamweaver. Noise NUK 132. Their History Of A Time To Come debut was unanimously acclaimed and with Dreamweaver maintaining the band's penchant for lyrical and musical complexity, a talent that belies their youth, Sabbat now look destined to take their unique brand of thrash all the way. Illustrating the potential rather than the limitations of their genre, if ever there were a mus cal equivalent of The Exorcist, this i it!



PAUL HAIG: Chain Records CIRCA 7. Fine solo effort from Haig, former frontman of Scotland's coolest ever group Josef K. Now working with ex-Associate Alan Rankine, the emphasis Las switched from classic jangly gu ar sounds to classy Euro-pop, bu a superior brand of that much maligned format. There's quite a few potential hits here, a small each way on Times Can Change reaching top 20 status would be in order, and the future in general, looks bright for one of the mare interesting pop singers around.

FRONT LINE ASSEMBLY: Ga hed Senses & Crossfire. Thad Mind TMLP31. Technology was again. Front Line Assembly are Canadian conspiracy theorists out of Skinny Puppy who bring a gath sensibility into play in their excelent electro-dance music. More static and ponderous than house, Ga hed Senses & Crossfire is nonetheless plugged well into the pleasure principle.



KEVIN MCDERMOTT OR-CHESTRA: Mother Nature's Ktchen. Island. ICT 9920. Not only is this the strongest debut of the year so far it is also a contener for best album. It's packed with rousing, passionate rock songs charged with some gutsy and emotive electric and acoustic guilter work. The spark was lit with the excellent Wheels Of Wonder since and McDermott's honest and upliting songwriting style looks set o ensure big long term sales.



STAN RIDGWAY: Mosquitas. IRS Records. EIRSA 1010. Alwa s a masterful storyteller, Ridgway returns with another stunning colletion of mood pieces and rocking rhythms. His lyrical clarity makes him sound like a Tom Waits from the deep South and the tunes are just as captivating. A successful single, possibly Goin' Southbound, should put him — deservedly back in the public eye.

THE DICKIES: Second Coming-Enigma ENVLP 526. The return of the vastly underrated Dickies fings them in fine fettle. The term "power pop" was coined precisely for music like this — lively, melodic and frequently manic. Unlike many of their post-punk contemporarie, The Dickies have never bee frightened of intricate pop songand there are some exceler examples here.

TO HELL WITH BURGUNDY Earthbound. FACTORY 217. Distribution: Pinnacle. Quite wh any group would so slavishly mimi Love's Forever Changes is baffling. That said, this debut is melodic, co mospheric, daring, subtle — all the things Love were. Given Factory hioness, Earthbound could make a major splash, and not just in the alternative charts.

VAR DUS: 2-4-2. El ACME 19. Distribution: Pinnacle. VARI-CUS: Bananas! Rodney Rodney RODNEY 1. Distribution: APT. Two compilations donating funds to the Hillsborough appeal but conceived before the tragedy. Both thare a common sense of humour, both are well worth hearing, cho.gh the novelty of the former can ware off quite rapidly. 4-2-4 bings together all the dreadful song: by football teams, from England to Wimbledon, with pop insents from 10CC, The Thompson Twins and Chas And Dave at times. The best offering by far is Don Marcon's Belfast Boy. The effect of the remainder being hilarious after numeous drinks. Bananas! is aimec far and square against the I-D card bill and has Dub Sex, Frank Sidebottom, Bradford, The Com Dollies and various others lending their songs.

BLUE RODEO: Diamond Mine. WEA 256 268-1. Anyone who is a fan of 10,000 Maniacs, The Triffice or Elvis Costello will appraciate the creative songwriting that makes this album one of the most accomplished works of the year. Country, rock and folk influences blend to make an emotive, relaxing and fulfilling set. Dig out this gem.

SPINAL TAP: From The Original Motion Picture Soundtrack. This Is Spinal Tap. Episode LUS LP2. At last The original testament fo the entire history of heavy rock finaly makes it way onto vinyl. The subtleties and slight nuances of Spinal Tap's humour continues on record with the likes of Hell Hole, Big Botton. Sex Farm and Stonehenge defining the proper concept of true meral. And with lines such as "Big bottom big bottom, talk about mud flaps, my gal's got 'em" doing the album justice lyrically, there'll be plenty of interest in these living legencs. Could change the face of rock and roll.

RAY LEMA: Nangadeef. Island MLPS 1000. Like Salif Keita and Manu Libango, Ray Lema is an African musician forging powerful indown the West, combining the hythms and melodies of his native Zaine with the expansiveness of modern production techniques and the fluic expressiveness of modern jazz. On this album the mixture works brilliantly, the luscious vocal harmones and cool sax of Courney Pine blending perfectly with the palpitating beat. Marvellous

DREAMS SO REAL: Rough Night In _erico. Arista Records 259 457. From the same Athens as REM (the one in Georgia), Dreams So Real must have also shared the same go tar tutor, album collection, underware etc as their near neighbours such is the similarity in The bands' sound. But we all know who was there first, don't we, the title track is eirring enough, but the rest of this UK debut is a rather insipid affair.

STOCK RESPONSES: Martin Astar, Kirk Blows, Karen Faux, Lee Finlay, David Giles, Ian Girins, Dave E Henderson, Andrew Martin, Nick Robinson, Ganeth Thompson and Selina Webb. REM: Orange Crush. (Warner Brothers W 2960(TCD). The mag-nificent REM lift a colourful track from their acclaimed, latest album, Green. With Peter Buck's razor-edged guitars and Michael Stipe's characteristic and catchy vocals, it's all very environmentally sound and, as always, worthy of widereaching exposure.

YOUSSOU N'DOUR/PETER GABRIEL: Shakin' The Tree. (Vir-gin VS(T)1167). Peter Gabriel gives another boost to his friend Youssou N'Dour and world music in general with a very effective track, complete with hypnotic African rhythms and their seductive harmonies, which together form a compelling and, no doubt, chart bound single.



THE WOOD CHILDREN: Global Village Idiot. (Demon WOOD EP 1). Highgate's finest band of scruffy minstrels let loose with another brace of majestic indie pop, dispatched with a refreshing vigour and displaying a healthy regard for catchy melodies, which should ensure they get noticed.

DINOSAUR JR: Just Like Heaven. (Blast First/Mute BFFP 47). Proves to be a curious animal, in taking one superb, light and heady, Cure hit and putting it heady, Cure hit and putting it through the cement mixer that is Dinosaur Jr's wall of throbbing guitars and Mascis' gloriously downbeat vocal. The result is pure magic

TRANSVISION VAMP: The Only One. (MCA (D)TVV(T/C) 7). After the rebel-rousing pop of Baby, I Don't Care, the ravishing Wendy and Co deliver a rather one-dimensional stomp to precede their forthcoming LP Velveteen. Another hit but of a lesser stature.



ABC: One Better World. (Neutron/Phonogram NT(X/XR/CD) 14). Martin Fry and Mark White are back with a magnificent pumping dance track, leaning heavily on the Chicago sound and taken from their eagerly-awaited new album, Up. As always — superior and highly engaging stuff, heading once more for the charts.



Reviewed by Jerry Smith

QUEEN LATIFAH: Dance 4 Me. (Gee Street GEE(T) 16). Nine-teen-year-old New Jersey rapper delivers a tough spiel over a bouncy beat and breaks of Sly Stone's ever popular Dance To The Music. Produced by DJ Mark The 45 King, it has huge crossover potential



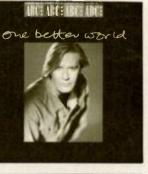
HOT HOUSE: Everything You Said. (deConstruction/RCA PB 42845 (PT 42846)). Having inexplicably failed to gain more than critical acclaim with their previous singles, Hot House return with a brand new song, smoothly produc-ed by Pete Wingfield, and with Heather Small's velvet voice, success can not elude them for much longer.

WOLFHOUNDS: Happy Shop-per. (Midnight D(1/O)NG 46). These abrasive East Londoners re-These abrasive East Londoners re-turn with a striking single, marked by its cutting guitars and character-istic vocal style. Not one of their best, but interesting enough to en-sure attention for their new album, Bright And Guith. Bright And Guilty.

LUNACHICKS: Sugar Luv. (Blast First/Mute BFFP 44). An all fe-male combo who are getting a large amount of press attention at the moment but from this double single it is hard to see why. Regular thrash backing supports yelping vocals to a less-than-dramatic effect

COLDCUT: My Telephone. (Ahead Of Our Time CCUT b06(T)). Having just had a massive hit with the unforgettable People Hold On, Coldcut lift another track from their current What's That Noise? LP. It's a more innovative number but still with an irresistible hook in the chorus harmonies and set to give them yet more success.

ANIMAL LOGIC: There's A Spy (In The House Of Love). (Virgin AL(T) 10). Curious combination of talent as ex-Police drummer. Stew-





art Copeland, teams up with the renowned bassman Stanley Clarke to back an, as yet, unknown Los Angeles singer/songwriter, Deb-orah Holland. Quality stuff with a fine sense of dynamics that could prove popular.



RAINBIRDS: Sea Of Time (Mercury/Phonogram MER(X) 287). Berlin's Rainbirds preview their second album, Call Me Easy, Say I'm Strong, Love Me My Way, It Ain't Wrong, with a moody track, and the mesmerising guitar riffs and the girl singer's highly effective, warbling vocal should gain them plenty of attention.

GLADYS KNIGHT: Licence To Kill. (MCA MCA 1339). Gladys Knight beats all-comers for the dubious pleasure of singing the theme to the latest Bond movie, written and produced by Narada Michael Walden, and basically a postiche of the best of the previous themes. It can't really fail.

JOHNNY KEMP: Birthday Suit. (CBS 654838 0(654838 8)). Apparently taken from the soundtrack to a film, Sing, this bright and poppy dance track proves to be a powerful summer single, with an unforgettable chorus and high foot-tapping quality. Given the right exposure, it should do well.



WOLFHOUNDS: HAPPY Shoppers in the supermarket of pop

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1	1	BABY I DON'T CARE	Mr A TRAVE (F)
2	4	DISAPPOINTED	MEA TVV6 (F)
3	-	PINK SUNSHINE	Virgir VS1181 (E) WE# VZ401 (W)
4	13	GRACELAND The libre!	Contraction of the local data and the local data an
5	2	LULLABY The Core	Chryselis BIB4 (C)
6	-	ALBINONI VS STAR WARS	Fictio FICS29 (F) Parlophane SSS4 (E)
7	6	EARDRUM BUZZ	Mute MUTERS (RT/SP)
8	10	SOMETHING ABOUT YOU GIRL John Maore & The Expressway	Solydor RING105 (F)
9	7	CIRCLE Edia Brickell & The New Bohemians	Geffer-GEFS1 (W)
10	-	LAZYITIS Happy Mondays	Factory FAC222 (P)
11	3	INTERESTING DRUG	HMV 80P1621 (E)
12	9	CULT OF PERSONALITY	ExcLCLS (C)
13	5	FREE WORLD Kirsty MocColl	Virgen KMA1 (E)
14	8	WISE UP SUCKER Pop Will Eat Itself	RCA PB4 761 (BMG)
15	22	DUSTY HEARTFELT	Virgir VS1178 (E)
16	12	HAIRSTYLE OF THE DEVIL	Creation CREO63 (I/RT)
17	11	NEVER House Of Love	Fonte a HOLI (F)
18	•	OBSESSION Xymox	Wing/Polydo WINGS (F)
19	15	TYPICAL! Frazier Chorus	Virgi VS1178 (E)
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FEATURE

When it comes to marketing Queen, you're marketing more than just a band, you're dealing with a phenomenon. **As Selina** Webb discovers, if you'd hoped to avoid their new LP, The Miracle, during the next month, the EMI machine has other ideas

N EIGHTEEN years, Queen have sold over 80m albums and performed in front of more than 6m people worldwide. It's an awesome track record, and one which they look set to improve with the release on May 22 of The Miracle, their first studio LP

for three years. Tony Wadsworth, general man-ager of EMI's Capitol and Parlophone labels, is realistic enough to acknowledge that the company has a successful album on its hands "even if we cock the whole thing up", but his far-reaching marketing campaign aims to mop up every last opportunity for multi-platinum sales. "You don't do things by half

measures with Queen, you do things that scream," he says. "The bigger the artist the bigger the expectations are from every area, both in terms of sales and in terms of the fans. Now the band has delivered that good album for the fans it's up to us to get the sales it justifies.

A Kind Of Magic, Queen's last studio album, has sold more than 1m units since its release in June 1986. Wadsworth intends to set the ball rolling for a follow-up with a platinum ship-out backed by a $\mathfrak{L}^{1}/\mathfrak{A}m$ launch budget.

"You spend money in relation to what you expect to get back," he explains. "You can justify spending a lot of money on launching a Queen album whereas with another band you'd have to tailor your campaign to how things are going.

The launch includes a national TV campaign on ITV and Channel 4 in conjunction with Our Price in the week of release, a co-op radio and poster campaign with HMV to run for one month from release date, posters on 200 London bus sides for one month, blanket press advertising — both solus and co-op with Our Price, WH Smith and Tower Records - and striking instore displays.

The Miracle is to be given Album of the Month in WH Smiths chart in the week of released, giving it the number one position in the chain's chart and high video, audio

Marketing a miracle: Queen's royal return

and display profile. Smiths also has an exclusive deal to give away a print of the front cover of the al-bum with every one purchased, 25,000 prints having been pro-

duced for the purpose. In addition EMI has produced a very limited edition A4 presenta-tion box containing an album CD, the special "teaser" tape, a biogra-phy, album press release and head (with a between the special phy, album press release and black/white photograph. Fans can also ring an 0.898 number to hear Brian May talking about the new album and playing a selection of tracks.

Wadsworth says his campaign is "almost like marketing a trade mark" and approached in a differ-ent way from the launch of a new artist.

"There's already recognition, so you're not persuading people to be interested in something. It's just a case of letting people know it's there and putting the right message over in as striking a way as poss-

ible," he says. That message, according to Wadsworth, is that Queen's sixteenth long-player is an excellent Queen album by Queen standards and he intends to put it across with the help of the band's gob-smacking sleeve design artwork. Designer Richard Gray has employed advanced computer techniques to make a composite head of the four band members for the front of the sleeve, and a second design — for the reverse of the LP and display backing sheets — of an arresting honeycomb of eyes and noses.

The in-store campaign kicked off a fortnight prior to release with purely graphical teaser posters bearing the legend "Queen's Mir-acle arrives on May 22", with the display blossoming into a wash of heads noses and eves on release heads, noses and eyes on release day. Wadsworth is confident the artwork will have considerable impact and Jim Beach, the band's manager, says it was designed with the marketing campaign in mind.

"It's not just art for art's sake and we've remembered that it will have to be reduced down for CD and cassette, not just designed for the 12-inch record," he explains. "The image gradually links through with the single into what's on the album. It aims to be both simple and hardhitting

Following the initial marketing blitz — which Wadsworth says is targeted primarily at Queen's massive fan base — the campaign will concentrate on pulling in the "floating voters", the thousands of people who have Queen records in their collection but wouldn't describe themselves as loyal fol-lowers. Wadsworth believes the potential is enormous: "One of the best-selling albums

ever was Queen's Greatest Hits with its variety ranging from the stadium rock of We Will Rock You to the dance beats of Another One Bites The Dust. This new album sounds like another Queen's Greatest Hits, except none of the



QUEEN RULES: the full set of promo items and formats

are hits - yet!"

The on-going promotion is to in-clude solus TV advertising bought through the London Media Com-pany as each single is released, while BR poster sites have been pre-booked for three months from June, an expense justified by the frequent appearance of seveninch product.

"We aim to attract the floating voters by regular single releases, which should also sustain the album in the spotlight until the end of the year," he says. "The first single is straight down the line for the Queen fan but there is a whole range of styles on the LP — something for everyone." The first single, I Want It All, en-

tered the chart at number three on May 7 and Wadsworth's campaign will now shift a gear to ride on the back of its success. Brian May and Roger Taylor are involv in promotional duties for TV, ed radio and press — through Lipsey Meade PR — and the schedule also includes a Radio One special on May 29 and two Queen pro-grammes on ITV. Radio One listeners will be able to hear the first UK radio interview with all four members of Queen in over eight years when Queen For An Hour is aired at 2pm on bank holiday Monday, while ITV is finalising a date in May or June to transmit two Queen programmes. Queen: Magic Years is an hour-long TV edit of the currently available three-volume video anthology and Queen: Live In Budapest a docu-mentary of their successful tour of Hungary in 1986.

Queen's media profile will be high throughout the summer, but

there are no plans for the band to play live — surely a huge disap-pointment for fans and hindrance to its Parlophone campaign. Freddie Mercury takes the blame for the decision not to tour and is quoted as saying: "I want to change the cycle of the album, world tour, album, world tour. change the cycle of the album, world tour, album, world tour. Maybe we will tour but it will be for totally different reasons, I've personally had it with these bom-bastic lights and staging effects. I don't think a 42-year-old man should be purplied around in hir should be running around in his leotard any more.

Also surprising is the video for Want It All. Directed by David Mallet, it is a simple performance promo, a long way from the visual extravaganzas we have come to expect from Queen.

"There was a feeling that it would be good to return to something that was very simple and straightforward and showing Queen doing what they do best," explains Jim Beach. "We were also considering the US. A lot of videos which were received rapturously here weren't really appreciated in the States. They didn't see the hu-mour of seeing Queen in drag." Queen's success has earned

considerable them autonomy which extends to owning their own recordings, videos and artwork. In Beach's view management input in the marketing campaign amounts to "tossing ideas backwards and forwards" with particular emphasis put on the in-store display, radio play, the video and co-op advertising which he believes gives better value for money.

"We have our say but it's ulti-mately Tony Wadsworth's cam-



TONY WADSWORTH: "it'll sell even if we cock the whole thing UD

paign and I think he's done a bril-liant job," states Beach. "This is a classic example of how to market a high-profile band, I think it covers all quarters. The key factor with a Queen album is making sure that everyone knows it's here and for that you've got to go or maximum visibility."

visibility." Wadsworth reckons the only possible pitfall he will have to avoid is "not taking every oppor-tunity that corres our way", but on the whole he is confident that his marketing campaign will bear ripe fruits for the EMI coffers. What's more it seems ha's anovian the more, it seems he's enjoying the job:

"You can afford to try out a lot of different marketing elements with a band cs big cs Queen. It's not exactly indulgence, but you've got a bigger toy shop to work with," he enthuses. "Also there's less luck involved. If vou're doing a good marketing job with a band that's had hits you can see the re-sults immediately — with a new band you can be doing a great job for two ar three year: without any success."

MUSIC VIDEO

'This is art — so what

by Selina Webb

KON STANDS alone amongst video companies not only for its location and occafor staunchly resisting the industry norm of unabashed commercialism. In 10 years the company has retained its artistic discrimination and, while IKON product falls short of the competition in the gloss and glamour stakes, it is miles ahead in its individuality. Live concert tapes and compilations featur-ing such indies as Danielle Dax and Tools You Can Trust sit side by side with short films from young UK directing talent and all are packaged to the same high standard for

sell through release. IKON began its life as Factory Records' video arm after Tony Wilson ploughed part of the profits from Joy Division's Unknown Pleasures LP into a few pieces of basic camera equipment. Malcolm Whitehead, a former printer with insatiable passions for both film and music, took charge of the ven-ture and his first fruit was Here Are The Young Men, now a historical visual document which captures Joy Division live in Brussels, Manchester and Eindhoven. Two nofrills compilations followed — A Factory Video and A Factory Out-ing — together with Dowie, the first non-music title, which records off-beat comedian John Dowie live in Edinburah

"IKON was always quite a separate operation, even in those days," explains Whitehead. "And when it got to the stage that we'd made all the films we could with Factory — you can only make so many Joy Division and New Order videos — we left. It was a natural progression."

Funding its film releases with profits from the music tapes, IKON has heen a hand to mouth oper-ation based in turns at Whitehead's flat, Tony Wilson's cellar and a room over a second hand television shop. Now the company — comprising Whitehead, Mike Scott, their assistant Alan Dook and a 32-title catalogue — is housed in relatively plush surroundings on an industrial estate south of Manchester. Its office, in a building shared by a sunbed manufacturer and other enterprising small businesses, is more Soho than Altrincham with its neatly-packed shelves, comfy reception area and corporate decor. It's the only similarity discern-ible between IKON and its mainstream video cousins.

Whitehead explains that IKON operates on similar lines to a small independent record label with releases decided "on my taste and Mike Scott's taste" and deals struck with handshakes rather than conmajor labels, it's so much hassle," he says, preferring to licence video material from independent Australian bands Severed Heads and Hunters & Collectors are recent examples — and nurturing the visual potential of such bands as Slab and Dub Sex.

Current projects are a long form with wacky "I haven't got a chicken ..." person Edward Barton, a 40-

minute dance music video directed by Howard Walmsley and O Yuki Conjugate, an ambient film for muconjugate, an ambient film for mu-sic best described as new age. "This is art — so what?" is Whitehead's good-natured excla-mation. "It's art without any pretentions about it."

Art or not, IKON has to pay the rent and though it is hard to imagine "sales potential" having a place in Whitehead's daily vo-cabulary, he concedes that "it all comes down to business in the end". Once IKON has dealt with all packaging and duplication the releases go out via mail order film while the music titles are shifted through all distributors except Rough Trade. But sales are pretty abyssmal", or so quips Whitehead who hopes business will improve when the first sell through shops open, a development IKON is pre-paring for by cutting its retail prices back to a mainstream £9.99. Flog-

ging IKON programmes to would, he says, deteat the object: "Doing things for television means that you have to adapt to the medium and the restrictions are getting tighter all the time. Having things on video release only makes them more special, more collectable."



SEVERED HEADS: 'art without any pretentions about it'



HUNTERS & COLLECTORS: the sort of indue band IKON prefers

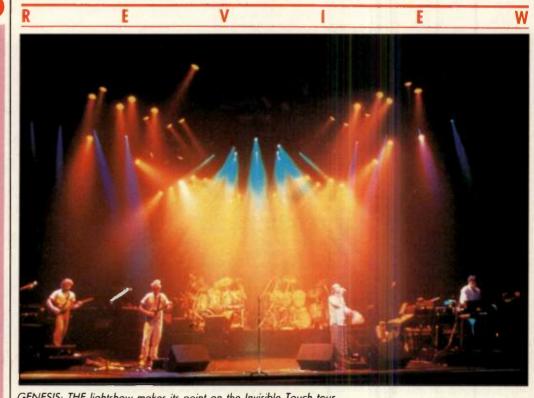
In conclusion, Whitehead asserts that "it's not always such a good thing to have a lot of money

We've got a really basic chop edit suite and I'm glad we haven't got loads of effects at our fngertips. It means you've got to make things happen and shoot it properhe says. ly,"

Perhaps surprisinaly. Whitehead

acds that another IKON philos-ophy is for images to be subservi-

ert to the song they accompany. "The music's the important thing and we look at it that we're not trying to sell the music but to en-hance it," he says. "It's a different area of business where music's a product and video is a commercial for it."



GENESIS: THE lightshow makes its point on the Invisible Touch tour

GENESIS: Invisible Touch Tour. Virgin Vision. VVD 358. Running time: 116 minutes. Dealer price: F8 34

Comment: This straight forward concert performance seems to have taken a while to edit as the concerts at Wembley Stadium were almost a year ago. But for that reason, the tootage is not only top quality in terms of colour and definition but also the whole thing flows smoothly. The use of a cam-

era boom enables a number of great crowd sweeps that help ccpture the stadium atmosphere. But the first two or three songs sound like direct studio cuts with little audience noise and this gives the video, initially, a rather muted effect. But it soon warms up, particularly when it darkens, making the lightshow more evident and Phil Collins gets into his comic barrer between songs. Apart from that, t's just Genesis doing their stuff.

There's no special effects or camera trickery - just true-to-life concert shots.

Scles forecast: This is an enjoy able show even if some of the songs (taken mainly from their last two a bums) drag on at times. But aryone who was at the concerts last summer and Genesis fans in general will love it. Expect initial capies to fly out thanks to the addition of a collector's edition free campact disc single.

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49 51 32 Bananarama (Various)	
50 4016 Roy Orbison (Various	Virgin V 2576 (E) C:TCV 2576/CD:CDV 2576
51 4414 SHOOTING RUBBERBANDS AT THE STA	RS Geffen WX 215 (W)
52 4810 Breta Soul (Prince Paul/De La Soul)	Big Life DLSLP 1 (I/RT) C:DLSMC 1/CD:DLSCD 1
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54 6910 RAW	Def Jam/CBS 4632931 (C)
Alyson Williams (Alvin Moody/Vincent Bell)	C:4632934/CD:4632932
55 58 26 GREATEST HITS * *	Warner Brothers WX 221 (W C:WX 221C/CD: 925 838-2
56 55 54 Tracy Chapman (David Kershenbaur	Elektra EKT 44 (W) C:EKT 44C/CD:960774-2
57 52 2 KITE	Virgin KMLP 1 (E)
Kirsty MacColl (Steve Lillywhite)	C:TCKM 1/CD:CDKM 1
58 ELE LOC'ED AFTER DARK	Delicious/Island BRLP 526 (F)
Tone Loc (Matt Dike/Michael Ross)	C:BRCA 526 CD:BRCD 526
59 38 3 Kingdom Come (Keith Olsen/Lenny Volf)	Polydor 8391921 (F) C:8391924/CD:8391922
60 54 3 THE STONE ROSES	Silvertone ORELP 502 (P)
The Stone Roses (John Leckie)	C:OREC 502/CD:ORECD 502
61 7015 Elvis Costello (Costello/Killen/Burne	Warner Brothers WX 238 (W) C:WX 238C/CD:9258482
62 4719 Roachford (Vernon/Brauer/Roachfor /Fayne	CBS 4606301 (C) ey) C:4606304/CD:4606302
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64 7510 ANOTHER PLACE AND TIME	Warner Brothers WX 219 (W)
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59 7 THE HEADLESS CHILDREN	Capitol EST 2087 (E)
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67 71 62 RAINTOWN *	CBS 450549-1 (C)
Deacon Blue (Jon Kelly)	C:450549-4/CD:450549-2
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60 4 BORN THIS WAY!	London 8281341 (F)
Cookie Crew (Various	C:8281344/CD:8281342
72 RE TANGO IN THE NIGHT *****	Warner Brothers WX65 (W)
Fleetwood Mac (Buckingham:/McVie	C:WX65C/CD:925471-2
73 THE FIRST OF A MILLION KISSES *	RCA PL 71696 (BMG)
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74 6418 NEW YORK	Sire/WEA WX 246 (W)
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75 46 2 IN SEARCH OF SANITY	London 8281421 (F)
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2 2 9	NOW 14! * * Various (Various)	EMI NOW14 (E) C:TCNOW14/CD:CDNOW14
3 NEW	PRECIOUS METAL Various (Various)	Stylus SMR 976 (STY) C:SMC 976/CD:SMD 976
4 3 6	DEEP HEAT - THE SECOND BURN Various (Various)	Telstar STAR 2356 (BMG) C:STAC 2356/CD:TCD 2356
5 4 20	DIRTY DANCING (OST) * * Various (Jimmy lenner/Bob Feiden)	RCA BL 86408 (BMG) C:BK 86408/CD:BD 86408
6 5 13	CHEEK TO CHEEK Various (Various)	CBS MOOD 6 (C) C:MOODC 6/CD:MOODCD 6
7 7 20	BUSTER (OST) * * Various (Various)	Virgin V 2544 (E) C:TCV 2544/CD:CDV 2544
8 6 6	THE SINGER AND THE SONG Various (Variou)	Stylus SMR 975 (STY) C:SMC 975/CD:SMD 975
9 8 2	THE CHART SHOW - ROCK THE NATIC Various (Various)	N 2 Dover/Chrysalis ADD 4 (C) C:ZDD 4/CD:CCD 4
10 9 15	THE BLUES BROTHERS (OST) Various (Various)	Atlantic K 50715 (W) C:K 450715/CD:K 250715

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12 RE	SOFT METAL * Various (Various)	Stylus SMR862 (STY) C:SMC862/CD:SMD862
13 16 5	GOOD MORNING VIETNAM (OST) O Various (Various)	A&M AMA 3913 (F) C AMC 3913/CD:CDA 3913
14 11 13	DEEP HEAT • Various (Various)	Telstar STAR 2345 (BMG) C.STAC 2345/CD:TCD 2345
15 15 17	THE MARQUEE - 30 LEGENDARY EARS Various (Various)	Polydor MQTV 1 (F) C:MQTVC 1/CD:8400102
16 17 9	MORE DIRTY DANCING (OST) Various (Various)	RCA BL 86965 (BMG) C:BK 86965/CD:BD 86965
17 12 11	UNFORGETTABLE 2 Various (Various)	EMI EMTV 46 (E) C:TCEMTV 46/CD:CDP 7922352
18 14 20	THE GREATEST LOVE * * Various (Various)	Telstar STAR 2316 (BMG) C STAC 2316/CD:TCD 2316
19 13 20	THE GREATEST LOVE 2 Various (Various)	Telstor STAR 2352 (BMG) C:STAC 2352/CD:TCD 2352
2018 13	THE LOST BOYS (OST) Various (Joel Schumacher)	Atlantic 7817671 (W) C:7817674/CD:7817672

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1	1 Steve Earle	MCA MCF3426 (F) C:MCFC3426/CD:DMCF3426
2	2 FROM THE HEART Danie O'Donnell	Telstar STAR2327 (BMG) C:STAC2327/CD:TCV2327
3	3 DON T FORGET TO REME Danie O'Donnell	MBER Ritz RITZLP0043 (SP) C:RITZL0043/CD:RITZCD105
4	7 LYLE LOVETT & HIS LARGE	E BAND MCA MCG6037 (F) C:MCGC6037/CD:DMCG6037
5	11 CLASSIC CASH Johnny Cash	Mercury 8345261 (F) C:8345264/CD:8345262
6	RE Daniel O'Donnell	DONNELL Ritz RITZLP0031 (SP) C:RITZLC0031/CD:RITZCD107
7	9 Randy Travis	Warner Bros WX162 (W) C:WX162C/CD:K9254662
8	10 BLUEBIRD Emmylou Harris	Warner Bros 957761 (W) C:9257764/CD:9257762
9	NEW SOMETHING INSIDE SO S	TRONG Reprise 9257921 (W) C:9257924/CD:9257922
10	5 I NEED YOU Daniel O'Donnell	Ritz RITZLP0038 (SP) C:RITZLC0038/CD:RITZCD104
11	6 ONE FAIR SUMMER EVEN Nanc Griffith	ING MCA MCF3435 (F) C:MCFC3435/CD:DMCF3435
12	RE Nanc Griffith	MCA MCF3413 (F) C:MCFC3413/CD:DMCF3413
13	18 Rodney Crowell	CBS 4608731 (C) C:4608734
14	14 BEST LOVED FAVOURITES Boxcar Willie	RCA NL71946 (BMG) C:NK71946
15	8 NEXT TO YOU Tammry Wynette	Epic 4650281 (C) C:4650284
16	RE Dwight Yoakam	A LONELY Reprise WX193 (W) C:WX193C/CD:WX193CD
17	4 LONE STAR STATE OF MIN Nanci Griffith	D MCA MCF3364 (F) C:MCFC3364/CD:MCAD5927
18	RE REBA Reba McEntire	MCA MCG6040 (F) C:MCGC6040/CD:DMGC6040
19	IEW Kathy Mattea	Mercury 8369501 (F) C:8369504/CD:8369502
20	RE k d lang	Warner Bros WX171 (W) C:WX171C/CD:WX171CD
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What next for UK country?

by Alan Gardiner

WITH THE Route '89 campaign to promote US country artists well underway, now is an interesting time to check on the health of UK country, for so long the poor relation to its American counterpart. The thriving club and festival scene suggests that there is a large and growing audience for UK country acts, but is this reflected in record sales?

in record sales? In the case of Irish singing sensa-tion Daniel O'Donnell, whose al-bums on Ritz and Telstar have dominated the country albums chart for the past two years, it clearly is. O'Donnell now hopes to break into the US market and this month is recording in Nashville. Tony Byworth (of Byworth-Woot-ton International) hopes to secure a US label deal for the artist and arayes that O'Donnell's success is argues that O'Donnell's success is partly attributable to Ritz's ability to mount extensive marketing and promotional campaigns: "most promotional campaigns: "most British country acts are with smaller companies, which inevitably lack the resources to give their artists the back-up they need to achieve significant commercial success."

O'Donnell's achievement apears to indicate the potential of UK artists, but the major companies show little interest in UK acts. Explanations for this lack of interest vary

Jim Marshall of the British Country Music Association believes the companies need more country specialists on their staff but points also to a division in the UK audi-ence between the committed record buyer, who usually favours US artists, and the club- and festival-goer, who supports UK acts but may not buy records regularly. Neil Coppendale, organiser of the

annual Worthing All-British Coun-try Music Festival, agrees that splits in the audience damage the British cause. New young fans attracted by the Route 88 and 89 cam-paigns are unlikely to patronise their local country clubs. He speaks of the "dreadful bar-

ries" that country music is still struggling to overcome in the UK and argues that while the credibil-ity of US country has improved, the belief that UK acts cannot perform as well as US artists remains.

Wendy Furness, Product Man-ager at EMI, does consider UK artists inferior, but says it is unevitable that the majors should concentrate their efforts on US acts with a proven track record. And while sales may be increasing, country's mar-ket share is still low (three per cent last year). Given the chart orientaglect of UK artists is unsurprising. It is therefore left to independent

companies such as Ritz to carry the torch for UK and Irish country acts. Irish performers on Ritz include Mary Duff, Ray Lynam, Philomena Begley and new signings Mick Flavin and Dominic Kerwan. The label also releases Charley Pride's US product and later this year plan to record a Pride concert appearance in Dublin.

English labels with an interesting roster of homegrown talent include PT and Barge. PT was founded last year by Pat Tynan, who as Strike Force manager at MCA success-fully marketed Nanci Griffith, Steve Earle and Lyle Lovett. He stresses that PT is not a specialist country company but an artist-oriented label interested in original, creative

talent with crossover appeal. Recent signings include veteran UK country rocker Wes McGhee, who has been based for several years in Austin, Texas. Also on the label are Two Hearts, a pairing of female singers Ginny Brown and Tammy Cline, whose well-received debut album, Two Hearts, One Lover, was recorded in Nashville. Barge Records is based in Merseyside and market its product under the banner UK New Country. Its roster includes Stu Page, Iona and Andy, Stroller and White Line Fever. A compilation album, UK New Country Volume 2, is set for release later this year.

'Most British country acts are with smaller companies, which inevitably lack the resources to aive their artists the back-up to achieve commercial success'

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TOP-10 COMPILATIONS LPS

1	1	THE KENN® ROGER Kenny Rogers	Liberty EMTV39 (E)
2	6	20 GOLDEN GREAT Glen Campbel	ENIL EMTV2 (E)
3	2	THE VERY BEST OF Jim Reeves	JIAI REEVES RCA PL8* 017 (BMG)
4	10	THE COLLECTION Jim Reeves Co	ollentor CCSL 183 (BMG)
5	5	DOLLY PARTON'S (Dolly Parton	GRLATEST HITS RCA PL8 422 (BMG)
6	RE	ANNIVERSARY - 20 Tammy Wynetle	YEARS OF →ITS Epic 4503931 (C)
7	7	THE COLLECTION Slim Whitmon	Libert EMI326 (E)
8	8	VERY BEST OF DOP Don Williams	MCA NICG4014 (F)
9	4	THE COLLECTION Beakoer Willie Collect	torBer. CCSL#159 (BMG)
10	3	GREATEST HITS The Judics	RCA PLBPO17 (BMG)



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One is for opera – a singular success

by Nicolas Soames

THE ART of supertenor Luciano Pavarotti and the delights of opera have been receiving encourage-ment and support from unaccustomed directions of late, gracing numerous ad campaigns on radio and TV. And opera is even achieving a more regular presence on Radio One

Nicky Campbell is one of a number of DJs prepared to risk audience figures by programming in a dramatic aria from Puccini or Verdi but according to Campbell, it only increases the size of his audience

"Many of my friends kept asking me what was the music on the Pirelli ad, and I sensed there was a growing burn about the piece -Nessun Dorma from Puccini's opera Turandot — and opera in gen-eral," says Campbell. "Anyway, it is a spectacular piece of music, so I thought I'd give it a go on my show

Even Campbell was surprised by the reaction. "I got a tremendous

response. Every time I have played it, the phone lines have gone hot. And when we did a poll asking listeners if they wanted to hear more things like that, 98 per cent said yes, and only two per cent said no."

So Campbell suggested to Decca that it brought out Nessun Dorma as a single in the recording by Luciano Pavarotti. And this has duly been done, with the famous Neapolitan song O Sole Mio on the second side (Pavo 3).

"I wouldn't be surprised if it got into the charts because after all, good music is good music," re-marks Campbell. "We are in a time of change and a lot of people are finding out alternatives to things. It is nice to be able to say that they can get Nessun Dorma on a seven single rather than forking out inch £25 for a box set.

Campbell himself has an established taste for opera — his first break into radio came with a show called The World Of Opera for Sound the independent North radio station in Aberdeen in 1983,

shortly after he finished his history degree at the university there.

I grew to love a lot of Verdi and Puccini, and I agree with Alan Freeman when he says that he gets the same buzz from Pavarotti when he hits a high C as when a great rock guitarist holds a long note.

Pavarotti comes to London in June for his recital in Docklands' London Arena on June 18, which has been sold out for months. Decca is preparing a prominent compaign, based on a new compilation called Tutto Pavarotti.

This is a mid-price double pack which includes the two songs on the Pavarotti single, plus the song Caruso which was used as a theme music for an American series based on the life of the first great singer to win a worldwide audience through records, Enrico Caruso. It is released here for the first time. Tutto Pavarotti is available on all three formats (425 681), and contains a total of 27 popular operatic aria and songs. Michael Letchford, Decca Classi-

cal's general manager, has pre-



RADIO ONE DJ Nicky Campbell receives a copy of the Nessun Dorma single from Decca's Michael Letchford under the watchful gaze of a cardboard effigy of its singer, Pavarotti

pared a shortened version of Caruso for radio play. In addition, Decca has two other

re-packaging projects, both called The Pavarotti Edition. The first is sub-titled Songs,

and brings together four of his best-selling CDs in a pre-sentation box at a special price — Mamma, O Sole Mio, Mattinato and Passione (421 121-2, £24.46 dealer price).

The second is sub-titled Arias and follows a similar pattern, bringing together four operatic programmes, Great Tenor Arias, Verismo Arias, Pavarotti — Verdi,

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and Pavarotti — Donizetti (421 122-2 £24.46 dealer price). When Pavarotti does arrive in

the UK in June, he will be highly prominent. He is doing a live LBC phone-in with Brian Hayes at 1 am an June 16, followed by a signing at Tower Records. And he will be on Wogan in the evening. He will be the subject of numerous articles, including colour cover fea-tures in the Mail On Sunday and Opera Now; and Decca is investing in radio and national press ads. There will be posters, showcards,

stickers for stock, and life-size Pavaroti cut-outs for in-store use.

King's of America

THE SONGWRITING talents of Paul Simon, Randy Newman and Jimmy Webb get the full vocal treatment from The King's Singers in one of three MOR releases from EMI this month.

America is the title of the new King's Singers' disc which comes just nine months after their 20th anniversary sortie into pop, the Beatles album. America (749701, all three formats) contains four Simon songs, including Bridge Over Troubled Water and Homeward Bound in a programme with songs also by Cetera, Webb, Maclean and Newman.

They are accompanied by the English Chamber Orchestra conducted by Carl Davis, and the recording is EMI's Record Of The Month with both the LP and MC reduced to £3.86 dealer price up to June 30.

The group will be much in evi-dence in the summer months, with

The Planets, Holst/Four Sea In-

terludes and Passacaglia from

Peter Grimes, Britten. LPO, Sir Adrian Boult. Nixa Collector NIXCD 6013. Distributor: PRT.

The Planets was recorded in 1954

but sounds absolutely resplendent

after its Cedar treatment — an audio processing system develop-

ed in Cambridge to return the sound to its original quality. It sounds superb — less surgical than

the No Noise system used on Philips, a real service to an excel-

ent performance. General interest Mid price

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THE KING'S Singers' America is one of three EMI MOR releases this month

regular appearances in a Yorkshire TV programme in June and at the Barbican's Summer In The City Festival in July — of which they are artistic directors for the second

St Nicolas/Hymn To Saint Ceci-

lia, Britten. Anthony Rolfe John-son, Corydon Singers, English Chamber. Orchestra, Matthew Best. Hyperion CDA 66333. Dis-tribution: Pinnacle. The tenor

Anthony Rolfe Johnson is an ideal

Britten tenor — a singer with a highly distinctive voice which he

shades with care and warmth. And

with the strong presence of the Corydon Singers and the energetic conducting of Best, it will be diffi-cult to improve upon recording;

Well filled, too, with the Hymn To

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Music by Jerome Kern — Over-tures, and music from the film Swing Time — is contained on a new recording by the National Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by John McGlinn who directed the successful Show Boat and Kin Sings Gershwin albums (749630, all three formats).

And the American bass Samuel And the American bass samuel Ramey also moves into musicals, with Samuel Ramey Sings Rodgers And Hammerstein (749581, all three formats) with hit numbers from Carousel, Oklahoma, The Sound of Music, South Pacific and others, with the National Philhar-monic Orchestra conducted by Pater Matr Peter Matz

Ramey also features in his more customary operatic role, with an album of operatic arias by Verdi, Rossini, Berlioz, Meyerbeer and Donizetti (CDC 7495822). NS



THE WORK considered by George Pratt on Saturday's Building A Library on Radio Three was Handel's Dixit Dominus. The top recommenda-tion was a double CD-only re-cording made in the context of the Carmelite Vespers of 1707. The conductor was Andrew Parrott with the Taverner Choir and Tavemer Players, issued by EMI (CDS 749749/2).

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1 VIVALDI FOUR SEASONS Virtuosi Of England	CFP CFP40016/TCCFP40016 (E)
2 DUETS FROM FAMOUS OPE 2 Various	CFP CFP4144981/CFP4144984 (E)
4 Charles Mackerras/_PO	JRE CFP CFP101/TCCFP101 (E)
16 VIVALDI FOUR SEASONS Jerzy Maksymiuk/PCO	Eminence EMX2009/TCEMX2009 (F)
10 HOLST THE PLANETS Simon Rattle/PO	Eminence EMX2106/TCEMX2106 (E)
- Various	CHELBEL DG Walkman Class 4131424 (F)
- Herbert Von Karajan/BPO	D G Galleria 4194881/4194884 (E)
13 ELGAR ENIGMA VARIATION Adrian Boult/LPO	IS CFP CFP40022/TCCFP40022 (E)
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3 Zdenek Macal/LPO	CFP (FP4382/TCCFP4382 (E)

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10 3 Zdenek Macal/LPO	CFP4382/TCCFP4382 (E)
14 HANDEL WATER MUSIC	CFP CFP40092/TCCFP40092 (E)
12 20 WARSAW CONCERTO Adni/Bournemouth Symph/Alwyn	CFP CFP4144931/CFP4144943 (E)
13 6 ELGAR CELLO CONCERTO Robert Cohen/LPO	CFP CFP40342/TCCFP40342 (E)
14 - CHOPIN FAVOURITES	CFP CFP4145011/CFP4145014 (E)
15 - Jane Glover/London Mozart Plrs	RTO/BASSOON CFP CFP4144841/CFP4144844 (E)
16 - GREAT CHORAL CLASSICS	CFP CFP4548/TCCFP4548 (E)
17 ⁵ James Loughran/HO	CFP CFP40243/TCCFP40243 (E)
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19 - TCHAIKOVSKY/RIMSKY KOI Vladimir Petroschoff/BFO	RSAKOV Conifer DDD133/DDC133 (CON)
20 17 Anders Ohrwall/DBE	Conifer DDD109/DDC109 (CON)

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2 1 4 HAND ON YOUR HEART	PWL PWL(T)35 (P)
3 2 6 WHO'S IN THE HOUSE Beotmasters with Mortin	Rugther King LEFT31(T) (1/RT)
4 6 4 HELYOM HALIB (ACID ACID ACID)	Music Man MMP57004 (P)
5 3 5 WHERE HAS ALL THE LOVE GONE	Big Life BLRS(T) (V/RT)
6 4 4 DON'T IT MAKE YOU FEEL GOOD	Sublime LIME(T)105 (A)
7 7 6 ON THE INSIDE	A1 A1311 (A)
8 5 8 ME MYSELF AND I	Big Life BLR7(T) (I/RT)
9 8 10 VOODOO RAY (EP) A Guy Called Genetic	Rham1 RS804 (P)
10 NIX DON'T YOU WANT ME BABY	PWL PWL(T)137 (P)
1 10 13 TOO MANY BROKEN HEARTS	PWL PWL(T)32 (P)
12 11 4 EARDRUM BUZZ	Mute (12) MUTEB7 (L/RT/SP)
12 14 & WHY DO I ALWAYS GET IT WRONG?	Bromboha (12)CUE7 (A)
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17 0 10 PEOPLE HOLD ON	
17 9 10 Cold Cut/Lina Stonfield 18 15 6 JOY AND PAIN Rob Base & DJ E-Z Rock	Ahoad Of Our Time CCUTS(T) (RT)
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38 LINI IBIZA	Debut-(DEBTX3069) (A)
39 NEW SOUL THIEF	Planetarium-(THEFT2) (I)
40 37 3 ALL AND MORE	Karbon-(KAR612T) (P)

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2	2	4	DOOLITTLE	4AD CAD905 (I/RT)
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5	5	44	KYLIE Krije Minogue	PWL HF3 (P)
6	3	2	STONE ROSES	Silventone ORELP502 (P)
7	6	55	THE INNOCENTS	Mute STUMM55 (RT/SP)
8	7	4	WHAT'S THAT NOISE?	Ahood Of Our Time COUTLP1 (I/RT)
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13	14	2	JUST A LITTLE MORE	Danceyord UNQLP1 (SP)
14	12	9	Depeche Mode	Mute STUMM101 (I/RT/SP)
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INDIES A&R

by Dave Henderson

"HAVE YOU got the new Beethoven single?" and "Is Dave Henderson there, this is Shakin "Is Dave Street Records, have you got the American Ruse album?" These are the burning questions in this are the burning Questions week's Burning Questions drawer and let me tell you, the answers are "Yes, it's good, it's "" to number one and "Yes, it's boring" to number two. And, as old cliches go, it's been an-other funny week on the way to the Tracking page, and indepen-dently speaking, **The Dog Fac-**od Hermans are back! Obnoxious, aggressive, discordant and punky, the Herms have a new LP on the Vinyl Drip label. Every Day Time Bomb is more crossphased time changes and ener-getic stuff on the Vinyl Drip International label through Revolver. For real independent spirit inhale deeply, put on the Hermans and tuck your Sonic Youth T-shirt in for goodness sake.

THE BLUE Chip label has signed New Jersey's **Together Brothers** and the start of June sees the release of a two album set called Smokin' Beats which is the most "upfront" set of samples and scratches yet. That'll be followed by the long awaited **Barbara Jean**'s English, which is her first since she was on Contempo some time ago. There's some bizarre dance sounds from the legendary **Sugardog** too. They release Groove To Get Down, an intense, demented dance slice on the Temple label through Revolver and the Cartel.

FIELDS OF The Nephilim release a new 12-inch on Situation Two through the Cartel. Called Psychonaut Lib III it's the best thing that Tracking has ever heard them do, in fact we're so gaggingly inspired we're going to douse the whole office with flour right now. Unfortunately we can't say the same for **The UK Subs**. They have reformed and release Killing Time on Fall Out through Jungle and the Cartel. On LP, Cassette and CD, it's a tawdry experience, but a cult one at that.

EASTERHOUSE, IN their newly trimmed line up play several dates during June and have a new single, You're Gonna Miss It (When It's Gone) taken from the Waiting For The Red Bird LP, released on Rough Trade. The APT label has a couple of Eugene Chadbourne releases which have already been available as limited supply imports through Revolver. On the Fundamental label they now have a UK list price and they are... The Eddie Chatterbox Double Trio Love Album (which features members of Camper Van Beethoven but we're not allowed to say that) and I've Been Everywhere (which is a measly single album, even though it features an aside of Tim Buckley covers). Laurel Aitken has signed to Unicorn Records and releases Everybody Ska this week, a rather late follow up to his chart hit Rudi Got Married (which rocketed into oblivion some nine years ago). That'll be available through Nine Mile and the Cartel and the man will be playing live at the end of May and through June.

GREAT NAME of the week, so far, goes to Whirlpool Guest House and they release a new album on Summerhouse to celebrate this great accolade. Pictures On The Pavement is distributed by APT, as is former PiL guitarist Keith Levene's Violent Opposition LP on Fundamental and Nurse With Wound's revitalised Sylvie And Babs collection on the Belgian LAYLAH label ... More from American's Fundamental stable includes Kilslug's Answer The Call and an eponymous Negative FX platter.

THE EL label follows its footie fascination with an album/CD collection called Girl Talk featuring a selection of El acts. There's also volume three of their London Pavilion series on album and CD, and that features the guys too. All of these are available through Cherry Red and Pinnacle. At Backs, the glam button has been depressed and **Venus In Furs** unleash their fourth album, Megalomania on the Backs label itself. Little Red Schoolhouse offer some quality time on their Groovy album on Public Domain (that's a recommended one). The Surf Rats get seriously rockabillied on their second album for Lost Moment, Straight Between The Eyes plus a clutch of CDs from The Gadgets on the Plastic Head label. The CDs are The Blue Album (which features Matt Johnson as a card carrying Gadget), Love, Curiosity, Freckles And Doubt, Gadgetree and Infantree.

PSYCHIC TV release the fourteenth, in their series of 23, live LP on their own Temple label through Revolver and the Cartel, which they hope will keep them in the Guinness Book Of Records for quantity. **The Milk Monitors** release an album on ID called Revenge Revenge which has been acclaimed as a riotous cross pollination of the Stooges and Spinal Tap. The Lively Art label through New Rose/Pinnacle has a electronic pop album from Little Nemo. Sounds In The Attic, which is available on album, cassette and CD, is pretty damn hot. **The American Screaming Trees** release a new album called Buzz Factory which is on the SST label through Rough Trade distribution.

THE PERFECT Disaster release a deceptively downbeat album called Up on the Fire label and head out on the road in June and early July to ply their wares. The album is available through Pinnacle. Third Mind, through APT, has a new album from electronic whizz kids Front Line Assembly. The Canadian duo are currently touring Europe, the album is called Gashed Sense And Crossfire and it's available on vinyl and CD. Third Mind also releases an album from American bond Area. The Perfect Dream is the kind of winsome ambience that'l subliminally impress anyone yearning for a new Cocteau Twins album. The ska wave continues with **Cesino Royale**, from Italy, with an album called Ten Golden Guns on Unicorn through Nine Mile and the Cartel.

CULT FIGURE Estwyn Cellins, the former Orange Juice guitarist, returns with a sole album for Demon titled Hope And Despair, which is available on album and CD and will be followed by a 12inch/CD single with a couple of "unavailable elsewhere" racks. Also from Demon and through Pinnacle is a new EP from The Wood Children titled Global Village Idiot. The New Rose label has a new album from glan rock 'n' rollers The Lolitas, that's called Fusee D'Amour anc The Slickee Boys' Live At Las. Both of those are through Pinnacle, too.

CULT MID-Seventies band, The Transmitters release a 12-inch called The Mechanic on the Craving Company label through Backs and the Cartel, and then there's The Fifty Third Card a name that surely needs some serious investigation — and they have a 12-inch single on the Wildshine label called Sweet Charity. That too is through Backs, as is **The Trucky**'s Countdown To Love single on Planet Miron (that's a pretly good pop toon). **Eight Dayz**' Every Day Is Like A New Beginning an New Wind, the subtly named **Righteous Pigs** with Live And Learn album on Nuclear Blast and, all the way from the Medway, **The Hyacinth Girls** have an album on Red Records and it's called Happy Now? Hailed as a collection of acoustic-tinged pop songs in the Loyd Cole traditior, we're unsure if the Girls are actually gals, but we'l be first to ell you if they are.

THE CREPUSCULE label has a couple of new releases heading our way. Former Tuxecomoon mainman, **Steven Brown** has an album celled Camposes Pour le, which is available on vnyl and CD, while **Devine And Statton** are a union of former Ludus person Ian Devine and Alison Statton who was formerly in the Young Marble Giarts and Weekend. They have an album, that's also available on vinyl and CD, called The Prince Cf Wares. Both APT releases are civallable througn APT

THERE'S A tustle a the cose for Name Of The Week, as Cowboy Killers crop up. Not sure is it's good or not actually, still, they have an album or Words Of Warning and it's called Koyaanisqatsi strangely enough. Available through Revolver, it's been compared to The Dead Kennedys, Spernbirds and SNFU (it's also been called "hot stuff"). On Peaceville, Autopsy release an album/casette/CD called Severed Survival. Autopsy are California's tap gore metal band, as if you didn't know. And, on that note let's call it a day for this week.



PUBLISHING

Chrysalis Music: 'tomorrow the world', says confident Slater

by Dave Laing

EMI'S RECENT acquisition of half of Chrysalis Records can only have positive results for Chrysalis Music Worldwide, says that company's international president Stuart Slater

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mains wholly-owned by Chrysalis plc) and that it will make available funds to help his expansion plans. These currently include the opening of new offices in Germany and Australia on January 1, 1990, to join existing centres of operation in the UK, US and Scandinavia. "The size of the German market and the success of the record company there makes it a good move for us," says Slater. In Australia, the priority will be to sign writers with an international potential. Slater sees further expansion in the Nineties: "In three or four years we aim to have our own people everywhere in the world." Slater's career began as lead

Slater's career began as lead singer of Merseybeat group The Mojos, and he can be heard singing the band's biggest hit Everything's Alright on a recent British Telecom ad, which featured other Sixties artists — "it was got together by Dave Dee," he says. Slater joined Chrysalis Records in A&R in 1978, moving to publishing, then back to A&R before moving to his present post last year. This has given him an insight into both sides of the industry, he says, and an appreciation of the potential of publishing: "There are so many ways a song can be worked, and looking ahead to a time when soundcarriers as we know them may disappear, the publisher's role could become more important."

In the UK, Chrysalis Music has a catalogue of about 25,000 songs, including the MAM material acquired when the company merged with Gordon Mills' group. Although the emphasis is very much on the acquisition of new talent, Slater, says he will be looking for a veteran publisher to help exploit the MAM material. Of the current writers he adds that "we have a good spread of writers and bands", citing Scitti Politi's Green, Simon Climie and Brian Kennedy, the Irish musician who recently sup-



STUART SLATER: in positive mood

ported Fairground Attraction.

According to Slater, the way Kennedy has been developed by Chrysalis Music is an example of how publishers need to operate in the current competitive environment. "With my general manager Bruce Craigie, I signed him eight months ago before there was record company interest and invested a lot of money," he says, adding that Kennedy is on the verge of a major record deal. Other Chrysclis writers include Midnight Blue (which shares management with Marillion), "modern soul band" Stress, A House (with an album due on Sire) and Muscle Shoal, who are finishing their first album for Virain

Virgin. Stuart Slater see Chrysalis Music Worldwide poised to increase its role in the Nineties. Pointing out that publishing contributed £800,000 of the Chrysalis Group's £2m profit last year. He says "We've been at the same level on the publishing ladder for some years. Now we want to climb up a couple of rungs."

ceive a £2,000 cash prize.

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• THE SONG writing profession should be returned to respectability, according to producer Robin Millar, one of the judges of this year's Grolsch Question Of Style Competition.

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"Songwriting as a profession has been forgotten in recent years it should be brought back as a reputable occupation. It's what the record industry needs," he says. Millar is judging the songwriting section of the Grolsch arts competition with A&M recording artist Sam Brown and Callie Mather of Scarlett Publishing.

The competition, which is being run in collaboration with the Institute Of Contemporary Arts, asks "can you inject originality into the charts?" and the winner will re• DO THE Children Know by Gerry Dyer has won the first prize of £2,000 and a publishing contract at the English Riviera Song Contest, held in Torquay. The award was made by a ponel of judges including Les Reed, Mitch Murray, Tony Hiller and Roger Greenaway. The contest's organisers say that it attracted more than twice the number of entries for the UK heat of the Eurovision Song Contest and that a major sponsor is being sought for 1990. The Riviera contest will also take on an international dimension, inviting English-longuage entries from Australia, the US and the rest of the world. 'In three or four years we (Chrysalis Music) aim to have our own people everywhere in the world'

PolyGram says, 'Thank you for the music'

ABBA'S HIT songs and recordings have been acquired by PalyGram in a deal with the group's former manager Stig Anderson.

Sweden Music AB and Polar Music International AB will continue to run by Anderson under a five year contract with the new owners, says Poly-Gram International Music Publishing chief executive David Hockman. Anderson will undertake publishing and production projects with such artists as Sanji Tanden and Leif Kack.

Kack. Sweden Music catalogue incluces the copyrights to compositions by former Abba members Benny Andersson and Bjorn Ulvaess. It is the latest in a series of purchases by Hockman which have included Dick James Music, Cedarwood and the Welk Music Group. The PolyGram International chief says that "this acquisition takes PolyGram further to the forefront of music publishing wordwide".

FEATURE

Keeping one step beyond those rates of exchange

Nigel Lawson's got some fans! Well, not quite, but the recent increases in interest rates haven't affected the distribution business as much as other arms of the business . . . or has it? Robin **Cobb** gauges opinion

IGEL LAWSON'S policies appear to have aroused less ire in the music distribution business than in most other sectors of UK industry. The Chancellor stands accused by many industries of causing exports to be priced out of their markets through high interest rates which have raised the value of sterling against most other currencies.

But Colin Johnson, of European Music Distributors, brushes all this aside: "We are not in the same position as the exporter who is maybe dealing with new products, where if the exchange rates go against him the product becomes very expensive," he explains. "We are dealing with mid-price and repeatable lines which tend in a lot of cases to be exclusive to us.

cases to be exclusive to us. "We just swallow up the exchange rate fluctuations. It is a more sensitive situation for current chart albums, where 5p each way makes a difference in whether people stock it not not." He adds: "A slowing down of consumer demand in the UK

He adds: "A slowing down of consumer demand in the UK doesn't affect our business directly because the UK is only about 30 per cent of our turnover."

PRT Distribution, through its exporting arm Audio Visual International, similarly claims that foreign sales are buoyant. "Exports are getting more significant all the time," comments Danny Ryan, who runs this division. "They have taken off strongly over the past 18 months."

But Panther Music's Aniff Allybokus is less cheerful. A third of Panther's business is in export and Allybokus blames exchange rates for an interruption in its rate of growth. "The export side of our operations will increase once we get a better exchange rate," he says.

Nevertheless, he is happy about his company's progress since it was formed nearly two years ago for the sale and distribution of overstocks and deletions. "We will have turned over something like £1.5m in our second year of trading," he claims.

The move to wholesale distribution appears to have been a shrewed one, with product handled from France's Concert, Trojan, BGO, PT Verona and the Master's series. Panther says it is now discussing further distribution and wholesale with other companies, particularly in the field of specialist music.

As a result, Allybokus is planning to move stocks from the current 40,000 square foot warehouse to one that is moe than double the size. UK deliveries are by the company's fleet of five vans, which are equipped as mini showrooms. Sales representatives deliver, display and sell from the vans as they make their rounds.

make their rounds. He was joined at the start of the venture by Trevor Reidy, who handles exports. More recently, Neil Kellas has been recruited to look after the classical and jazz product, backed by 20 years experience in this area. The original van salesman, Peter Harvey is now national sales manager with a sales force of five reporting to him. Looking further ahead,

Looking further ahead, Allybokus would like to see the company with its own retail outlets and its own label: "But we will not dive into these areas until we have done enough research to ensure we will be successful."

There has also been a build-up in the imported products he has been handling but he believes that exports will always account for a larger part of the business.

In the record business ever since he qualified as a chartered accountant, Allybokus adds: "I have become more commercial and professional."

Like Pinnacle Records, the biggest independent wholesaler and distributor in the business, all these companies see benefits in diversification of product and handle virtually all categories of music.

"We do everything from classical to hip hop and rapping," declares EMD's Johnson. But format is a different matter. CD and music video are booming, each claiming about 40 per cent of EMD's sales. LPs have shrunk to 15 per cent and cassettes have declined to five per cent.

Today, cassette sales are confined almost entirely to the UK and Johnson reports that demand elsewhere is virtually extinct. "We anticipate that our cassette market will just die the death," he says. But, with other formats continuing to expand, this eventuality leaves him unworried.

Although PRT was originally built on dance products, it now goes in for a broad spread of labels. "That way you iron out the season peaks and troughs," points out marketing and label manager David Brooker. He does not touch the overstocks and deletions market.

On the troubled question of whether distributors who have their own labels take the risk of being accused of favouring their bands, Brooker says PRT Distribution had experienced no conflict of interest over its sister company PRT Records. "Generally speaking, because there has not been an aggressive A&R policy by the label, none of the independents we distribute feel threatened that we might give priority to an in-house company," he comments.

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It has its own warehouse, the former Pye Records storage and distribution centre at Mitcham. Apart from its own delivery service in London's West End, the company contracts out its UK physical distribution to Parceline.

According to Brooker, independent labels are benefiting as never before through the development of distributors which, he says, can match the services of any of the majors.

A year since it split off from Heron, EMD is 76 per cent owned by Prism Leisure and 24 per cent jointly by Johnson and his partner, Robert Molenaar. It has its own label in Digital Classic but, again, it is denied that this causes any conflict.

Molenaar speaks six languages and is permanently on the road in Continental Europe in his Mercedes sports car, handling EMD's



KEEP THE stock moving, home and abroad

export sales. "While he is going round selling, he is also feeding back to us information on what is selling in each market," says Johnson. "That enables us to look for similar material to supply him with and it places us slightly ahead of other distributors who don't have the same direct contact with the markets."

The company stores and ships from its Enfield warehouse, seeking transport bargains for its European exports on the empty return legs of vehicles which have brought Continental goods to the UK. Johnson sees the rest of the EC countries being strongly influenced by the UK in musical fashions — but they are not always in step with each other. "You can have a situation in Germany where disco dance music may be dead and rock music popular, while in Italy the converse may be true." The trend now, he says, is for

The trend now, he says, is for record companies to look for pan-European distribution deals. "Very few people apart from the majors are in a position to take advantage of that. But that's what we are here for."

Prospects do not end with the boundaries of the EC. At the end of May he is off to Moscow to discuss licensing arrangements with the Russians.

Audio Visual International's sales are strongly orientated towards North America, where last year's import problems, prompted by the parallel products legal dispute brought by the Record Industry Association of America and the Harry Fox Agency, have eased.

Australia is also developing strongly and, for the future, AVI is keeping an eye on what develops in the Soviet Union and China. "People who buy the product

"People who buy the product from us are also interested in licensing it and we help the label to procure such deals," says AVI's Danny Ryan. He does not believe that the harmonisation of legislation for the European Single Market will open further floodgates to the EC.

"Most of the changes that are coming up in 1992 have already happened with records," he says. "Customers are still going to want information for statistical purposes and exporting to the EC is now as free as it will ever be."

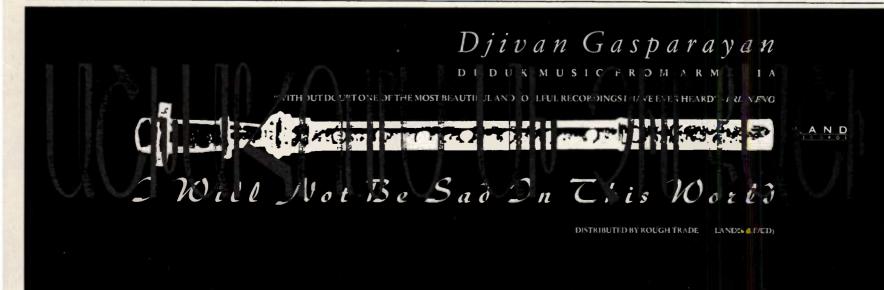
Overall, the message is that the distribution of independent labels has not been significantly affected in the UK by the attempts to curb consumer spending and export markets continue to develop despite unfavourable exchange rates.



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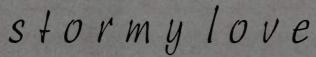
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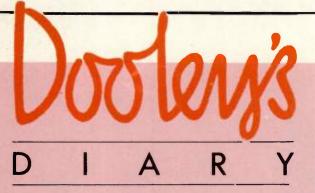
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BUSY AND LIVELY — that's the pleasing report on the two BPI dealer liaison committee roadshow visits to Manchester and Glasgow last week, following the disappointments of the previous venues... On reading Steve Mason's roadshow comments about multiples inevitably becoming "blander and blander" (see p3), wonder whether the likes of Barry Hartog (Our Price), Mike Sommers (EUK/Woolworths), Clive Swan (Soto Sound/Boots) and Brian McLaughlin (HMV) would agree?... Giving a pointer to Thom EMI's results announcement on June 8, EMI Music chief Jim Fifield reckons they will demonstrate that the music division is "well on the way to achieving its growth goals"...."I've been told my hat has been put in the ring," says EMI MD Rupert Perry as the nomination deadline for the BPI chairmanship has been extended to this week (see p1), though he adds: "I haven't yet decided whether to let the nomination go forward"... Chris Wright was nominated but declined on the basis that he has enough on his plate at Chrysalis and, while the concept of a full-time president or executive chairman is likely to come back on the agenda at some future date, the BPI council is likely to want a unanimous nomination this time round While Jim Fifield continues to spend Thorn EMI's money on an international basis, expect EMI Records UK to spend some money on its own account this week through the purchase of the Roulette Records catalogue founded by the controversial Morris Levy. THE EMI-SBK deal may not have been finally sealed but new UK head Peter Reichardt has already been to Charing Cross Road to give a pep tolk to the troops The hits keep on

THE EMI-SBK deal may not have been finally sealed but new UK head Peter Reichardt has already been to Charing Cross Road to give a pep talk to the troops ... The hits keep on coming: PWL has followed up Kylie's number one with the Ferry 'Cross The Mersey tribute and have made it a treble with Jason Donovan's album making the top slot as well ... Do you recall that Phil Ames was running a competition to find a suitable name for his in-store outlets? Well, he's finally arrived at "4" (that's the name, not the length of the shortlist). Apparently, client Debenhams was not impressed with the original suggestion of 4 Play ... Entertainment UK's tour of the dark satanic mills (see p4) was an eye-opener for those who rarely cross the North-South divide and was probably a shock to some of the more refined palates in tow. Shortage of time meant that EUK's Terry Blackman had to order 25 take-aways from Harry Ramsden's famous fish bar near Bradford and Dooley is only sorry that we have no photographic record of 25 VIPs eating fish and chips out of the paper ... 'Wizard of the record industry'', "the king of record companies'' — of course those of us in the biz have long known this about **Rob Dickins** but it has finally been confirmed in a feature in this month's *Tatler* in which the WEA chairman displays his designer luggage preference in the role of, what he describes as, "a novice Accidental Tourist".

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DAY OF the guitar: Some of the players from IRS' Night Of The Guitar project meet fans at Tower Records, Piccadilly.



THE WEMBLEY way: Wembley sales and events director Roger Edwards receives the top international venue award from *Performance* magazine.



A KARTLOAD: The winners of the Norcoff Robbins Music Therapy annual go-kart race bask in their glory.



WHAT A caucus: Among those present at the meeting of the Parliamentary Black Caucas and the US Congressional Black Caucus were CBS executives LeBaron Taylor (right) and Tony Woollcott who accompanied Lor Pitt.



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Unit 30, Sheraton Business Centre, Wadsworth Road, Perivale, Middx, UB6 7JB

Tel: 01-991 1965 Fax: 01-991 5726

Contact: Damon Dixon, Chris Thomp-Hours of business: 9.00am-6.00pm

Ordering/Delivery details: Orders by fax/phone (preferably fax!). Importer/Exporter Specialist music/product: Specialist exporter/importer of dance music. We hold stock on new releases and back catalogue, 12"/LP/CD/MC.

Discovery Records

The Old Church Mission Room, Kings Corner, Pewsey, Wilts, SN) 5BS. Tel: (0672) 63931 Fax: (0672) 63934 Contact: Mike Cox, Bill Trythall Hours of Business: 9.30am-5.30pm Monday-Friday Ordering/Delivery details: Orders

taken by post, phone, fax or rep calls. Prompt deliveries by Securicor and Parceline. Minimum order without sur-charge £50. charge £50. Importer/Exporter Specialist music/product: Specialists in imported jazz, world and back cata-logue rock music on LP, tape and CD. Main labels: CBS (Europe), Vogue, Musidisc, Arion, Auvidis, EPM, Avan-Cuaro (Australia).

Downing Records

31 South Road, Waterloo, Liverpool 22. Tel: 051-920 5221/920 8088 Contact: R. Downing, N. Robinson. Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.00pm Monday-Thursday. 9.00am-7.30pm Monday-Thursday. Friday. Ordering/Delivery details: cash and

carry One-stop facility Specialist music/product: All

Gordon Duncan Records

9 Market Place, Inverurie, Aberdeen-shire, AB5 9PU. Tel: (0467) 21517 Contact: Gordon Duncan, Colin Morri-

Hours of Business: 8.30am-5.30pm

Monday-Friday. Ordering/Delivery details: Order by telesales, orders despatched same day

by Securicor. Importer/Exporter

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1/3 Uxbridge Road, Hayes, Middlesex, UB4 OSY.

Tel: 01-561 8722/848 9811 (sales) Fax: 01-848 8793 Contact: Alan Williams Hours of Business: 8.30am-5.00pm (telephone sales). 5.00pm-8.00am (answerphone). Ordering/Delivery details: Dealer services within 24/48 hours of order placement. Delivery via Parceline. Specialist music/product: Records, CDs, cassettes and music videos.

Entertainment UK Ltd

Clayton Road, Hayes, Middlesex, UB3 1HS. Tel: 01-848 7511 Fax: 01-848 9769

Contact: Nick Wenham, David Bowler. Hours of Business: 8.30am-8.00pm Ordering/Delivery hour/48-hour service details: 24-Specialist music/product: Music. video and computer software racker.



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Tel: 01-443 2528 Fax: 01-805 3391

Fax: 01-805 3391 Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.30pm Monday-Friday Ordering/Delivery details: Telesales department, salesmen, regular cata-logue, UK delivery via Parceline (24 hours). All other EEC countries — goods rold azvardrs London sold ex-works London. Exporter

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21A Alva Street, Edinburgh, EH2 4PS. Tel: 031-226 3129 Fax: 031-226 3133 Contact: Brian Guthrie, Graeme Rob-

erts Hours of Business: 9.30am-6.00pm

Monday-Friday Ordering/Delivery details: Orders taken via telephone or fax — usual de-livery within 24 hours (UK) if order s placed by 3.00pm. Importer/Exporter Specialist music/Product: As part of

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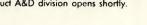
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FM Revolver **Records** Ltd

152 Goldthorn Hill, Penn, Wolverhampton, WV2 3JA. Tel: (0902) 345155 Fax: (0902) 345155

Contact: Robert James Hours of Business: 9.00am-6.00pm Monday-Friday Ordering/Delivery details: All UK sales through RCA/BMG (and Italy & FDR) 24 overseas territory/distributors in place — call for full list.

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Brookfield Business Centre, Cottenham, Cambridge, CB4 4SP. Tel: (0954) 5160 Contact: Martin Bright Hours of Business: 9.30am-5.30pm Ordering/Delivery details: Phone or

post; post or courier Specialist music/Product: Classical sic, organ, choral, chamber music.

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308 High Street, Stratford, London, E15 1AJ.

Tel: 01-534 4882 Fax: 01-519 8128 Contact: Danny Barnes, Richard batnarine Hours of Business: 9.00am-9.00pm Ordering/Delivery details: Own vans covering London and home counties via Securicor.

Importer/Exporter

Specialist music/Product: Soul Dance cutouts, 12" UK and import, LP UK and import, CDs and cassettes.

S Gold & Sons (Records) Ltd

Gold House, 69 Flempton Road, L⇒yton, London, E107NL. Tapl: 01-539 3600 (orders 01-558 7133) Fax: 01-539 2176

Contact: Jonathan Gold, Stuart Persky Hours of Business: 9.00am-6.00pm Monday-Friday. 9.00am-1.00pm Sat-

urday Ordering/Delivery details: Carriage free for orders value £50 or over. Small handling charge for smaller orders. Next day delivery throughout UK. **One-stop facility.**

Exporter Specialist music/Product: Wholesalers of records, cassettes, CDs and all videos.

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PD Box 34, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 BOS. Tel: (0622) 683196

Fax: (0622) 764214 Contact: Penny Hogan, Stephen Gold Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.00pm

Monday-Friday Crdering/Delivery details: Telephone /lelex/Fax - delivery 48 hours.

Greyhound Records

130A Plough Road, Battersea, London, SW11 2AA. Tel: 01-924 1166 Fax: 01-924 1471

Contact: Tony Hickmott, Paul Callaghan Hours of Business: 9.30om-5.30pm

Monday-Friday Ordering/Delivery details: Orders placed by phone before midday are usually despatched via Parceline same day.

acy. Importer/Exporter Specialist music/Product: We are specialist non-parallel import whole-sater and distributor covering all types of music apart from classical.



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Hermanex Ltd

137A High Road, Loughton, Essex, IGIO 4LT. Te: 01-508 3723 Fax: 01-508 0432 Cantact: Peter Harris, Darren Ricgewell Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.30pm Menday-Friday Ordering/Delivery details: 72 hours Wiolesaler/Distributor



T/A Cadillac Distribution, 180 Shoftesbury Avenue, London, WC2H 8JB TeL 01-836 3646 Fax 01-497 9102 Costact: John Jack Hoers of Business: 10.00am-6.00pm Monday-Friday Ordering/Delivery

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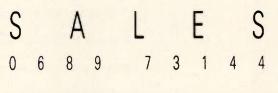
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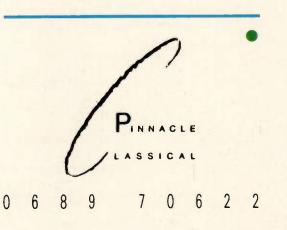
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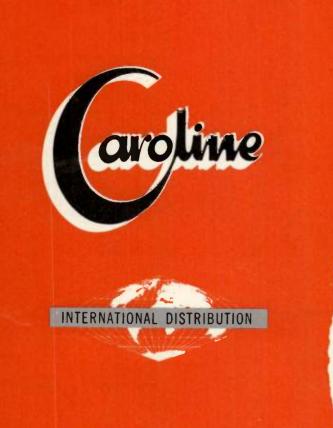
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Jewish Music Distribution

PO Box 232, Harrow, Middx, HA1 2NN Tel: 01-907 1905 Fax: 01-907 6762

Contact: Mrs G Auerbach Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.oopm Monday-Friday. 9.00am-1.00pm Sun-Ordering/Delivery details: Orders by

mail, telephone or fax. Specialist music/Product: All music of Jewish interest, including classical, folk, liturgical, cantorial, Klezmer, Ladino, Yiddish and Traditional ethnic music.



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K-tel International (UK) Ltd

620 Western Avenue, London, W3 OTU. Tel: 01-992 8055 Fax: 01-993 3652 Contact: Bob Stevens Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.30pm Ordering/Delivery details: 24-48 Specialist music/Product: All types of music



Unit 2, Chapmans Park Industrial Estate, 378-388 High Road, Willesden, Lon-don, NW10 2DY. Tel: 01-459 8800 Fax: 01-451 5555 Contact: Charlie Paulinski, Martin O'Donnell Ordering/Delivery details: World-wide eroot wide export One stop facility. Importer/Exporter Specialist music/Product: All major & independent labels, specialising in disco, heavy metal, jazz, funk and classical.



Unit 1, Mill Lane Trading Estate, Mill Lane, Purley Way, Croydon CRO 4AA. Tel: 01-686 3636 Fax: 01-681 8005 Contact: Peter Collins

Specialist music/Product: Labels own-ed — Big Band Era, Big Country, Big Time, Black Tulip, Blue City, Classicaphon, Commander, Evergreen, Heartbeat, Jazz Life, Laser, MCR, MCR Classical, Musique International, Noel, Streat fe, Sonata, Supreme, Tomato, Vintuoso. Labels distributed: Giants of Jazz Rhino, Unforgettable, major com-pany product that is not available in the UK.

Michele International Ltd

Unit E, The Acorn Centre, Rowbuck Road, Hainault, Essex, IG6 3TU. Te:: 01-500 1819 Fax: 01-500 1745

Contact: Terry Denoff, Maurice Mende

Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.00pm Manday-Friday Ordering/Delivery details: Labels: Stradivari — Hindsight — Michel Importer/Exporter Specialist music/Product: Classical, jazz. MOR

MMG Distribution

Magnum House, High Street, Lane End, Buctinghamshire, HP14 3JG. Tel: (0494) 882858 Fax: (0494) 882631 Correct: Lynne Williams

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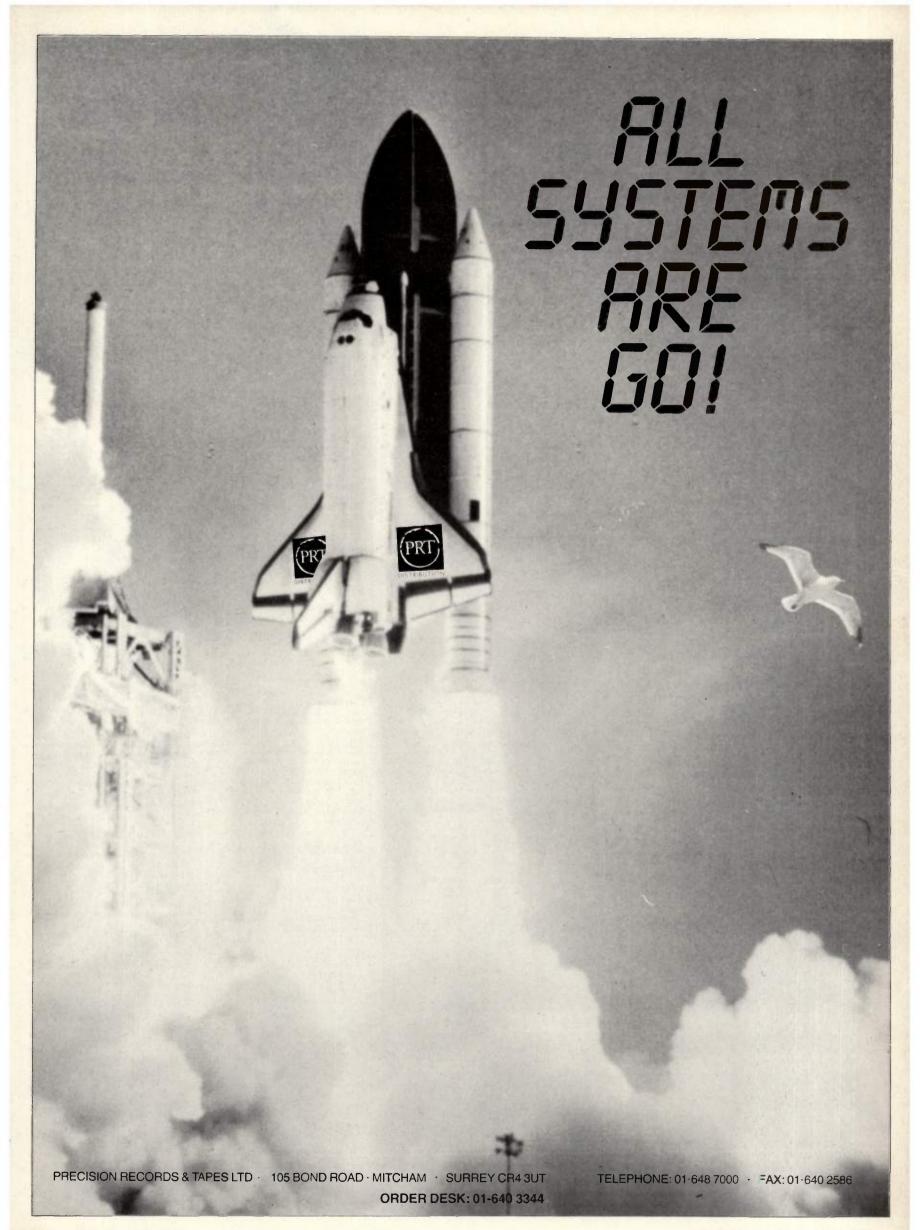
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Specialist music/Product: Rock & Roll, blues, reggae, soul, rhythm & blues, country, country rock, folk, jazz, MOR.

Mono Distributors (Jersey) Ltd

First Floor, Freight Terminal, States A r-port, St Peter, Jersey, Channel Islands Tel: (0534) 45161

Fax: (0534) 43282 Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.30pm Monday-Friday Specialist music/Product: Distribution of TV advertised and budget products (MFP & Pickwick). TDK wholesale dis-tributor for the Channel Islands.

Multiple Sound Distributors Ltd

3 Standard Road, Park Royal Industria Estate, London, NW10 6EX. Tel: 01-961 5646

Fax: 01-965 3047 Contact: Roger Bull, Alan Booth

Contact: Roger Bull, Alan Booth Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.30pm Monday-Friday Delivery: (Mid June) MSD Distribution Ltd, as below, but tel: 01-961 1103. (After mid June) William Collins Sons & Co Ltd, Westerhill Road, Bishopbriggs, Glasgow, G64 2QT (041-772 3200) Ordering: Telesales, MSD Distribution Ltd, Unit 7/8 Grand Union Industrial Es-tate, Abbey Road, Park Royal, London NW10 7UL (Tel: 01-961 6660). Specialist music/Product: Class ca label, MOR budget label.



Unit 2, Orpington Trading Estate, St Mary Cray, Orpington, Kent, BR5 3SR. Tel: (0689) 77884 Fax: (0689) 77891

Contact: Eddie Wilkinson, Graham Griffiths Hours of Business: As Pinnacle

Ordering/Delivery details: As Pinnacle

Importer

Importer Specialist music/Product: Jazz/con-temporary classical/world music. Distri-buted labels include: ECM, GRP, Con-cord, Messidor, Goia/Gramavision, King/Paddlewheel, Jazz House, Landmark, JVC, MCA imports, Mole Jazz, Loose tubes, Hothouse Records, Optimism.

Nine Mile Distribution Ltd

6 New Street, Warwick, CV34 4RX. Tel: (0926) 499899 Fax: (0926) 497737 Contact: Rod Thomson, Peter Dodge Hours of Business: 9.00am-6.30pm



Dukes Way, St Georges, Telford, Shrop-

bukes way, St Georges, Terrora, Shrop-shire. Tel: (0952) 616911 Fax: (0952) 620361 Contact: A J Lewis Hours of Business: 9.00am-6.00pm Ordering/Delivery details: Full cata-logues of our ranges available on re-quest. Importer/Exporter Snecialist music/Product: Overstock

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Outlet Recording Co Ltd

15-21 Gordon Street, Belfast BT1 2LG. Tel: (0232) 322826 Fax: (0232) 332671

House of Business: 9.00am-5.30pm Monday-Friday. 9.00am-1.00pm Sat-urday (Van sales — seven days, 24 hours) Crdecing/Delivery details:

Post/Auetro Express/own vans Specialist music/Product: Iris traditional, folk Irish and US country. Irish

Pecific House, Vale Road, London, N4 106 Tel: 01-800 4465 (Admin), 01-800 4490 Sales) Fax: 01-800 4490

Fas: 001-800 4490 Contact: Nigel Reveler, Geoff Wilmot Hours of Business: 9.30am-6.00pm Ordaning/Delivery details: Next-day deivery via Parceline/Securicor. Importar/Exporter Specialist music/Product: Specialist

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imports and distributor for various UK labels, including: ODE, Desire, Immacu-Icte, Sebmission, Fiction Independent, Chadk This.

Panther Music

Unit 5. The Atlas Business Centre, Ocote Lane, London, NW2 7HU. Tel 01 208 2377

Fas: 01-208 2361 Contar:: Trevor Reidy, Neil Kellas Hours of Business: 9.30am-7.00pm,

late for overseas visitors. Ordering/Delivery details: Fax or phane plus nationwide van sales cover-age. Delivery: 24 hours. One-stap facility

Importer/Exporter Specialist music/Product: Deletions, overstoczs, sale product, special pack-age: racide to suit customers require-ments. All types of music and formats — A.OR to classical.

Parkfield Entertainment

Unit 12 Brunswick Industrial Park, Brunswick Way, New Southgate, Lon-don, N1 1HX. Tel: 01-568 7788 Fax: 01 -361 8877 Contact: Malcolm Sharp, Tracey Doule Hours of Business: 9.30am-6.00pm Orderinz/Delivery details: Delivery of order: 24-48 hours after placing or-

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Pic-a-Tape Ltd

Unit 5, Essax Street, Preston, Lancashire, PR1 1QD Tel: (0772) 718131 Fax: (0772) 203155 Contact: G M Griffiths

Hours of Business: 9.00am-6.00pm Monday-Friday. 9.00am-12.00pm Sat-

urday Ordering Delivery details: Telephone anders received by midday despatched same day for next day delivery. Specielist music/Product: Pic-a-Tape supplies a range of leisure-related products to non-traditional outlets. Recommended suppliers to Granada, Trusthcuse Forte, Texaco, BP, Mobil and many more major oil companies.

Pinnade Records

Electron Heuse, Cray Ave, St Mary's Cray, Orbington, Kent, BR5 3PN. Tel: (0585) 70622 Fax: (C63° 78269 Contact: Steve Mason, George Kimpton Hawe Hours of Business: 9.00am-6.00pm Orderion/Delivery details: Order Ordering/Delivery details: Orde desk (0585) 73144, 24-hour delivery

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Fax: (0295) 56877 Contact: Karl Pattison Hours of Business: 9.00am-6.00pm Ordering/Delivery details: Vehicle distribution, merchandising delivery Specialist music/Product: Audio, video, compact disc, distribution for the petrol forecourt retail trade.

PolyGram Recording Operations Ltd

PO Box 36, Clyde Works, Grove Road, Romford RM6 4QR. Tel: 01-590 6088 Fax: 01-597 1011 Contact: Alan King, Rod di Cicco Hours of Business: 8.30am-5.30pm Ordering/Delivery details: Telephone sales: 01-590 6044, 8.30am-5.30pm. Ansafone service outside of business hours. Delivery in 24/48 hours.

Prism Leisure Corporation

Unit 1, Baird Road, Enfield, Middlesex, EN1 ISQ. Tel: 01-804 8100 Fax: 01-805 8001 Contact: Lawrence Kuttner, Simon Checkketts

Checkkets Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.30pm Monday-Friday Ordering/Delivery details: Telesales via catalogue. Quarterly catalogue available. Shipping via Parceline.

available: Shipping via Parceline. Importer/Exporter Specialist music/Product: Mid-price label incl BR Music, Platinum Music, Dance Band Days, Masters. Irish labels incl Ritz, Dolphin, Outlet, Tara. TV labels incl Telstar, Stylus, Harmac, K-tel.

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105 Bond Road, Mitcham, Surrey, CR4

Tel: 01-640 3344/640 7000 Fax: 01-640 2586

Contact: Richard Lim, David Brooker Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.30pm Monday-Friday, Ansaphone outside these hours Ordering/Delivery details: 24-hour

UK mainland Specialist music/Product: UK distributor and exporter for independently owned record labels.



Box 195, London, N14 5DF Tel: 01-368 2921 Fax: 01-886 6812 Contact: H J Jaques Hours of Business: 9.00am-5.00pm weekdays Ordering/Delivery details: Telephone and fax orders accepted Importer/Exporter Specialist music/Product: Wholesaler to the trade of VHS video cassettes. Distributor of indie labels to wholesalers and retail outlets.

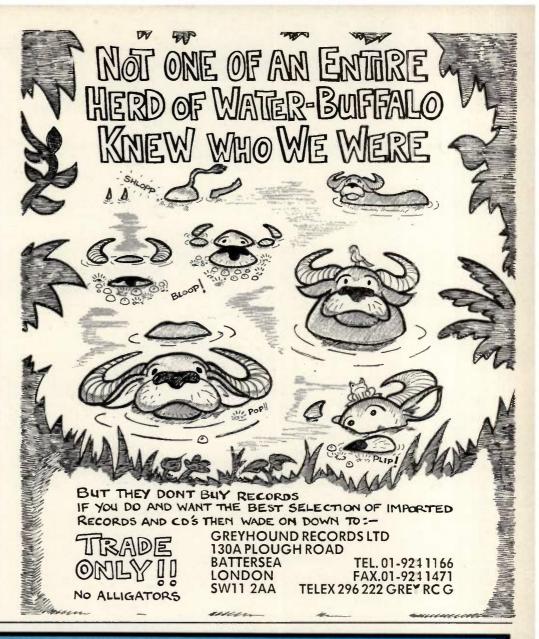
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387 Wandsworth Road, London, SW8

Tel: 01-622 8834 Tel: 01-622 8834 Contact: Chris Cheek, Gareth Davies Mours of business: 11.00am-6.00pm Ordering/Delivery details: Terms ne-gotiable. No order too small. Importer/Exporter Speicalist music/Product: Experimen-tal: iazz/improvisation/electronics/com-

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30/32 Sir John Rogersons Quay, Dublin 2, Ireland. Tel: (0001) 714011 Fax: (0001) 714554 Contact: Brian Wynne Hours of business: 9.15am-5.30pm Ordering/Delivery details: Rep, tele-sales, 24-hour delivery service, own service to Dublin. Securicor to rest of coun-

Inporter/Exporter Specialist music/Product: MOR, Irish. Distribute: K-tel, MCA, Island, Castle, Mother.

Retrack UK Ltd

Unit 1, Mill Lane Trading Estate, Mill Lane, Purley Way, Croydon, CRO 4AA. Tel: 01-686 3636

Fax: 01-681 8005 Contact: Peter Collins

Specialist music/Product: Retrack UK is the number one supplier of overstocks and deletions to the retail music industry. MRD/Retrack UK has five van-sales op-erations covering London and the South, north London and the Home Counties, Birmingham and the Mid-lands, Manchester area, Scotland.

Ross Record Distribution

29 Main Street, Turriff, Aberdeenshire, AB5 7AB.

Tel: (0888) 68899 Fax: (02612) 2466 Contact: Gibson Ross, Dorothy Steph-

Hours of business: 9.00am-5.00pm

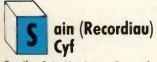
Monday-Friday Ordering/Delivery/Details: National Courier/Post office deliveries. Specialist music/Product: Scottish, Irish country music specialists.

Rough Trade Distribution

61 Collier Street, London N1 9BE. Tel: 01-833 2133 Fax: 01 833 2912

Contact: Mike Holdsworth Ordering/Delivery details: Orders via Cartel Whalesale (telesales and/or sales reps). Deliveries nationwide by overnight courier.

night courier. Specialist music/Product: Export dept: tel: 01-833 4298, fax: 01-833 4624. Demix (specialist dance distribution & sales dept): tel: 01-837 5635. New Routes (specialist world music distribu-tion & sales dept): Tel: 01-837 5536.



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T/A Red Ruby, 134 Old Field Grove, London, SE16 2NE. Tel: 01-252 0598

Hours of business: 9.30am-3.30pm Specialist music/Product: A: Shadow of my mind, B: Calling UFO RY 001 Red ot my mind, B: Calling UFO K1 001 Ked Ruby; A: American Man/American Lover, B: Calling UFO Beat-Toe RY 002 Red Ruby; A: I don't care, B: Tender Tuch RY 003 Red Ruby; A: Tender Kiss, A: My dream mon, dream love RY 005 Red Ruby.

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43A Old Woking Road, West Byfleet, 43A Old Wohling Roda, West Byneer, Surrey KT14 6LG. Tel: (09323) 51925 Fax: (09323) 36431 Contact: Mike Wells, Martin Howell Hours of business: 8.30am-6.00pm Importer/Exporter Specialist music/Product: African imports — Zimbabwe, South Africa, Kenya, Nigeria — all labels, Indian & Pakistan imports.

Solomon & Peres Ltd

120 Coach Road, Templepatrick, Co Antrim, BT39 OHB Tel: (08494) 32711 Fax: (08494) 32800 Contact: Mervyn A Solomon, Les R Paterson Hours of business: 9.00am-5.00pm Monday-Friday, 9.00am-12.30pm Sat-Ordering/Delivery details: All orders received by 12.30pm delivered the same day. All orders ofter 12.30pm de-livered the following morning. One-stop facility

Units 1&2, Forest Works, Forest Road, London, E17 6JF. Tel: 01-523 2981 Fax: 01-523 3202 Contact: Clive Swan Hours of business: 9.00am-5.30pm Ordering/Delivery details: Tele-sales: 01-527 2399, 24-hour national distribution Specialist music/Product: UK chart/catalogue wholesalers. Handling LP/MC/CD/CDV/Video/12"/7". Exclus-

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137A High Road, Loughton, Essex, IG10 4LT. Tel: 01-508 3723 Fax: 01-508 0432

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supplying all UK. Specialist music/Product: Specialist in deletions/overstocks.

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3 Sevenex Parade, London Road, Wembley, Middx HA9 7HQ. Tel: 01-903 4753 (eight lines) Fax: 01-903 7853 Telesales: 01-903 8223 Contact: Thomas A McDonnell, David G Thomas Hours of business: 9.00am-5.30pm Ordering/Delivery details: Telesales and field force, 24-hour delivery. Specialist music/Product: Distributor of all formats of recorded music and

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116 Whitfield Street, London W1P SRW. Tel: 01-387 5550/388 5533 Fax: 01-388 2756 Contact: Scot Lund (exports), Ian Thomas (Domestic)

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Target House, Cornwall Road, Croydon, Surrey CR9 2TG Tel: 01-686 3322 Fax: 01-681 6523 Contact: L Adams, J Elliot Hours of business: 9am-6pm Monday-Friday Ordering/Delivery details: 48 hours Securicon Importer/Exporter

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Theme Schemes

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Contact: Steve Mason, Andy Stephen-Hours of business: 9.00am-6.00om

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 Holdom Avenue, Bletchley, Milton Keynes, MK1 1QU
 al: (0908) 648440 el: (0908) 648440 Fax: (0908) 648592 Contact: Ian Hamilton, David Withers Heurs of business: 9.00am-4.45pm Orcering/Delivery details: phone, tax, post; delivery via Securicor Specialist music/Product: Gospel, concernorgy, Christian, inspirational an emporary Christian, inspirational, netrumental

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