RACKMIL IS HERE Not Here For 'Coral'

(MUSICAL EXPRESS STAFF REPORTER)

INTO THIS COUNTRY LAST TUESDAY FLEW MILTON B. RACK-MIL, EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT OF DECCA RECORDS INCORPORATED OF AMERICA. GREAT SPECULATION AS TO HIS VISIT HAS BEEN PREVALENT SINCE THE NEWS FIRST REACHED US THAT HE WAS COMING TO ENGLAND. IT WAS CONJECTURED THAT THIS VISIT MIGHT POSSIBLY HERALD THE LAUNCHING OF "CORAL LABEL" THE RECORDS CONCERNING WHICH SO MUCH RUMOUR HAS BEEN CURRENT OF LATE. HOWEVER, IN AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH MUSICAL EXPRESS MR. RACKMIL GAVE US TO UNDERSTAND THAT THIS WAS NOT THE CASE.

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When we asked him about the purpose of his visit to London he told us that it was to carry out various business negotiations and that his call here had been long overdue. This reporter reminded him that it was generally believed that his English representative, Wally Moody, had already commenced making recordings in England. Mr. Rackmil said that any recordings Moody had made were of an entirely experimental nature and that they had been financed entirely by Moody himself.

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With regard to "Coral Label," Ir. Rackmil sald that owing to tisting contracts with Decca ecord Co. Ltd., that concern ould be offered any labels ade by a subsidiary company 'American Decca for distribu-nin England.

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