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TAWNY NELSON SUPERVISING LONDON DISCS

Now on Canadian Staff

SINCE SHE LEFT THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION TO TRAVEL TO THE UNITED STATES...

Readers will be interested to know that having spent a short time in a secretarial capacity with a well-known publishing house in New York...

HENRY HALL'S GUEST NIGHT RETURNING

COMMENCING DECEMBER 1 THE POPULAR HENRY HALL'S GUEST NIGHT WILL RETURN TO THE AIR...

Fort Marlborough will know musical adviser for Hall during his successful Blackpool season...

ROYAL VARIETY PERFORMANCE

(By Eddie Hewson)

AS THE ROYAL VARIETY SHOW AT THE LONDON COLISEUM ON MONDAY NIGHT A FLOPPY THE LAY CRITICS IN THE NATIONAL PRESS WOULD HAVE YOU BELIEVE SO...

If Ted Ray had to battle his way to laughter, if Dolores Gray, Bill Johnson and Maurine Chevalier found them cold...

LET THESE PEOPLE TAKE LESSON FROM THE ROYAL BOX...

IN THAT box alone was the perfect cross-section of the queen-loving public...

THE ROYAL FAMILY. Nat Temple, whose orchestra has been featured on the Enchanted Rhythm series every Monday night since its inception...

Modern Dresswear by Ceci Gee DINNER SUITS

ROBERT FARNON'S TRANSCRIPTIONS

ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, ROBERT FARNON AND HIS FULL 46-PIECE ORCHESTRA PLUS SINGERS...

Farnon's current series is meeting with overwhelming response and among the many thousands of fan letters received by the stars of this show...

STAPLETON'S GUEST STARS

Recent visitors to Radio Luxembourg's Whisk programme, featuring Cyril Stapleton, include Anne Shelton, Dolores Gray, who duet with Bob Dale, Ivy Benson seen discussing a score with Stapleton and that master of "comic" opera Leon Cortez.



Dolores Gray and Bob Dale



Leon Cortez



Anne Shelton



Cyril Stapleton and Ivy Benson

D'AMATO ENGAGES A RUMBA GROUP

FOLLOWING MANY OTHER WEST END RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS, HATCHETT'S AS FROM THIS FRIDAY WILL BE OPEN UNTIL 2.30 A.M. FOR DANCING UNDER THE NEW LICENSING HOUSING...

The personnel of the new outfit is as follows: Dick Whittall percussion, H. E. Wilson bass, R. White piano, Gerald Berg vocal, guitar and maracas, Stan Falcke flute and John McLean trumpet.



Chappie D'Amato

NEW RADIO SHOW

WHEN Home Service listeners go "On Tour with the Duffs" in "First House" on November 14, they will have the opportunity of making the acquaintance of a new radio family...

Patricia Burke, leader, will play Pat Duff, the daughter; Father Jimmy Duff will be played by Jim Duff, the son; John Stevens, now in the comedy "The Duffs" in "Her Eccentricity," and well remembered for his outstanding broadcast in the name part of "The Life of Fred Astaire..."

The script is written by Geoffrey and Alice Harrison, who are also the authors of the "Ladies' Night" script, and Joe Jenkins and the Variety Orchestra will accompany the Duffs on their travels. Fred Astaire, remembered for his arrangements in the recent Allan Jones broadcast, will be responsible for the incidental music.

The Stork Calls We offer our sincere congratulations to drum major Fred Winstone who this week became the proud father of twin sons...

JOHNNY DENNIS NEW SERIES

THE JOHNNY DENNIS "WAY OUT WEST" SUNDAY MORNING SERIES WILL RECOMMENCE ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, AT 9 A.M. ON THE LIGHT PROGRAMME...

THE CACTUS KIDS, GRAHAM BAILEY AND FRED YELLE, INCLUDING NETTA ROGERS, GLENN JONES WILL AGAIN PRODUCE AND THE SERIES WILL RUN FOR 12 WEEKS.

Johnny Dennis and his band-chief have been topping bills in variety all over the country and their future variety dates include the Palace Theatre, Plymouth, on November 11, Hackney Empire week of November 21 with Leo Pold who liked them so much when they accompanied him at Chicwick that he booked them for this date...

MAURICE BURMAN informs us that this Sunday he and his partner Robert Feldman have engaged the complete newly formed Leon Roy Bop Band to entertain the many visitors to Feldman's Club. In addition to this fine agreement they will also have as guest artists that excellent singer Diana Coupland.



LEON ROY

BARRY KENT WITH GEO. EVANS

Vocalist Barry Kent, who won the Erio Winstone Singers' Competition last year, has been appearing with Bob Gibson and Tito Burns and will now appear with George Evans. His next date will be next Sunday, November 12, at the Capitol Theatre, Cardiff, at a concert. Kent has deliberately been declining offers of engagements as he has been studying during the past year and will now be heard more often.

MELACHRINO CONDUCTING THE DANISH STATE ORCH.

FOLLOWING THE GREAT NEWS FOR THE INDUSTRY THAT GEORGE MELACHRINO IS TO CONDUCT AND EMPLOY A MINIMUM OF THIRTY-TWO MUSICIANS WHEN HE LEADS THE M.G.M. EMPIRE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, COMES FURTHER INTERESTING NEWS REGARDING THIS BRILLIANT COMPOSER-CONDUCTOR.

This Thursday Melachrino flew to Denmark to conduct the famous Danish State Orchestra for one concert this Sunday night. He will return to England after this show which he curries out by special request to continue organizing his new orchestra which opens at the Empire, Leicester Square, on Tuesday night.

JACK NATHAN INJURED AT ROYAL SHOW

AFTER accompanying Dolores Gray during the Royal Command Variety show last Monday, Jack Nathan suffered a very bad eye injury. This was caused when he noticed a stage hand throwing a switched prop over a boom. The stage hand was not having much success in getting the prop out of space Jack decided to walk behind him. He still does not know whether the prop and landing returned and hit him or whether the stage hand caught him. However, he has received a nasty gash just above the eye, and we take this opportunity of wishing him a speedy recovery.

NEW BALERGMON AT DARWEN

HAROLD DAYSON informs us that he has now acquired the sole rights of another ballroom. The Antoria Palace de Danse at Market Street, Darwen, is a new ball which opens on Friday, 11th November, under the proprietorship of Tony Smart who also runs the Astoria, Manchester.

For the time being the ballroom will only be in operation on Fridays and on one or two resident bands. Tony Smart and his orchestra, and Harold Bell his orchestra, and Harold Bell his band. Line-up of the Stuart band consists of Don Franklin piano, Tom Carmen drums, L. Matthews bass, Alan Thompson, Conard Knowles and Johnny Evans alto, Derek Harrison and Ken Freeman tenors, Ken Jones, Johnny Stevens and Johnny Alton trumpet, Reg Paton and Percy Carter trombone.

Harold Bell leads the following line-up on alto Bill Greenall 2nd alto, Maurice Durr and Jim Madden tenors, Frank Taylor baritone, Bob Howarth trumpet, Basil Hasted piano, Bert Landon drums, and Sam Jones bass.

Also is now touring the Pacific Coast, from Vancouver, Canada, down to Los Angeles.

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TOO-WHIT TOO-WHIO I've only just started! But I'm on my way up! Now watch me sweep the country! SNOWY WHITE SNOW AND JINGLE BELLS

IN THIS ISSUE: "I'M A PIRATE" By Tito Burns New Feature "BARGAIN HUNT" AMERICAN COMMENTARY GRAMOPHONE REVIEWS BACKSTAGE with Eddie Hewson CONWAY'S COLUMN

ALEC TEMPLETON IN NEW ORLEANS Successful Concert

ALEC TEMPLETON, 1941 gave a concert to 1,000 people in with Sharky Bonano and his Dixieland Band in a jazz session. He also improvised on themes by Bach and played "I'll See You In My Dreams" as Bach might have written it. Says the New Orleans Times Picayune:

"The session was a real jazz treat, not only for the keen musical tracing of jazz history which Templeton did in the first half of the program, but for the manner in which he skillfully played with Sharky's crew in the second half."

... aptly hit a new volume record in New Orleans at the finish, when Sharky and Templeton smilingly shook hands.





