

THE CASH BOX FOLK and WESTERN ROUNDUP

Rosemary Clooney had Nashville buzzing last week end topping off a very successful first week run of her current movie with three top personal performances. Last Saturday afternoon, Feb. 7, she did a SRO appearance on the Paramount Theatre stage. Saturday night she was Red Foley's (Decca) guest on his Prince Albert "Grand Ole Opry" NBC'er. Miss Clooney fit right into the country show doing "Half As Much," a country tune she hit the pop field with recently, and dueting her current Columbia release with George Morgan. She was honored with a lush affair at Nashville's Richland's Country Club immediately following. Sunday afternoon found her the featured guest on WSM's "Sunday Down South" regional netter. Show was moved from station's auditorium to Ryman Auditorium where a sizable crowd listened to the show from the street with all seats filled one hour before show time. Miss Clooney was given biggest visiting artist's reception experienced by the Music City in some time flying back to New York Sunday night.

"Cactus Joe" Nixon (Mercury) giving up his Fort Worth KCUL deejay duties Feb. 20 to report to KXLA in Pasadena to carry two record shows daily beginning Feb. 28. Nixon has also m.c.'d WFAA's (Dallas) Saturday Night Shindig for recent months and no replacement for either post has been announced.

Smiley Burnette continues his southern tour with dates in Alabama this week before leaving Birmingham Feb. 15 for west coast business to return to Aliceville, Ala., for a Feb. 23 showing. The southern tour is set to run to mid-March when Burnette begins a new Gene Autry flicker in Hollywood.

Philadelphia's booker-promoter, Jack Howard, in Nashville all last week setting fan club business with Hank Snow (RCA Victor) and doing promotion on his Arcade cutting of Jimmy Collett's "Four Alarm Boogie" which has shown action in Philly area. Howard set a southern distribution deal on label with Nashville's Jim Bullet. Hank Snow was brought from Canada to the states by Howard who has headed his promotion during recent years.



HANK WILLIAMS

Joe Maphis did the fiddling and Dickie Phillips worked the lead guitar on Columbia's recent Colwell Brothers' session for the label in Hollywood under Don Law's direction. Law is set for Nashville sessions next week.

Pee Wee King's son, Sonny, in serious condition at a Louisville hospital after motorcycle accident early this week. Father King currently playing the Shamrock Hotel in Houston with plans to fly to Louisville momentarily.

Tex Ritter (Capitol) coming up with an outstanding wax release of a tune picked up while on his recent London appearance. Side is an American Indian story written by an Englishman with a melody by Frenchman and tune is being published by a Scotch firm.

Carolina Cotton (M-G-M) busy with her "Carolina Cotton Calling" series for Armed Forces Radio Service. Her first name guest on the show since returning from Korean tour was Bob Wills (M-G-M) who entered west coast during her absence. Wills and band were recently tailored in new wardrobe by Nudie, The Rodeo Tailor. Current fashion has the band in blue suits trimmed in white with red and gray boots and white hats. Bob stands out in black suit with white trim.

Cash Box's Bob Austin was in Nashville last week end for presentation of trophies to winner of mag's recent poll. Carl Smith took top honors as 1952's best country artist. Best country song, "Half As Much," brought an oscar for Acuff-Rose Publications which was presented to Wesley Rose, General Manager of the firm. Hank Williams' (M-G-M) trophy for best country record, "Half As Much," was presented to Hank's son, Randle Hank, Jr. The presentations were made on the 9:30 to 10:00 portion of Jefferson Island's Salt "Grand Ole Opry" airer.

Johnnie & Jack (RCA Victor) and Kitty Wells (Decca) currently being handled by Nashville's Frankie More. Miss Wells is Mrs. Johnnie Wright in private life.

RCA Victor's Steve Sholes in Nashville this week for sessions with label's country artists.

Coming week (Feb. 15-21) will find Ernest Tubbs (Decca) playing California dates is a Feb. 19 date in Dallas on the return to Nashville. Carl Smith set for Boston on Feb. 20. Cowboy Copas (King) solid in Missouri and Iowa for the week. Grandpa Jones (RCA Victor) will be in north and South Carolina with Johnnie & Jack set for Tennessee dates out of Nashville.

WLOW's Portsmouth, Va., country spinner, "Sheriff Tex" Davis, did two full houses in Norfolk's Municipal Auditorium last Sunday, Feb. 8, with Carl Smith, Johnnie & Jack (RCA Victor), Chet Atkins (RCA Victor), Kitty Wells (Decca), Ken Marvin (RCA Victor), and Minnie Pearl filling the bill. Davis has had a sell-out week before with Slim Whitman (Imperial) and steel man Hoot Raines heading the bill.

Nig Hunnicutt has been set with all Saturday afternoon with country records on WKAM in Warsaw, Indiana. J. P. "Big Jim" Hess set for country disk chores at WIVK, a new watter in Knoxville, Tenn. Hess recently left a Dayton, Ohio, station to return to his native Tennessee stand.

THE TEN FOLK AND WESTERN RECORDS DISK JOCKEYS PLAYED MOST THIS WEEK

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| 1. NO HELP WANTED | The Carlisles (Mercury) |
| 2. DON'T LET THE STARS GET IN YOUR EYES | Skeets McDonald (Capitol) |
| 3. I'LL GO ON ALONE | Marty Robbins (Columbia) |
| 4. GOIN' STEADY | Faron Young (Capitol) |
| 5. BACK STREET AFFAIR | Webb Pierce (Decca) |
| 6. KAW-LIGA | Hank Williams (MGM) |
| 7. A FOOL SUCH AS I | Hank Snow (RCA Victor) |
| 8. EDDY'S SONG | Eddy Arnold (RCA Victor) |
| 9. THAT'S ME WITHOUT YOU | Sonny James (Capitol) |
| 10. MIDNIGHT | Red Foley (Decca) |

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| <p>Art Barrett
WSAP—Portsmouth, Va.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Crazy Steel Guitar Waltz (Jean Shephard) Divided By Two (K. Wells) My Lonely Heart (C. Smith) All That I'm Asking Is Sympathy (Slim Whitman) I Don't Know (T. Ernie) Railroad Boogie (P. W. King) No Help Wanted (Carlisles) Going Like Wildfire (Mac Wiseman) Uh-Honey (Ken Marvin) I Will Miss You When You Go (Ernest Tubbs) | <p>"Uncle" Joe Johnson
WPAQ—Mt. Airy, N. C.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Back Street Affair (Pierce) I'll Go On Alone (Robbins) Going Steady (Faron Young) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (Johnnie & Jack) No Help Wanted (Carlisles) That's Me Without You (Sonny James) Jambalaya (Hank Williams) Using My Bible For A Road Map (Tennessee Cut-ups) Old, Old, Man (Left Frizzell) Going Like Wildfire (Mac Wiseman) | <p>Burt Beck
WSOU—So. Orange, N. J.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I Don't Know (T. Ernie) What Am I Doing (Joe Nixon & Crocker) Condemned Without Trial (Eddy Arnold) Kaw Liga (Hank Williams) That's Me Without You (Webb Pierce) Let Me Know (S. MacDonald) Back Street Affair (Pierce) Going Steady (Faron Young) Dear Judge (Ernest Tubbs) Death Of Hank Williams (Jack Caldwell) |
| <p>Billy "The Kid" Stanley
WNOE—New Orleans, La.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Going Steady (Faron Young) Back Street Affair (Pierce) A Fool Such As I (Snow) Condemned Without Trial (Eddy Arnold) I'll Go On Alone (Robbins) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (S. MacDonald) Midnight (Red Foley) No Help Wanted (Carlisles) You Win Again (Williams) My Lonely Heart Was Running Wild (C. Smith) | <p>Sal Rezza
WWEZ—New Orleans, La.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (S. MacDonald) Midnight (Red Foley) Eddy's Song (Eddy Arnold) Keep It A Secret (Whitman) Back Street Affair (Pierce) Jambalaya (Hank Williams) Midnight (Chet Atkins) Gal Who Invented Kissing (Hank Snow) Going Steady (Faron Young) The Things I Might Have Been (Kitty Wells) | <p>Don Larkin
WAAT—Newark, N. J.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> No Help Wanted (Carlisles) I'll Go On Alone (Robbins) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (Slim Willet) I Let The Stars Get In My Eyes (Goldie Hill) I'll Never Get Out Of This World Alive (H. Williams) Midnight (Red Foley) Stolen Waltz (Dick Thomas) Oh, Happy Day (D. Howard) The Unknown Soldier (Britt) Kaw-Liga (Hank Williams) |
| <p>Ramblin' Lou
WJLL—Niagara Falls, N. Y.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (Johnnie & Jack) Kaw-Liga (Hank Williams) I'll Never Get Out Of This World Alive (H. Williams) The Gal Who Invented Kissing (Hank Snow) That's Me Without You (Webb Pierce) I Could Never Be Ashamed Of You (Hank Williams) Back Street Affair (J. Bond) Our Honeymoon (Carl Smith) Stoney (Wilma Lee-Stoney) Eddy's Song (Eddy Arnold) | <p>Skip-A-Long Hathaway
KUGN—Eugene, Ore.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Eddy's Song (Eddy Arnold) The Things You Might Have Been (Wade Ray) Kaw-Liga (Hank Williams) I Don't Know (T. Ernie) I Will Miss You When You Go (Ernest Tubbs) Ain't A Bump In The Road (Roy Hogsted) Much More Than The Rest (Texas Tyler) All Night Boogie (T. Sosbee) Keep It A Secret (S. Whitman) A Million Wild Horses (Stuart Hamblen) | <p>Shel Horton
WVAM—Saxton, Pa.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Gal Who Invented Kissing (Hank Snow) No Help Wanted (Carlisles) Eddy's Song (Eddy Arnold) Tennessee Warbler (Marlin Sisters) Let Me Know (B. Williamson) Crying Steel Guitar (Pee Wee King) Story Book Of Love (Autry) Korean Mud (Elton Britt) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (Ray Price) Why Talk To Your Heart (Goldie Hill) |
| <p>Buck Benson
WLBR—Lebanon, Pa.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> No Help Wanted (Carlisles) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (Ray Price) Square Dance Boogie (Al Barkle-The Trailblazers) You Sure Do Need Him Now (Martha Carson) Take It Like A Man (King) I'll Never Get Out Of This World Alive (H. Williams) That's The Kind Of Love I'm Looking For (Carl Smith) Divided By Two (Kitty Wells) I'm An Old, Old Man (Lefty Frizzell) Back Street Affair (Walker) | <p>Chuck Thompson & Elmer
WFOR—Hattiesburg, Miss.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Kaw-Liga (Hank Williams) Triffin' On Me (Jimmie Swan) No Help Wanted (Carlisles) Hiccough Song (Maddox Bros. & Rose) Your Cheating Heart (Hank Williams) Till I Waltz Again With You (Tommy Sosebee) I Don't Know (T. Ernie) A Fool Such As I (Snow) Eddie's Song (E. Arnold) Things I Might Have Been (Wade Ray) | <p>Bob Watson
WSB—Atlanta, Ga.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> That's Me Without You (Webb Pierce) Guess I'll Take A Journey (Kitty Mann) Eddy's Song (Eddy Arnold) Gal Who Invented Kissing (Hank Snow) I Don't Know (T. Ernie) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (Ray Price) Satisfied (Martha Carson) I Will Miss You When You Go (Ernest Tubbs) Condemned Without Trail (Eddy Arnold) Korean Mud (Elton Britt) |
| <p>Fred Wamble
WLBS—Birmingham, Ala.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> No Help Wanted (Carlisles) I Had A Dream (B. Walker) All That I'm Asking Is Symphony (Slim Whitman) Let Me Know (Slim Willet) What Were You Doing (Jim Reeves) I'll Go On Alone (Robbins) A Fool Such As I (H. Snow) Lover's Quarrel (G. Morgan) Chattanooga Stomp (Sneed) My Heart's Desire (Bradley) | <p>Tex Roper
KFAL—Fulton, Miss.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> No Help Wanted (Carlisles) Jambalaya (H. Williams) Back Street Affair (Pierce) I'll Go On Alone (Robbins) Going Steady (Faron Young) Keep It A Secret (Whitman) Kaw-Liga (Hank Williams) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (Slim Willet) A Fool Such As I (H. Snow) I'll Never Get Out Of This World Alive (H. Williams) | <p>Smokey Smith
KRNT—Des Moines, Iowa</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Most Of All (M. R. Taylor) Eddy's Song (Eddy Arnold) I'll Never Get Out Of This World Alive (H. Williams) I'll Go On Alone (Robbins) Let Me Know (Slim Willet) Going Steady (Faron Young) Feeling Low (Cowboy Copas) Kaw-Liga (Hank Williams) Dear Judge (Ernest Tubbs) Bayou Baby (Merle Travis) |
| <p>Sheriff Tex Davis
WLOW—Norfolk, Va.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A Fool Such As I (H. Snow) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (S. MacDonald) I Could Never Be Ashamed Of You (Hank Williams) Going Steady (Faron Young) Gal Who Invented Kissing (Hank Snow) Condemned Without Trial (Eddy Arnold) Death Of Hank Williams (Jack Caldwell) Till I Waltz Again With You (Gore & Wright) That's Me Without You (Webb Pierce) Keep It A Secret (Whitman) | <p>Cousin Johnny (The Old Man Of The Mountain)
WNLC—New London, Conn.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I'll Go On Alone (Robbins) My Old Scrap Book (Price) Midnight (Red Foley) I Let The Stars Get In My Eyes (Goldie Hill) I Could Never Be Ashamed Of You (Hank Williams) No Help Wanted (Carlisles) Stranger In The Night (George Morgan) I'll Never Get Out Of This World Alive (H. Williams) Condemned Without Trial (Eddy Arnold) A Wedding Ring Ago (Wells) | <p>Larry Kenfield
WTIC—Hartford, Conn.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The New Wears Off Too Fast (Hank Thompson) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (S. MacDonald) A Fool Such As I (H. Snow) Childs Side Of Life (Johnny Horton) Midnight (Red Foley) Cannon Ball Ray (Travis) I'd Trade All My Tommors (Eddy Arnold) Gone (Terry Preston) I Could Never Be Ashamed Of You (Hank Williams) The Things I Might Have Been (Kitty Wells) |
| <p>Clarence Kneeland
WICH—Norwich, Conn.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (S. MacDonald) Keep It A Secret (Whitman) No Help Wanted (Carlisles) I'll Go On Alone (Robbins) That's The Kind Of Love I'm Looking For (Carl Smith) Back Street Affair (Pierce) Fortunes In Memories (Tubb) I Heard The Jukebox Playing (Kitty Wells) Condemned Without Trial (Eddy Arnold) Jambalaya (H. Williams) | <p>Cracker Jim
WMIE—Miami, Fla.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Kaw-Liga (Hank Williams) I'll Go On Alone (Robbins) Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes (Slim Willet) Till I Waltz Again With You (Gore-Wright) Going Steady (Faron Young) Going Steady (The Carlisles) Back Street Affair (Pierce) Keep It A Secret (Whitman) Jambalaya (Hank Williams) That's Me Without You (Webb Pierce) | <p>Dave Walshak
KCTI—Gonzales, Tex.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Let Me Know (S. MacDonald) The Death Of Hank Williams (Jack Caldwell) I'll Never Get Out Of This World Alive (H. Williams) No Help Wanted (Carlisles) Going Steady (Faron Young) I'll Go On Alone (W. Pierce) Tennessee Tango (P. W. King) The Things I Might Have Been (Kitty Wells) That's Me Without You (Webb Pierce) All That I'm Asking Is Sympathy (S. Whitman) |

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