NASHVILLE, TENN.—Above Elvis Presley shakes a farewell hand with Sam Philips, president of Sun Records, as (1 to r) his personal manager, Bob Neal; RCA Victor's lawyer-representative Coleman Tilly; and Col. Tom Parker, general manager of the Hank Snow Jamboree Attractions, under whose direction Presley is, looks on.

NEW YORK — It was announced this week that RCA Victor has signed Elvis Presley to a three year recording contract with options. The diskery, along with many other companies, had been vying for the services of the rising young star and it is considered in the trade that Victor has landed one of the prize catches in country wax circles. In signing the talented performer the company also bought the masters of all of Presley's Sun recordings which it will now distribute under the Victor logo. Presley's current hits, "I Forgot To Remember To Forget" and "Mystery Train", are riding high on the popularity charts and will get Victor's immediate attention. Included among the other records are "That's All Right", "Good Rockin' Tonight", "You're A Heartbreaker" and "Baby, Let's Play House" backed with "I'm Left, You're Right, She's Gone".

Presley has been the rage of the country 'bobby-soxers' wherever he has performed. In addition, the chanter has been a double threat on wax inasmuch as his platters have a rhythm and blues flavoring and have been spilling over into that field and it's also quite possible that the versatile Presley could well become a big pop name.

Recipient of many 'up and coming' awards, Presley has only this week been named the 'Most Promising Country Male Vocalist Of 1955' in The Cash Box poll conducted among the juke box operators of America.