



SCANDINAVIA

NORWAY

Having received a Silver Disk for the sale of 25,000 of their "Ebb Tide," local group Pussycats had to return their award to Arbeiderbladet, the Oslo morning paper who is presenting such awards to artists who have sold enough. Behind this step is the fact that the rules say that a record must sell 25,000 copies within Norway, but it was discovered that Pussycats and their "Ebb Tide" had sold 25,000 only if also records exported abroad were counted in. However, "Ebb Tide" has not stopped selling here yet, and chances are that the group might still get their award.

Late Jim Reeves is still doing very good here, now with his "Distant Drums," this week at a 5th spot at the charts here. New at the charts this week is Rolling Stones with their "Have You Seen Mother, Baby" on Decca.

Latest releases from NPA (Norsk Phonogram A/S) includes 13 pop LPs and eight LPs with classical music on CBS. Same company also has a hard promotion campaign for the Stringers, a local group discovered in Bergen, western Norway. The sextet has made their Philips debut with "Tell Her" and "Don't."

"The Man Who Took The Valise Off The Floor" has been recorded here by Eli Tanja for Columbia.

SWEDEN

Dag Häggqvist of Sonet Grammofon AB just back from a trip to London, Amsterdam and Paris. In London he made a deal with Polydor, who will release Ola & the Janglers in England. In Holland he saw Pete Felleman Jr. of Artone, discussing future promotion of the group and in Paris he discussed the promotion of Ola & the Janglers with Jean-Jacques Timmel at Pathé-Marconi. The group was on their European tour when Häggqvist was away and he saw and heard them in Holland and at the Olympia in Paris. There they (among others) appeared in a show with (among others) Dusty Springfield. Other news from Sonet includes a report about a growing sale of "Sunshine Superman," the Epic LP with Donovan.

Latest releases from Grammofon AB Electra includes among others "Flamingo"/"So What's New" with Herb Alpert on London, a Decca EP with Rolling Stones and six LPs on Decca, London and Ace of Hearts. On RCA Victor there are two new singles and eight stereo LPs and on Warner Bros. three new singles and six new stereo LPs.

Polar Music AB has just released a luxury LP titled "Den Okände Evert Taube" (The Unknown Evert Taube), an album of two records with a number of less known songs by this Swedish national poet. Swedish TV has just completed a serial of Taube-programmes, including among others a program made in Argentina where the young Evert Taube once lived and from where many of his songs originate. Another Polar LP is titled "Meet Modern Sweden in Music," including 12 Swedish oldies in modern arrangements by Sandy Alexander. The record has been produced in cooperation with STIM (Sweden's Performing Rights Society) and it is planned for world-wide release.

EMI recording artist Gunnar Wiklund has done "Gringo's Guitar" and "Sweet Adorable You" at HMV. Same artist has also recorded his version of "Strangers In The Night."

Latest releases from Karusell Grammofon AB includes the Hi-Balls with "Disappointed"/"Can't You See" and Tommy Roe with "Hooray For Hazel"/"Need Your Love," both at the Karusell label.

AB Philips-Sonora has introduced a local low-price serial "the red serial" at the Sonora label. Debut was done with two 12" LPs, one with Sven Ingvars and one with Sonja Stjernqvist and Per Lindqvist.

Latest releases from Scan-Disc Recording Co. AB includes Yardleys with "Extacy"/"Daddy Rolling Stone," Britt Bergström and Johnny Waard with two Swedish-language singles, all on Scan-Disc label.

A British group is now doing very well in Scandinavia, while being completely unknown at home. It is Red Squares, at the charts in Denmark since 16 weeks, and now just released in Sweden, where the group also has toured. "A good reason why we are unknown in our own country might be the fact that we have never appeared in England," Pete Mason (bass), one of the members of the group explains. "We all met in France about a year ago and decided to form the group, and then we took a chance and went to Denmark where our drummer left us, but at the Hit House we found Rik Moloney and that's our story in a few words." Except of the two above mentioned, the other members of Red Squares are Mick Rothwell (guitar), Geordie Garriock (singer), Ronnie Martin (singer). EMI here released their "Sherry"/"Pity Me" in Sweden on Oct. 7th, and now the group is anxiously awaiting the reaction in Sweden.

A new label here is Epok, distributed by EMI but produced in Ornsköldsvik in northern Sweden. Debutant at the label is Don Curtis (his real name is Kurt Nordlander), a young man from Fredrika in northern Sweden. Debut tune is about Indians and White and is titled "Men Of Dakota," written and composed by the singer.

Denmark's Best Sellers

This Week	Last Week	Weeks On Chart	Title (Label)
1	1	7	*Ved Landsbyens Gadegaer (Keld & Donkeys/HMV) Warny Music, Denmark
2	2	6	Yellow Submarine (Beatles/Parlophone) Multitone A/S, Denmark
3	3	4	With A Girl Like You (Troggs/Fontana) Multitone A/S, Denmark
4	4	20	Beautiful Brown Eyes (Sir Henry & His Butlers/Columbia) Imudico A/S, Denmark
5	5	16	Sherry (Red Squares/Columbia) Imudico A/S, Denmark
6	6	11	Strangers In The Night (Frank Sinatra/Reprise) Sweden Music AB, Sweden
7	7	15	*Otte Dage (Bjørn Tidmand/Odeon) Imudico A/S, Denmark
8	8	24	*Kapitalismen (Per Dich/Sonet) Musikproduktion Winkler, Denmark
9	10	3	Summer In The City (Lovin' Spoonful/Kama Sutra) Mørks Musikforlag, Denmark
10	9	3	Juanita Banana (Peels/Stateside) Sweden Music AB, Sweden

Finland's LP Best Sellers

1	1	Revolver (Beatles/Parlophone)
2	—	*Ei Tippa Tapa (Irwin Goodman/Rytmi)
3	4	The Sound Of Music (Soundtrack/RCA Victor)
4	3	*Se Olla Voi Toisinkin Päin (Danny/Scandia)
5	2	Aftermath (Rolling Stones/Decca)

*Local product

Norway's Best Sellers

This Week	Last Week	Weeks On Chart	Title (Label)
1	2	3	Sunny (Cher/Liberty) Arne Bendiksen A/S, Norway
2	1	4	Little Man (Sonny & Cher/Atlantic) No publisher
3	—	1	JA-Record (Various artists/Own label) Sold for charity organizations
4	3	10	Yellow Submarine (Beatles/Parlophone) Sonora Musikförlags AB, Sweden
5	8	3	Distant Drums (Jim Reeves/RCA Victor) Acuff-Rose Scandia, Denmark
6	4	18	Strangers In The Night (Frank Sinatra/Reprise) Sweden Music AB, Sweden
7	—	1	Have You Seen Mother, Baby (Rolling Stones/Decca) Musikförlaget Essex AB, Sweden
8	6	2	I'm A Boy (Who/Polydor) Musikförlaget Essex AB, Sweden
9	5	9	With A Girl Like You (Troggs/Fontana) Sonora Musikförlags AB, Sweden
10	—	4	Det Tror Jag Inte På (Sven Ingvars/Svensk-American) Seven Brothers Music Inc./Edition Odeon, Sweden

Sweden's Best Sellers

This Week	Last Week	Weeks On Chart	Title (Label)
1	3	3	Little Man (Sonny & Cher/Atlantic) No publisher
2	1	5	Just Like A Woman (Manfred Mann/Fontana) Sonora Musikförlags AB, Sweden
3	4	2	I Natt Jag Drömde (Last Night I Had A Strangest Dream) (Hep Stars/Olga) Musikförlaget Essex AB, Sweden
4	2	6	Hi-Lili, Hi-Lo (Shanes/Columbia) Reuter & Reuter AB, Sweden
5	—	1	I'm A Boy (Who/Polydor) Musikförlaget Essex AB, Sweden
6	8	2	*Marianne (Hooten Singers/Polar) Polar Music AB, Sweden
7	7	3	*Vågen Hem (Ola Hermansson/Reprise) No publisher
8	9	2	The Kids Are Alright (Who/Brunswick) Musikförlaget Essex AB, Sweden
9	5	9	The End Of The World (Mike Wallace & Caretakers/Swe-Disc) Multitone AB, Sweden
10	6	8	Yellow Submarine (Beatles/Parlophone) Sonora Musikförlags AB, Sweden

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Finland's Best Sellers

This Month	Last Month	Title (Label)
1	5	Summer In The City (Lovin' Spoonful/Kama Sutra) Scandia-Musiikki Oy, Finland
2	—	*Ei Tippa Tapa (Irwin Goodman/Philips) Oy Musiikki-Fazer-Musik AB, Finland
3	1	Vähän Ennen Kyyneleitä (El Angel De La Guarda) (Danny/Scandia) Belinda (Scandinavia) AB, Sweden
4	6	Sunny Afternoon (Kinks/Pye) Belinda (Scandinavia) AB, Sweden
5	—	Yellow Submarine (Beatles/Parlophone) Scandia-Musiikki Oy, Finland
6	—	Little Man (Sonny & Cher/Atlantic) No publisher
7	3	*Häälvalssi (Tapio Rautavaara/Philips) X-Sävel, Finland
8	9	Strangers In The Night (Frank Sinatra/Reprise) Sweden Music AB, Sweden
9	10	Sunny Girl (Hep Stars/Olga) Europa-Produktion, Sweden
10	—	Hymyillen (Sunny Girl) (Johnny/Scandia) Europa-Produktion, Sweden

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TOP 100 LABELS

ABC Paramount	10, 58	Kama Sutra	15, 56
A & M	72, 81	Kapp	25, 79
Amy	78	King	52
Atco	17, 39	Laurie	45
Atlantic	13, 47, 63	Liberty	26, 99
B. T. Puppy	18	London	4, 68
Bang	14, 84	Lucky Eleven	90
Bell	29	Mercury	37
Brunswick	69	MGM	8, 12, 20, 54, 70
Cadet	53	Motown	5, 32, 36
Calla	44	New Voice	24
Cameo	2, 82	Okeh	89
Capitol	21, 23, 55, 75, 95, 97	Paula	100
Chess	49	Philips	22, 28, 42, 85
Co & Ce	50, 96	Press	31
Colgems	1	RCA Victor	35, 46, 51, 92
Columbia	19, 34, 48, 74, 86, 98	Reprise	57
Date	65	Revilof	77
Deal	60	Scepter	30
Decca	43	Smash	3, 94
Diamond	71	Stax	16, 41
Dolton	93	Soul	9, 88
Double Shot	7	Tico	87
Dot	38, 76	Tower	91
Dunhill	27	Valiant	11
Epic	62	Verve	66
Fontana	33, 39	V.I.P.	80
Gordy	61, 64	Volt	40
Imperial	6, 73	Warner Bros.	59, 67
		Windy C	83