



CashBox Great Britain

Key personalities in the music industry turned out in force at a reception held at Les Ambassadeurs Club given by **Freddy Bienstock** and **Carlin Music** to celebrate six successive years as Britain's top publisher. This incredible achievement shows no sign of letting up as **Paul Rich**, who heads up the London office, told **Cash Box** "We are now working hard on our seventh year. The numerous catalogues we have acquired through the years has brought us a wealth of material and in one week recently we had twenty five copyrights out of the Top 50 British charts."

David English, head of **RSO Records** has been appointed a director of the **Robert Stigwood Organisation**. At the time English has announced two new positions, **Bill Oakes** becomes international liaison manager (previously p.a. to **Peter Brown** at **RSO's** American office) and **Eric Hall** becomes English's p.a. Hall was formerly a freelance producer and engineer. **RSO's** March album release schedule includes "Life in a Tin Can" by **The Bee Gees**; "In Concert" by **Derek and the Dominos** and "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat." A further release will include "Cream at their Best" and three solo albums by **Baker**, **Bruce** and **Clapton**.

David Joseph and **Lawrence Myers** of **Gem Toby Organisation** and **Freddy Bienstock**, head of **Carlin Music**, have extended their publishing partnership whereby all **Gem** publishing companies are now with **Carlin Music** with the exception of **Tony Macauley's** **Mustard Music** which remains a separate entity. **Bienstock** told **Cash Box** "I am very pleased that our association with **GTO** has developed in this way and everyone at **Carlin** is equally enthusiastic about the long term potential of this new deal." **Mike Beaton** remains as professional manager of **Gem Toby Organisation's** publishing interests.

Hal Shaper informs us that **Sparta Music** have acquired the publishing rights to **Big Six**, **Big Seven** and all the **Judge Dread** material for the USA and Canada and a deal for release has been made with **Russ Reagan** at **20th Century Records**. Also the **Les Reed** song "Momma Married a Preacher" recorded by **Lee Lynch** for **EMI** is being rush released in Holland and Belgium. On the film side **Sparta** has the music to "The Legend of **Frenchie King**" starring **Brigitte Bardot** and **Claudia Cardinale** with score by **Francis Lai** and lyrics by **Hal Shaper**. A soundtrack album is out on **MFP**. Other film scores held by **Sparta** include "Cesar

Chicago Sets New Japan Tour

HOLLYWOOD — Chicago will return to Japan in April for the third time in less than two years with the most extensive tour ever planned by an international pop act. The group is expected to break their own boxoffice and attendance records there, set during their visit last June.

Chicago has added three new cities to their 1973 Japanese itinerary—**Sapporo**, **Fukuoko**, and **Hiroshima**. They will perform eleven concerts in seven cities.

The group is scheduled to arrive in **Tokyo** on April 3, following two days of concerts at the **H.I.C.** in **Honolulu** on March 30 and 31. Following an April 4 **Tokyo** press conference, **Chicago** will journey to **Sapporo** to inaugurate the following tour:

April 6-7, **Sapporo**; April 9-10, **Tokyo**; 12, **Fukuoko**; 13, **Hiroshima**; 15, **Nagoya**; 17, **Kyoto**; and 18-20 **Osaka**.

In addition, **CBS/Sony Records** has released a two-record set, "Chicago Live In Japan," recorded during the group's performances last year in **Osaka**, in honor of **Chicago's** forthcoming April tour of Japan.

and **Rosalie**" starring **Yves Montand** and **Romy Schneider**; "The Men" and "La Bonne Annee."

Radio Luxembourg have organised a competition based on **Curtis Mayfield's** "Superfly" on **Buddah**. The winners will be taken to **New York** to meet **Mayfield** and see him 'live' at the **Philharmonic Hall** April 7th.

Alan Holmes who set up the **British** end of **Robbins Music** in the 1950s retires this week at the age of 65. As a tribute to his career **EMI**, who recently purchased the **Francis Day & Hunter** consortium, hosted a special luncheon for him attended by many music and record executives. **Holmes** was on the council of various bodies including the **MCPs**, **PRS** and **MPA**.

Plans are well in hand for the **David Cassidy** European tour which kicks off March 2nd in **Amsterdam** followed by **Germany**, **Belgium**, **Luxembourg** and **Spain** and of course, **London**. To coincide with the tour a new **Partridge Family** album is being released by **Bell** together with a single. **Bell** also issue "A Boy Named **David**" by **Debbie** and the **Dreamboats** which is published by **Sparta**.

Byron Lee, the **Jamaican** music expert and head of the **Dragon**, **Dynamic**, **Lion**, **Panther**, **Jaguar** and **Top Cat** labels in **Jamaica** has signed a deal with **Island Records** for the distribution of **Dragon** product throughout Europe. First release two singles "Sting Me" by **Scorpion** and "City of **New Orleans**" by **Hopeton Lewis**. **Graeme Walker** has established a **London** office for the label. **Walker** joined **Island** in 1966 originally to work on the **Trojan** label prior to his direct association with **Byron Lee**.

Rex Oldfield, formerly with **Phonogram** has joined **CBS Records** as manager of special projects. **Oldfield** was originally with **EMI** as marketing manager after which he headed up the **MGM** label on its formation in the **U.K.**

Faron Young who hit here recently with "It's Four in the Morning" is currently in **London** on a ten-day tour and **Phonogram** hosted reception for him and released his new single "She Fights That Lovin' Feeling" on **Mercury**.

Pink Floyd's new **EMI** album "Dark Side of the Moon" in quadrophonic sound... **Jackson Heights** on European tour prior to American concert series starting April 1st... First album by **Blackfoot Sue** "Nothing to Hide" on **Jam**... "Part of the Union" published by **Hawkana** topping **Best Selling Sheet Music Lists**...

Fargo Earns Aust. Gold

NEW YORK — Dot recording star, **Donna Fargo**, has received a gold record in **Australia** for her recording of "Happiest Girl In The Whole U.S.A." **Andy Miele**, vice president and marketing, **Famous Music Corporation**, said that, "Donna is now beginning to realize international success which should soon match the success she enjoys at home."

W, B & L Set Euro Dates

NEW YORK — **West**, **Bruce**, and **Laing** (**Columbia/Windfall**), having completed their second album at **Island** studios in **England**, will begin a 20-city **English** and **European** tour March 26 at **Chateau Neuf** in **Oslo** that will conclude April 26 at **Lancaster University** in **England**.

Major dates are April 1 at **Cercert Gebouev** in **Amsterdam**, April 5 at **Chatelet** in **Paris**, April 13 at **Circus Krone** in **Munich**, and April 21 at **Rainbow Theater** in **London**.

International News Report

CBS Spain Opens New Record Plant

MADRID — **Discos CBS** of **Spain** has just opened a new record pressing plant near **Madrid**.

The new plant is equipped with semi-automatic presses and has a capacity of six million records, of which half are **Lp**. This can be increased by additional presses. The building is designed so that it can be expanded to keep up with the growing **Spanish** market. The plant building will also house the warehouse and distribution center.

Among the the executives of **CBS** who attended the opening ceremony were **Peter de Rougemont**, vice president **CBS International** in charge of **European** operation; **Max Wyngaard**, regional director and **Tomas Munoz Romero**, director general of **Discos CBS**.

Also present were authorities from the **American Embassy** and **Spanish Ministry of Industry**, **Messrs. Sagivela** and **Roses**, executives of the **Spanish Federation of the Record Industry**, presidents of other record companies and radio/TV personalities.

Since opening its **Spanish** warehouse and subsidiary, **CBS** has made rapid progress so that it is now one of the top selling labels in **Spain**. Sales of **Andy Williams** single "Godfather" in **Spanish** was now exceeding 250,000 copies, approaching an alltime high for a **Spanish** single.

Raspberries' Sub-Pub Deals

NEW YORK — The following foreign sub-publishers have been set for **Capitol Recording** artists **Raspberries** "Fresh" **lp** be **C.A.M.-U.S.A.** principals **Vittorio Benedetto** and **Jimmy Jenner**: **CAM Australia** in **Australia**; **Herman Brauer**, **Belgium**; **CAM London**, **England**; **Editions Musicales Claude Pascal**, **France**; **CAM s.p.a.**, **Italy**; **Japan CAM**, **Japan**; **Editions Musicales Hispavox S.A.**, **Spain**; **Air Music Scandinavia**, **Sweden** and **Veronica Music** in **Holland**.

Lighthouse LP Sub-Publishers

NEW YORK — **Vittorio Benedetto** and **Jimmy Jenner**, Principals of **C.A.M.-U.S.A.** have announced the following foreign sub-publishers for the new **Lighthouse** "Sunny Days" **LP**: **Melograf s.r.l.** in **Argentina**; **CAM Australia**, **Australia**; **CAM London**, **England**; **Editions Musicales Claude Pascal**, **France**; **Melodie der**

PSO Sets Carr Folio

NEW YORK—The **Peer-Southern Organization** has released a new folio containing all the material on the **Columbia LP** "Vikki Carr en Espanol" (The Hits of Today and Always).

The folio is highlighted by personal notes by **Ms. Carr** about each of the songs, and also contains a biography, in both **English** and **Spanish**. The folio cover is a four color recreation of the original **lp** jacket. Included in the folio are such songs as "It's Impossible," "Love Story," "Grande, Grande, Grande," "Y Volvere," "Ahora Que Soy Libre," "Amanece," "Pero Te Extranio," "Adoro," "Se Acabo," "El Triste" and "La Nave Del Olvido."

CBS International Latin Activity

NEW YORK — Major acquisitions for extensive **Latin American** sub-publishing rights have been made by the **CBS International Publishing Group**, reports **Sol Rabinowitz**, v.p. Catalogues assigned to **CBS International** for **Latin America** include **Italy's** **Edizioni Musicali Cielo/Vidéo/Jump**, **Britain's** **Chevron Music** (a division of **York Records**), and the **U.S.** firms of **Dunaway Music/Greenbar Music**, **George Pincus Music Group**, **Tod Music** and **Four Knights Music**.

The four **CBS Music Publishing** subsidiaries in **Mexico**, **Brazil**, **Argentina** and **Costa Rica** cover all of **Latin America** and already represent many of the world's great music catalogues. These include **Screen Gems/Colegoms Music**; **Blue Seas/Jac Music** (**Burt Bacharach** & **Hal David's** firms); **Bob Dylan's** catalogues, **Dwarf Music** and **Big Sky Music**; **Tree Music** and affiliates; **Lowery Music**; **Musica Maximus**; **Petra Music** (**Santana's** firm); **Prophet/Stonebridge Music** (**Neil Diamond**); **Metromedia Music**; **Italy's** **Sugar Music**; **U.K.'s** **B. Feldman** and **Company**; **Campbell Connelly** and many others.

CBS International has also concluded negotiations for **Latin American** sub-publishing rights to **U.S.** copyrights "Time," by **Sid Wayne/Jay Sherman** & **N. Hamilton** (**Northchester Music**) and "At The Movies," recorded by **Hot Butter** (**Artal Music**).

Welt, **Germany**; **Veronica Music**, **Holland**; **CAM s.p.a.**, **Italy**; **Edicoes Musicais Triunfo**, **Portugal**; **Clan Music Publishers**, **South Africa**; **Edicoes Musicales Hispavox S.A.**, **Spain**; **April Forlage AB**, **Sweden**; **Herman Brauer**, **Belgium** and **Editions Musicales Campana** in **Switzerland**.



THE BEST OF FRIENDS—**Anne Murray** (r) takes time out from her 'Midnight Special' taping to present the **Canadian Gold Record Award** for "I Am Woman" to fellow **Capitol** recording artist **Helen Reddy** (l).