

POINTS WEST — It was a raffle for twenty-five dollars' worth of risqué merchandise from Frederick's of Hollywood to commemorate Little Feat. We're not saying that the drawing was rigged or anything like that, but isn't it a little strange that Lowell George dipped his hand into the box last week at the Roxy and came up with Mo Ostin's number? Anyway, lest the Roxy crowd (including Bonnie Raitt, who was standing on her chair screaming out her ticket number) think this was more than coincidence, a second selection was made and the winner was (we think) outside the mainstream of the WB family.

HAVE IT UA — July has been declared Blue Note Month by United Artists. Only problem is none of the hot-shots over there can come up with a slogan. So Artie Mogull suggested a contest — open to every single person (married ones, too) in the company, from secretaries and staff straight through the maintenance and night watch people. Whoever comes up with a theme for the jazzline push will be gifted a round-trip ticket to Hawaii. Mogull is the judge. Sorry, if you're not employed by UA you're not eligible. Unless, we assume, the UA family brain trust comes up empty — that would be a blue note . . . Status Quo touched down in L.A. for a few dates at the Santa Monica Civic with Ted Nugent and Crack The Sky. Between gigs they found time to feast on an anniversary cake baked in honor of their being together 14 years. Quo is a sure-thing album band in most of the world outside the U.S. and should have their rock 'n' roll heads in some clouds except for the fact that this is one band with very realistic attitudes toward their talents and potential as far as America is concerned. According to guitarist Rick Parfitt, Quo approaches each market in a sort of plodding fashion, laying out the groundwork and building a following for some time before any chart action catches up to the reputation. Therefore, Parfitt, Alan Lancaster, Francis Rossi and John Coghlan will continue to play 'em where they lay in answer to any bookings their new label, Capitol, can help develop. They're willing to let the public decide the rest. Just to show they aren't full of empty hype, though, check out this week's international charts, especially Holland and Great Britain.

PURE PORK LEAGUE — Jimmy Dean (of sausage fame) has a new single called I.O.U. on the Casino label distributed by GRT. A Mother's Day narrative. I.O.U. is said to have Jimmy jerking tears . . . all the way to the bank. Reason being, John Antoon claims I.O.U. has moved 80,000 units since breaking a couple of weeks ago out of Minneapolis.

It was songwriter's night at the Palomino as Guy Clark took the stage to deliver a bunch of the tunes that earned him an RCA contract. Sittin' in were Hank DeVito (steel) and Rodney Crowell (guitar) — both members of Emmylou Harris' Hot Band. Other faces on stage with Clark were Jim Stafford, Gary Busey "Since You've Gone" and Lee Clayton "Ladies Love Outlaws" with whom Guy used to starve in Nashville. Also seen in the crowd was Jerry Foster who has penned some 15 songs for Charley Pride. Clark demonstrated the kind of performance he'll be showing off soon at Willie Nelson's annual 4th of July picnic.

SPEAKING OF TEXAS, the Dallas Morning News (a conservative) reported the "largest attendance in the history of the State." for a concert anyway, as 80,000 were expected but 125,000 actually showed up for the KZEW-FM Goodwill Concert. Each and every one of the folks saw Black Oak Arkansas, Pure Prairie League, Head East and Wishbone Ash for free, almost — price of admission was a clothing donation to Goodwill Industries.

IF YOU SAY SO — Fools Gold dropped by the CB offices last week to talk about their new Arista LP that's creating some waves in the chart department. "I guess you could say we're somewhere between Patti Smith and the Lettermen," said a prolific Fools Gold songwriter.

SHOP AROUND — Flora Purim is producing an Hermeto Pasquaol LP (on an independent basis) . . . Angelo, newly-signed to Fantasy was joined by Carl Wilson of the Beach Boys and members of Chicago for his first album which should be out in a month . . . Beach Boys to deliver a new WB single this week . . . producer Chris Bearde has cut ties with "Pop Goes The Wolfman" series in Toronto but will continue in that city with his Odin Production of the Bobby Vinton Show to syndy in some 80 U.S. and Canadian markets . . . Donna Weiss is the latest Rolling Thunder Review add-on in Florida. In case you didn't know, Donna has written songs for Kris Kristofferson, Rita Coolidge, Jackie De Shannon and many more . . . Robin Williamson, late of Incredible String Band, not only has a new band together but a book of verse in circulation as well. Interested? For band or book phone him up at (213) 665-3613 . . . Al DeLory back from South America where he's recorded two albums for Yale Wexler Productions of Chicago . . . "Roving Ambassador" Ivan Mogull is in Mexico City about now where he'll stay until the 5th but you'd better catch him quick or else look for him in Honolulu, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Manila, Sydney, Johannesburg, Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo and/or Buenos Aires, looking for international licensees, no doubt, for his pubbery. He'll tell you all about it when he returns to New York June 7 . . . Bill Wray rates a special MCA showcase at the Roxy May 10 to complement a couple more in New York and Atlanta . . . Bernie Taupin's book, "The One Who Writes The Words For Elton John," will see U.S. readers May 5. Meanwhile, it's exhausted its first printing in England after only one month . . . Anne Murray, expecting her first child in August, now heading into 18 Canadian concert dates . . . The Bellamy Brothers have been nominated as finalists in the Fifth Annual Tokyo Music Festival slated for June 27 . . . WB/Reprise artists, The Meters to join the Rolling Stones as opening act on their European tour.

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EAST COASTINGS — Bob Marley & The Wailers have been in New York several days, as we go to press, quietly preparing for four sellout shows at the Beacon Theater. Aside from reading up on progress in the trades, Marley and the group have kept a low profile, cooking their own food and generally sticking to Marley's comment, "All the best people stay inside" . . . Boz Scaggs' Beacon Theater performance is sold out and surrounded by excitement, as we consider his Columbia career has been five years in the making.

ACROSS THE OCEANS — The Baker-Gurvitz Army's projected "test case" tour of Italy, set to determine whether rock concerts could be conducted there without serious public disturbance, has been curtailed due to unrelated riots taking place close to one of the band's gigs . . . Police in Stockholm were equipped with earflaps for David Bowie concert duty . . . Americans in Europe or soon to be there include the Supremes, Neil Diamond, Dr. Hook, Ozark Mountain Daredevils, Billy Swan, who has been on TV in Germany, and Janis Ian, who will tape a television concert in England . . . In Texas, Paul and Linda, accompanied by two other Wings, walked into Willie Nelson's club to catch Freddie King, creating an understandable uproar.

PLAID NOTES — Rumor has it Jimmy Ienner will be producing the Bay City Rollers' next . . . America's favorite Scottish hamburger restaurant, McDonald's, will sponsor

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BTO BLAST — Phonogram, Inc./Mercury recently feted Bachman-Turner Overdrive with a luncheon at Yamashiro in Hollywood. Shown (l. to r.): Randy Bachman, Fred Turner, Blair Thornton, CB's editor-in-chief David Budge, Robbie Bachman.

Later that evening, BTO performed to a capacity crowd at the Long Beach Arena. BTO's tour has been a huge success with SRO crowds in almost every city along the route. The group was especially pleased with treatment it has been getting from Phonogram Mercury field promotion and sales people around the U.S.

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motion, stated. "In the disco class we are one of the companies that's interested in doing disco well and will always keep disco mailing lists open to new people." Commenting on Pip's system, Bleiweiss said, "In general we try to service every radio station that asks for service and all stations we know of. No station is insignificant; we strive to establish a comprehensive mailing list system."

Pip's mailing is divided into spot servicing, handled by Pip and bulk mailing, handled by National Profit Sharing. Based on shipping one to three singles.

Chelsea Inks George

LOS ANGELES — Film actress Susan George has been signed to a recording contract with Chelsea Records.

Wes Farrell, president of Chelsea Records and head of the Wes Farrell Organization, has completed production of Ms. George's initial single recording.

'Black & Blue' Gold

NEW YORK — "Black And Blue" by the Rolling Stones on Rolling Stone Records, distributed by Atlantic, became the sixth of the six albums they have released on the label to be certified gold by the RIAA.

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says the FCC's Garland.

Rules Spelled Out

The FCC's proposed rules define campus radio systems for the first time and clarify their limits. "We're trying to write a more effective regulation," says Garland. "It's never been spelled out before, and now we're putting it down."

The FCC's rationale behind Section 15 — which deals with low-power and restricted radiation equipment — is that devices complying with the provisions "will, in general, not be a source of harmful interference to radio communications." By setting fixed maximum radiation standards, the commission hopes to limit the small amount of interference such devices produce.

A restricted radiation device is one in which the generation of radio frequency energy is intentionally incorporated into the design. Electronic watches, calculators, and tape recorders are a few examples. The general purpose of such devices is not transmissions, however.

Low-power devices, on the other hand, are in fact communication instruments used to transmit a variety of messages through space. Walkie-talkies, wireless mikes, and hearing aids illustrate the idea.

Comments on the proposed rules are due June 23, with reply comments due July 8. The commission is not expected to implement any new rules before the end of the year, however.

Pip spends 20 cents to 30 cents, and 50 cents on one album. All singles and albums are mailed third class bulk rate unless they are "rushes," in which case they go first class. In some instances, an r&b record will be shipped first class if only 200 stations are being serviced. All Pip reservicing is done by first class. In addition, Bleiweiss said, "We have found that our system of mailing records has been effective for us due to the small returns through computer updating."

Private Stock

Private Stock Records services a total of 500 "key pop stations" and 125 "special super key pop stations," stated Noel Love, vice president promotion. Private Stock also services 250 r&b stations, 300 MOR stations, 200 progressive stations, 300 country stations, 220 spanish stations, 150 "special stations" and 1,000 disco/radio outlets. Love commented, "The record pool list for discos is a comprehensive followup to the disco list, servicing 250 DJs in a centralized location."

Private Stock mails all singles and albums fourth class rate. If a record is going to a major station on a "rush" basis, it is sent first class.

Others

London Records and Casablanca Records both reported that their mailing systems were being restructured and/or revised, making any information they could provide at this time irrelevant. A spokesman for United Artists Records stated that their company would prefer not to have its mailing list structure made public knowledge. Similarly, WEA would not provide information on their branch mailing procedures for Warner/Elektra/Atlantic product. Attempts to reach ABC Records promotion executives for comment on their mailing systems were unsuccessful.

Bill Darnel Dies

NEW YORK — Bill Darnel, the music business veteran, died in a freak accident while on vacation in Acapulco, last week. While swimming in the ocean, he was grabbed by an undertow, hit his head on a rock and drowned.

At one time a singer and later an executive of the old Jubilee Record Company, Darnel more recently was affiliated with the All-Platinum Record Company.

In recent months he had been working on special projects for Henry Stone's TK Records operation. Darnel was Stone's captain in World War II where they met and became friends.

PMM Outing June 9-10

NEW YORK — The Professional Music Men's (N.Y.) annual outing will be held at the Stevensville Country Club in Swan Lake, New York on June 9-10.