

RECORD WORLD

WHO IN THE WORLD

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**Melanie's 'Brand New Key,'
The First Single on Brand
New Neighborhood Records,
Becomes Thrush's First
Gold Single. Story Inside.**



HITS OF THE WEEK

SINGLES



THE SUPREMES, "FLOY JOY" (Uobete, BMI). The girls have turned to Smokey Robinson to write and produce their latest, which sure does glow with his miraculous touch. Floy? Shades of "Flat Foot Floogie." B/w "This Is The Story" (Uobete, BMI). Motown 1195.



DELANEY & BONNIE, "MOVE 'EM OUT" (East/Memphis, BMI). With their last two singles having scored heavily chart-wise, this Steve Cropper-penned mover should enable the Bramletts to get a winning streak of sorts underway. Delaney produced. Atco 6866.



BOBBY GOLDSBORO, "A POEM FOR MY LITTLE LADY" (Songpainter, BMI). With his talent for selecting material, it's no accident that this guy is a favorite in the MOR market. Mac Davis ditty is ideal for his audience and others. United Artists 50846.



ANNE MURRAY, "COTTON JENNY" (Early Morning, CAPAC). Anne seems to do her best work when she sings from the songbooks of fellow Canadians. Catchy Gordon Lightfoot tune her best since Gene MacClellan's "Snowbird." B/w "Destiny" (Johi, BMI). Capitol 3260.

SLEEPERS



JOHNNIE TAYLOR, "STANDING IN FOR JODY" (Groovesville, BMI). The character Jody puts in one of his periodic appearances in the work of the soul philosopher, not to be confused with Little Johnny Taylor. Good, solid soul stuff. Stax 0114.



THE ADDRISI BROTHERS, "WE'VE GOT TO GET IT ON AGAIN" (Blackwood, BMI). Duo that wrote some of the Association's big ones has come up with one for itself. Well-produced pop-rocker makes for perfect top 40 programming. Try it out. Columbia 45521.



BATDORF & RODNEY, "OH MY SURPRISE" (Lafvibes-Walden, BMI). Batdorf wrote it and the duo produced it with Ahmet Ertegun. Their first single is in the folk-rock vein, and should catch on given today's market. Jolly good work. Atlantic 2850.



HODGES, JAMES, SMITH & CRAWFORD, "NOBODY" (Mikim/Nelchell, BMI). Mickey Stevenson's new label has a super strong soul side as its first release. Powerful vocal work by new girl group gives it real hit potential. Watch out! Mpingo 14000 (King).

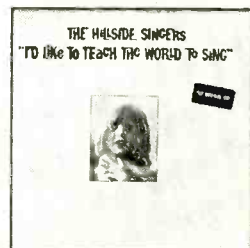
ALBUMS

ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK, "ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK LIVE AT THE RIVIERA, LAS VEGAS." The whole of Engelbert Humperdinck's swoony act is included on this record, and that means backing by the Three Degrees and hundreds of madding females. New and old sides. Parrot XPAS 71051 (London).

ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST, "TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA." This bright and altogether blithe original cast album is the aftermath of the pillow fight Joseph Papp, John Guare, Galt MacDermot and Mel Shapiro had with the Shakespeare comedy. ABC BCSY 1001.

THE FREE MOVEMENT, "I'VE FOUND SOMEONE OF MY OWN." The Free Movement were free to move from Decca, where they had the hit single of "I've Found Someone of My Own," to Columbia, where it looks like a hit album will follow. New single here, too. Columbia KC 31136.

THE HILLSIDE SINGERS, "I'D LIKE TO TEACH THE WORLD TO SING." Here's one of the real things in an album. The group has the front-running single version of the popular Coke commercial. Other sunny hillside-type songs sung to appeal. Metromedia KMD 1051.



Columbia MOR Concert at Garden Scores National Entertainment Conference Meets
 Feb. 13-16 Elektra to Convene in Palm Springs Jan. 6-9 Philips Board QKs Mercury/
 Chappell Purchase Dialogue: Len Levy on Industry Ills MCA and Who New Pact