

Soul Sauce



BEST NEW RECORD OF THE WEEK:
"DAY BY DAY"
PATTI AUSTIN
 (Columbia)

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Hal Neely of Starday-King Records announced the completion of a long-term distributing agreement with the new Mandala Records label. Artists currently under contract to Mandala include Ben E. King, The Vibrations, Robert John Gallo, The Chiffons, Aesop's Fables and Don Larusso. "Simple Song" by Gallo, "Wind Up Toy" by the Vibrations, and "Take Me To The Pilot" by Ben E. King are all scheduled for immediate release.

Mary Ann Johnson of the Jerry Butler Writers' Workshop, Chicago, reports that Billy Butler has just produced a session with The Peaches, featuring Brenda Lee Eager. The single is "In My World. . . . Sam Brown, former Chicago news writer in TV/radio, is the co-producer of the new Jerry Butler LP, "Spice of Life."

Completion of an album by Fantasy's new artist Walter Hawkins is expected by the middle of May with Tom Fogerty and Merl Saunders producing. . . . B.B. King's current itinerary includes a May 15 Chino Prison Benefit, San Bernardino, Calif. and a Univ. of Calif. at Los Angeles lecture the following day.

A new addition to the Wilson Pickett Revue that's currently touring Europe is Venice, a Willie Mitchell discovery who records for Hi Record label, Memphis. It will be her first appearance outside of the country. Looking forward to hearing more about the young lady in these United States.

New single from the Brotherly Love is "Growing Pain" on Holland-Dozier-Holland Music Merchant label and speaking of the three gents (HDH) Carol Bartlett of Corfu, N.Y. writes "I am a real Holland-Dozier-Holland freak." Are there more??? Soul Sauce will forward any response to Carol. . . . The long awaited single from Wanda Robinson's "Black Ivory" LP is "The Final Hour," and, according to Luella Johnson, who keeps us posted on the happenings at Today/Perception, the reaction after only one week, is outstanding. . . . Robert Banks and Otis Harkey head the soul label, BO Records, based in New York. . . . Motown's Temptations just wind up their first UK tour with their two new members, Damon Harris and Richard Street, and the reviewer called their act the best ever performed by a soul group in Britain.

Jules Bihari, president of Cadet Records Inc., Los Angeles based firm, announced the appointment of Brother Henderson, religious D.J. for the past 20 years, as the head of their newly formed gospel series. The new company, Kent Gospel, has several albums ready for immediate distribution. Brother Henderson is a pioneer in the religious music field and is currently heard daily over station XPRS, Tijuana.

NEW & ACTION LP'S:

Donny Hathaway, "Live" (Atco), Jimmy Castor Bunch, "It's Just Begun" (RCA); Hank Crawford, "Help Me Make It Through The Night" (Kudu); Whispers, "Love Story" (Janus); Joe Thomas, "Joy of Cookin'" (Groove Merchant); New Birth, "Coming Together" (RCA); "Cool Breeze" Soundtrack (MGM); Soul Children, "Genesis," (Stax); Esther Phillips, "From A Whisper To A Scream" (Kudu); Impressions, "Times Have Changed" (Curtom) War, "All Day Music" (UA); Chi-Lites, "A Lonely Man" (Brunswick) Fifth Dimension, "Individually & Collectively" (Bell), Jr. Walker, "Moody Jr." (Soul); Crusaders; "1" (Blue Thumb).

Norma Panella, music director at WWRL, New York, keeps well informed of what's going on in the world of soul. . . . She reads Soul Sauce.

BEST SELLING Billboard Soul Singles

★ STAR Performer—LP's registering greatest proportionate upward progress this week.

This Week	Last Week	TITLE—Artist, Label & Number (Dist. Label) (Publisher, Licensee)	Weeks on Chart	This Week	Last Week	TITLE—Artist, Label & Number (Dist. Label) (Publisher, Licensee)	Weeks on Chart
1	3	I'LL TAKE YOU THERE Staple Singers, Stax 0125 (East/Memphis, BMI)	6	26	36	LET'S STAY TOGETHER Isaac Hayes, Enterprise 9045 (Stax/Volt) (Joe, BMI)	5
2	2	LOOK WHAT YOU DONE FOR ME Al Greene, Hit 2211 (London) (Jec, BMI)	6	27	17	TAKE A LOOK AROUND Temptations, Gordy 7115 (Motown) (Jobete, BMI)	10
3	4	OH GIRL Chi-Lites, Brunswick 55471 (Julio-Brian, BMI)	5	28	42	SMILIN' Sly & the Family Stone, Epic 5-10850 (CBS) (Stone Flower, BMI)	2
4	1	DAY DREAMING Aretha Franklin, Atlantic 2866 (Pundit, BMI)	8	29	25	LITTLE GHETTO BOY Donny Hathaway, Atco 6880 (Kuumba, ASCAP)	7
5	6	FIRST TIME EVER I SAW YOUR FACE Roberta Flack, Atlantic 2864 (Storm King, BMI)	6	30	30	IF I CAN'T HAVE YOU Donnie Elbert, All Platinum 2333 (Multimood, BMI)	4
6	8	ASK ME WHAT YOU WANT Millie Jackson, Spring 123 (Polydor) (Will-Du/Bill-Lee/Gaucho/Belinda, BMI)	8	31	32	I'VE BEEN LONELY FOR SO LONG Frederick Knight, Stax 0117 (East/Memphis/Lowery, BMI)	4
7	5	IN THE RAIN Dramatics, Volt 4075 (Groovesville, BMI)	11	32	46	(Last Night) I DIDN'T GET TO SLEEP AT ALL Fifth Dimension, Bell 45-195 (January, BMI)	2
8	18	WALKING IN THE RAIN WITH THE ONE I LOVE Love Unlimited, Uni 55319 (MCA) (January/Sa-Vette, BMI)	7	33	29	ENNY-MENNY-MINY-MO 8th Day, Invictus 9117 (Capitol) (Gold Forever, BMI)	5
9	9	HEARSAY Soul Children, Stax 0119 (East/Memphis, BMI)	10	34	34	STOP THIS MERRY-GO-ROUND Bill Brandon, Moonson 9001 (Mercury) (Moonson, BMI)	5
10	10	BETCHA BY GOLLY, WOW Stylists, featuring Russell Thompkins Jr., Avco 4591 (Bellboy/Assorted, BMI)	10	35	35	BREAKING UP SOMEBODY'S HOME Ann Peebles, Hi 2205 (London) (South Memphis, BMI)	8
11	11	LAY AWAY Isley Brothers, T-Neck 934 (Buddah) (Triple Three, BMI)	9	36	38	YOU AND I Black Ivory, Today 1005 (Perception) (Patrick Bradley, BMI)	4
12	28	LITTLE BITTY PRETTY ONE Jackson 5, Motown 1199 (Recordo, BMI)	2	37	37	GOT TO FIND MY BABY James Gadsen, Cream 1014 (Bennett Ents.) (Butter/Pip, BMI)	5
13	14	HELP ME MAKE IT THROUGH THE NIGHT Gladys Knight & the Pips, Soul 35094 (Motown) (Combine, BMI)	7	38	—	OUTA-SPACE Billy Preston, A&M 1320 (Irving/Wep, BMI)	1
14	15	WALK IN THE NIGHT Jr. Walker & the All Stars, Soul 35095 (Motown) (Jobete, ASCAP)	5	39	44	LEAN ON ME Bill Withers, Sussex 235 (Buddah) (Interior, BMI)	2
15	7	ROCKIN' ROBIN Michael Jackson, Motown 1197 (Recordo, BMI)	8	40	40	HOME IS WHERE THE HATRED IS Esther Phillips, Kudu 904 (CTI) (Thiele Ltd., ASCAP)	6
16	12	I HAD IT ALL THE TIME Tyrone Davis, Dakar 4501 (Brunswick) (Julio/Brian, BMI)	10	41	41	THIS LOVE'S FOR REAL Impressions, Curtom 1970 (Buddah) (Tosci, ASCAP)	3
17	16	POOL OF BAD LUCK Joe Simon, Spring 124 (Polydor) (Assorted, BMI)	6	42	43	ANGEL OF MERCY Albert King, Stax 0121 (East/Memphis, BMI)	2
18	18	MY HONEY & ME Emotions, Volt 4077 (Klondike, BMI)	7	43	39	HOT THANG Eddy Senay, Sussex 230 (Buddah) (Interior/Sorn, BMI)	4
19	20	DOING MY OWN THING Johnny Taylor, Stax 0122 (Conquistador, ASCAP)	4	44	47	THAT'S THE WAY IT'S GOT TO BE (Body & Soul) Soul Generation, Ebony Sounds 175 (Posner/Micro-Mini, BMI)	2
20	21	EVERYTHING GOOD IS BAD, EVERYTHING BAD IS GOOD 100 Proof (Aged In Soul), Hot Wax 7202 (Buddah) (Gold Forever, BMI)	8	45	49	BRING IT HOME (And Give It To Me) Hot Sauce, Volt 4076 (Perk's Music/Su-Ma, BMI)	2
21	22	IF YOU LOVE ME LIKE YOU SAY Betty Wright, Alston 4609 (Atlantic) (Sherlyn, BMI)	5	46	50	YOU AND I Tony & Carol, Roulette 7123 (Jamp, BMI)	2
22	23	LOVE'S STREET AND FOOL'S ROAD Solomon Burke, MGM 14353 (Kid's Music, BMI)	6	47	48	A MILLION TO ONE Manhattans, De-Luxe 8459 (Starday/King) (Razzle Dazzle, BMI)	3
23	24	JUST AS LONG AS YOU NEED ME (Part 1) Independents, Wand 11245 (Scepter) (Butler, ASCAP)	4	48	—	GOTTA BE FUNKY Monk Higgins, United Artists 50897 (Tippy, BMI)	1
24	26	WOMAN'S GOTTA HAVE IT Bobby Womack, United Artists 50902 (Unart/Tracebob, BMI)	2	49	—	PLEDGING MY LOVE Oscar Weathers, Top & Bottom 412 (Jamie/Guyden) (Lion, BMI)	1
25	19	I GOTCHA Joe Tex, Dial 1010 (Mercury) (Tree, BMI)	16	50	—	EXPLAIN IT TO HER MAMA Temptees, We Produce 1807 (Stax/Volt) (Stripe/East/Memphis, BMI)	1

Chicago's Pharaohs Form Own Company & Production

CHICAGO—A local group that has been performing as the Pharaohs since 1965 but has been together basically for 10 years has formed Scarab Records and Great House Productions here. The 11-member group boasts that it plays 72 different instruments.

Spokesmen for the group, Don Myrick and Willie Woods, said all the members are full-time musicians and are privately and collectively financing the new operation. They have a music publishing firm too, Zimbabwe Publishing Co., a BMI affiliate.

The first release is an LP by the Pharaohs. Two other acts so far are the Pieces of Peace, now per-

forming in Singapore, and vocalist Sue Conway.

Other principles in the operation include business manager Lester Augustine and attorney John Burton.

Myrick and Woods have been traveling to various markets setting up distribution. They said Summit Dist. here has taken the line and they have discussed distribution with Atlanta wholesalers.

Members have written music and have performed with Donny Hathaway, Ben Branch, the Dells and several other artists. The nucleus of the group was actually formed in 1961 when it was known as the Jazzmen at Crane Junior College. Myrick is 32 and Woods is 26.

The charts tell the story —
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