

World ups 'n' downs!

YES, Elvis has nicked the world male singer poll prize again . . . and by no short head. He galloped ahead of the field, fairly losing his nearest competitor Tom Jones (who replaced Gene Pitney, sadly slumping) and Cliff who jumped up to third. Two British out of the top three . . . can't be bad!

This section of the poll is probably the MOST important—it's rather like the world heavyweight title in boxing. Except that Britain, if you add in Paul Jones and Cat Stevens, hasn't got four hefty pugilists in the Top Ten! Of the Walkers, Scott has done very well and John, too, is starting to make his mark. Memo to Gary: emerge from hiding, matey, and let's be hearing from you!

PROBY IS MISSING

A few names missing from this department. Like P. J. Proby who, despite all the shouting and hollering, doesn't deserve to be out of the reckoning, on the grounds that he can sing the split pants off most of those listed. Steve Marriott goes, too. And Buddy Holly—but for the late great it's a matter of not having records. Jim Reeves is out, too. Shame, that. That E. Humperdinck emerges, however, and Sinatra Senior moves up a fair way. See how it goes? Like a switchback ride at the local fair.

Move on to the girlie department, at World Level. Dusty, of course. Cher loses out and the excellent Lulu comes up to second place. And Britain takes third and fourth places too via Pet Clark and Cilla. Dusty's lead is cut down; but then she didn't have a hit record at the time of the poll. Alas poor Brenda Lee and poor Joan Baez and Connie Francis. Still we know THEY have talent and their return to the ratings is surely only a matter of time. Let's dwell no longer on the dame department . . .

BEATLES TRIUMPH

Somebody whispered that the Beatles had had it. "No personal appearances," he muttered. So what happens? They come back to nick the world group title from the Beach Boys, that's what happens. And they don't 'arf do it convincingly. The disbanded Walkers vanish, naturally enough, and the Small Faces drop down, not so naturally. Afraid the Four Seasons have taken a hammering in the past 12 months. The Who can't be too happy, momentarily. Los Bravos, Spencer Davis, Righteous Brothers, Drifters, Miracles . . . also out of the all-important Top Twenty.

Girl group department? Let's just say it's the Supremes supreme. They got about twice the number of votes of the rest of the contenders added together.

PETER JONES

THANKS

FOR VOTING US 2nd
IN THE WORLD LARGE
BAND SECTION, AND

TOP OF THE BRITISH BANDS

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STILL KEEPING
MILLIONS IN THE MOOD

World Male Vocalist

1	(1)	Elvis Presley	1701
2	(8)	Tom Jones	855
3	(5)	Cliff Richard	681
4	(7)	Otis Redding	504
5	(6)	Scott Walker	411
6	(3)	Bob Dylan	396
7	(-)	Scott McKenzie	352
8	(-)	Paul Jones	237
9	(4)	Roy Orbison	220
10	(-)	Cat Stevens	216
11	(20)	Frank Sinatra	214
12	(12)	John Lennon	205
13	(-)	Stevie Wonder	199
14	(2)	Gene Pitney	196
15	(9)	Paul McCartney	189
16	(-)	John Walker	172
17	(-)	E. Humperdinck	145
18	(14)	Buddy Holly	118
19	(15)	Mick Jagger	112
20	(-)	Frankie Valli	106

World Male Vocal Group

1	(2)	The Beatles	2235
2	(1)	The Beach Boys	1411
3	(-)	The Monkees	544
4	(5)	Rolling Stones	448
5	(6)	Jordanaires	382
6	(7)	Four Tops	358
7	(11)	Byrds	226
8	(4)	Small Faces	201
9	(-)	Tremeloes	159
10	(-)	Sam and Dave	145
11	(10)	Everly Brothers	135
12	(-)	Pink Floyd	116
13	(-)	Dave Clark Five	111
14	(9)	Lovin' Spoonful	98
15	(-)	Young Rascals	91
16	(17)	Bachelors	81
17	(-)	Hollies	76
18	(15)	Kinks	65
19	(19)	Shadows	64
20	(-)	Temptations	62

World Female Vocal Group

1	(1)	The Supremes	6027
2	(3)	Martha and Vandellas	357
3	(15)	Marvelettes	279
4	(6)	Breakaways	202
5	(4)	Shangri-Las	166
6	(2)	She Trinity	149
7	(5)	Ronettes	145
8	(-)	Karlins	136
9	(11)	Crystals	98
10	(-)	Caravelles	76
11	(17)	Ikettes	68
12	(7)	Chiffons	52
13	(9)	Goldie and Gingers	44
14	(8)	Toys	38
15	(-)	Elgins	34
16	(19)	Dixie Cups	29
17	(-)	Beverly Sisters	26
18	(-)	Carter Family	25
19	(-)	Bella and Me	20
20	(12)	Patti La Belle	16

World Female Vocalist

1	(1)	Dusty Springfield	1821
2	(12)	Lulu	1018
3	(5)	Cilla Black	549
4	(4)	Petula Clark	530
5	(-)	Aretha Franklin	517
6	(10)	Nancy Sinatra	489
7	(7)	Sandie Shaw	436
8	(-)	Vikki Carr	286
9	(-)	P. P. Arnold	261
10	(-)	Diana Ross	246
11	(2)	Cher	222
12	(8)	Dionne Warwick	207
13	(3)	Brenda Lee	196
14	(-)	Anita Harris	171
15	(14)	Marianne Faithfull	158
16	(9)	Francoise Hardy	147
17	(-)	Sandie Posey	109
18	(-)	Helen Shapiro	88
19	(-)	Carla Thomas	73
20	(-)	Grace Slick	54



Above—some of the triumphs. At the top there's LULU who has really proved her worth in the poll, both in the British and American female sections. And the Stones have consolidated their positions despite their records not selling so well, and adverse publicity. Otis climbs steadily in the Top Male Singer ranks, and Cliff does the same.