

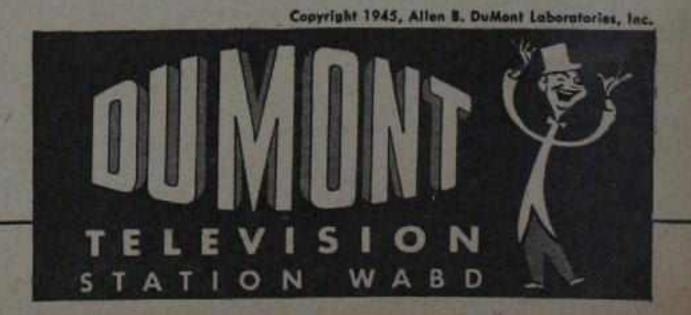
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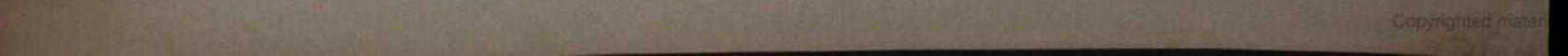
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**British Artists** Vote Post-War Enemy Act Ban

LONDON, Feb. 22 .- At the 39th annual general meeting the Variety Artistes' Federation, after a lively debate and by a big majority, resolved to han all enemy Allen acts, such as German and Japanese performers from appearing in the British music halls for 10 years after the war. The text of the successful resolution, Sunday (4) of a radio column in a Deproposed by Bud Flanagan and carried with only four votes against it, is as something like seven or eight years was follows:

"The members of the Variety Artistes" Federation pledge themselves for the immediate post-war period of at least 10 years, not to appear in the programs of any entertainments in Great Britain in which it is proposed to include enemy Allens such as German, Japanese or other ex-enemy Allen performers, and the executive committee shall take the necessary steps to enlist the support of the appropriate government departments to prevent the entry into this country of ex-enemy Allens who wish to engage in the entertainment industry."

#### 4-Year Ban Last Time

a similar one passed by the V. A. F. in the last war when German, Austrian and (See British Artists Vote on page 30)



### 'Air Gossip' in 'News' Daily

DETROIT, March 10, - Reappearance troit newspaper for the first time in the signal for some interesting speculation among the local newspaper and radio fraternity this week. The Detroit News broke local precedent with the debut of Air Gossip, a daily column written by Herschell Hart, long-time night club columnist on the paper and publicity director on WWJ, owned by The News, on which Hart also has his own amusement news program. The new column is being written in a chatty style, with considerable emphasis on human interest and with apparently fair distribution of mentions among stations.

Another significant shift of columnists came with the appearance of Tony Weitzel, who had The Town Crier column on The resolution strikes a parallel with The Free Press, only local morning paper, in The News, where his column is headed by three question marks. Weltzel also handled "The Stroller" column devoted to local night clubs in The Free Press, altho his name was not used, but the nitery assignment on The News is still being handled by Hart. Weitzel's old column on The Free Press is largely being handled by staff contributions.

CHICAGO, March 10 .- The Federation of American Folk Artists, which was organized here a month ago to unite entertainers in the field, has received communications from outstanding performers thruout the nation and Canada indicating they will take positions as field representatives of the FAFA and promote the new association in their respective areas.

**Hillbillies** Agree

To Plug & Field-

Dick Scott, one of the men behind the formation of the organization, reports that he has received word from the following, who will cover their districts for prospective members: Lou Gonzy, leader of the Alberta Ranch Boys, CJCR, Edmonton, Alberta; Roy West, WGAR, Cleveland; Jesse Rogers, WFIL, Philly, and Hardy Taylor, WJJD, Chicago.

Hugh Cross, who managed the WIBC Jamboree, which was aired from Indianapolis, is coming to Chicago to work in the national headquarters of the FAFA, Scott said.



CHICAGO, March 10 .- The Byrnes' cur-



All big boys have plans how to hold \$\$ volume after VE and VJ days

NEW YORK, March 12 .- America's two largest radio press associations are geared for a swing toward solid domestic and local news in the peace days to come. United Press Radio jumped the gun six



months ago with a hypoed system of splitting its main circuit during four daily five-minute news segs, local bureaus to break in with the last two minutes of copy. It's a split-second operation that ups plans to extend during the year to 13 five - minute round - ups

and seven 15-minute slots. Meanwhile, Press Association's Assistant General Manager Oliver Gramling has indicated that PA, radio's AP, is preparing for the "definite revival in domestic news."

Greater domestic news emphasis does not necessarily mean better local coverage, since a press association can turn out a greater proportion of Washington news and change D. C. weights from foreign to domestic. The UPR system, however, does point toward a very defattendance at midnight, has had just the inite hypoed local coverage. In fact, the org is already building up hinterland staffs and adjusting staff routines for many new skedded splits, possibly by

## **Doyle, Martin and Maynard Lead Crix** In 3 Try-Out Spots

NEW YORK, March 10 -- Out-of-town aisle experts' race for 1944-'45 legit accuracy honors packs the usual shifts in position as the wire comes in sight. With only a little over six weeks to go, when the season ends April 30, the Boston septet are hitting the stretch with three leaders crowding one another neck-andneck to set the pace. Peggy Doyle, American's fem drama sachem, has outsprinted Monifor's Leslie Sloper to take the lead with a score of 77.27 per cent. Pormer has passed judgment of 22 plays out of a possible 24 to date and has been wrong only five times. Sloper has eat in on 13 and made three wrong guesses. He drops to second place with a score of 76.92 per cent. Elinor Hughes (Herald) is running only a fraction of a stride behind the Monitor's play mentor with an accuracy score of 76.47.

Still definitely in the running, despite a drop from third to fourth position since the last tab, is Elliot Norton, Post's cric covered 22 shows and went wrong six times for a 72.72 score. The remain-(Doyle, Martin and Maynard on page 30)

### Chi Downtown, AFM **Feud Over Ork Size Holds Up Reopening**

CHICAGO, March 10. - Reopening ( the Downtown Theater, which shuttere here last week after six months vaude, with a burly policy, is being de layed while Al Barger, house manager irons out musical difficulties with AF execs here. During its vaude days, hou used 14-piece band, which AFM insis must remain under the burly pollo House ops feel that only a seven-ple unit is needed for the bump-and-grin accompaniment.

Downtown Theater exec reports the they had planned on only about six weeks of burly, after which they have legit shows slated to open.

**Circulation Reason for Switch** Reason for The News's switch back to the air column apparently is not the (See Radio Cols. in Det. on page 32)

few, which was thought would increase the use of entertainers for private partles and club dates because it halts night club opposite effect here. Private club-date bookers here this week report that the general public is confused by the new order and the result has been that persons June of this year.

(See Club Dates Off on page 27)

## **Radio Gets Set To Gang Up** On Petrillo; Vandenberg-Dondero Bill To Be Reopened

### Lea Invites Industry To Submit Suggestions

have a chance to even old scores with the AFM and its boss, James Petrillo, in the not too distant future, and so cry of the radio biz today as it got down that the situation will be plain, it can to the tough task of rapping out amendbe said that the biz is out to do just ments to remove the Petrillo mitt from ing three Beantown experts hold to their that. Rep. Clarence E. Les (D., Calif.). white-haired, kindly old chairman of the House Interstate Commerce Com- and they are planning to do just that. mittee, has informed the industry that hearings on the Vandenberg-Dondero Bill (S. 63-H.R. 1648) will be reopened in the not too distant future and that anything the industry has to say will other tighteners for the V-D Bill, which, be gratefully accepted. Lea, likewise,

WASHINGTON, March 10 .- Radio will has asked the industry to submit suggested amendments to the V-D Bill.

> "Freedom of the air" was the rallying the airways. The boys take the Lea invite as the signal to go all the way The Lea invite has gone out to the NAB. big independents and the nets, and executives are already scrambling around Washington drafting amendments and (See Radio Set to Gang on page 27)

#### **Dialers'** Temperature

The radio news associations all have their hands on the fickle tuner's pulse. For instance, PA got a good idea of which way the wind may blow last fall when a transcribed feature called War Correspondent was dropped like a hot cake by 50 of PA's 200 affiliates taking the platter. Reason was simple; The public was simply riding the wave of war optimism following D-Day. When, a few months later, Hans and Fritz showed that the war wasn't over, the 50 stations came back to the War Correspondent fold.

The associations are bridging the gap with transitional features that can be used now and in the post-war period. UPR's Tomorrow's World, devoted to details about new inventions and their practicability in the Hitlerless world, is a good example of a transitional feature.

#### Features Snowball

Another very definite trend points toward more features. In this case PA has jumped the gun, Altho features have been a stand-by of the different news sellers for years, PA has decided to stress news scripts sent over the wire. PA has 24 of these timed features cued for music and sound. Most of these scripts, according to Gramling, are written for two volces.

Gramling pointed out: "The post-war period, with the man-power situation alleviated, should help make these feature scripts very popular. We've really started building up that department. Some of the staff members for the script department were hired directly from the networks. Our newest man, in fact, is an out and out script writer." Three of the PA scripts are 15 - minute Monday - thru - Saturday features. There are also 10 five-minute weekday scripts, one two-minute feature and nine 15-minute Sunday programs. The physical set-up at PA includes disking equipment with double turntables for the exclusive use of the script department (See NEWS SET TO BATTLE on page 9)

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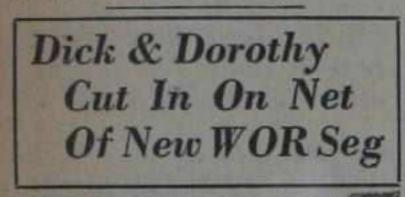
# **New Joan Davis?**

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NEW YORK, March 10 .- BBDO is currently dickering with several prospective sponsors to take over the Billie Burke stanza, Fashions in Rations, when the Servel Company bows out next month but, according to informed trade sources, the show may be minus its star, Miss Burke.

It is rumored in the trade that Sealtest wants her to take over on its show when Joan Davis exits to do a seg for Rezall next fall. Reliable sources say that using Miss Burke would require only minor changes in the format. Instead of the man-chasing approach that the Davis gal relies upon, the star could play her vague mother character with Jack Haley as the harrassed son.

Sponsor decish on Fashions will probably be made next week.



NEW YORK, March 10 .- Dick Kollmar and Dorothy Kilgallen start off on their cross-the-board Breakfast With Dorothy and Dick seg (April 14) with the kind of a deal that Ed and Pegeen Fitzgerald had been trying to get from WOR for a long time before Ed and Pegeen decided to take the Blue network bid and air thru WJZ instead of the Macy outlet.

The Fitzgeralds paid their own line charges, fees for engineer, etc., while these costs will be taken out the gross income that D & D pitch carns, before the net is split between station and talent. 'There's also a guarantee involved in the Kollmar menage presentation.

That a newcomer duo should be able to come to the air and take over the breakfast formula and get more than WOR paid them burns the Fitzgeralds but they admit they can't burn too long since they're getting everything they want from the Blue presentation.

## Is Billie Burke BBC Ready To Air U. S. Shows In Order To Build Good Will

Broadcasting Corporation is ready, willing and able to broadcast any programs of U. S. percolaters that the stations and BBC feel will help build and increase a mutual understanding of Mr. Whiskers by John Bull. It's now broadcasting, sans commercials, of course, over a regular BBC hook-up, Jack Benny, Charlie McCarthy, Command Performance and Mail Call, top American segs, with Benny getting a rating of 17 on the British Broadcasting Barometer, the English Hooper, (One point equals 300,000 adult English listeners.

No tabbing has been done on how many Englishmen listen to American programs over the armed forces network because these utilize, explains John Salt, North American director of the BBC who has just returned from the Empire conference on broadcasting, fleabite power and can only be heard about five miles away from the U.S. service installation they serve. He admitted that there are a great number of these stations and that it is possible that a considerable number of English nationals did tune in these broadcasting units. However, there's no closed-door to new U. S. programs. In fact, John Salt pointed out that Chuck Myera's KOIN in Portland, Ore., did a program that BBC thought was ideal and it has been aired in England with solid success. It presented a little known view of this side of the Atlantic and did it in a manner that was understandable in England. That's one ache about airing typical Yank stuff. It's got to be understandable to the English. They don't know much U. S. history in the ex-mother country.

#### **Oregon Trail Enigma There**

Salt pointed out that programs about the Oregon Trail for instance, just don't mean a thing to dialers over there. On the criticism that G. B. is only sending

NEW YORK, March 10. - The British over talk-stuff and little or nothing in the entertainment category, Salt admitted that some good entertainment shows would help the British-American relations, but explained that typical English programs have been nixed by unofficial boards of American broadcasters who have heard them. Tommy Hendley's program (it pulls a 45 with British dialers), for instance, has been voted "too dirty" for U. S. commercial radio-and it's a toughie to find the right kind of entertainment that will explain the English.

> Salt's suggestions is that teams of American producers will eventually have to go to England to produce English shows for the U.S. and the reverse will have to be worked out here. That, of course, will have to be post-war. Right now, BBC and the American broadcaster will have to get along with what's available off-the-cuff.

broadcasting in England, that, says Salt, is a matter for Parliament to change. If the law.

## Rum and Coca-Cola Now Okay on NBC; All Nets Pass It

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Rum and Coca-Cola, born in the jukeboxes and wet-nursed by platter jockeys over indie stations, into a hit, has now become "legitimate." NBC, as of March 2, has cleared it for use, instrumentally over the network.

R&CC started out by being banned from all nets. Then the Blue, for the Andrews Sisters, oknyed it as Lime and Coca-Cola, Mutual let it get by as In Trinidad, and three weeks ago CBS okayed it instrumentally. The correct title of the song may be used both over NBC and CBS, but you can't sing those lyrics.

## **Dinah To Hold** Groaner's Ears During Summer

NEW YORK, March 10,-Summer replacement for Bing Crosby's Kraft Music Hall, now being set by J. Walter Thompson ad agency, will rely heavily on pop music, originate in New York and use chirper Dinah Shore in a series of guest shots at \$5,000 per. tI is understood that the Groaner wants a summer show that will hold the type of audience he has now and has asked that it be pop music.

Ork and other top singers have not yet been set but agency will make a decish before the end of March.

### No Sinatra-Vallee Feud; Tight Sked Nixed ReturnDate

HOLLYWOOD, March 10,-Prank Sina-And on the question of commercial tra's guest spot on Rudy Vallee show this week was canceled out because of heavy sked, and not due to any other reason, the law is changed-he may change with according to Al Levy, The Voice's manager.

Grapevine had it that there was been between Vallee and Sinatra over Voice's alleged refusal to sing one of Vallee's pet tunes. Levy says that Sinatra turned down the tune because his arrangers wouldn't have had time to work on it, so he decided to do an oldie.

Pressure of heavy week finally forced Sinatra to cancel out, and Vallee substituted an old script for the spot at the last minute. Vallee guested on Sinatra's show a few weeks ago, and The Voice was only planning to complete the exchange. However, according to Levy, Sinatra will make the guest appearance as soon as he returns from four-week Eastern tour, Besides his own show, Sinatra did three army broadcasts this week.

Sutphin SPM for Chi Blue

In other words it's a good move for all involved-altho it cost WOR plenty to audition the 12 couples they sampled before Tossed Off WCAM buying.

#### Martin Tours N. Y. Nets

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Darrell Martin, radio editor of The Buffalo Evening News, is touring the networks here. Martin wrote the first radio column in America (1923) for The Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.



DON REID has the looks (he even gets tem sighs as he puffs on trombone) and the musicianship to get up into the top brackets. That's a tough assignment for an ork leader who hasn't disked a hit tune yet



and who's spent a great many of his musical years ber's reputation.

He knows that his greatest plus is playing for dancing-and the Reid aggregation does just thatplays each number so that the entire family can dance

to his music and enjoy it. In other words, his sweet has a bounce and his bounce has sweetness.

Like all kids, he didn't want to grow up to be a musician, but he broke a leg and his father's banjo was around. So what could a kid in his first year of high school do with a broken leg-in bed. He did it and has been making music pay all the way on-from that day.

He's one of the many baten-waving guys who have come out of Pennsylvania and on the way he did some stage presentations that helped to sell Dick Powell to Hollywood. Burns and Allen, or rather Gracis herself, sold him on organizing his own how long it has to run. ork, and Tony Martin gave him a kick along the road that leads to success.

which that sweet-swing comer is bound to stop on, he'll be there because he knows music to dance to.

## **Camden Gospel Hour** After a Near-Riot CAMDEN, N. J., March 10 .- William H. Markward, managing director of WCAM,

municipal station here, today announced that the Old-Fashioned Gospel Hour, weekly program of Rev. Charles V. Gilmore of the Grenlock Park Camp Meeting, had been cancelled in a letter to Aaron Heine, president of Mac Radio Sales Company, which buys the time for the Sunday afternoon program. Markward said that the action was taken because of alleged violation of wartime practice code for American broadcasters by addressing persons and using tele- broadcast off the air. phoned information over the ether.

Altho not specifically mentioned, it seems obvious that Gilmore was tossed off the air as an aftermath of the nearriot that occurred last Sunday (4) when 150 of his followers in the studio audicontribbing to Jan Gar- ence kept WCAM in a turmoll for an hour when the program was cut off the Don Reid's set to do it. air because of asserted deviation from the script submitted in advance. Gilmore was cut off the Sunday before (February 25). too, for the same reason.

> Police had to be summoned last Sunday (4) to maintain order in the studio. and, because of the noise created by Gilmore's studio audience when the program was shut off, the station was unable to make its identification from the studio. To do so, it was necessary to dispatch Camden Convention Hall.

#### Gilmore Threatens "Showdown"

Gilmore threatened to have a "showdown" during the coming week. He said he will refer the matter to his attorneys for action. Station officials said the evangelistic organization, which Gilmore heads, has a contract for additional broadcast time but were unable to say

According to Markward, Gilmore had been warned that he must adhere strictly When he hits the top of the place to to his script after the episode of the previous Sunday, when he was refused permission to proceed with his 4 p.m. broadcast, On Friday (2), Markward

said, Gilmore submitted his script, which was approved by the station manager. When he came to the studio Sunday (4). Gilmore told Markward he wanted to introduce Rev. George W. Ridout, who would speak for a few minutes. Rideout was not mentioned in the script, so Markward refused permission for the interpolation.

#### **Gilmore Introduces Ridout**

After the program had been on for six minutes, however, Gilmore started to introduce Ridout to the radio audience. As soon as he mentioned Ridout's name, the studio engineer took the

The studio audience, which filled two rooms, refused to leave. They should protests against the station's action and sang hymns. In the meantime, the station substituted recorded religious music. When the situation got out of hand, Camden police were called, Asked to leave, Gilmore and Ridout said: "We refuse to leave. This station belongs to the City of Camden and we have a perfect right to be here." At 5 o'clock, the station's closing time, however, the crowd was ushered out by policemen.

CHICAGO, March 10 .- Karl Sutphin was appointed sales promotion manager of the Blue Network's Chicago office this week. Former assistant sales manager here for Blue, he will succeed E. J. Huber, who has been transferred to the net's New York office, where he will be in charge of national advertising.

CLEVELAND, March 10 .- Station WJW has announced two additions to the staff. Howard Wellman, former cleffer for Tommy Tucker's ork, has been appointed staff arranger, and Fred W. Briggs, former announcer at KREG, KYA and KSF has joined as announcer.





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Three Unanswered 's Plague BMB -Editorial **BMB** Can Satisfy and Honestly

## **City Indies** Ask for Info

Questions of mass audiences, language and special circulation data presented

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Armed with Its report, Station WNEW came to the New York district meeting of the Broadcast Measurement Bureau, hoping that the problems discovered in its own BMB test (The Billboard, March 10) would be solved and that the meeting would back up the sock record that Hugh Feltis (BMB prexy) had delivered in his first 10 meetings. To its amazement, no answers to the negatives that the research had uncovered were given and the meeting turned in one of the worst records of the tour to date, 12 signed contracts. (Two more contracts have come in since the meeting, WHCU Ithaca, N. Y., and Station WMCA, New York. Details about the latter contract will be found later in this report.)

Decision not to go along with BMB justed so that the big city indice were presented in what they believe to be their true light, was made a day before the Thursday (8) meeting, while many indies were attending the OWI conference. Backing WNEW's report, besides its own staff headed by Wally Dunean, Herman Bess and John Hymes, were Irving Rosenhaus, of WAAT, and Craig Lawrence, of Station WHOM, Jersey City. Rosenhaus had read the WNEW report only the same morning. He wanted some of the same questions answered for his station, which is located in Newark, N. J., a well-covered area, that the Judis-Blow-Bulova percolator asked.

DERFECTION is not born, it's achieved. The tendency on the part of the Broadcast Measurement Bureau to regard its formula as inviolate is what lead, in a great measure, to the New York district meeting being a flop.

BMB has got to stop selling itself as a take-me-as-I-am-or-not-at-all operation. When a station asks questions it should get answers, not smart cracks, not double talk. The 36 stations that had representatives at the meeting didn't spend the time and money that it costs to attend a meeting to kick BMB in the pants, or throw a knife at its back or even re-break Prexy Hugh Feltis's nose. They came because the industry knows BMB is a must. Everyone at the meeting wanted to put it over-without taking a slap in the face. They wanted to back BMB 100 per cent and make it help them at the same time. They don't want a dishonest BMB. They want one that makes available honest comparable figures, figures that present their circulation coverage fairly to the advertiser and the agency man.

Since NAB is spending money to put BMB on its feet, let it spend a little more money and elect a man to work with Hugh Feltis who knows research, who can answer the questions, who can sit down and work out individual circulation report problems with the stations that have them. Feltis is a swell prexy but he doesn't know the research answer. Even his board leans too much to the idea that BMB is for, by and of research men. What has to come out of BMB is circulation data that favors no one, no type of station, no type of city, no type of station operation. The present plan is good-it only requires a few adjustments to make it nearly perfect. A committee representing the clear channel stations (those with skywaves), a committee representing the small market stations, a committee representing big city indies and a committee representing foreign language groups can be formed overnight to meet with a select group and iron out the entire problem.

The industry is sold on the need of a circulation measuring device that's standard and fair for everyone. Give it to them now. It's no problem for an open-minded group such as BMB has on its board.

## Signal Aches Small market stations fight idea that night static-ridden signal means coverage

**Clear Channel** 

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Problem holding back many small market stations from signing contract with the Broadcast Messurement Bureau is that the circulation reports may show that outlets miles and miles away have primary coverage at night in one-station towns. The outlets are willing to admit that programs of these out-of-town stations do have listeners in their areas but the listeners hear the programs thru a staticridden signal. They desire something be added to the reports that will show that the locals listen to their hometown stations regularly and to the remote clear channel 50-kw, transmitters only when the program on that waveband is so terrific as to make them strain their ears to get it.

Other small market station ops admit that perhaps they lose listeners to these big stations at nights and that they can be heard clearly despite their remoteness, but they still insist that the locals deliver the day-in-day-out audience in their territory-the audience that buys locally, the audience that must be sold by repeat advertising.

KSAN Makes Own Survey What WNEW did in part for the big city indie KSAN, Huntsville, Tex., did

#### Indies Undervaluation

Most of the indies were worried about their "mass markets" being undervaluated in the survey-wanted something besides the primary, secondary and tertiary coverage maps. Lawrence pointed out that other Cowles stations, WCOP. Boston, and KRNT, Des Moines, had signed with BMB, but stressed that WHOM audience measurement was another matter. What, said Lawrence, is BMB going to do about foreign language, low education groups?

Feltis, who emseed the meeting, answered that these groups would be picked up in the three different income segments. Lawrence, on the other hand, stated that he did not believe that the answer was adequate. Lawrence then suggested that perhaps a committee could meet with the BMB board of directors or a special BMB group to iron out the problems of the big-town indica and Hugh Feltis thought that perhaps that could be worked out. It was planned, said Feltis, to set up a special research committee, within BMB, of three members of the American Association of Advertising Agencies, three members of the Association of National Advertisers and three members of BMB to work on such problems.

However, nothing definite was set about any actual meeting of the committee with any group and the meeting disbanded on a rather sour note of 12 station contracts in the house. The station signers were WABC (CBS) and WJZ (Blue), New York; WHEC, Rochester, N. Y.; WENY, Elmira, N. Y.; WENY, Kingston, N. Y.; WONY, Newburgh, N. Y., and WALL, Middletown, N. Y.; Buffalo Broadcasting Corporation. Latter owns two outlets in Buffalo and doesn't know yet which it will have to sell so didn't indicate call letters.

#### Suggestions From Floor

Several points of solid importance were made from the floor, one of which will no doubt become part of the BMB plan but quick. Suggestion was made, for instance, that the actual percentage of circulation in each county be printed on the station coverage maps so that this figure would deliver to the time buyers

## What About Nets - BMB? Will Some Affiliates Get **Free Ride?** The Chains Ache

#### They Can't Stay Out-Yet Coming In May Cost Fortune

the entire Broadcast Measurement Bu- well known. "We can always cancel our reau project is the question mark of the contracts," is the way that one 10-kw. networks. Understood in the trade, is affiliate stated its stand, the fact that the nets will come into the BMB structure, but also understood is that no place has been found for them, heads of chains research departments, no fees set and no protocol established for their place in the corporation,

Problem basically is this, as one network researcher pointed out, the figures developed by BMB are worthless unless each and every station's maps and figures are made available to the network. What then is to happen when a station affiliate doesn't sign a contract? One missing station report nixes a net coverage map.

#### No Contract, No Figures

According to Hugh Feltis, at most district meetings, the figures will not be worked up or released for any station not signatory to a contract. That can mean only one of two things to the webs, either they have a 100 per cent record of BMB membership among their stations or the networks will be permitted to subscribe and pay plenty for the figures, in the name of the stations, How the stations that will carry their own load will feel about the other web

and sponsors the actual circulation of the station rather than have the agency man feel that because the station was "primary" in a county it was delivering in Chicago, San Francisco and New York, all the radio homes in that county.

Obvious also was the spirit of the crowd that some use be made of the 3-7 day listening figures which would show up in the report, "Why have them there if BMB won't use them?" one station man asked. The answer was that you get a better report that way than if you simply asked the one-day-a-week

(See City Indies Seek on page 7)

NEW YORK, March 12 .- Hanging over outlets that get a "free ride" is pretty

NBC and CBS have representatives on the NAB research committee with the Barry Rumple (NBC) and Johnny Churchill (CBS) having worked hard on the BMB formula. Rumple fought for full disclosure and Churchill fought for the ballot plan which is being used.

Naturally the webs can't very well walk out on the deal. However, observers note that WEAF did not sign up at the New York meeting and that no NBC owned and operated station has put its signature on the line. CBS, on the other hand, has delivered its stations at each meeting with KMO, St. Louis: WCCO, Minneapolis; KNX, Los Angeles; WABC New York, and WEEI, Boston, signing contracts. The Blue also has delivered its stations to date with WJZ, New York; WMAL, Washington, and KGO, San Prancisco, all in the BMB house. MBS outlets have been signing okay-except for the biggies.

#### Web Bosses Hold Back

til the stations have established the entire operation as a going business. On the other hand, they may have to stand up and deliver if the BMB board doesn't get together with the big city indies, who the daytime in Huntaville, as follows: just won't sign-unless they are protected from getting the works in the signing.

The next few weeks will indicate whether or not the 50 per cent that Feltis needs to get started will come in. The first nine meetings produced roughly \$250,000. Boston dld okay. New York did stinking. Eleven up and seven to selves paying the bills.

for the small-market station. It went out and made a pre-BMB survey itself. hiring Ross Federal to do the job, There are 810 radio homes in Huntsville proper and 200 of them were BMB surveyed, the 200 being stratified so that they covered all three income groups (BMB reports are based upon a high, medium and mass income group breakdown). The reports revealed that Huntsville listens to 13 U. S. and two Mexican stations.

It listens at night 83.5 per cent to KSAN (on the BMB once-a-week basis). 88.5 to stations WBAP-WFAA (they share a wave-length and are located in Dallas and Fort Worth), 49.5 to KPRC (Houston), 47.5 to WSM (Nashville). Only the first four stations are listed here, for the rest of the index runs below the figures that KSAN would have to worry about in a BMB report.

#### The 3-7 Times Tab

When information that is available on the BMB ballot is used-beyond the once a week report-it gives a different picture of Huntsville dialing. The 3-7 times a week listening tabulation reveals that they listen as follows on that multiple listening basis:

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The balance of WSM listeners tune in 1 to 2 times a week. In other words it's the 1-2 times a week of WSM that brings it up into the 47.5 figures that it produces in the Huntaville area.

#### The Surprising Daytime

Figures become a little more surprising in the daytime tabulations. Here, the skywave stations, the out-of-town Web bosses don't want to come in un- stations, etc., begin to show that smalltown market stations deliver audiences best in the daytime when their signal is better by comparison. The figures reyeal the following facts-they listen in

	Times a Week	Times a Week
KSAN	91.5	4.5
WBAP-WFAA		8.0
KPRC	21.0	11.5
WSM		11.5

In the daytime, then, KSAN has nothing to worry about since on the BMB standard only WBAP-WFAA delivers a come and the webs may still find them- primary audience, i.e., more than 50 per (See Small Market Men on page 7)

March 17, 1945

**Outlets Heave-Ho Weak Sisters** 

## Audience, Not **Dough, Counts**

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#### KGO and KECA hypo programing-inject sustainers that pull listeners

HOLLYWOOD, March 10 .- Tossing out weak-sister commercial shows, regardless of revenue they might bring in, has been instrumental in hypoing the two Blue Network-owned stations on the West Coast to the point where they now are grabbing sizable chunks of the daytime. listening audience. Vigorous management has been instrumental in the change that has given KGO a tie for first place in the morning sked and KECA a second place. In the KGO set-up gains were first made when station was taken over by Don Searle, who has since been upped to head the Blue's West Coast division.

After seeing KGO well on its feet, Searle turned his attention to KECA, which the web purchased from the Earle C. Anthony interests last August for \$800,000. In order to give the station good management, Searle appointed Clyde Scott to take over the front office and get things started.

#### Scarle Saw Bad Programing

Attitude of Searle was that KECA sulfered from bad programing and, as a result, was not getting a steady audience. In other words, the dial-twisters were what he termed an "in-and-out" audience. He felt that eliminating this hazard to good commercial shows was the first step in getting the station on the trial that would lead to higher ratings.

## Lynn's Sign Off?

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Maybe it's just a coincidence or maybe the guy means it, but Lynn Murray, on his last broadcast for E. R. Squibb & Sons, March 28, will open his show with I'm Coming Home and close with The Thrill Is Gone.

Murray, obviously disenchanted, bows off when Geyer, Cornell & Newell takes over the account from BBDO. He still has hopes, however. He won't sked Goodby Forever.

makes the operator flirt with short profits.

Searle is following the policy of the Blue web in programing. For some time the program structure of the network has been a minor upheaval in order to get the best shows in the best spots. In keeping with this trend, web is soon spotting Fred Waring and the March of Time back to back. Before, these airers were surrounded by shows that did not rate much of an audience and therefore cut down the big-timers.

#### **KECA Morning Sked Shuffled**

On the KECA morning sked much shuffling was done and many commercial accounts given the gate in order to bring the Breakjast Club to the Coast for a full hour. Heretofore, it had been only hitting here a half hour. Same thing was done to some of the evening shows in order to clear time for the Andy Russell sustainer.

When Searle took over at KGO, San Francisco, the station had morning audience percentage of 11.6, April, 1943, December, 1944, and January, 1945, period we'd try to get any other top program for showed the station going to 23.8, slightly the network. The NBC job is to get and more than double. In the afternoon for hold the best that's on the air. You don't the same periods covered, the station do that by kicking around sponsors." jumped from 8.9 to 15.1, nearly double.

## **NBC** Not To Get Tough on New Rulings

#### No Kicking Programs Off Air

NEW YORK, March 12 .- NBC new rules and regulations, despite trade and consumer press comment and stories, do not been a prominent figure here for years. mean that the senior network will throw will open an office in Hollywood in a programs and sponsors off the air at will, on the subject.

fact that the new rules returned the control of NBC to the operating corporation instead of it being in the hands of agenweren't set as a blackjack. "We may, from time to time, suggest that certain programs shift from one time period to an- (12) to elect a pro tem prez to replace other, or from one day to another, but Miss Hopkins. we're not going to insist that sponsors accept our recommendations. We have no plans to force the shift of the Fitch Bandwagon, altho that seems to be the most persistent of the rumored high-handed moves on our part. As a matter of fact NBC has just renewed the Fitch show for another year. We're not going to force Socony-Vacuum to shift Information Please or the Telephone Hour to take a walk."

On the NBC yen for the Lux Theater and Burns and Allen shows, Witmer admitted that from time to time NBC has made pitches for the former, "Just as

## More Chi Air **Toppers Leave** For West Coast

CHICAGO, March 10 .- The exodus of prominent radio people from Chicago to other pastures will be increased in the future when two of the best-known radio people in town leave for California. On March 17, Pauline Hopkins, local prexy of the Radio Writers Guild and one of Chi's best scripters (she has penned That Brewster Boy, Women in White and has produced Knickerbocker Theater) will embark for the West Coast. She will recuperate from present illness out there and then get back into radio in Hollywood.

James Parks, one of the owners of Quiz Kids, and Abie's Irish Rose, who has few months. Park's plans for West Coast This was made clear by Roy Witmer, sales venture are not yet set, but he is certain v.-p. of the web, in an official statement he is leaving. As he puts it, "The only way you can put on a topnotch show in Witmer pointed out that despite the Chicago is to import writing and acting talent. This is not the city for me." Parks will keep his office here, under the direction of Carol Bowers, but he will do cles, sponsors or talent, the regulations most of his important radio packaging from the West Coast.

The RWG will hold a meeting Monday

FCC To Push **Clear Channel** Hearing Date **Ops Oppose May 9 Sked** 

#### Weak Sisters Evicted

In order to get the program structure right, he had to do some patching, tossing out the weak sisters to incorporate stronger shows that would have greater audience appeal, even tho they were sustainers. Since that time the Hooper has been steadily going up.

Searle chucked out the window some \$60,000 worth of commercial biz in order to clear the way for good programing. and this was done in spite of howls from sponsors. Heaviest hit were news shows, which dominated the station's morning sked before the Blue took over. Searle was of the opinion that an early riser was entitled to his news, but held that he didn't want a subsequent rehashing of world events. As a result, he spaced the strong news spots left, inserting music and other types of shows to give balanced programing.

#### **KECA** Sold Strongly

He has been going right down the line in seiling KECA to the public, which has been a deciding factor in bringing the station up from fourth place in the morning to second spot. He has inaugurated a new system, cutting down commercial copy at the station breaks so that time signal and plugs for nighttime Blue shows can be inserted, pointing up the big shows for the evening sked. In clipping the sponsor plugs, announcers now give the call letters, then the time. Searle feels that in this way listeners can be drawn to the station, subconsciously perhaps, because of knowing they will always get a time signal every quarter or half hour.

Station announcers have been called into the front office and given a shot in the arm by Searle, who has sold them on the idea of injecting their personality into the call letters and in this way making the listener feel that KECA is important and not just another station. In other words, Searle feels that a successful station must have a personality of its own.

#### Top Dough Paid

staffs, paying them top dough and then ing top-heavy staffs on short money only fact that radio is a public medium and held over the net circuits,

#### Audience Breakdowns

Breakdown of audience percentages in San Francisco for three other leading stations are as follows: Station A showed 21.0 in 1943 and now has 21.5; Station B had 30.7 to 23.8 now; Station C figures for 1943 were 13.2 and are 11.5 in 1945. Afternoon figures give Station A 38.0 in 1943 and 39.0 in 1945; B got 14.4 in 1943 and now has 11.6; Station C clocked 14.0 in 1943 and dropped to 11.3 this year,

San Francisco Bay area has 12 stations, while Los Angeles area supports 17, which makes competition keener by comparison. Figures for KECA show decided progress, altho station has not been under Blue banner as long as KGO. First rating in August last year, after purchase, was 13.7 percentage of audience for morning, with December-January figures showing 19.4, a 40 per cent increase. Afternoon figures show KECA getting 9.3 per cent of audience in August of last year, with slight increase noted in December-January figures, new reading being 10.2.

#### **Comparative Local Figures**

Comparative local figures for morning show Station A as having 17.1 audience percentage in August, 1944, with current of the credit for the positive changes figures at 15.0. Station B had 41.4 in which have been noted above.

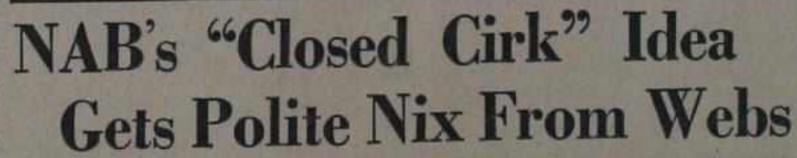
#### Al Pearce, Kenny Baker, **Cass Daley E. T. for Rexall**

NEW YORK, March 10, - Al Pearce, Kenny Baker and Cass Daley have been signed by N. W. Ayer ad agency to do the Rexall Drug 1-cent 15-minute e. t.'s which will be spotted on over 200 percolators around the country beginning April 29. Ayer originally wanted Jimmie cost was too high.

yet been set.

1944, with current per cent, 36.8. Station C had 10.4 in 1944 and 11.8 for January this year. Afternoon figures are as follows: Station A, 34.6 to 35.8; Station B, 16.0 to 17.6; Station C, 15.1 in 1944 and 12.3 of January this year.

Both stations have been forging ahead, and with the insertion of stronger shows, should be up in front. Smart, aggressive management has been the answer in pulling both KECA and KGO up into the top brackets, with Searle getting most



pers here, according to sources close to association, other groups of other industhe scene, are trying to interest the four tries will demand and under FCC rules webs in a plan to hold the org's convention this year via four-net closed circuit, but the chains are none too enthused about the idea. NAB last month canceled its annual get-together because of the Office of Defense Transportation's ruling prohibiting large conventions.

It is reliably reported that the NAB but top chain execs are ready to turn thumbs down. Reason they give is the

WASHINGTON, March 10 .- NAB top- if time is allowed to the industry's trade probably get, the same consideration. Another objection raised is the fact that such a move would force the webs to suspend service to their affiliates unless they were to rent dual lines. And if they were to rent extra lines, it would tie up telephone service in critical areas,

It looks like no soup for the NAB, just cerned. Searle believes in having good has approached the nets with its plan as it was two months ago when the Ohio by Radio proposed that its shindig be

WASHINGTON, March 10. - Despite some pressure from ops, FCC is determined to push ahead with the May 9 hearing on clear channels, altho plenty of heat is being applied for a delay until fall. FCC, as of this moment, wants to get the clear channel hearing over before June when the Inter-American Conference is held at Rio. The fear is that clear channels may come up for plenty of talk at that time.

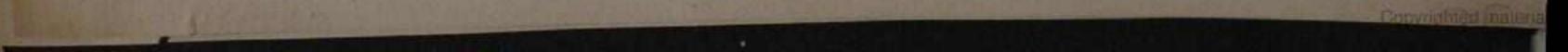
Clear channel men feel that the hearing was called on short notice and that Durante and Arthur Treacher but the they haven't time to prepare. Clear channel broadcasting service is frantically The disks start turning April 29 and seeking some three or four stenos this will continue until May 5. Ork has not week to prepare their case. Edwin W. Craig, WSM, Nashville, chairman of CCBS, called the executive committee together here a week ago and at that time it was decided to urge a switch in date to fall at least. Switch wish was relayed to Porter, but his answer, as of today, appears to be "no dice."

## Lever Bros. May **Get Joan Davis**

NEW YORK, March 10 .-- If Joan Davis's deal with Rexall Drugs doesn't jell because of the shortage of air time, the comedienne will be sold to Lever Bros. to plug Swan Soap, product currently being plugged by Burns and Allen, according to reliable reports. Miss Davis's contract with Rexall provides that her show be put on either NBC or OBS. Rexall renewed the option on her services for another 45 days but so far has been unsuccessful in clearing time.

The Lever Bros.' deal, as tentatively outlined, would have the Davis package put into the B&A slot, 8:30-8:55 Monday, CBS, with Swan Soap being plugged. B&A, according to the trade, would go on the air for the Lipton Tea Company which now sponsors Inner Sanctum, Tuesday, 9-9:30, CBS. Sanctum would bow off the air.

It is understood that Young & Rublcam radio toppers are sold on the idea. as are heads of the agency. However, Lever Bros.' ad chiefs haven't yet made up their minds and may nix the thing.



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## Small Market Men Question Idea of Nighttime Coverage

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cent once a week . . . and it's possible that even if these stations are owned by one organization, BMB will have to report them as two stations-and that will mean that KSAN delivers the only true daytime primary coverage in the town.

#### Bring Out These Facts

It's facts like this that the small towns want brought out, for without them, they claim, BMB delivers circulation figures that don't tell a story. The small-market stations want circulation figures presented fairly, points out Mickey Sillerman, prezy of the Keystone e. t. network that reps plenty of them, but they want them definitive-not in big round numbers that look good but mean little.

#### Why They Listen

Sillerman points out that when he added to the Huntsville survey a few questions-the results were startling to local gets its audience's ears. any time buyer. He asked the listeners their reason for listening and came up with the following facts:

#### 57.5 Clarity.

- 46.5 Better programs.
- 6.0 National news.
- 26.0 Local news
- 10.5 Music.
- 2,5 Soap operas,
- 2.5 They can't hear any other station.
- 2.0 News commentators,
- 1.5 Stories.
- 1.0 Habit.

0.5 Listen because it's the NBC Network.

He stresses the fact that local news gets 26.0 just the same as national news, That 57.5 listen because of clarity. That's small-market station stuff, he pounds home-and BMB has got to show that up somehow, somewhere-without going into program preference or anything like that.

#### FCC Map Would Help

### Norris Horizon

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Young & Rubicam ad agency has signed novelist Kathleen Norris to do the scripting on its Bright Horizons, morning CBS strip show for Lever Bros. (Swan Soap). Miss Norris . replaces Stu Hawkins as the writer.

Signing of Miss Norris, says the trade, is an attempt to pull in the hausfrau trade who read her sweetness and light books, Show stars Dick Kollmar, who has just been signed with Dorothy Kilgallen for the WOR breakfast show formerly held down by Ed and Pegeen Fitzgerald.

an audience measurement report (a Hooper) would give KSAN an unbeatable sales picture. However, none of these are the answer to the fact that clear-channel stations with powerful skywaves come in and show a great audience-even the they may be listened to only a fraction of the time that the

Sillerman admits that BMB can make Its reports give most of the info that will show a small-market station in its true light-the 3-7 days a week listening will help there. But a great many stations woh't sign a BMB contract, as WJTN, Jamestown, and WSLB, Ogdensburg, N. Y., pointed out in the New York district meeting, until the BMB formula gives them, not protection, but a report that really pictures circulation in that old home town, with the skywave in its proper relationship,

#### WOKO 'Hidden Ownership' Battle To Start March 17

WASHINGTON, March 10 .- At request of outlet, WOKO, "hidden ownership" hearing has been moved up to Wednesday (14) from March 28 by FCC.

Sillerman misses the fact, of course, per cent of stock, will participate in that a BMB report added to an FCC field hearing as "outside" interest. Raymond

### **City Indies Seek More Measure Data**

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listening figure on which the report is being tabulated. This answer didn't particularly satisfy.

The solid nix of New York indie stations was broken today (12) by Nathan Straus of Station WMCA, signing a contract for his percolator. Straus stated in a letter to Hugh Feltis that the station was signing, "Because the plan promises to achieve a higher degree of accuracy and dependability in audience measurement than anything else hitherto available." Straus said the auspices of BMB was a guarantee of the projects integrity. WMCA is not a member of the NAB, having pointed out some time ago that it did not go along with the organization on vital matters, such as airing of controversial program material. Since there has always been a "friendly" spirit of competition between WMCA and WNEW, the New York market was not surprised by Straus's action, but it did help to swing some feelings towards BMB at a time when BMB needed it for its next meeting.

While the figure of 14 contracts out of the 36 stations attending looks good, it must also be pointed out that 36 attending did not represent the entire district and, what is more pointed, that the district chairman of the entire twoday district meeting, Kolin Hager of WGY, Schenectady, did not deliver a contract for the GE station. The "oversight" was noted by the bigger stations present who also noted the no-contractsignatures of WEAF, NBC and WOR.

#### Indies Points Upheld

Research authorities who attended the meeting, agreed 100 per cent that the big-city indies' objections must be answered by action-that the action must in no way affect the over-all job that BMB will do nationally and that something must be done to sample the large foreign language groups in areas not Press Company, Inc., which holds 25 only like New York but Chicago, Detroit, the Twin Cities, Los Angeles and San' Francisco. These groups cannot, in the opinion of the measurement experts, be thrown in the BMB three-income-group

### No Cross-Plugs

NEW YORK, March 10 .- The lead to a CBS hand-out issued early last week reads like this: "Bob Hope, an actor, is the guest of Frank Sinatra on the latter's musical and variety show over the Columbia Network Wednesday, March 7."

Maybe getting on a show that features Frank Sinatra, a singer. will put this fellow Hope right up there in the public eye. He's a deserving youngster and should be encouraged in his efforts. He, too, has a radio program and sometimes plays golf with one Bing Crosby, another singer.

It may be, comments the office nitwit, that CBS is following the NBC rules and eliminating crossplugs of any sort-even in its hand-outs.

pot and produce a true picture for stations that cater to them.

It is not necessary, as Hugh Feltis, at one time in the meeting made it seem. a web tabulating expert pointed out, to change the entire BMB formula and have one circulation measurement for New York and another for the rest of the nation. The facts can be uncovered within the structure of BMB, if the job is approached with an open mind.

### Coast E.T. Firm **Disks Gospels Only**

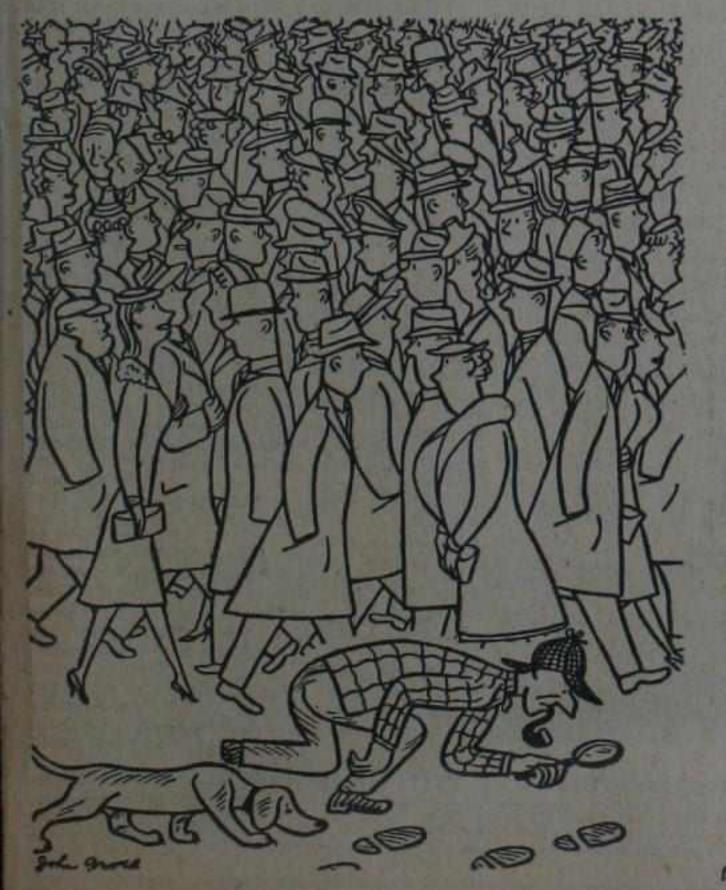
HOLLYWOOD, March 12 .- New transcription firm devoted solely to religious music has formed here and will do business as Campus Christians Organization, It will release monthly service and is headed by Earle Williams, with Richard Silvius in charge of promotion and sales,

Campus Christians will furnish stations a basic library of 100 numbers, with 10 new selections each month. Deal is

strength map will give a good picture of M. Curtis, prexy of WOKO, will testify signal availability. That coupled with at hearing.

standard lease arrangement now used on most library services. Williams claims that 150 numbers have already been recorded and are ready for shipment.

## Has anybody here seen Myrtle?



TOBODY's been able to catch up with Myrtle since she began listening to WABC's war appeals.

You know-the ones which say, "Call the Blood Bankfor an appointment now!"... or "Join the AWVS and do your share on the home front!"... and "Contribute your old furs today to the Seamen's Vest Project!"... in addition to "Buy Bonds!"..."Save Waste Paper!"... "Join the WAC!"

Yes, Myrtle's a busy girl these days. She takes those appeals on WABC seriously.

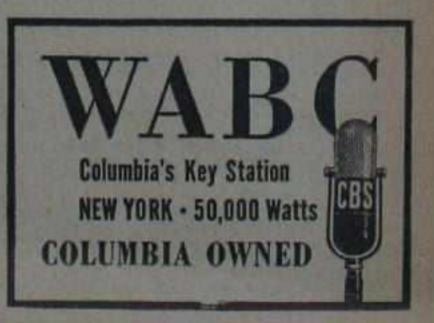
Just as seriously as WABC itself takes the war!

During 1944, WABC devoted 40% of its total broadcast time -

Represented by Radio Sales. the SPOT Broadcasting Division of CBS more than 2,900 hours-to war effort and war-related messages and broadcasts!

It's a prime service - which WABC integrates, and makes good radio. In fact, WABC means good radio to New Yorkers. According to Mr. Hooper's figures, WABC was listened to by more New Yorkers for all of 1944 than any other station in the city.

And that surely indicates a high in the nation's listening, too. New York's a big place.



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#### The Billboard

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# **Battle for \$\$**

#### Angles To Hold Clients

(Continued from page 3) when they want to test the audio qualities of their scribblers.

UPR News Manager Philip Newsom told The Billboard that altho none of UPR's scripts are written for more than one voice, stations have been able to adapt them for two persons. He said that UPR is thinking of sending out scripts for more than one voice as a post-war operation. He claimed that stations are now too handicapped by lack of man-power to make general use of these features.

Both PA and UPR send out transcribed programs. PA records Eyewitness News and War Correspondent, while UPR sends out a single e. t., Soldiers of the Press. Soldiers of the Press sponsored brings UPR 15 per cent of station's net time charge.

#### Canless News

INS has consistently stressed the feature approach of personalized reporting. particularly by name correspondents. However, this type of material has to be re-edited by the client stations, a solid drawback factor in time of man-power turn to other programs instead. The per- saying they are not afraid of skein-wide shortages. INS promotion has, on the other hand, pointed out that the value of re-edited news as oposed to the "canned" variety is that each station assures itself of individualized news broadcasts. In trying to make station radio-editing palatable, INS points out that "a news proshould conform to his style of delivery, to conforms to no particular style. Rather, it has no style. At best, it's anonymous in design and structure. It has to be that way. Otherwise, it couldn't be 'canned' so readily."

U. S. News for Europe

## News Set To Witmer's Definition

NEW YORK, March 10 .- With all rumors going around about NBC and how it's going to play tough with sponsors, it was learned, direct from Roy Witmer, sales v.-p. of NBC, that his description of a bank-roller should be the answer to all rumors,

"A sponsor," says Witmer, "Is the world's most perfect creation."

Without authorization, it's said that Mela Underwood, of Sid Eiges p.-a. staff, is embroidering a sampler for the sales v.-p.'s office with faithful words so that R. W. can show it to trade press reporters regularly.

up about 70 per cent of TP wire time.

Moore, who has less foreign correspondents than the other press associations, said: "I think all radio reporters abroad whose material has been short-waved to this country are due for an audience shrinkage because they have not justified their build-up."

an actual insufficiency of war news to justify more than four general news broadcasts daily and two or three on Saturday and Sunday. Said the TP prexy: "I think this repetitiousness has contribut- controversy. Now, however, the nets are ed to war weariness and is making people backing their stations and in essence centage of the amount broadcast must strikes. bear a proper relationship to the official sources."

#### UPR and PA Top Client Lists

Meanwhile, when it comes to the number of client or affiliate stations, UPR and gram ... should be built around the per- PA are sitting on the rosiest side of the sonality of its announcer. The copy street. As of January 27, the last available report, UPR listed a total of 676 clients, A his rhythm and cadence. 'Canned' news breakdown of the figure, however, shows that UPR has 140 foreign clients, cutting the domestic figure to 536. Out of the 536 clients there are also TP stations that do union. To have a more solid footing on not take the regular UPR service, but a which to bargain with Petrillo's local, phone, mail service, or direct UP news- some of the managers of Omaha's stapaper service. PA lists 530 affiliate stations, but 41 Canadian and four Alaskan stations are included. Therefore, 485 af- hours a day. Reuters's direct line from fillates in America shows the PA picture. England is open 20 hours, from 7 a.m. to Both PA and UPR made terrific strides in 3 a.m., EWT. TP has the wire going 18 5:30. Morris office and Burns feel that December 6, 1941, UPR had 369 regular night. Both Reuters and TP keep wires radio station clients and 93 on its news- going 24 hours "when events justify." paper wire or phone-mail service for a Both Reuters and TP have staff members clients were added. PA's rise is more not being sent out, and wires are opened phenomenal, since PA did not officially in a few minutes during a emergecy. start operation until January 1, 1941. Having the AP as a parent org, of course, didn't hurt PA any.

**NBC**, **CBS** and **Blue** Pledge **Affiliates Will Be Serviced During Wildcat Union Strikes** 

#### Omaha Ops Seen Behind Move; Mutual Won't Comment

cent meeting of the 10th NAB district York and received this commitment. in Kansas City, Mo., it was disclosed this week, officials of the Blue, NBC and CBS nets pledged that if any union pulled an outlaw strike on any of the three nets' affiliates, the nets would continue to supply the station or stations involved in the strike with network service. This pledge was made regardless of the fact that such action might excite a strike on the entire net by the union involved.

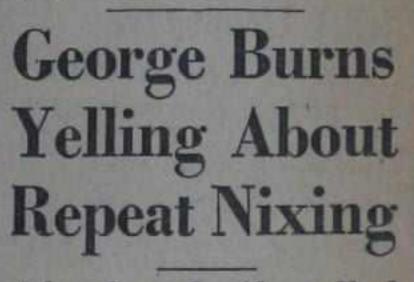
Up to now, it was said by Station officials, who were present at the meeting, to which the nets phoned their backing, the nets have never promised this sup-Moore also stated that there has been port. Therefore, net affiliates have been more apt to give in to labor demands for fear that their web could be persunded to discontinue service, under threat from the union during any labor

#### **Mutual Has No Comment**

Altho Blue, NBC and CBS gave their backing to their affiliates, Mutual execs, when asked for comparable support, merely said they had "no comment" to make. It has been said that some of those behind this move to gather web support in labor problems were the managers of stations in Omaha. Right now, stations in that city are renegotiating their contracts with the musicians'

CHICAGO, March 10 .- During the re- tions contacted net headquarters in New

It is expected the policy will have farreaching implications in any future labor controversy entered into by any affiliates of the three nets. The report from the web execs was read to more than 70 station officials present, so it will be impossible for the nets to back down from here on in without losing face with their amliates and the rest of the trade.



#### **Other Squawks About Sked**

NEW YORK, March 10 .--- George Burns and the William Morris office are raising loud and long squawks over a projected Lever Bros.-Young & Rubicam plan to substitute the transcribed Burns and Allen show Coast repeat with the live show going Coast-to-Coast at 5:30 p.m., PWT. Under new arrangements just completed by Y&R and the sponsor, the show, heard in the East on CBS at 8:30 Mondays, uses disks for its Coast repeat.

However, George Burns fears that Let

Regarding future plans, INS sales maniger, Basil Caparell, states: "We intend to cover the world as we have before. I think Europe will be an important source of news for 10 years to come. In fact, I think we'll be selling lots of American news in Europe."

INS mails out five features to radio lients-Foreign Fronts, Sportscast, Thru cminine Eyes, Farm Program, and Scaional Neuscasts, UPR has 19 features that to out on the wire, and PA, as previously stated, has 24 features of the script variety that go out on the wire.

#### Showmanship, Essential

By an odd coincidence, INS promotion des in with Transradio Press ideas. An INS reprint states, "Showmanship will win and hold a station audience and its rating." Meanwhile, TP president, Herbert Moore, told The Billboard; "There'll be more need for news showmanship after the war. Commentators are at their peak. Quantitatively news is also at its peak. I believe news will be less frequently heard after the war." Moore also stated that news as sent out by many wire services is too repetitious. This statement was in line with TP's new policy of cutting down. by about 50 per cent the straight news sent out on the wire. In place of that copy TP has inaugurated a service called Edez, which purports to offer, among other things, up-to-the-minute coverage in interpretation for local commentators. When Eder, inaugurated February 1, is "fully" developed Moore expects it to take

### **Flustered Flack**

WASHINGTON, March 10 .-Mary Cavanaugh, NBC Washington p. a., is learning that the first job of a good flack is to keep abreast of her own soapers. The day she took over the jobshe had been in the NBC Washington newsroom-Mary got call from a listener wanting to know if it was really true that Ellen. Brown had died.

Mary was more nonplused by the query than the time she took over the B-29 controls at 20,000 feet to make herself the first woman to handle one of the big superiorta:

#### INS Has 188

INS told The Billboard it had 188 radio clients in this country, and TP claimed 45 radio stations out of a total of 100 clients, which include business orgs and newsreel theaters.

PA does not list any European or South American clients, since foreign radio stations contract thru the parent AP subsidiaries, AP Ltd., and La Prensa Associada. AP officials find it difficult to number the foreign stations using AP news, since there is often a press association in each country that takes AP and then resells. INS lists 50 foreign radio station clients.

#### Pearl Harbor Brings Reuters

Just before Pearl Harbor, Reuters, Ltd., stepped into the U.S. pic and offered the English service direct from Britain to newspaper and radio clients. Radio and newspaper clients get the same wire news, as is the case with INS. At present, Reuters lists eight radio clients: WOR, New York; WISH, Indianapolis; WLW, Cincinnati; KWE, St. Louis; WGN, Chicago; WNAC, Boston; WCAU, Philly, and WINX. Washington.

#### Line Cost Stop Reuters

Line costs have been too high for Reuters to expand faster than step by step, according to D. K. Rogers, general manager, New York bureau. Additional clients are added if they are not too far distant from the stations or papers already using Reuters. Therefore, operations west of the Rockies will be a step by step affair. Rogers admits that Reuters has a lot to learn from its Yankee cousins when it comes to promotion. In fact, he says that come post-war and Reuters will probably try to do a better promotion job. At present, Reuters sells any client who asks for the service-if the lines don't have to be extended too far.

PA, UPR and INS keep wires open 24 new usually takes over at war's end.

garnering stations during the war. On hours at present, from 6 a.m. until mid- being heard at 5:30 in the important total of 462. Since then a total of 74 new on hand during the hours when news is New York radio toppers, with Burns ask-

#### Expansion Difficult

Expansion at this time is made difficult by a shortage of teletype machines. Ninety-six per cent of all new teletypes are allocated to the armed forces and government agencies. INS, however, owns all its machines and in this respect is sitting pretty because nearly all INS radio clients have two machines. One machine is used to receive day copy and the other night copy. Louis Allwell, INS New York bureau manager, says clients have two machines in case one should break down and need servicing. The other news services generally own some of their machines and rent the rest from local Bell Telephone Systems.

#### All Eye FM Video and Facsimile

All the news services are eyeing the possibilities of FM, video, and facaimile broadcast, but claim they can't do much until the situation is clarified by the FCC. One exec, TP's Herbert Moore, sald: "My opinion is that radio broadcasting will have to start all over again once the FM go-ahead starts on a big scale." He predicted that FM may raise the total of radio stations from 900 to 2,000. And INS's Louis Allwell predicted that: "oPst-war radio and radio newscasting will become even more competitive than it has been."

#### PA Setting PA Type Franchise

But despite these predictions, PA's Oliver Gramling went on the record saying that PA was currently in the act of formulating a price range for stations based on a formula that takes into consideration the wattage, market of the station, wire costs to the station, and other factors. A formula that can be formulated against some general base will help eliminate the former competition that frequently saw one association ruthlessly put another out of business in an area, according to Gramling.

will top 'em all - post-war - something derstood that more changes are forth-

and the agency, as soon as time is cleared, will drop the re-broadcast and carry the show on 13 Coast stations at Western market, will cut several more points off the national rating.

Matter is being taken up with Y&R. ing for a written stipulation that the repeat won't be cut. Burns, says the trade, has been unhappy about the show ever since it went from NBC to CBS, feeling that it's a tougher struggle to get a rating on the latter web. It's rumored that he also doesn't like very much the idea of having his ork cut to 18 men as was arranged last week.

## **Durante** Show **On Esty Block**

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Lou Clayton, personal manager for Jimmy Durante, this week gave the William Esty ad agency authorization to sell the Garry Moore-Durante show as a package to any prospective client that the agency may have under its hat. At the same time, it was learned that if Esty cannot sell the abow, which was canceled by Camel Cigarettes last week, Foote, Cone & Belding is in the field with a high hid. It is understood that Tom Luckenbill, Eaty radio head, has assured Clayton that he can peddle the program within two weeks,

When the cancellation came thru, singer Georgia Gibbs and her agents, the William Morris office, asked that she be relieved of her commitment in the package. She is now looking for freelance jobs.

#### **BBDO's Rotating Directors**

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Ken Webb, producer-director on the Armstrong Theater of Today, entrains next week for the Coast where he'll work on the Cavalcade of America and other Hollywood originating BBDO shows. Webb's departure is part of a general personnel change of the Theater of Today. Emerson Evans, who was scripted on the show, has moved out and was replaced And there may be a new service that last week by Russell Medcraft. It is uncoming.

## **Cunning Plans** San Fran Stage

HOLLYWOOD, March 10. - Patrick Michael Cunning, who operates a tele production unit known as Stage Eight, leaves for San Francisco this week to pick location for Bay Area video activities. Northern organization will be known as Stage Seven. Cunning already has offices in the Mark Hopkins Hotel, San Francisco, with Armand Piaggi in charge.

While North, Cunning will also confer with Dr. Virgil Dickson, superintendent of Berkley City Schools, on the problems in connection with the city's visual education program. Cunning has recently completed series of experimental tele productions based on text books used in California schools from primary grade to Grade Six.

## **Philly Upset Over TBA's Video Plan**

PHILADELPHIA, March 10 .- Local industry is alarmed over a plan, submitted to the Federal Communications Commission last week by the Television Broadcasters' Association, which would make Philadelphia a sort of Grade B for television broadcasting. The city would be allowed only four stations under the proposal which divides up the television channels immediately available after the war.

Since Philadelphia already has one television station in operation, only three more could be started after the war, and it might be several years before experimentation in the ultra-high frequencies would permit the Philadelphia-Camden, N. J., area to obtain additional stations.

Apart from Philco's WPTZ already in operation, there are seven applications with the FCC for local tele permits. Six stem from stations WCAU, KYW, WFIL, WIP (network stations), and indies WDAS and WPEN. Seventh application is from The Philadelphia Inquirer, morning paper, which also seeks permission to set up an FM station. WPEN also is newspaper-owned. It was taken over this year by The Evening Bulletin, afternoon paper.

## REVIEWS

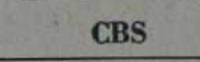
#### Balaban & Katz

Reviewed Thursday (7), 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Style-Drama, news, variety. Sustaining on WBKB, Chicago.

WBKB hit the video jackpot tonight. Everything the station presented was good television, good for the present, and good enough for five years from now. Don Faust, their newscaster, used maps for a change; their drama, Welcome to the Walker, left little to be asked for; Lee Phillips was in top form for his Magical Mysteries; and the presentation of Loretto Pagels and Lee Lindsay in a dance presentation entitled Voodoo Moon utilized the dramatic technique potentialities of the video medium to the best advantage.

Cavallaro's famed recording of the same name. In an excellent interpretative dance perfectly portraying the torrid mood of the music, Miss Pagels and Lindsay did a job that can be termed creative artistry. One of the most novel and striking effects, however, one of those transcending the artistry of the team and illustrating the effectiveness of video as an artistic medium, consisted of showing the dancers in silhouette. As they danced in front of a painted background depicting a South Sea island, the lights in the studio were turned on and off giving some very weird effects. To present them in silhouette, the banks of lights on the background and the back portion of the stage were kept on while those in the front, near the camera, were turned off. Then, as the dancers came closer to the camera their bodies were in darkness and the light from the back outlined their dance movements with great impact on the visual sense. One of the best shots

(See B&K on page 32)



#### Television Productions, Inc.

Reviewed Wednesday (7) 8:30-9:30 p.m. Style-Wrestling, music, puppets. Sustaining over W6XYZ, Hollywood.

This show gave tele viewers wellrounded hour that went well in all departments. Opening was wrestling bout, of radio will be shown at WBKB, local featuring Linn Madray and Frank Gerris, The boys put on a show with all the appropriate facial expressions, interspersed with sprinkling of grunts and groans. Madray took the bout, and running true to form, his opponent threatened to tangle with Referee Jim Davis, claiming a WABD, New York video stations that will bum decision.

Second bout was the top, featuring Pat McGill versus the Hood. As might be guessed, Hood came out with black mask Voodoo Moon was danced to Carmen completely covering his head and was their Morrell account, that it is a unique immediately tagged the villain by the video sales pitch that has never been used audience. Only drawback here was that both wrestlers were attired in black trunks that were not too telegenic. One thing proven tonight was that in order to present a good wrestling show over tele the contestants have to be good actors. Straight wrestling does not go without the proper mugging, Jim Davies, physical culture director for Paramount Studios, deserves a nod for lining up good performers for each bout. His as intermission material to be used by refereeing is tops, with ad lib remarks stations with only one studio during helping to keep up the general effect of changes of sets as well as a possible tension.

> Southern Puppeteers presented a threeact version of Hansel and Gretel that clearly showed the potentialities for this type of act for tele. Story is familiar to all. All the essential props were on hand, first act showing the interior of the home, second the woods and third the witch's gingerbread house. Puppets were life-size on the screen and gave the illusion of reality not possible in seeing this type of show in the flesh. Sound effects were good, blending in with the action. When the witch put the spell on Hansel, Director Klaus Landsberg fluous, but the questions were visual and raised and lowered the light level, which

### **Canned Video Test Made by** HH&M Agency

CHICAGO, March 10 .- A new style of television commercial, designed to be one of the type of "canned" vido sales pitches to take the place of the transcribed spots Balaban & Katz station, March 20. The commercial will be a three and a half minute show using slides, music and narration, all correlated to present a sales message for John Morrell & Company, meat packers. Officials of WNBT and undoubtedly use the show in the future. have told Dave Dole, assistant radio director of the Henri, Hurst & McDonald Agency, which prepared the piece for before.

Idea is Dole's. Three and a half minute seg will use 40 slides, each telecast for about six seconds. Slides, together with transcribed narration and musical background will tell the story of a dog's adventure. Product advertised will be Red Heart, dog food prepared by Morrell.

Show, which will cost about \$300 to film, is visualized by Dole as having value canned video spot for national distribution.

curate watch) to care much that Joe Kelly, the show's emsee, proceeded to announce that the Kids were next. (Since we are paid to do this, we stayed awake by thinking of dirty words.)

In all honesty, we have to admit that the Kids did a good job within limits. Mikes were placed on their table, obscuring their faces and forcing them to lean over to talk into them and their gowns and mortar boards were superthe kids themselves were funny and helped create the illusion of hypnotism. clever as usual. In one or two spots Di-Landsberg believes that puppets offer rector Harvey Marlowe did not have his camera trained on the children while they were talking, but in general his direction was good. Several of the questions required that Kelly hold up pictures of one sort or another. It could have been handled much better if the pix had been placed on an easel sothat the camera could have moved in for a close-up. Kelly allowed Harve Fishman too much time on a mathematics question and consequently broke the show's rapid pace. Most important, both the children and Kelly did not look into the camera, Perhaps a birdle would have helped but a good rehearsal is more likely the answer. The closing commercial was as long and as dull as the opener, but we won't go into that again. Bob Emery's Seeing Is Belleving was a cute idea and in spots a funny one, but It was far too ragged to deserve any but the faintest praise. His format was to televise a radio set and produce the sounds (effects and scripts) that are usually heard on the air. Then he scanned a drawing of the way the show must appear to the listener in his mind's eye. Then he showed what actually goes on before the mike. However, he held each shot too long, some of the scenes were not synchronized with the narration and in one place there was no drawing to go with the announcer's chatter. If it were sharper, more precise, Emery would have a cute, inexpensive series there. A couple of those films that are the blight of video on all stations, filled out the evening. Marty Schrader.



Worcester home owners, 51 %, will paint, reroof, buy oil burners, kitchen or bathroom units. Half of the renters want to buy or build.



Reviewed Wednesday (7) 8-10 p.m. Style-News, forum, documentary and interview. Sustaining over WCBW, New York.

Everett Hollis's news segs get better and better every time they're scanned. He mixes news pix, animated maps and diagrams with his chatter so smoothly that the entire news show is thru before you know it. And CBS has learned that it is wise never to get too far away from the scanning of the tonsils that are doing the commentating. There may be better news formulas developed in video time to come. Until they're developed Hollis will satisfy-but definitely.

Opinions on Trial has gone a little off balance in its formula, judging from its talking air pic of this evening. The opinion being tried was that it was necessary to have a law to end racial discrimination in employment. That's dynamite for the air, pic or just ear stuff, and it was well handled. In an effort to make it move quickly, however, the time allotted for both sides and for their witnesses was so short that what the viewer got was a truncated version of both pro and con. A forum, and that's what Opinions really is-is useless unless the opinion's (See CBS on page 32)



one of the best sales possibilities for plugging products that appeal to the (See TELE PRODUCTIONS on page 32)

#### DuMont

Reviewed Tuesday (6) 8-9:30 p.m. Style-Quiz, comedy, film. Sustaining on WABD, New York.

The Blue web is following what seems to be an intelligent policy in attempting. to transfer radio shows to video. But in so doing the net should be careful that it does not transfer the evils of radio along with its virtues. On the first tele showing of the Quiz Kids, one of those evils, the overlong, cow-catching hitch-hiking commercial, ruined a potentially fine program.

The Kids should have been good and, in spots, they were, but the commercials, not to mention the lack of rehearsal time, overshadowed the few funny spots. The plugs, written and produced by the Wade Agency, which handles the Miles Laboratory account (Alka-Seltzer and One-a-Day Vitamins) were bad enough to be used as exhibits for a course on what not to do in tele. Get this for programing: DuMont's regular announcer, Dotty Wooten, a personable youngster, came on the screen to say that the Kids were pext. Then came the Blue announcer, Walter Herhily, to tell that the Kids were next. Then the action moved into a school-room scene in which the teacher first has a headache and can't work and then takes Alka-Seltzer with the inevitable result. (The teacher was played, incidentally, by one of the hammiest, most theatrical young women we have seen outside of Louis Berger's since the summer stock season closed.)

Following the school-room turn, an announcer, trying pitifully hard to look sincere, stood in front of the camera, holding a box of Alka-Seltzer stiffly in his hand and explained its virtues. Then, if you're not too exhausted, the Blue announcer came back in and said that the Kids were next. By this time everyone was too worn out (the pitch took almost four and a half minutes by a fairly ac-

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MUSIC 11

### **Outpost** Sinatra

HOLLYWOOD, March 10 .--Frank Sinstra, recently put in 4F by his New Jersey draft board, is going overseas for USO-CSI sometime this summer. According to those close to the singer, he'll go when his present radio show takes its hiatus for the summer. Singer will go over with a package show. others not known as yet, of course.

Bing Crosby has been overseas for CSI, but Sinatra's coming trip will be his first. He's now on CBS, Wednesday at 9 p.m. for Max Factor.

## **BMI** Talks to **Count Basie on Pubbing Deal**

NEW YORK, March 10,-Contrary to reports that BMI is not interested in signing up any more bands, Count Basie was approached by the organization last week anent a publishing deal. Funny part about it is that Basic is a member of ASCAP, having had many numbers pubbed from which he's made plenty of dough. His One o'Clock Jump, pubbed by Robbins, and a couple of other originals netted Basic \$11,000 last year from that one company. '

Basie is currently talking a deal with Robbins, on a 50-50 set-up similar to one Robbins has with Gene Krups, Deal is said to offer Basie a guarantee of 10G a year from that firm for originals, not counting One o'Clock Jump and other originals already pubbed by the firm, Basie has other originals at Bregman-Vocco-Conn.



NEW YORK, March 10 .- Altho it seems quite far off at the present time, according to those close to Jules Stein, Music Corporation of America prexy, MCA will probably be out of the band big in five years. Reason, according to those to whom Stein is said to have let down his hair, is MCA's interest in production of motion pix, with Stein devoting practically all of his time to that now on the Coast.

Stein, when queried on the Coast, referred The Billboard to Larry Barnett, MCA exec, who denied it, but stated that MCA's pic department is almost as large as its band department now and the org has under contract many movie greats, including Jean Arthur, Errol Flynn, Betty Grable, Joan Fontaine, Bette Davis and others. Stein is said to be signing more talent almost every day for pix.

Fact that MCA is currently losing two of its lucrative properties, Horace Heidt, who disbanded (The Billboard, March 10), and Benny Goodman, who has less than six months to go on his contract. adds up, Story, while seemingly premature, is important in view of MCA's No. 1 position in band field today.

Screen Song-Selling -By Paul Secon-**Tonight and Every Night** 

W BANDS FORMING

#### (Columbia)

Technicolor musical has plenty of music running thruout and has a socko commercial tune in Anywhere. Song is given thoro going over by Rita Hayworth, Janet Blair and by ork in the pit of the show, pic being story of troupe carrying on in London during blitz, Other tunes, all scribbed by Styne and Cahn and pubbed by Bourne Music, are You Excite Me, Tonight and Every Night and Cry and You Cry Alone. Anywhere, commercially, stands hands and feet above the rest.

Pic is kind of draggy affair, but songs are sold every time and get a real assist by the gals. Miss Blair, especially, sells her material and socks home Anywhere. With ple now getting break thruout country, chance for tune to get a real start here.

## **Curfew Closes Plantation** Club

HOLLYWOOD, March 10 .- Inability to get name bands, plus curfew, caused Joe Morris to close his Plantation Club. Spot was outstanding location on West Coast for name colored bands for three years. Last two bands, Lucky Millinder and Billy Eckstine, weren't draws Morris expected. Eckstine, who was in for four weeks and was affected by closing, was booked into Silver Slipper in San Diego, Calif., and was given transportation to Baltimore or New York by Morris, Latter signed note for \$1,250, due in 90 days. If he reopens prior to that time, he'll make part payment.

## **One Born for EachBreak-Up**

Every baton waver expects the miracle, but only agency pushed units have chance

#### By Paul Secon

NEW YORK, March 10 .- "Into the valley of death rode the 400?." that's the story of the new band situation today. With established bands breaking up practically every day, comes news that



for every break-up there's a bunch in reheatsal round the corner, with a new, eager maestro, sure that he's going to make the grade.

For every Ina Ray Hutton, Eddy Howard, Bob Chester, Billie Rogers, Sonny Dunham (latter only disbanded tempo-

rarily to toss out high-price sidemen and start anew with an all-Local 802 scale band), who've thrown in the sponge, there's a Randy Brooks, Ray Bauduc, Sully Mason, Les Elgart, Cy. Baker, McFarland Twins (recently reorganized), Shorty Cherock, etc., to pick up the fallen baton. And the band biz is such a crazy biz that there's no telling but anyone of the new bands might step into the juicy dough, but the chances are plenty against it.

## **Teagarden Plans Own Disking Org**

HOLLYWOOD, March 10 .- Newest twist in the recording field is proposed plan of band leader, Jack Teagarden, to form his own disk firm. Unlike Freddy Martin, part owner of Macatro Records, who is unable to cut sides for his own firm due to a Victor contract. Teagarden expects to use his new company to disk pop tunes by his big band, for juke distribution. Also to wax special session of particular interest to disk collectors and followers,

Teagarden and his promotion manager, Jerry Riley, are talking to pressing firms and distribs. Four masters will be cut on his own label at Standard Studio this week, When band goes on tour, Teagarden wants to disk men like Peck Kelly, Texas plantst never recorded, as well as top musicians in New Orleans and Memphis. He'll use radio studios for the waxings.

## MCA Eyes 2d 50% of Glaser **Booking Office**

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Negotiations are now going on for Music Corporation of America to take over Joe Glaser's entire booking office, with Glaser confining himself to personal management of his artists. In deal about year and a half ago, MCA took over 50 per cent of Glaser's booking interests, with provision in deal containing privilege of buying out the remaining 50 per cent for an unrevealed figure. According to Glaser, there have been talks but nothing dennite as yet.

It's known that Glaser has wanted to make his home on the Coast for some time, so that it's possible the MCA deal may cook some time in the near future. Glaser could manage his artists, including Lionel Hampton, Louis Armstrong, Jan Savitt, Red Norvo, Freddle Slack, Teddy Powell, Les Brown, Andy Kirle, Russ Morgan, Billie Holiday, among others.

Closing is temporary. Morris plans to reopen in April or May, policy being to remain open as long as he can secure an attraction that he's sure can draw biz.

## Sonora Disks Adds New Conn. Plant

NEW YORK, March 10 .- A new platter producing plant, located in Meriden. Conn., has been bought by Sonora Records. The diskery, to be known as Reko-Plastics, Inc., will have Sonora as its only client.

At present Sonora's entire output, which consists almost entirely of albums, is being pressed in Scranton, Pa. Addition of the Meriden, Conn. plant will boost production from one to two albums a month.

#### The Hurdles

Reasons have been told time and time again:

(1) High price of sidemen, cost of which drives not only leaders into red when playing locations, but also drives leaders into red generally.

(2) Lack of one-nighters around today to make up for dough bands lose on locations.

(3) Transportation headaches to the one-nighters.

(4) Location jobs available to bands if they want to lose dough-and with the curfew the amount of air time is practically nil.

(5) Disk situation, in which major companies are having trouble getting releases on their blg artists, with indie companies getting practically no production on their releases.

(6) AFM's recent 5 per cent off the gross to personal managers, which, of

(See Plenty New Bands on page 32)

### Money-SaverTune?

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Caldonia, tune that had at least a half dozen big pubs calling Chicago last week, went to Morris Music in an unusual deal, Done in a two-reeler by Louis Jordan, tune was also introed on Paramount Theater stage recently and created a stir. It is pubbed by Jordan's manager, Berle Adams, who has a BMI affiliated firm, Preview Music.

Morris Music took the tune last week, with Preview retaining the performance credits via BMI while Morris gets sheet and synchronizations rights. Around \$2,000 advance was given to Fleecy Moore, writer of tune.

Tune is disked by Jordan for Decca, Prima for Majestic and Herman for Columbia. Strange part about the tale is that Adams made the two-reeler himself. using five original songs so he wouldn't have to pay pubs' fee. He pubbed Caldonia himself, only to find a half dozen big pubs after tune.

## Capitol Gets Kaye,

NEW YORK, March 10 -- New bookings for Stem houses include Paul Whiteman, who goes into Capitol Theater sometime this summer or early fall. He played the Roxy last year but made switch this Sammy Kaye follows Cugat at Vear. Capitol then George Paxton, who switched from Paramount, At latter house, Louis Jordan gets a quick repeat going back into spot in June. He just finished house, and did sensash biz.

Also into Paramount goes Raymond Paige, last week in May. He played same theater with Frank Sinatra Inst year. This time he's in with Alan Jones. Goodman goes into Para March 38, folshow. Strand follows present show with Prms, Charlie Barnet and Lionel Hampton inked in.

## Duke Follows T. D. Into 400, Whiteman, Paxton Same Dough Arrangements

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Duke Ellington goes into Nat Moss' 400 Restaurant on Fifth Avenue following Tommy Dorsey, who closes March 28. Ellington opens April 3, with five days between engagements being filled in by another name band, as yet unsigned. Ellington goes in on same deal that Dorsey had, namely guarantee of \$3,500 plus first \$3,-000 in covers. After that, spot and band split 50-50. Ellington is in for four to six weeks.

Dorsey took out a little over \$6,000 lowed by Splvak April 25, then Paige on his first week, which is plenty good for a N. Y. location. In fact, it's the Cab Calloway, Vaughn Monroe, Louis highest paying spot around today. Question of whether the spot would pay or not was in deliberation for quite a MCA play the spot.

while, but signing of Ellington indicates that even tho band takes out quite a hunk, management still makes dough. It's a far cry from what bands are dragging out of other location spots around town, and it's thought in some quarters that perhaps this will affect future contracts between bands and location spots that pay leaders off in peanuts, with orks ending up in the red. every week

According to Moss, other name bands will be signed first part of next week to follow Ellington, Altho Ellington Is William Morris band, MCA still has exclusive hold on spot, according to Moss. Understood that 400 will pay 5 per cent to MCA while bands from other than

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## "Come on Over, the Front's Fine," USO - CSI to Bands That Said They Wanta Go More Band Leaders Signify They're Willing and Able

NEW YORK, March 17 .- In an all-out to exact details, it usually takes about attempt to get name bands to go over- six weeks to clear men as to their physiseas for Camp Shows, Inc., USO sent out cal, draft and personal security checktelegrams asking for commitments for up. overseas junkets to bands whose replies were listed in The Billboard last week. include Jonny Hayes, Johnny Turnbull, Wires went out to Guy Lombardo, Gene Krupa, Sammy Kaye, Blue Barron, Sonny Dunham, Lionel Hampton, Art Kassel, Glen Gray and Henry Busse, all of whom signified in their statements that they would be willing to go overseas for USO.

The wire asked when bands would be available, stating that improved transportation facilities now made it possible to transport large bands overseas. Wire also referred to six-month period bands would have to put in; living expenses were paid from time band went under USO guidance, or that bands could go on the guest artist expense allowance if they so desired.

#### **Reps** Contacted

via their representatives. Hal McIntyre is all set to go, and as of March 26 goes on USO pay roll. Not known when he'll go overseas, for he might play hospitals and camps in the metropolitan area before going. There will be 20 people going over.

week:

Jimmy Dorsey .--- Was approached in January, 1944. Fingerprinted and all, but transportation got in the way. Would be willing to go with entire band if time 15 available.

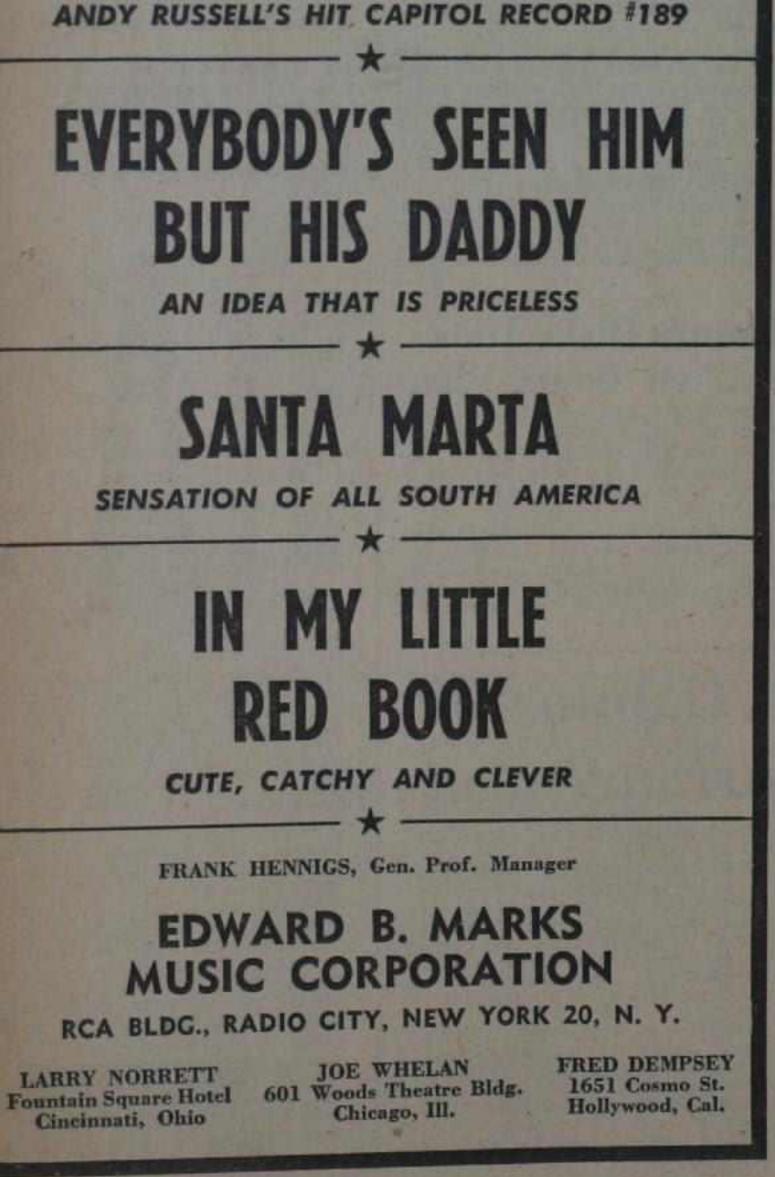
Tommy Dorsey .- His manager said Dor-

Hal McIntyre's entourage will probably Nat Peterson and McIntyre, saxes; Bubby Funk, Billy Wagner and Johnny Bohs, trumpets; Gene Byrd, Jim Emert, Howard Giveling and Ferde Vonversen, trombones; Ralph Tilkin, drums; Eddie Safranski, bass; Walter Uliner, guitar; Barney Koppitch, plano; Ruth Gsylor and Al Nobel, vocals, and George Molfett, road manager.

## Maurice Baron **Sues Feist Over** Contacts with the bands were made 'Rum and Coke'

NEW YORK, March 10 --- Felst Music's Rum and Coca-Cola is currently running into its share of legal trouble, Lawsuit has been filed by Maurice Baron Company claiming infringement of his copyright. In suit filed in Federal Court Pollowing bands were heard from this for damages and accounting of profit against Feist, Paul Baron, Jeri Sullavan and Maury Amsterdam, co-writers on the song, Baron claims that in a collection of calypso songs of the West Indies that sold for \$1.50, he had song titled L'Annee Possee which Massie Patterson wrote along with Lionel Belasco.

Baron claims that the book was pubbed



sey would make no statement.

by the USO. He's booked ahead tenta- fringed on his said copyright. He's asktively until September, but probably ing for not less than \$1 for every copy would be willing to go after that.

proached by USO. Would be glad to go and destruction of all copies and moids over with his entire band.

Louis Jordan .- Has been approached by USO. He would like to go this fall.

Woody Herman .- Not approached by USO, He's booked until mid-October.

Bobby Sherwood .-- Hasn't talked to USO. Would be glad to take his band overseas.

Jerry Wald .- Not been approached by USO. Would like to take his entire band overseas anytime in the near future.

Count Basie .- Has been approached. Would like to go with his entire band in near future.

#### A Band a Month

USO execs hope to get at least one

# Eight Warm-Ups For the B. G.

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Eight onenighters and a three-day stand have been booked for Benny Goodman before his new ork opens at the Paramount, March 28. Opening March 15 at Camp Kilmer, N. J., Goodman hits the Rochester (N. Y.) Armory, March 16; Masonic Temple, Scranton, Pa., March 17; Washington, March 18; Hagerstown, Md., March 19; Lakehurst (N. J.) Naval Air Station, March 20; Arcadia Ballroom, Providence, R. L. March 21; Mechanics Hall, Boston, March 22; and winds up with a three-day stay at the State Theater, Hartford, Conn., March 23-25.

MCA has set up two Spolight Bands shots for band, one at Camp Kilmer, second at Lakehurst.

B.G.'s take from the majority of the one-nighters will be \$3,000 plus a probable 50 per cent and in a couple of cases \$2,000 against a higher percentage.

Fletcher Henderson, now playing onenighters in the South with his own ork. has been approached by Goodman to arrange for him at \$400 per.

prior to December, 1943, while in 1944, Louis Prima .- Never was approached when R. and C. came out, defendants insold and \$10 for every performance of Charlie Spivak .- Has not been ap- the infringed song, along with delivery of the song.

## **BMI Second Jazz** but probably would be accessible after Pub Duo-Cozy Cole, Walter Foot Thomas

NEW YORK, March 10 .- New publishing set-up of Cozy Cole and Walter Foot Thomas, now affiliated with BMI, marks trend in latter organization's publishing affiliations toward the hot jazz medium. Besides Thomas and Cole firm, they've signed pacts with Roy Eldridge and Frank Veneer for Little Jazz music (The Billboard, March 10). Both deals are similar band a month overseas from now on. As in that BMI licenses originals of not only Cole, Thomas and Eldridge but also originals written by others in the jazz field, which the pubs will put out.

As pointed out elsewhere in this week's issue of The Billboard, BMI is also talking to Count Basie in a publishing deal. Basie is known for his originals, including One o'Clock Jump, which has netted him dough galore. Altho they haven't been contacted, it's reasonable to assume that others in the hot jazz field are currently under the perusal of BMI's pub deal eye.

Cole goes into the Billy Rose show, Seven Lively Arts in mid-March, replacing Benny Goodman.

## Another Philly V-P

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Manie Sacks has been named a v.-p. of Columbia Records. The appointment was made at a recent. meeting of the disk company's board of directors.

Sacks came to Columbia in 1940. He was formerly L talent scout for MCA and previous to that was head of the artists bureau at WCAU, Philly.



#### The Billboard

## How 6 Shows **Pick Poppers** In N. Y. Airing Casino, ballroom on Sunset Boulevard a couple blocks from the Palladium, has

#### **Program Type Main Factor**

#### By Paul Secon

(Fourth in series of how commercial radio shows pick their pop songs brings finger back to the New York scene.)

NEW YORK, March 10. - Choice of many pop tunes on commercial shows are sometimes not made by any one selectee but ofttimes depend on the Barnet's band is playing week-ends. nature of the show. Typical case in point is Gaslight Gayeties, heard on NBC, Saturday from 8 to 8:30 p. m. Al Rinker of the Blow Agency produces the show, with Ray Block's ork, Beatrice Kaye and Genevieve Rowe's singing. (It's for Procter & Gamble.)

Any pub who puts out songs of the 90's has a certain plug on this show and today with many pubs working on revivals it might be worth looking into. Rinker picks the tunes, and they are usually on the order of Peg O' My Heart, Has Anyone Here Seen Kelly? and Fireman's Bride from Up in Central Park. Latter tune brings up a good point. Pubs who have old-time songs in pix coming out can get a plug on this show even the the tune wasn't actually written away back in the last century.

#### Songs To Fit Questions

Another type of show format which dictates the type of songs heard, is Phil Baker's Take It or Leave It stint for Eversharp, heard Sundays at 10 p. m. Harry Spears produces the show for the Blow Agency, Ray Block's ork plays and Edith Oliver does research. Show's format is built on guessing answers to questions and songs offitime play an important part when they fit into a category to make a question. Songs of the "happy" type "time of the day songs" or "name of State songs" such as Oklahoma, Maine and California, are used. In other words, if you're the publisher of a song that fits a question, you're in, and on! On the Let Yourself Go show, CBS, 10:30 p. m., Wednesday, Irving Mansfield produces the show for Blow, and it also has Ray Block's ork. Milton Berle emsees the show with main tune being contributed by fem singer. For a while, it was Jane Froman then Elleen Barton. Miss Froman could do anything she wanted to, being a terrif name-which means that where there's a really big name, she has single choice in picking tunes. In case of a singer, on the way up, such as Miss Barton, songs that people know and those that are on the Hit Parade make a difference in picking the with Ted Steele's ork. Blaine Butcher, of tured singer, submits songs to Mansfield. ence.

## **Baton Wavers Buy** Hollywood Casino

HOLLYWOOD, March 10 .- Hollywood Casino, ballroom on Sunset Boulevard a been purchased by a group, including band leader Charlie Barnet, and will open with Barnet's band May 4, Understood that at least one other and, perhaps, a total of four ork leaders are financially interested in the location with Duke Ellington's name persistently mentioned as one of the band men interested. Purchase was made from Joe. and Frank Zucca, operators of the Casa Manana in Culver City, Calif., where

Spot is being remodeled to accommodate about 2,000 people. Policy is already being set calling for ballroom to feature colored as well as white bands, with Lionel Hampton possible future booking. Spot will be open Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays to catch off-night crowd.

## "Palladium Now **Can Have James** And TD"----MCA

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Oft-repeated stories about Tommy Dorsey trying to unload his Casino Garden Ballroom on the Coast takes definite form in that Music Corporation of America's West Coast office offered both Harry James and Tommy Dorsey to the Palladium for a near-future booking.

This is a turnabout situation caused by fact that Dorsey, James and other

#### Downey Show Waxed

On the Coca-Cola shows, put on wax some six weeks ahead of each program, hasn't done. That's happened a few according to Jerry Mara, producer, meet- times in the first 10 weeks, but in genings are held every week with krrangers, eral it's "star pick the song" policy. And Downey, Jimmy Lytell, ork leader; Jim- they're all pop tunes, with those way up my Ruel, leader of the chorus on the there on the big hit slate given prefershow; and even the continuity writer. ence. Hector Chevigney chips in. Tough part about the show is being able to pick six weeks in advance the songs that will still he up there when the show is heard locally via transcriptions. Hit Parade is consulted and any tunes that pubs are plugging hard will usually be given J. Walter Thompson discuss the show, a chance on the show. Tunes are picked pick the songs, and rarely use a new for over-all acceptance with the audience one. Here, in many cases, what the show, almed at the fems, dreamy, romantic tunes are done. Also, seasons or holidays are kept in mind.

New tunes are sometimes used, but by the time they come out six weeks later they probably aren't so new. Show is heard 12:15 p. m. on Mutual but not in New York. There is occasional sponsor influence.

#### Net-Sponsor Okay

NBC, sponsor is amenable to anything okay with the net. That means, of they won't. Bob Moss produces the show, take will be from Hollywood.)

name bands in the past nixed Palladium bookings because they wanted more dough, moving Dorsey to take over the Casino Garden last year. Venture is said to have cost him approximately 80G.

Dorsey has played James and other name outfits, including his own on week-ends, giving bands high guarantee and high percentage. However, according to ballroom ops, fact that James got a reported 80 per cent at a recent Casa Manana Ballroom booking, also on the Coast, means that ops can't possibly walk out with a profit. Those close to the Palladium ploture figure that deal between ops and T. D. and James will probably be worked out, with Palladium offering in vicinity of \$7,500 for those names.

tunes. Miss Barton, or any other fea- Newell Emmett, handles agency reins. Como picks the songs, with the possibiland they are discussed by the agency. ity of repetition about every third week. There is little or no sponsor interfer- Agency has never switched any numbers on the show at the last minute, which means that they've been pretty well satisfied with what Como wants,

Agency might mention a song Como

#### New Songs Rarely Used

On the RCA show, Sunday, 4:30-5 via WEAF, Lester O'Keefe produces the program, Jay Blackton's ork, with guest stars on each show. Group of people at kept in mind. Since it's an afternoon artist has disked for RCA-Victor makes a great difference. Questions such as "What can artist do best?" or "What will artists agree to do?" also help put program together. For example, Lauritz Melchior is usually asked to do any thing but opera to help sell his commercial records. Musical comedies are usually perused, as are new pictures, while material is seldom used.

The Hit Parade is consulted, mildly. In general, music is selected by group at On the Chesterfield Supper Club, with the agency, headed by O'Keefe, except in Perry Como, heard thrice a week via the case of RCA artists, where their disks are given first consideration.

(More about how commercial shows course, anything that nets don't censor, pick their pop songs in next issue. Next

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## **Promoters Buck ASCAP Plan To License Concerts;** Want Artists To Pay Fee Society Wants To Base Charges on Seating Capacity

NEW YORK, March 10 .- ASCAP's en- then the artist should pay for the ASCAP try into the licensing of concerts and recitals (The Billboard, February 24), the Society wants to collect for performances for profit of all concerts in which ASCAP's music is used-is heading for a peck of trouble. Reason; ASCAP's proposed plan is to license the promoter, or the guy who makes the profit on the use of music via the performer. After talking to concert promoters, concert managers, concert bureaus and such, The Billboard discovered that the general consensus of opinion is that the burden of licensing shouldn't be on the promoter but on the actual performer.

Hampton, Vladimir Horowitz or Lily Pons should give a concert in Oshkosh, Wis, New York, Pittsburgh or Los An- ASCAP does. At the present time, their geles, and they perform music that is licensed by the Society, ASCAP's conten- the auditorium, so much for every 1,000 tion is that the promoter of the concert seats. should pay ASCAP so much for the use of the music. Concert field, however, feels that as long as T. D. or Miss Pons is using the music, over which the how the situation will finally be repromoters have no jurisdiction or choice,



license.

On being queried about this, ASCAP reps say if that is so, why doesn't Tommy Dorsey's band when playing a New York hotel pay for the ASCAP IIcense? Or, to take another example, why doesn't the bartender behind the bar take out the liquor license? Sams thing applies here, they argue. If music is used for profit, and it certainly is when a concert is being given, they point out, then the one who stands the chance of making a financial gain from the venture should dig in for the right to use music licensed by the Society.

ASCAP will not charge for use of music where a concert is non-profit. That was a question in many concert managers' minds. In fact there are That is, if Tommy Dorsey, Lionel dozens of questions in everyone's mind but as yet there are no satisfactory answers. Everyone is waiting to see what plan is to charge on seating capacity of

#### Romberg's 75 Licenses

Altho this has no bearing directly on solved, Sigmund Romberg on his tour took out a license to play some 75 concerts. ASCAP points out that he'll be reimbursed by the promoter on each of the concerts, altho the thought among concert managers is that Romberg paid it out of his pocket, and that's where the dough should come from-the artist,

One manager pointed out that the hall should take out the license, as does the Paris Opera House, which pays for the right to perform music. That's considered pretty farfetched here,

NEW YORK, March 10 .- One result of the curiew is the fact that some spots thrucut the country are going to revive tea dancing. Around New York, 400 Restaurant will start afternoon dancing Saturday (17) and Sunday (18) with Tommy Dorsey playing two hours starting around 3 p.m. Art Mooney at the Capitol is doing a Saturday afternoon acasion from 12 to 3:30 p.m. Xavier Cugat will probably have a cocktail hour when he goes into the Copacabana, altho he'll play no show. There will be rumba dancing on week-end afternoons at La Martinique.

Other spots around town, including New Yorker, Pennsylvania and Commodore, say they won't. In Miami Beach, Terrace Club will open at 4 p.m. with tea dancing. Spots shuttered when curfew went into effect. In Portland, Ore., two spots, Cloud Room and Pago Pago, run Saturday aft tea dancing.

Lee 'n' Eddie's, Detroit name spot, is starting Sunday afternoon tea dancing, as is Club Casanova and two or three smaller spots. Idea might spread to Saturday afternoon after awhile.

Roseland, Arcadia Ask Treasury Dept. For Single 20% Tax

NEW YORK, March 10 .- In a brief filed with Treasury Department and Bureau of Internal Revenue, Roseland and Arcadia ballrooms await a decision re their collecting a duplication of the 20 per cent amusement tax. They charge payees 20 per cent additional on admissions and are also obliged to collect 20 per cent additional on food and liquor. Funny twist to story is that ballrooms in Chicago area, such as Aragon and Trianon, only have a single tax to collect yet Palladium on Coast, must collect double as Roseland and Arcadia do.

Reason for the discrepancy, is that the country is divided into different districts, with Midwestern area now collecting single tax by order of that dis-trict. Wilson and Halperin, attorneys for Lou Brecker, owner of Roseland, filed briefs. The 20 per cent tag went into effect in 1944, after being reduced from 30 per cent.





#### The Billboard

## **Past-Midnight Broadcasting** From Empty Location Nixed **By Curfew Control Board**

#### Despite WMC, Lombardo Airs Treasury Show

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Question as to also considered commercial time, whether or not bands can broadcast permit for bands to broadcast from an to get any air time after 12 p.m. empty location spot, minus customers, with spot taking on appearance of a Street that Local 802's ruling on the radio studio.

of the fact that Guy Lombardo got a special letter from the WMC, which said ne would be permitted to broadcast. However, it seems as if it's "no soap" so ar because Lombardo had to broadcast from WOR studios, 12:30 to 1 a.m. Friday (9) on his regular Treasury Show. However, according to WOR execs, Lom- a couple times a week. bardo is going to broadcast next week from the grill room, Roosevelt Hotel, where he's currently playing.

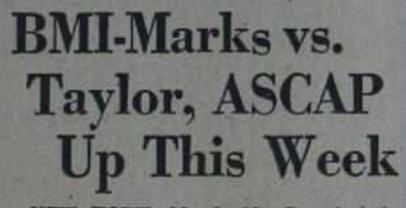
#### Union Has No Ruling

According to spokesmen for Local 802, the union has made no ruling as to whether bands can broadcast remotes. However, and this is important, if a band broadcasts after 12 p.m., the band must my commercial rates, Union is adamant bout this. Same thing applies to bands broadcasting prior to 7 p.m. which is



Morton Millman, spokesman for the after 12 p.m. from their respective lo- Treasury Department, who last week cations around New York has hit a snag, said he could get special dispensation even the War Man-Power Commission in for bands that wanted to broadcast after Washington has okayed the idea where 12 p.m. if they put on a pitch for bonds. band does a pitch for the sale of bonds is out of town and couldn't be reached helping Treasury Department, Represen- for comment, However, it's pretty obtative of the cafe owners in N. Y. last vious in face of what happened to Lomweek got a fast nix from the control bardo, and because of the curfew control curfew board when he applied for a board's ruling that bands won't be able

For a while, rumor had it on the matter was no broadcasting after 12 p.m. Curfew board said "No." This, in face Again another story had it that the union had okayed broadcasting, but official word from the union was that any broadcasting from a studio, for Treasury or not, was considered a commercial. This would automatically put the kibosh on the whole thing, for no band could afford to pay men that rate, especially



NEW YORK, March 12,-In what is considered the most important test case for songwriters in the history of Tin Pan Alley, EMI-Marks vs. Deems Taylor, repping ASCAP, and five ASCAP writ-

ers is slated for the Supreme Court of

New York calendar this week. Test questions are many, and the case has

hit the Street in a long time. Generally



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## **Canadian Dates**

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Three Cana- created more interest than any that has dian dates, skedded for Tommy Dorsey after he closes at the 400 Club March speaking, it involves the situation where 28, have been postponed until transportation tie-ups have been straightened out. The across-the-border spots were out of ASCAP and makes a licensing to have been Toronto, Ottawa and Mont- agreement with another performing real.

Current bookings now call for Dorsey to open at the Palace, Albany, N. Y., for a week starting March 29, and follow that date with another week at the REO-Boston.



an ASCAP writer places songs with an ASCAP publisher, who later on checks right society, in this case, BMI. Writers involved are Tot Seymour and Lew Pollack, who wrote Bluer Than Blue,

placed with Marks September 5, 1933; Bud Green and Jesse Greer, who wrote You Fit Into the Picture, placed with Marks November 27, 1934; and J. Rosamond Johnson, who with Frank Abbott (non-ASCAP) wrote Mississippi River, placed by Marks on April 18, 1982. At the time, Marks was a member of ASCAP and so were the writers. Question arises (from January 1, 1931 to January 1, 1936), for those five years ASCAP has his performing rights. At the same time, he assigns the song to a publisher, which means the writer is subject to existing agreements between publisher and ASCAP.

In 1935, writer and publishers resigned with ASCAP for another five, years. In 1940, writers re-signed but Marks dropped out of the society. Question of course, is: Who owns the rights. writer or publisher? Marks claims that as long as the songs were assigned to him, he owns the rights and can place them anywhere he wants to for per-formance. Writers claim that since they were members of the society before placing the songs with Marks, that the soclety has prior claim to performance rights. Case has been postponed numerous times before.

### **Curfew Blues**

HOLLYWOOD, March 10. - It was bound to happen-a song about the new midnight closing. Bob Jensen, arranger-trumpeter with Horace Heidt, apparently got the jump on anyone who might have had the idea, by hurriedly writing a tune called 12 o'Clock Curfew. Heidt's band has been featuring it on all their **CBS** broadcasts from the Casino Gardens,

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### SONGS WITH MOST RADIO PLUGS

The following are the leading songs on the basis of the largest number of net-work plugs (from Now York outlets WJZ, WEAF, WABC and WOE) for the week beginning Friday, March 2, and ending Thursday, March 8. Position in the list is no indication of a song's "most played" status, since all songs are listed alphabetically. The total number of times a song has appeared in the chart is in the Weeks to Date column. Compilation is based upon data supplied by Accurate Reporting Service, with plugs per tune omitted by The Billboard. (M) Song in legit musical. (F) Song in film minical. (A) ASCAP licensed. (B) BMI licensed.

date	TITLE	PUBLISHER
		Advanced
10.	Ac-Cent-Tchu-Ate the Positive (A)	(F)Morris
2	All of My Life (A)	Berlin
2	Baia (A) (F)	
3.	Candy (A)	Feist
1.	Close As Pages in a Book (A) (M).	Williamson
19.	Confeasin' (A)	Bourne
20	Dan't France Me In (A) (E)	Harms, Inc.
t.	Dream (A)	Crawford
11.	Evelina (A) (M)	Crawford
0	Every Time We Say Goodbye (A)	(M) Chappell
3.	Fuzzy Wuzzy (A)	Drake-Livingston-Hoffman
1.	Good, Good, Good (A)	Berlin
1.	He's Home for a Little While (A)	Famous
11.	I Didn't Know About You (A)	Robbins
40.	I Dream of You (B)	Embassy
6.	I Should Care (A) (F)	Dorsey
3.	I Walked In (A) (F)	
7.	I'm Beginning to See the Light (A)	Grand
6.	Just a Prayer Away (A)	(F)Morris
2.	Let's Take the Long way nome (A)	T. B. Harms
13.	More and more Catting Batter All	the Time (A) (F) Santly-Jay
3.	(All of a Sudday) My Heart Sings	(A) (F)Lends
13.	Saturday Night (Is the Longligst Night	sht in the Week) (A)
0.	Steinh Rids in July (A) (F)	ght in the Week) (A)Barton Burke-Van Heusen
13	Strange Music (A) (M)	Chappell
18	Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart (A) (F).	Remick
1.	Sweetheart of All My Dreams (A)	(F)Shapiro-Bernstein
19.	There Goes That Song Again (A)	(F)Skidmore
12	This Heart of Mine (A) (F)	Triangle
7.	Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo-Ral (That's an I	rish Lullaby) (A) (F) Witmark
20.	Twilight Time (B)	Campbell-Porgie

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## **ROBBINS MUSIC CORPORATION**

	POSI	THORY	
Weeks	Last	This	
to date ]	Werk	Week	TITLE PUBLISHER
8	1 1	1.	Ac-Cent-Tchu-Ate the Positive (F)
4	4	2.	Saturday Night (Is the Loneliest Night in the Week) Barton
3	5	3.	My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time Santly-Joy
4	9	4.	Rum and Coca-ColaFeist
15	6	5.	Don't Fence Me In (F) Harms, Inc.
15	-	6.	Sleigh Ride in July (F)Burke-Van Heusen
6	8		Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart (F)
5	3	8.	A Little on the Lonely SideAdvanced
14	2 1	9.	I Dream of You Embasay

And the Following Extras: Song of the Vagabond, Don't Hold Anything, Lover Come Back to Me, and Boo Hoo.

### PLAYED JUKE BOX RACE

This compilation is based on reports received from leading juke box operators throaut the nation and indicate the most popular race records on automatic phonographs.

A. S. S. S. S.	POSI	TION	
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to date ]	Wenk	Week	
5	1	1.	I WONDER Roosevelt Sykes. Bluebird 34-0721
5	2	2.	YOU CAN'T GET THAT
15 al al al			NO MORE Louis Jordan Decca 8668
22	- 4	3.	I WONDER Pvt. Cecil Gant., Giltedge 500 CV1
6	3	4.	MOP! MOP! Louis Jordan Decca 8668
21	5	5.	INTO EACH LIFE SOME Ink Spots-Ella Fitzgerald
1000	1.0.1		RAIN MUST FALL Decca 23356
1 (	- 1	6.	RED BANK BOOGIE Count Basie Columbia 36766
1	-		S. K. BLUES Pete Johnson All-Star Ork (Joe
1			Turner)National 9010

## Anti-ASCAP **Bill Proposed**

PORTLAND, Ore., March 10-Legislation to prevent the operation in Oregon of the American Society of Authors and Composers has been introduced in the Oregon Senate by two Portland members -Thomas Mahoney and Coe McKenn. A similar bill was defeated by the Legislature at Salem four years ago. Mahoney said the law he proposes has been in. effect in Washington.

anti-monopoly board and would make it rights. unlawful for any person or firm, without consent of the owner, to cause to be publicly performed any dramatic or

#### **Pastor Set To Tour Canada**

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Tony Pastor has been booked for a Canadian tour, despite transportation aches that have discouraged other outfits from making In Ore. Senate such a trip. Ork, which had been booked into Frank Dailey's Meadowbrook for March 1, and lost out when the spot closed, will start out March 14 on his above-the-border stint and then move into the Adams Theater, Newark, N. J., March 29, for a week.

musical composition. Also, it would prevent two or more persons from joining in collecting fees or issuing blanket licenses for the right to commercially use The measure calls for creation of an or perform publicly their separate copy-

> The bill would not prevent reproduction of music. A \$500 fine would be provided for violations.



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POSITIVE       4       6       3       4         Bing Crosby-Andrews Sisters— Decca 23379 There's a Fellow Walting in Poughkeensie       6       3       4         3       4       5. RUM AND COCA-COLA       5       3       7       3         3       4       5. RUM AND COCA-COLA       5       3       7       3         3       6       6. CANDY       5       3       7       3         3       6       6. CANDY       3       4       5       7         10       7       10       8       8       7       10       8       8         4       1       10       8       -       -       5       5       8       COCKTAILS FOR TWO.       8       -       -       5         5       5       8       COCKTAILS FOR TWO.       8       -       -       5         6       8       10       A LITTLE CON	7	2	4	Decca 23364 The Three Caballeros (F) AC-CENT-TCHU-ATE THE					
3       4       5. RUM AND COCA-COLA				POSITIVE Bing Crosby-Andrews Sisters- Decca 23379 There's a Fellow Waiting in	4	6	3	4	
Johnny Mercer-Jo Stalford— Capitol 183 Gonna See My Baby         5       7         7       I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT         Harry James—Columbia 36758 The Love I Long For         8       5         8       5         8       5         8       5         9       I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE Leave the Dishes in the Sink, Ma         1       9         10       A LITTLE ON THE LONELY         10       1         10       1         10       1         10       1         10       1	3	4		RUM AND COCA-COLA Abe Lyman-Columbia 36775 Since You Went Away	5	3	7	3	
8       5       8. COCKTAILS FOR TWO	3	6	6,	Johnny Mercer-Jo Stalford- Capitol 183	3	4	5	7	
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6       8       10       9       -       6         6       8       10. A LITTLE ON THE LONELY       9       -       -       8         7       -       10. I DREAM OF YOU	6	5	8.	COCKTAILS FOR TWO Spike Jones-Victor 20-1628 Leave the Dishes in the Sink,	8	-	-	5	
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1 - 10. DREAM Pied Pipers-Capitol 185 Tabby the Cat	1	1	10,	Pied Pipers-Capitol 185		-	5	-	

## For S-B, Vogel Suit On Mel'choly Baby

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Suit brought by Shapiro-Bernstein against Jerry Vogel Music Company for alleged infringement of the song, My Melancholy Baby, has resulted in an order for a preexamination before trial of Taylor C. White in Portland, Ore, Pre-exams skedded for March 26.

Action involves renewal rights to the tong. Vogel obtained a show-cause order last week from Judge Mandelbaum in New York staying examination until defendant's attorneys.

## Pre-Exam Ordered Standard Recalls Old L. A. Disks

HOLLYWOOD, March 10 .- Practically unprecedented, standard radio is recalling its entire transcription of Latin-American tunes from radio stations thruout country and is sending out revised. L.-A. library by Carlos Molina's new 18plece ork. Understood Standard just leases transcription service to broadcasters and reserves right to recall all or any portion of a series.

Backlog of material recalled includes series of Aaron Gonzalez, Raphael Mendez, Xavier Cugat and Molina's old band. Jack Richardson, of Standard, states his S-B paid the expenses for one of the firm will concentrate in field, with presentation of 90 L .- A. tunes by Molina.

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Special reports received from The Billboard representatives last week show the Folk records listed below are currently the most popular Folk records on automatic phonographs through the nation. These reports stem from all the country's leading operating centers and are averaged together.

Weeks	POSI	Tion	
	Week		
5	2	1.	THERE'S A NEW MOON OVER
	1.1.1		MY SHOULDER Jimmie Davis Decca 6105
9	1	2.	I'M LOSING MY MIND OVER
1	1		YOUOkeh 6727
3	4	3.	SHAME ON YOU Spade Cooley Okeh 6731
14	5	4.	JEALOUS HEART Tex Ritter Capitol 179
8	7	5.	I'LL WAIT FOR YOU, DEAR AI Dexter Okeh 6727
18	7		I'M WASTIN' MY TEARS ON
2201	1.20-1	1 023	YOU Tex Ritter Capitol 174
6	6	6.	GONNA BUILD A BIG FENCE
- 1	Sect 1	1000	AROUND TEXAS Gene Autry Okeh 6728
1	-	6.	KEEP MY MEM'RY IN YOUR
* 1	1000	1	HEART Ernest Tubb Decca 6106
18	3	7	THERE'S A NEW MOON OVER
10	-		MY SHOULDER Tex Ritter Capitol 174
24	1000	7	SMOKE ON THE WATER Red Foley Decca 6102
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BEST SELLING SHEET MUSIC SOURCES: Chicago: Lyon & Healy, Inc.; Gamble-Hinged Music Co.; Carl Fischer, Inc. Los Angeles: Morse M. Preeman, Inc. New York City: Walter Kane Music Corp.; Music Sales Corp.; Music Dealers Service, Inc.; Carl Fischer, Inc.; Ashley Music Supply Co. St. Leuis: St. Louis Music Supply Co. San Antonio: Southern Music Co. San Francisco: Pacific Coast Music Jobbers; Sherman Clay & Co.

## ADVANCE BOOKINGS

COUNT BASIE: Riverside Theater, Milwau-kee, March 16-22; Regal Theater, Chicago, 23-29; Castle Farm, Cincinnati, 31; Trianon Ball-29; Castle Farm, Cincinnati, 31; Trianon Ball-room, Toledo, April 1; Graystone Ballroom, Detroit, 2; Elm Ballroom, Youngstown, O., 3; NuElm Ballroom, Youngstown, O., 4; Coli-seum, Dayton, O., 5; Memorial Hall, Colum-hus, O., 6; I.M.A., Flint, Mich., 7; Savoy Ball-room, Chicago, 8; Danceland Ballroom, Cedar Rapids, Ia., 9; Auditorium, St. Joseph, Mo., 10; Miller Theater, Wichita, Kan., 12-16; Collseum, Tulsa, Okla., 19-20; Auditorium, Kansas City, Mo., 21-22; Keil Auditorium, St. Louis, 23-28; Enzard Charles Collseum, Cin-cinnati, 29; Armory, Akron, 20, BOB BERKEY: Indiana Roof Ballroom, In-dianapolis, March 7-18.

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DEL COURTNEY: Blackhawk Restaurant, Chicago, thru April 17.

HENRY BUSSE: National Theater, Louis-ville, March 16-32; Univ. of Tennessee, Enox-ville, 23; Auditorium, Atlanta, 24; Coliseum, Tampa, 26; Frolics Club, Miami Beach, Fia., 27-April 23; Jacksonville, Fla., 24; Lookout House, Covington, Ky., 26-May 16.

CAB CALLOWAY: RKO-Keith, Boston, March 22

FRANKIE CARLE: Palladium, Hollywood, March 20-April 30.

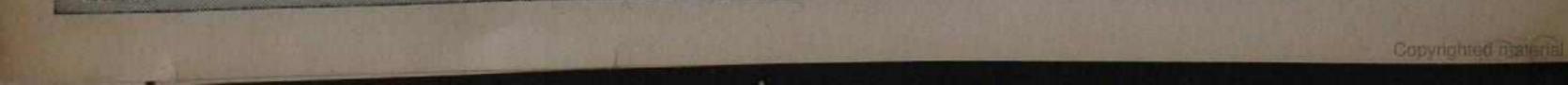
JIMMY DORSEY: Hotel Pennaylvania, New York, Feb. 12-April 7; Capitol Theater, Washington, 12 (week); Sherman Hotel, Chicago, May 11-June 7.

BILLY ECKSTINE: Plantation Club, Los Angeles, thru March 37; Paradise Theater, De-troit, 13-19; Regal Theater, Chicago, 20-26; Triauon Ballroom, Toledo, 27; Cotton Club, Dayton, O., 28; Royal Theater, Baltimore, May 11-17.

DUKE ELLINGTON: Kell Auditorium, St. Louis, March 24; Armory, Akron, April 2.

ERNIE FIELDS: Royale Theater, Baltimore, March 23-30; Howard Theater, Washington, April 20-26.

CHUCK FOSTER: Chase Hotel, St. Louis, March 9 (2 weeks): Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, 29 (3 weeks).



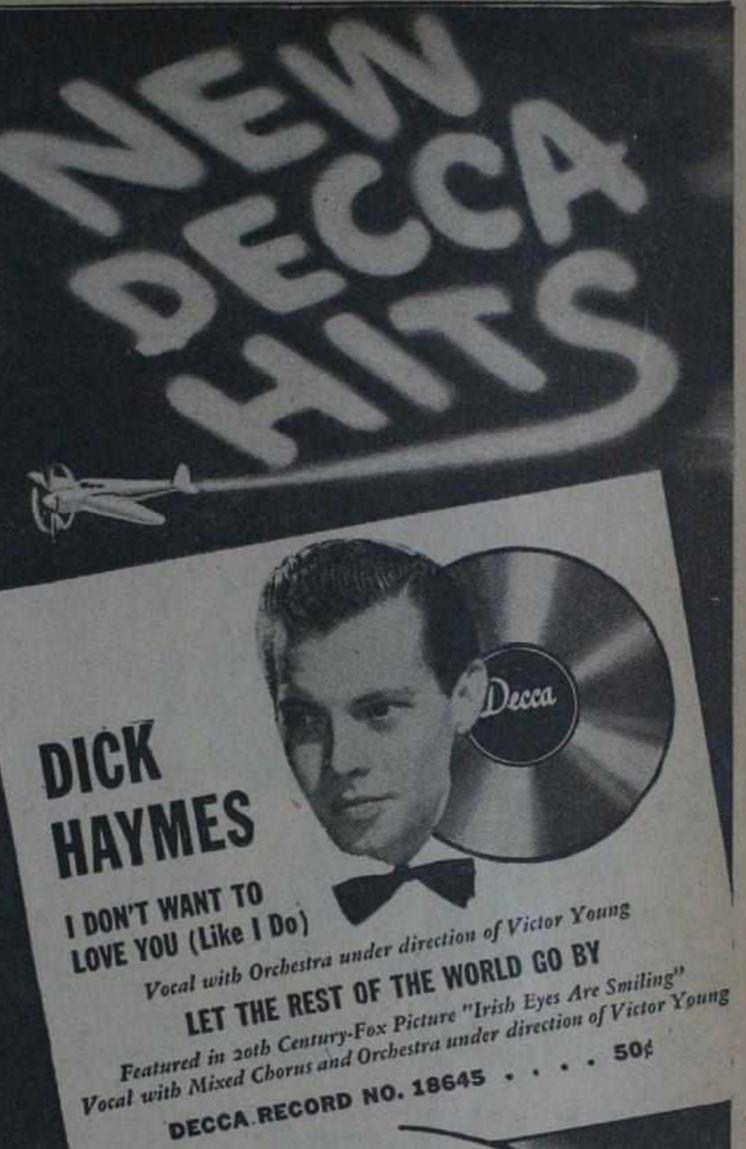
# Music Popularity Chart Week Ending Mar. 8, 1945

## MOST PLAYED JUKE BOX RECORDS

Reports received from The Billboard representatives and based on information given by leading juke box operators last week show the records listed below are currently receiving the most play on automatic phonographs thruout the nation. These reports stem from the country's leading operating centers and are averaged together. Thus only records that are distributed nationally will show up in the guide. Listed under the title of each most played record are the other available recordings of this number. (M) Song in lexit musical. (F) Song in film munical.

#### **Going Strong**

-	POST		
to date	Week	This	
10	1	1.	RUM AND COCA-COLA-Andrews Sisters (Vic Scheen Ork) Decca 18636 (Louis Prims, Hit 7125; Vaughn Monroe, Victor 20-1637; Abe Lyman, Columbia 36775; Al Trace, National 7007;
17	2	2	Wilmoth Houdini, Decca 23394) DON'T FENCE ME IN (F)-Bing Crosby-Andrews Sis- ters (Vic Schoen Ork) The Three Suns, Hit 7114; Sammy Kaye, Victor 20-1610; Kate Smith, Columbia 36759; Gene Autry, Okeh 6728; Hal McIntyre, Bluebird 30-0834; Horace Heidt, Columbia 36761)
11	3	3,	AC-CENT-TCHU-ATE THE POSITIVE (F)-Johnny Mercer (The Pied Pipers-Paul Weston Ork)Capitol 180 (Artie Shaw, Victor 20-1612; George Paxton, Hit 7120; Bing Crosby-Andrews Sisters, Decca 23379; Four King Sisters, Victor 20-1631; Kay Kyser, Columbia 26771; Mark Warnow, Sonora 1089)
6	4	4.	AC-CENT-TCHU-ATE THE POSITIVE (F) - Bing Crosby-Andrews Sisters (Vic Schoen Ork)Decca 23379 (See No. 3)
7	5	5.	A LITTLE ON THE LONELY SIDE-Frankie Carle (Paul Allen
2	10	6.	Brooks, Musicraft 15022) CANDY-Johnny Mercer-Jo Stafford (Pied Pipers-Paul Weston Ork)
4	6	7.	Majestic 7129: Johnny Long-Dick Robertson, Decca 18661) A LITTLE ON THE LONELY SIDE-Guy Lombardo (Jimmy Brown)
2	11	8.	RUM AND COCA-COLA-Abe Lyman (Rose Blane)
2	12	9.	(See No. 1) I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT-Duke Ellington (Joya Sherrill)



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LHATTY JHINES.	Columbia 36758)	

- C-CENT-TCHU-ATE THE POSITIVE (F)-Artie Shaw (See No. 3)
- 10. I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT-Harry James 8 (Kitty Kallen) .....Columbia 36758 (Sec No. 9A)
- 11. SATURDAY NIGHT (IS THE LONELIEST NIGHT IN 7 THE WEEK)-Frank Sinatra (Axel Stordahl Ork) .... (Four King Sisters, Victor 20-1633; Frankie Carle, Co-lumbia 36777; Hal McIntyre, Bluebird 30-6837; Woody Herman, Decca 18641; Sammy Eave (Victor 20-1635) AC-CENT-TCHU-ATE THE POSITIVE (F)-Kay Kyser
- 12. (Dolly Mitchell & Vocal Trip) ..... Columbia 36771 (See No. 3)
  - 13. MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F)-Phil Moore Four (Phil Moore-Billy Daniels) ..... Victor 20-1641 (Les Brown, Columbia 36779; Louis Prima, Hit 7128; Johnny Long-Dick Robertson, Decca 16661)
  - 14. SATURDAY NIGHT (IS THE LONELIEST NIGHT IN THE WEEK)-Sammy Kaye (Nancy Norman), Victor 20-1635 (See No. 11)
  - 14. CANDY-Dinah Shore (Albert Sack Ork)-Victor 20-1632 (Bee No. 6)

#### Coming Up

MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F)-Les Brown 

FLETCHER HENDERSON: Howard Theater, Washington, April 6-12.

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GLEN GRAY: Tune Town Ballroom, St. Louis, March 13 (2 weeks); Club Madrid, Louisville, 26; Hotel Pennsylvania, New York, April 9-June 3.

CARLTON HAUCE: Bal Tabarin, San Fran-cisco, thru May 15.

EARL HINES: El Grotto Club, Chicago, to April 5; Plantation Club, St. Louis, 5-25.

ERNIE HOLST: Stork Club, New York (indef.).

SPIKE JONES: Adams Theater, Newark, N. J., March 22 (week); RKO-Helth, Boston, 19; State Theater, Hartford, Conn., April 6-8,

LOUIS JORDAN: Apollo, New York, March (week): Howard Theater, Washington, April 6 (week); Paradire Theater, Detroit, 27;

RAY EINNEY: Marianna, Fia., March 17; Martin Theater, Dothan, Ala., 18; Mayfair Club. Atlanta, 30.

ANDY KIRK: Auditorium, Albany, Ga., March 31.

LLOYD LA-BRIE: Pla-Mor, Kansas City. Mo., March 21 (2 weeks).

DICK LaSALLE: Blackstone Hotel, Chicago, thru May 24.

BOB LEE: Biltmore Hotel, Providence, thru March 18.

ENOCH LIGHT: Loew's State, New York, March 29-April 4.

JOHNNY LONG: Palace Theater, Columbus, O., March 27-28.

JIMMY LUNCEFORD: Auditorium. Savan-nah, Ga., March 19; Moncrief Springs Ball-room, Jacksonville, Fla., 20; Booker Hall, Palatka, Fla., 21; South Street Casino, Orian-do, Fia., 22: Apollo Auditorium, Tamps, 23; Hariem Square Club, Miami, 25; Windsor Club, Port Lauderdale, Fla., 26; Sunset Audi-torium, West Palm Beach, Fla., 27; U. S. Ar-mory, Daytona Beach, Fla., 28; Armory, Dur-ham, N. C., 30. ham, N. C., 30.

Auditorium, Macon, Ga., April 3 JIMMY JOY: Hotel Lust Frontier, Las O., 18: Columbia Theater, Erie, Pa., 19: Vegas, Nev. (16 weeks). ater, Greensburg, Pa., 21; Commodore Hotel, New York, 30-April 10,

> VAUGHN MONROE; Hollywood Palladium. Hollywood, March 19.

GEORGE PAXTON: Pennsylvania Hotel, New York, June 4-July 15.

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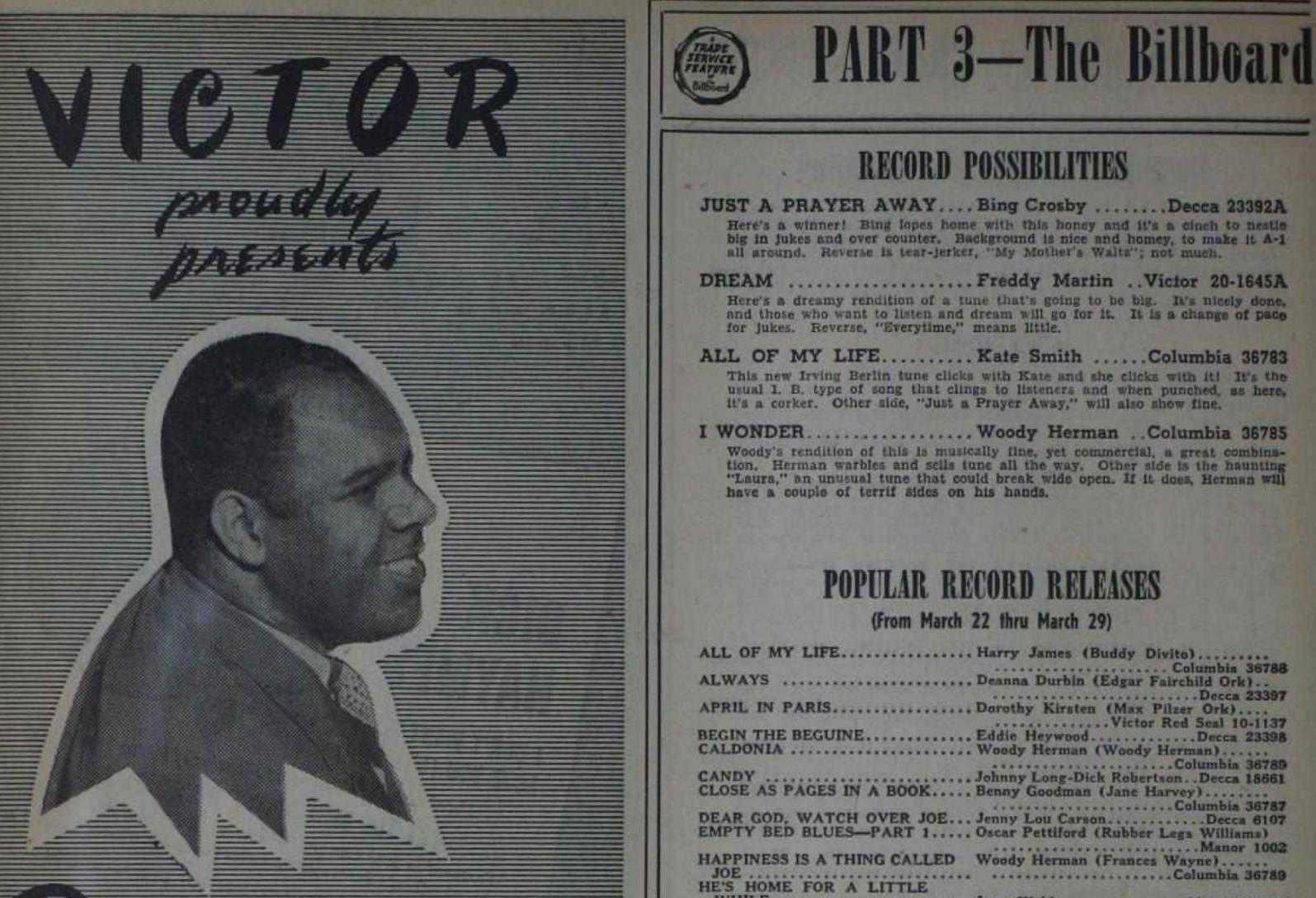
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WHEN IRISH LIES ARE SMILING Kerry Girls-Continental's Symphonette
WHEN JIMMY PLAYS THE AC- Sula's Musette Ork (Don Baker)
YAH-TA-TA, YAH-TA-TA Harry James (Kitty Kallen)
YOU BROUGHT A NEW KIND OF LOVE TO ME

## MI Licensing **AMI** Catalog

EW YORK, March 10 .- Broadcast de, Inc., is now licensing some 2,500 as in the American Music, Inc., cata-SESAC had licensing rights, but I took over first of this year. Catalog collection of hillbilly, pioneer and boy music, written by Roy Rogers, s of the Pioneers, etc.

atalog also includes songs in the ss & Winge, Inc., and the Westmore ic Corporation's catalogs.

#### **IP** Signs 8 More Stations

EW YORK, March 10 .- New music nsing agreements between Associated Music Publishers and eight radio stations have been completed. Stations are KHST, Big Spring, Tex.; KGKL, San An- tional periods by the AMP.

## Zanzibar Casualty

NEW YORK, March 10 .- One band casualty as result of the curfew is Louis Armstrong, who pulled out of Cafe Zanzibar last week, When curlew went into effect, all acts at the spot went on two weeks' notice,

Along with the band's exit. Delta Rhythm Boys, Nicholas Brothers bowed out. Claude Hopkins, who played with Armstrong, stays at the spot, with no name replacement.

gelo, Calif.; KFMB, San Diego, WBOC, Salisbury, Md., and WHKK, Akron; and KATE, Albert Les, Minn.

Previously made agreements with 16 KRBC, Abaline, Tex.; WCOP, Boston; other stations were extended for addi-





#### By M. H. Orodenker

#### XAVIER CUGAT (Columbia)

#### Tico Tico-FT; VC. Linda Mujer-FT; VC.

The colorful Xavler Cugat creations for the Latin lullables are deftly disked for these two tomes. On both counts, brings out all the color and charm contained in the chants. Particularly pleasing is Cugat's samba setting for the familiar "Tico Tico." with Elena Verdugo's uncanny diction clear singing of the fanciful "Coockoo in the Clock" lyrics at the speed tempo. It's a lively pace plattered for the gay and capricious "Linda Mujer," a guaraca, for which Del Campo sings the Latin lyric. It's a teaser tune, meaning "You Never Say Yes! You Never Say No!" The phono fans will storm the machines for Xavier Cugat's catchy rendi-

tion of the popular "Tico Tico."

#### **GUY LOMBARDO** (Decca)

#### Poor Little Rhode Island-FT: VC. Oht Moytle-W: VC.

It's tuneful and entirely toe-tapping music that is made by Guy Lombardo for both of these novelty ditties. Jule Styne and Sammy Cahn's "Poor Little Rhode Island" is a delightful dish of ditty satire. A Yankee song with a strong tinge of cornfield and cotton field, the tiny State is extolled in verse by Stuart Foster and the Lombardo Trio, with the twinkling twin pianos sparking the melodic contents. It's just as delightful for the novelty walts clog, "Oh! Moytle," styled along Bowery lines, with the lyrical levity provided by Jimmy" Brown and the Lombardo Trio.

Both of these spinnings have plenty of contagious appeal, in ditty and delivery, and should figure prominently in phono circles.

#### FREDDY MARTIN (Victor)

#### Dream-FT; VC. Everytime-FT; VC.

It's dream music etched by the soft strings and saxes as Freddy Martin fashions a smoothie setting for Johnny Mercer's "Dream," originally written as the identifying theme for the composer's "Music Shop" air shots. It's vocal dreaming by Artic Wayne for the lush lyrics. Tempo is stepped up to a lovely clip for Gordon Jenkins's "Everytime," a syncopated rhythm ditty with a light lyric of cupid's evasiveness which Glenn Hughes provides with good vocal exposition.

It's the "Dream" ballad that looms big in song popularity circles, with Freddy Martin's record primed for wide play in the nickel boxes.

#### BILLIE HOLIDAY (Decca)

Lover Man-FT; V. That Ole Devil Called Love-FT; V.

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#### DUKE ELLINGTON (Victor)

#### My Heart Sings-FT; VC. Carnegie Blues-FT.

A blues riff stemming from his "Black, Brown and Beige" concert opus preemed at New York's Carnegie Hall, Duke Ellington has fashioned an exciting "Carnegie Blues." The tempo is slow and the musical mood entirely indigo, with saxes, wailing brasses and the Duke's own planology making it an important contribution to Ellingtonia. For the contrasting note, the Duke goes entirely commercial, and in a thoroly acceptable manner for "My Heart Sings." In the slow tempo, Joya Sherill gives excellent voice to the love lyrics running up and down the musical scale, with the muted trumpets and Ray Nance's path fiddle obbligatos adding the musical polish to the platter.

For the music boxes, it's Duke Ellington's playing of the ballad favorite, "My Heart Sings,"

#### LOUIS ARMSTRONG (Decca)

#### I Wonder-FT; VC. Jodie Man-FT; VC.

Still the master of hot, both in song and in trumpet sizzles, Louis Arm-strong spins plenty strong for his return record. Moreover, there is plenty of Louie to the sides, with the band providing effective support. Song selections are tailor-made for Armstrong's pipes, with trumpet and song a standout for Cecil Gant's Harlem balled rage, "I Wonder." Strictly in the Harlemess groove, and the tempo along jump levels, is "Jodie Man," a Harlem jive expres-sion to characterize those sinful men wolfing the chicks of soldier boys.

While the race locations are a cinch to flood the machines with coins to wear both of these sides thin, the play appeal goes way beyond such spots.

(See Pop Record Reviews on page 66)

#### Milt Britton Goes Ex-Crosby Ork Kingpins **Booked Into College Inn** Back to Wm. Morris

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Milt Britton switches back to William Morris Agency, after year or so at Frederick Bros. He got his release last week.

He was signed with Frederick Bros. couple years ago. Loft to go with WM, stayed three months, then went back to Tavern, West Brookfield, Mass.

#### Will Osborne Ork to Replace Freddie Rich on Camel Show

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Will Osborne and Costello. and ork will replace the Freddle Rich package show that originates on the the deal,

CHICAGO, March 10 .- The new 16-piece band, headed by Ray Bauduc and Gil Redin, former mainstays of the Bob Crosby band and more recently dischargees from army musical groups, has been booked into the Hotel Sherman's College Inn for two weeks, beginning on June 8. The College Inn has been booked PB. Britton's band is now at Ye Old up to August 16, with the following lineup: Woody Herman, March 16-April 12; Tony Pastor, April 13-26; Stan Kenton, April 27-May 10; Jimmy Dorsey, May 11-June 7; Vaughn Monroe, June 22-July 19; Les Brown, July 20-August 16,

West Coast at NBC and stars Abbott

Exact size of Osborne's band isn't aggregation on the Camel program. On definite yet, but it will be a large outfit. March 29 group will become part of the Harry Rohm, of General Amusement, set BNGOY **"FARTHER ANI** FARTHER APART

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DETROIT, March 10 .- An important first. ruling that the band leader is responsible for the State Unemployment Compensation Tax was handed down recently by the Michigan Supreme Court at Lansing. Previously, it had been the compensation commission's contention that the tax should be assessed against the operators of night spots, ballrooms, etc., for traveling bands. The new ruling holds that musicians are employees of the band leader or contractor.

Case follows ballroom ops' victory at Des Moines in January, when AFM Form B contract was found wanting. In that decision, leader was found responsible for payment of Social Security and Unemployment Compensation in case brought by Roy Bartels, Crystal Ballroom, Dubuque, and Larry Greer, Fort Dodge ballroom operator.

Altho ballroom ops in Middle West have won a victory re fact that leaders must assume tax obligation, that doesn't go for the rest of the country. Ballrooms in East, such as Roseland and Arcadia, still go 50-50 with leader on payment of all taxes. That's because decisions only hold in that district in which the law suit is heard,



## **Plenty New Bands Forming One Born for Each Break-Up**

(Continued from page 11)

course, puts a thorn in plan of those who want to put any substantial amount into a new band and so stand off some of the losses that band must go thru at

(7) And plenty of others!

#### Not Much Sense

When asked about it, even optimistic agency men shake their head down, but not up, which means "yes" but not "yes." On the other hand, sage old guys who know the picture well just shake their heads, and the shake isn't down and up, but aldewards, and hard! Why are there new bands around today in the face of every possible obstacle? The answer is probably that there will always be an England and always be a new band. It makes about as much sense.

Of the new ones around today, those that seem to have the best chances are those that step out of a name band and take over, such as Randy Brooks, who left Les Brown recently; Shorty Cherock, trumpeter, who stepped out of Horace Heidt's band; Sully Mason, who left Kay Kyser after 18 years. The new Ray Bauduc band is a partnership arrangement with Gil Rodin, recent ex-army, both formerly with Bob Crosby. These guys, having been with big bands, know some of the inside ropes and inside headaches of the guys they played for.

#### Ambitious Soloists

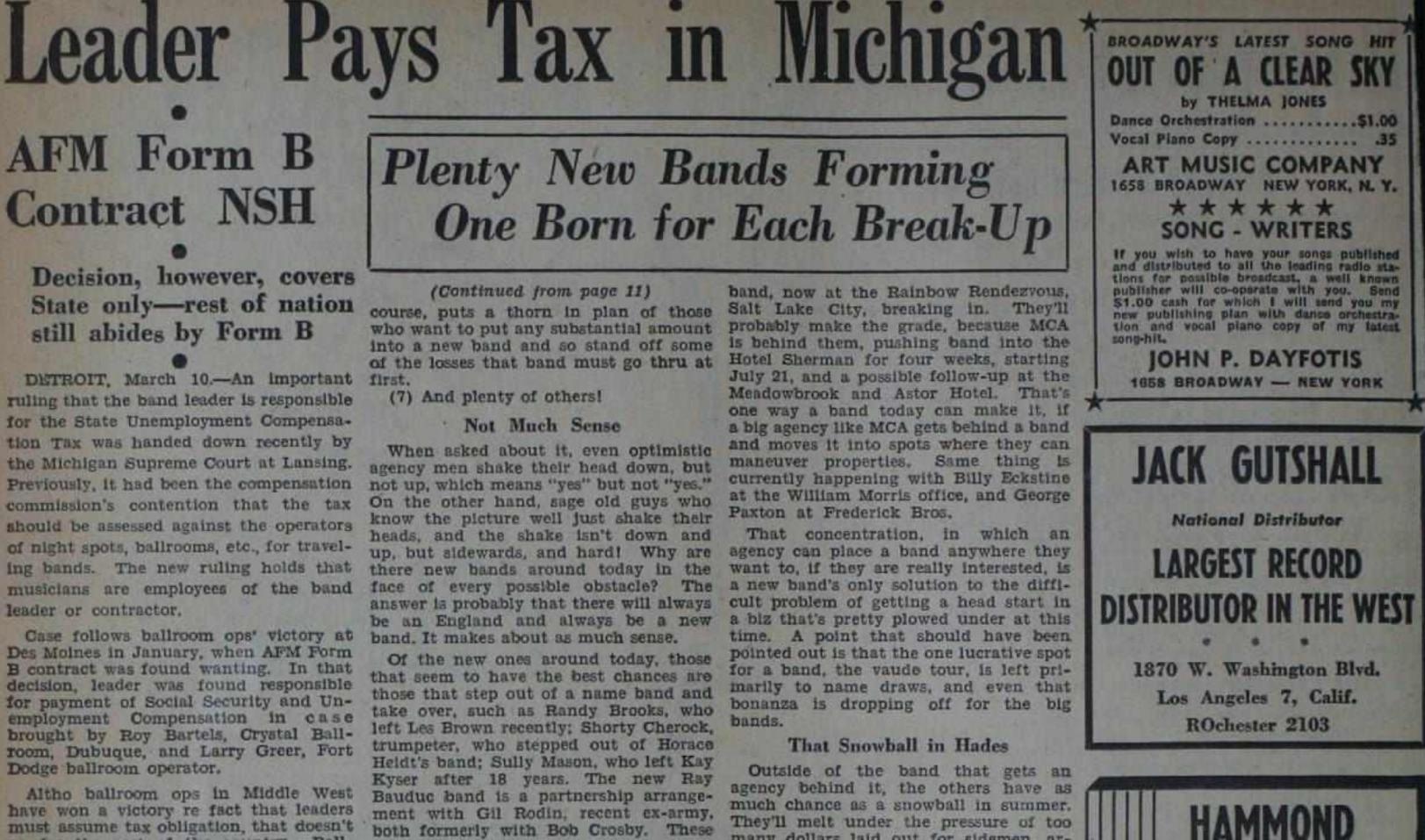
They figure that probably because they've been seen with a big band and made some noise as a soloist, that they

band, now at the Rainbow Rendezvous, Salt Lake City, breaking in. They'll probably make the grade, because MCA is behind them, pushing band into the Hotel Sherman for four weeks, starting July 21, and a possible follow-up at the Meadowbrook and Astor Hotel. That's one way a band today can make it, if a big agency like MCA gets behind a band and moves it into spots where they can maneuver properties. Same thing is currently happening with Billy Eckstine at the William Morris office, and George Paxton at Frederick Bros.

That concentration, in which an agency can place a band anywhere they want to, if they are really interested, is a new band's only solution to the difficult problem of getting a head start in a biz that's pretty plowed under at this time. A point that should have been pointed out is that the one lucrative spot for a band, the vaude tour, is left primarily to name draws, and even that bonanza is dropping off for the blg bands.

#### That Snowball in Hades

Outside of the band that gets an agency behind it, the others have as much chance as a snowball in summer. They'll melt under the pressure of too many dollars laid out for sidemen, arrangements, managers, publicity, etc., with little coming in at the door. They have probably read about such bands as Eddy Howard, one of the big earners in the Midwest, and a commercial band if there ever was one, folding because of the conditions today. Other bands, not



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WASHINGTON, March 10 .- A second test-case has developed here over the curfew. The Lamp-

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lighters Club, a local "bottle" spot, is staying open on the ground that it is a private club and always opened after midnight anyway. The Texas Chill Parlor also is prepped for a test,

**Curfew Tests** 

Both cases have been referred to the national office of the WMC and a decision as to what-if anything-will be done about the two spots is due next week.

### Walters Snares **Receivership** To Billboard Cover Jeature Foil OPA Suit

DETROIT, March 10 .- Another chapter in the exciting history of Lou Walters's Latin Quarter here was written on Tuesday (6) with the appointment of Arthur Rozen, manager of the spot, as receiver by Circuit Judge Theodore J. Richter, Appointment which is temporary until hearing set for April 16, was made in a court action filed by Walters and Rozen asking for formal jurisdiction of the Michigan Corporation which owns the spot, as a technical protection.

Rozen pointed out that the operation policy and management of the club remain unchanged, except that it is now the curfew; (4) Unemployment is pretty running under a receivership rather than as a corporation.

## **Reports From** 14 Big Cities

Average is 30% off nationally - closures few, discharges under expectation

#### By Paul Ross

NEW YORK, March 10 .- With the curfew approximately two weeks old. The Billboard today completed the first authoritative national round-up of facts and figures on the effects of the galety

blackout. Reporters of The Billboard in 14 centers of night club activity checked club owners, U. S. officials and city authorities on important phases of the curfew and its relation to the industry.

Their reports, summarized briefly, add up

like this: (1) The average decline of business since February 26, when the curfew started, is 24.4 per cent; (2) If the five biggest centers of night clubs-New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Los Angeles and Detroit-are considered by themselves, the average drop in takes is 29.9 per cent; (3) Tho there are thousands of clubs, large and small, running in the country there have been virtually no shut-downs because of

## **Cleaning Trouble**

JACKSON, Mich., March 10 .--Add victims of the curfew, William Short, owner of the Club Villa D, here, has been warned he must do his nighttime cleaning by candlelight if he's to stay out of trouble.

## WM, MCA Flirt With Packages As Biz Vitamin

NEW YORK, March 10 .- While both of-William Morris and MCA are both doing a lot of thinking about package shows as a way out of the curfew dilemma. At WM, the Sona O'Fun unit now touring presentation houses is regarded as a test case. If the package does well, office may put several more together for presentation. houses. Olsen and Johnson, who are listed as producers of the unit, have several for the new units should be needed.

But the WM office is not only thinking about presentation house units. Office also is mulling possibilities of producing a two-a-day vaude show. Formula would be closer to the Ken Murray type than the Paul Small variety, with one name predominating and acts changing every four or five weeks. Agency is known to have approached AGVA for permission to produce such a show. AGVA informed them that agents can't be producers also. However, there is nothing to prevent WM from forming a subsidiary to accomplish the same purpose. If this is done, show would appear in a Broadway legit house.

## N.Y. Ops' Group **Plans New Org To By-Pass COG**

NEW YORK, March 10 .- The Cafe Owners' Guild, here, may be superseded by a new, larger and broader organization of nitery operators and restaurant owners, one designed to represent the industry in Washington and before the public. It is believed that the new organization will retain Arthur Garfield Hayes to front it as a kind of "czar."

Several top nitery owners here have been holding conversations during the last week, sounding out opinion in industry circles as to the feasibility of such an organization. The prime movers of the scheme have been chinning fices officially deny it, the fact is that not only with nitery owners but restaurant owners and labor leaders, too, Those involved in starting it say that the contemplated organization won't be used to fight the curfew, nor will it be directed toward the purpose of "breaking" AGVA and other unions.

From other sources, it is learned that the new org will devote itself to such matters as OPA price ceilings, WMC other titles up their sleeves in case names rulings affecting employees, wage rates set by the WLB and similar matters-at least at first. Peculiar part of the move is that it follows by less than two weeks a drive launched by some of the same men via COG to enlist new members for that org.

## **Detroit OPA Nixes Advanced Charges** For Nitery Shows

#### MCA Thinking About Packages

MCA also is thinking in package and producing terms. Agency recently got a dispensation from AGVA to produce the Capitol Hotel but was told that there would be no further dispensations when night curlew. MCA office inquired about future packages for other niteries.

and MCA went to several Broadway producers who had been thinking of two-aday vaude shows and told them that now they could go ahead, because acts, including top names, would become available. Later the same producers were told that the names would not be available. One of these Broadway impresarios is charging privately that the situation tightened up because both agencies realized they could just as well produce two-a-dayers themselves as let outsiders do them.

**Chi AFM Issues** 

**Revised Pacts**,

DETROIT, March 10 .- Changing of hours for cover charges, manipulating admissions or other special charges were ruled out here by Hicks G. Griffith, attorney for the OPA. Operators of some local night clubs, including two or three top spots, planned to revamp their shows at the new Carnival Room in the charges to meet the advanced schedules of shows and dancing forced by the mid-

Griffith's ruling was to the effect that if a spot, like the Hotel Statler, previous-When curfew news first broke, both WM ly started its cover charge at 10 p.m., the time change had to be maintained even tho this show was advanced two hours and the place closed at 11:30 p.m.

> EDDIE SOUTH TRIO, Decca recording artists, booked into Harry's Show Bar, Detroit.

#### Spot Has Good Biz

Despite numerous serious set-backs the spot has encountered from various sources, largely governmental bodies, since it opened, it has maintained good business steadily, and kept operating on a steady policy, reflecting the apparent strength of the resources and management back of it. Present step for the receivership was taken primarily to protect the creditors and stockholders of the company, Rozen said, because of the threatened \$120,000 suit filed last week by the OPA.

While management feels confident that the suit is for an exorbitant amount, the present action will protect various interests in the Latin Quarter by preventing the filing of an attachment against the business in conection wih the OPA suit. And at the same time, it allows the business to continue unchanged.

**Curfew Can't Be Enforced** By Govt. Agencies; Claim **Public Opinion Sole Weapon Averts a Clash** 

#### WMC Stands Alone, as OPA, WPB and SS Disavow Power

CHICAGO, March 10 .- Clash between local nitery ops and Local 100 of the AFM. over revision of musicians' contracts to meet the needs of curfew slump in biz, (The Billboard, March 10) was averted this week when AFM officials agreed to negotiate individual revised contracts with cafe owners. When contacted Friday (9). Edward A. Benkert, AFM recording secretary, said that 400 local ops had received revised contracts generally based on a 5-hour-day, 6-day-week. Scale, figured on an hourly basis, remains the same, Benkert said.

AFM headquarters here this week also released a bulletin stating that scale for casual entertainment, such as club dates and off-nights in bistros, has been raised A, B and C spots.

big won kudos of WMC officials here today for compliance with midnight curfew thruout nation as WLE, OPA and other government agencies let it be known that they have no plans for "policing" curfew. WMC, it is open secret here, is still mighty unhappy at being selected for enforcement job. Curfew still has not passed beyond official status of a "press release," and there are few signs to indicate that it ever will.

WMC stood alone today as far as enforcement of the curfew was concerned. OPA, which, it had been implied, would be used to cut off rations of curfew-defying clubs and restaurants, is prohibited by law from using its powers for such #2 above previous basic job scale for Class purposes. WPB admitted that it couldn't be used for enforcing the midnight shut- Washington today.

WASHINGTON, March 10 .- Night club tering, as its policing powers can only be used when war materials are involved. Board, which has enough aches, does not plan to use its powers to cut off electricity from places defying the curfew, it was learned.

> Selective Service, usually a big stick in hands of agencies turning on the heat, said it "had nothing whatsoever to do with the matter and it is unthinkable that any of our offices would take action in any phase of a curfew violation." Truth appeared to be that WMC will have to depend on "public censure" of violators to maintain closing hour. Night spots have too big an investment in public good will, however, to tamper with it and as a result are complying 100 per cent as far as can be learned in

light-at least right now: (5) Compliance with the curfew is very high; (6) Speakeasies are beginning to appear but not nearly on the huge scale predicted when news of the curfew first broke.

And, last but not least, the curfew is taking its heaviest toll in Chicago, Detroit, Cincinnati and Philadelphia-not New York.

The cities in which The Billboard conducted its survey are New York, Chicago, Baltimore, Boston, New Orleans, Washington, Detroit, Philadelphia, Minneapolis, St. Louis, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Cincinnati and Miami. Because of the seasonal nature of the Florida business and because of the difficulties-now apparently over-thru which the resort-city has been operating, no weight has been given to the data from Miami, where virtually nothing has happened via the curfew, anyway.

The Billboard staff gathered information on the basis of a series of questions. The questions and the reports, in digest form, follow:

QUESTION: Drop in business in percentage ap compared with average of month before curfew?

ANSWERS: NEW YORK, 25; CHICAGO, 40; BALTIMORE, 27; BOSTON, 15; NEW ORLEANS, 10: WASHINGTON, 10: DETROIT, 35: PHILA-DELPHIA, 44: MINNEAPOLIS, 17: ST. LOUIS, 30; SAN FRANCISCO, 15; LOS ANGELES, 5; CINCINNATI, 45,

QUESTION: Employees laid off and what category (acts, klichen help, and so on) most affected? ANSWERS: NEW YORK-Relatively light lay-

offs in all departments; fewer performers fired than bandmen and food workers; CHICAGO-Guts In staffs range from 20 to 30 per cent, 600 musicians facs firing within next two weeks, acts being shaved somewhat; BALTIMORE-No employees laid off up to now due to general shortage of heip, no performen CUL out; BOSTON-No lay-offs; NEW ORLEANS -No lay-offs; WASHINGTON-Fow, If any, othployees cut out since there is a help shortage anyway: DETROIT-Approximately 900 workers of all types lopped off, acts worst hit including 300 all over Michigan: PHILADELPHIA-Acts affected mest, average club dropping about 25 per cent of the porformers; also some lay-offs in the service departments and hints at further cuts there; MINNEAPOLIS-Few lay-offs so far but heavy cuts of musicians, kitchen help, waltrasses and so on, contemplated if there is no pick-up within a month; ST. LOUIS-Aside from one club which folded, no lay-offs of help, some cuts among performers and musicians; SAN FRANCISCO-No effect on help, no acts cut.

#### Club Foldings?

QUESTION: How many clubs have folded and how many contemplate folding within next two Wooka7

ANSWERS: NEW YORK-One (Consentane), none contemplated; CHICAGO-One (Collaimo's), none contemplated; BALTIMORE-None; BOS-TON-None: NEW ORLEANS-None: WASH-INGTON-One (Spotlight Olub, a "bottle" spot), none contemplated; DETROIT-Three small spots in Michigan territory, Alper Hotel in Toledo, (In-cluded in showbis Michigan) dropped shows, other

(See CURFEW NOT BAD on page 27)

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#### Glass Hat, New York

Talent policy: Floorshows at 7 and 10: continuous dancing. Owner-operators: Hotel Belmont Plaza; publicity, Frank Law, Prices: \$2 minimum.

The new show which presmed on" Thursday (8) has many good points tho it also has bad ones. Pacing, for example, is too slow. Emseeing needs a lot of improvement. As it stands, Jerry Lewis's announcing wasn't only inadequate but most of the time inaudible.

Opener is a good-looking lad, name of Jimmy Byrnes, who does a better than average slow tap routine. But Byrnes gets his best results from his sly comic bits rather than from his footwork. Boy's frequent use of hands in a graceful wave accompanying a contagious grin won him some excellent applause and a nice share of chuckles. He went off to a locomotive finish with the customers clapping for more.

Dolores King, a sexy-looking, blackhaired gal followed. Her opening was a fairish Saturday Night Is the Loneliest Night in the Week, Her next was a ballad, I Should Care, which didn't mean a thing, Patrons who were with her on first tune lost interest. She got some of them back with a calypso Put Out the Fires, but end result was negative; On looks, Miss King has plenty on the ball. Her long black hair set against a white skin gives her plenty of eye-appeal. A gown cut down to here didn't hurt any, either. Voice is also okay. What was wrong was choice of numbers.

Bert Easley, comic magician with a drunk routine, failed to register. One reason is the lack of pace-changing. Everything he does is in the same tempo. Tricks, however, were well handled. Best thing was his "disappearing" radio on which he exited.

Artini and Consuelo, held over, make a pretty good dance team. Gal is goodlooking and graceful and guy knows how to handle himself. Couple did three numbers, each of which had showmanship and pulled hefty hands. First was dreamy Viennese waltz with some lifts. Second was the same pattern, sans lifts. (See Glass Hat, New York, on page 27)

## NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

The Billboard

#### Hotel Sherman, College Inn, Chicago

Talent policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8 and 10. Management, Joe Spieler; publicity, Howard Mayer; production, Marty Bloom. Prices: \$1.50-\$2.50 minimums.

Boyd Raeburn's band, currently booked to rock "The Cradle of Swing" isn't up to usual name band standards here, but two strong variety acts, Mardoni and Louise and Professor Backwards combine to make up for the deficiency. Raeburn, one of the lesser luminaries in the current "Hit Parade" of College Inn batoneers, has been having difficulty holding sidemen for any length of time and the lack of men acquainted with his book is noticeable. Brass are over-blowing and the sax section, which gets a wonderful blend because of first alto Johnny Bothwell, is often lost in the roar.

Raeburn's choice of pop tunes for the band's library is poor. He used too many new and unproven ballads. Only ones pleased were the song-pluggers, as dancers want to recognize the tune.

Don Darcy is a real asset to the band. His vocals are on a par with any other ork singer's today. Margie Wood is okay on the jumper tunes, but she doesn't register on the moodier ballads.

Mardoni and Louise offer an excellent mental turn, but Mardoni works thru the audience too fast to get a heavy reaction. Should slow down his patter and lift objects in the air, so that customers in the back can see what his partner is identifying from the stage. Slowing down the tempo of the act would lend more of an occult air to the trick and applause would come in batween each identification. Mardoni often (peaks so fast that he can't be understood and the effect of the telepathy is lost. Closed with the standard guillotine routine and grabbed good mitt.

#### Latin Quarter, Miami

Talent policy: Floorshow at 8:30 and dance bands. Operator, E. M. Loew; general manager, Wallace MacCory; maitre de, Michel, Prices: \$3.

This spot continues with biz capacity. despite the Byrnes' edict. Show presented in two acts with lavish dressing, good chorus numbers and Billy Vine headlining, makes it a smooth-running package.

From the Apache number opening, with Jane Wood and Bob Fuller doing the vocals, to the Salute to Old Glory, show pulls the plaudits of the customers.

Carmen Montoya, a Spanish hoofer, knows how to put her stuff across, her expressive eyes and personality doing much to gain a nice hand. The Sophisticated Ladies, a trio of wacky nuts, in an acrobatic novelty, hoof, rough-house and tumble their way to good results.

Marjorie Gainsworth, a radio thrush. has a sweet soprano voice. Opens with Singing All Day and then follows with My Heart Sings and Summer Time. Uses When the Boys Come Home for an encore. Insistent applause brought her back with My Hero. Gal worked to a begoll.

Grisha and Brona, tableau performers here since opening night, continue to get a big hand from their dancing and poses. Gaudsmith Brothers and their two pups, also a holdover, are a hit act and draw heavy mitts. Anthony and Allyn in ballroom and adagio dances, also do a good job.

Billy Vine's army induction routine is a scream. His souse bit also wows the customers. Working with his wife, Carol Vance, his Rain pulls plenty of laughs. The Sinatra routine just about killed them. Works 33 minutes and could have done more if time permitted. The best comic seen here all winter.

First half of show runs 45 minutes and second half an hour, with 40-minute intermission for dancing. Arrangement

#### Statler Hotel, Terrace Room, Cleveland

Talent policy: Dance bands and floorshows at 7:30 and 10:30. Manager, R. J. McSoley; publicity, George Winter. Prices: \$1-\$3 minimums.

George Duffy, long a local fave, has returned with a smooth 11-piece ork. featuring the expert vocals of Marion Brent, Duffy, who is seen at the keyboard gains much applause with his handling of show melodies for dancing. Band consists of three violins, three sax, trumpet, bass and drums. Duffy at piano. The show this week, which Duffy emsees in a pleasant manner, has Estelle and Leroy, a youthful dance team who exhibit much flash and personality.

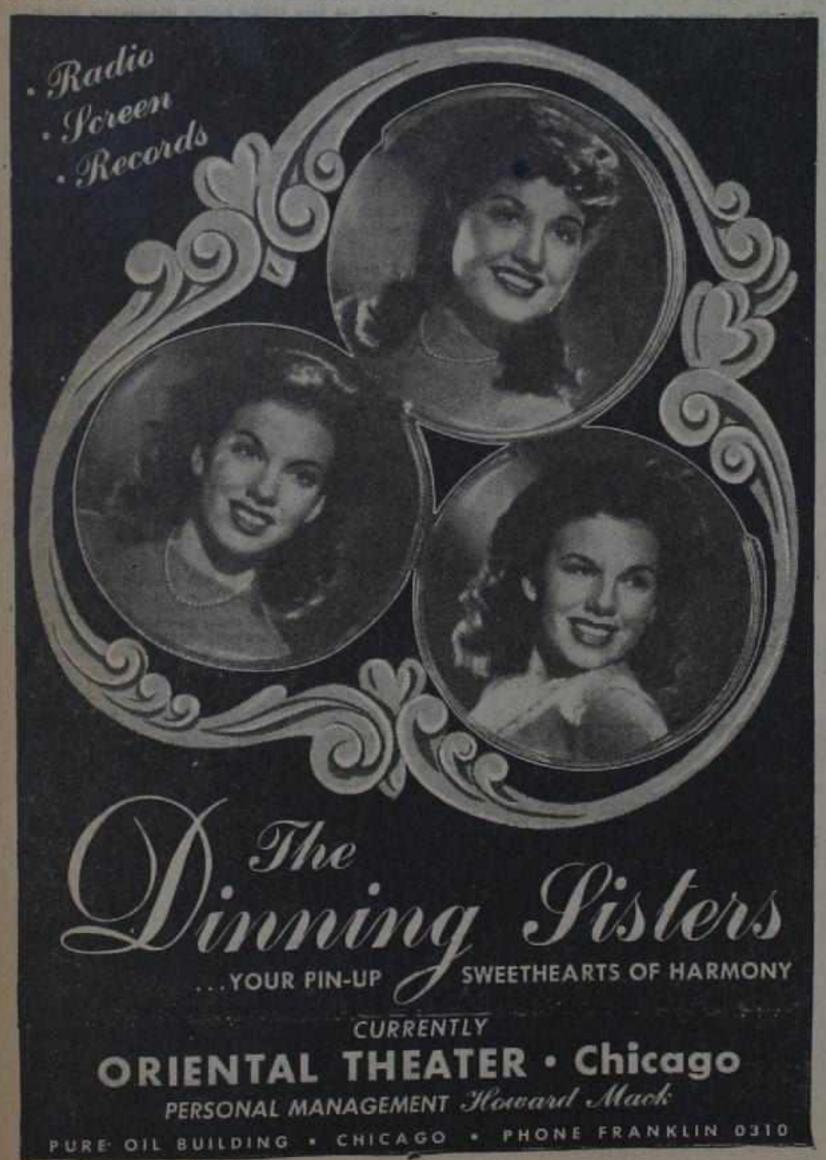
Pair offers spirited dance patterned after Dave Rose's gay Dance of the Spanish Onion. They follow with their interpretation of My Heart Sings altho the steps executed are not as smooth as those of a team in the top-notch bracket, Estelle and Leroy gain much favor with their version of Tico Tico.

Martha Errolle, daughter of Ralph Errolle, former Met Opera tenor, is in the featured spot of the bill. Despite the fact that the girl is a looker and has a good pair of pipes, her personality is a bit on the negative side. She offers such tunes as I Love You, Where or When and Strange Music. Her encore, Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, received the biggest mitting. If she would smile a bit more and loosen up she would be a good bet for operetta or musical comedy.

Room has been doing capacity business since Duffy's return. Herman Spero



Professor Backwards is just what this works well. (See HOTEL SHERMAN on page 27)



Maurice Weiss and ork play the show and Jose Torrento rumba band the dance numbers. Larry Berliner.

#### Marine Room, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago

Talent policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Owner-operator, William Dewey; manager, Philip Weber; publicity, Dorothy Hild. Prices: 50-75 cents cover.

With a smart mixture of class and corn. in the show, the capacity audience at this plush dining room had a great time and reacted with gusto. Altho the Edgewater shows are usually on the conservative side, this one is loud, fast and jivin'.

New bill, produced by Dorothy Hild, features the Juvelys, equilibrists; Vic Hyde, versatile virtuoso; the Dorothy Hild Dancers, and Emil Vandas ork.

Dorothy Hild Dancers opened with Fashions in Red, a richly costumed live routine that caught the audience and put it in a mood to keep up with swift pace of the rest of the show.

The Juvelys, male and female balancing team, pulled hefty hands thruout their act. They finished with three rubber balls balanced on man's head and gal doing head-stand on top of all that. Team made the crowd gasp and pay-off with a huge mitt. The Juvelys show equally well on nitery room floor and vaude stage.

Vic Hyde's corny delivery and one-manband routine fetched big laughs all the way. Playing trumpet, trombone, drums and piano, Hyde did imitations of Busse, Kyser, Tommy Dorsey, Harry James and Clyde McCoy. He encored playing two and three trumpets at the same time and made a cinch sock finish tooting four trumpets at one time on a military march number. Crowd wanted to keep him on the floor longer.

Dorothy Hild Dancers made a smart close for a top show. Girls danced while cutting paper and finished with a long string of paper dolls. Dorothy Hild, producer and director, must be given credit for consistent fresh, clean, smart show at the Edgewater.

Emil Vanda ork has improved during its long stay at the Northside location. and is now playing a good choice of hot and sweet to please all payees.

Dave Moore.

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### VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

### **Music Hall, New York**

With one eye on Lent and the other der sub-titles such as Organ, Flute and show palace.

has not been increased. The show is the seatees plenty for their dough. regular delight to the eye, the usual also the standard yawning bore.

Reichert and the Glee Club in handsome knight's costumes, and Marjorle Williams in angel's garb, caroling a largo by Handel, The Holy Grail, for the finish of which a scrim rises to reveal a Grail set. agement, and altho group has new mem-Considering the season, the number is bers it's still Kenny that sells all the quite effective. Incidentally, this one is songs. Guy has catchy voice, but there's coyly Inbeled Organ.

turns out to be the Three Little Pigs lets up with mannerisms or vocalisms and the Big, Bad Wolf, dancing on a that prove annoying when done over mattress and so on. The Misses Margaret and over again. He should go light on the Finck, Dorothy Berger, Rose Bennett and

### **Oriental**, Chicago

#### (Reviewed Friday Afternoon, March 9)

Despite vet names like Gypsy Rose Lee, West and Lexing, Dupree and Charlo, the Rigoletto Brothers and the Aimee Sisters, plus a local vocal newcomer, Guy Cherney, current bill holds little entertainment value. Perhaps it was just opening show awkwardness, but most of the revue missed fire. Show needs comedian who

#### Paramount, New York

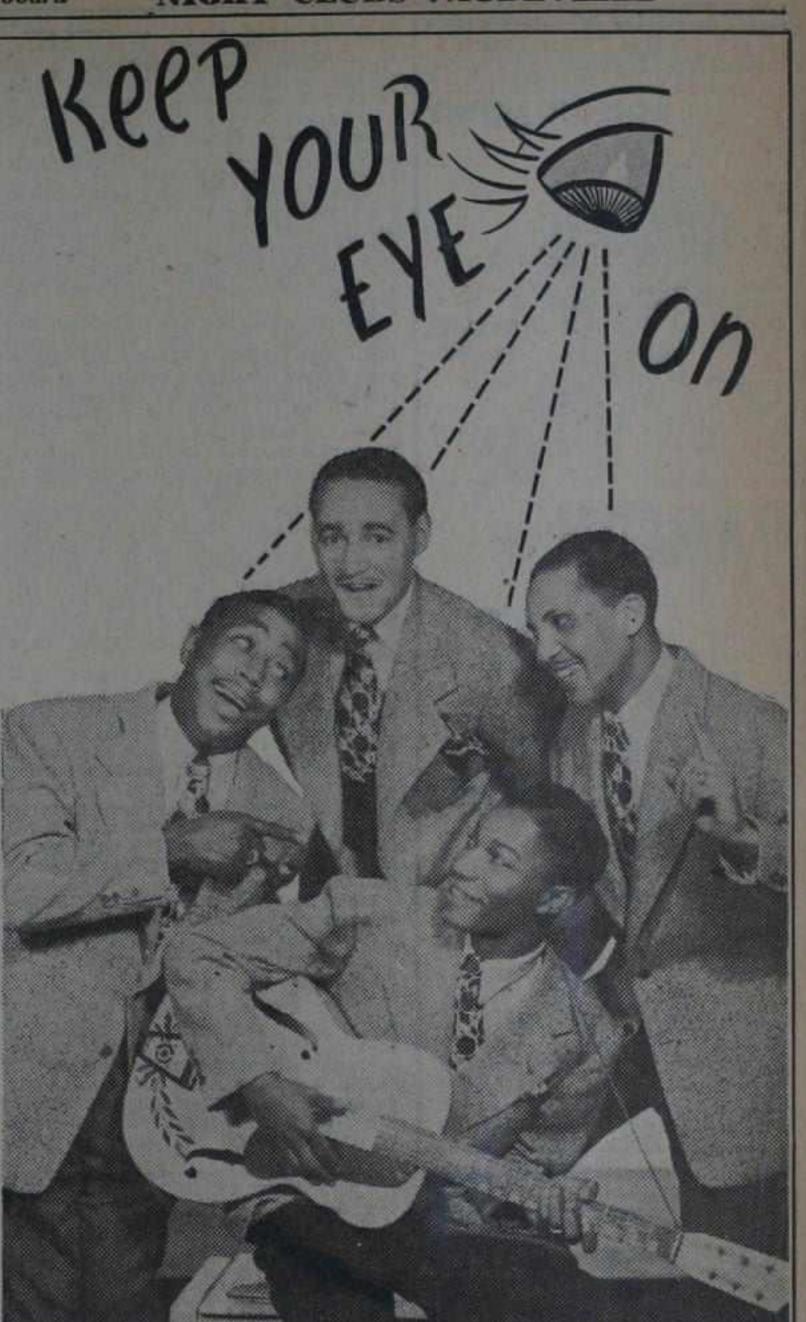
#### (Reviewed Thursday Evening, March 8) (Reviewed Wednesday Evening, Feb. 28).

Return of Ink Spots' package show to on approaching spring, the Music Hall the Paramount this week marks group has titled its new show The Music Mak- as still plenty big on b. o. draw. They're ers and has knocked together a bill, un- surrounded by Cootie Williams' ork, Ella Fitzgerald and Buck and Bubbles. Fiddle, which is a variation on the usual Show is a well-balanced affair, with band formula, closer in its texture and com- putting on a surprisingly good stage ponent parts to the Roxy formula than stint just to even things up. Bands here to the standard fare in Mr. Rockefeller's usually provide just musical background and, when they are on, lay an egg. Regrettably, it must be reported, how- However, Williams's band provides ever, that despite this welcome change plenty of punch on their own, and, confrom the norm, the entertainment power sequently, show skips along to give

Spots close, of course, and walk off wonderland of stage lighting, the cus- with the gravy because they wisely stick tomary clothes-designer's flests. It is to doing tunes that they've made via disks. I'm Making Believe, with tall Billy The new opus begins with Edward Kenny supplying plenty of voice, but too much hand mannerisms, starts ball rolling after quick opener, How Many Hearts Have You Broken? This is their first vaude here since squabble about mana flaw that's creeping into his work. He's Flute follows and, rather abruptly, a little on the hammy side, and never stuff. Outside of that, they score with Martha Beckett wring whatever humor oldie If I Didn't Care and Into Each Life (See Music Hall, New York, on page 26) Some Rain Must Fall, Latter was also a disk biggle.

> Miss Fitzgerald, who joined Spots on the disk for tune, comes back on to warble tune, and it's sock walk-off stuff. After that, stage slowly drops down. Only it drops too slowly, and instead of blacking out band, Spots and Miss Fitzgerald, they have to clown around. It's bad finale, and would be much better to have stage drop in darkness.

Miss F. opens bill and again proves her ability to sell songs. She did I'm Beginning to See the Light and oldie Tisket, etc. Gal works with ease-she's (See Paramount, New York, on page 26)



could handle emsee chores and consolidate the entire bill.

Dupree and Charlo's ballroom dancing, with the accent on precision acro and lifts, gets things started fairly well. Pair in exquisitely costumed in contrasting (Reviewed Thursday Evening, March 1) gray and scarlet and most of their routine is just as polished as their garb.

Guy Cherney, Chi tenor who has a moderate local rep, comes on the stage with no intro and it takes him a full two numbers before he gets the crowd with proportions. him. Lad was jittery, especially on his

#### **Orpheum**, Los Angeles

(Reviewed Tuesday Afternoon, March 6)

Mildred Bailey, and Moro and Yaconelli, old stand-by, Nola. offer plenty of patron-pleasing stuff.

There is plenty of groove to Shine; Hop- panies Gerry Larson. son Street Blues, featuring Norma Teastart. The Pied Piper is on the warm side, too. Big T's theme, I Got c Right gets a royal hand.

Band's chirp, Sally Lang, suffers by ing didn't help much. contrast with Miss Balley. Taking over Sheila Barrett, on in No. 2 spot, starts with only a band number between Miss too slow. Her chatter with Lopez was at

### Loew's State, New York

New show has the necessary elements for a vaude performance. It has an attraction, comics, a couple of singers and a novelty. Yet the whole thing doesn't jell into anything of even near-sock

Partial fault may be in the lack of opener, Ac-Cent-Tchu-Ate the Positive, punch delivered by Vincent Lopez who but warmed up on the closers. Singer has cuts for the show as well as having his a pleasant voice, but lacks personality own spots. Ork leader does okay when needed for a vocal single in vaude and he plays for the acts but doesn't do so niteries. He could use a spell with a well in his own slots. The best thing name band or a radio spot to plug his musickers (15)-five sax six brass, four (See ORIENTAL, CHICAGO, on page 26) rhythm-did was Robin Hood. Lopez, dressed in white tie and tails, looked slick in front of the boys. Latter, in light blue jackets, were framed nicely by a black drop, gold streamers and light blue drapes, same color as jackets. On Jack Teagarden and band, booked in the solo side, maestro got good applause with three augmenting acts, the Paxtons, when he Steinwayed Tico-Tico and his

Ork has a couple of good boys on the Considered essentially a blues band, trumpet. The first, Pinky Savitt, does Tragarden and company dish out a melo- a good job with Summertime and Lou dious brand of hot music to please those Olods dittos with a wah-wah chorus of who don't want it moaning too low. Rum and Coca-Cola when he accom-

In the act department, Betty Ann Nygarden at the plano, and Somewhere a man opens with a capable bit of cleat-Voice Is Calling, with Frank Horrington work. The chunky round-faced hoofer beating hot skins after a slower-tempoed taps cleanly and got a good reception.

Gerry Larson, tall, blond canary, follows with Rum and Coca-Cola. Warbling To Sing the Blues, opening and closing, is only fair and trying to push it across by a lot of hand-waving and torso-heav-

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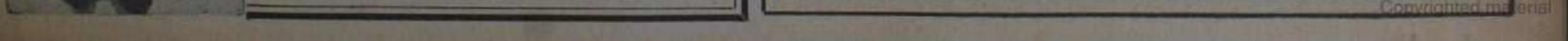
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#### **ORPHEUM, LOS ANGELES** (Continued from page 25)

Balley's string and her own, Miss Lang is a little stiff on the opening vocal, I'm Making Believe. She gets going on Sweet Lorraine and closes with a satisfactory hand. The petite blonds needs more stage and mike experience,

Teagardon was effectively presented for his trombone parts. Altho at no time did he take over for what rightfully should have been his spot. His featured parts in the arrangements added plenty to the band's selling. Teagarden was okay.

The Paxtons, playing their first engagement here in a couple of years, offer three neat tapping routines. All please, Miss Paxton, wearing a well-fitting, gray slack suit that shows off the lines, is a looker. Their second turn, to Waiting for the Robert E. Lee, is a cakewalk with lvory-tipped canes. It fits the picture well. The closing novelty, cleating to Idaho, does the thing up brown.

Miss Balley throws away her opener. Saturday Night. She gets going partially on a ballad, All of a Sudden My Heart Sings. Getting hep, she brings out a novelty, Scrap Your Fat, which she sells torridly. House-shaker is her mainstay, Old Rockin' Chair's Got Me. More tunes like the last would have raised the roof.

Moro and Yaconelli, Mexican rube comics, open with each strumming a Spanish guitar. Moro's dead-panning and Yaconelli's vociferous lines combine with alapstick to make the turn solid. Moro's comedy fiddling provokes laughs, but Yaconelli's accordion is overshadowed. It should have been featured more. Encore with a clever bit, a takeoff on hillbullies. Yaconelli's guipping in his Mexican accent puts plenty of punch into the oral comedy here.

Pic is Lights of Old Santa Fe. Stageshow runs an hour. House comfortably filled for the opener. Sam Abbott.

#### LOEW'S STATE, N. Y. (Continued from page 25)

fault. Time and again she turned her back to the audience to heckle Lopez. And while it may have been good, no one in the house could hear it. She got going when she did her song impressions mitting. But the best was her drunk routine. Bits of hiz in latter really rocked 'em.

alow but drew plenty of boffs for his calt. The routine describing his World War I army physical won him howl after howl. Some of Burke's gags laid hen-fruit, Others hit 'em right in the funny-bone. In any case, he was way ahead, when he walked off.

Bruce Hayes, band vocalist, a short, wavy-haired, good-looking kid, won himself a nice reception with his Little On the Lonely Side, My Heart Sings and I Dream of You. Particularly effective was the few bars of whistling which he threw in occasionally,

Pic is Meet Me in St. Louis, Standing room and street lines when caught. Bill Smith

#### PARAMOUNT, NEW YORK (Continued from page 25)

an old hand at the game-and knows how to get the best out of her material. Tisket is still a sock piece, and Miss F. proves what right material can do for a singer. Light is bouncy and so is Tisket. She's plenty socko, per usual.

Buck and Bubbles, seen time and again, never fail to garner plenty of laughs from their routine. Little guy's manner is laughable alone, and when team put on their banter, dance steps, song fest, and at ease, yet punchy performance, they can't fail to come across. Tall guy's warbling isn't as good as the rest of the act, as demonstrated in Evaling. They could scissors attempts at too much singing and concentrate on laughgetters to make their stint without any drawbacks. As it is, they're still an A-I b. o. attraction.

average size hand, but wisely chooses to join in the fun, rather than just play for the car alone. In one tune, practically every member of the band comes down to the mike to riff on the same tune. And when it's over, payees know that they've heard good musicians, or if they don't, they simply aren't hep. know, and band sells solid. On one blues, Williams himself blows plenty of horn, and he's still one of the best trumpet men in the biz. Band also does specialty titled House of Joy, with everyone again riffin' all over the lot. Band has plenty of music and showmanship wrapped up in its 15 sidemen. And Williams never stops punching in front of the outfit. Bill runs around an hour, Pic is Para's Bring On the Girls. Paul Secon

#### MUSIC HALL, NEW YORK (Continued from page 25)

Johnny Burke who closes, also began they can out of a corny idea and win a good hand. Item segues into Fiddle, featuring Grace Thomas, the Corps de Ballet and the Glee Club in what is nothing more nor less than a set of bumpkin rompings. Job is good and so is the response.

Next, a new and different element is added to this goulash of a stageshow in the persons of Carter and Bowie, one of the better Negro plano teams. The appearance of a Negro performer at the Music Hall is a rarity and something might have been done with it. But the boys are plumped into the pit with a couple of incandescent planos and allowed to beat out a brace of numbers. Results: Good hand.

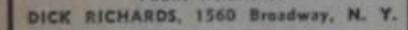
From Harlem to Scotland is a long way, but in the Music Hall show the next number, Bagpipes, brings on two squeak-bag manipulators and the Rockettes in tartans. Naturally, after starting with a highland fling, the bunionbunnles skidoodle into precision terping. The peasantry enjoyed it.

The Pitchmen (2) with Alan Parado at the plano appear next. If the act had a good climax it might go well at the State. In this barn of a house, where the mouth-gadgets with which they produce their not-so-accurate imitations of musical instruments cannot be seen, the turn is tiresome. The impressions are pretty mildewed, the bits of business are repetitious and not particularly funny. Touristy audience gave 'em a hefty mitt.

Finale, on the physical side, is a jimdandy. Lighting is magnificent, set an eye-popper and costumes delicately beautiful. What happens should happen Cootie Williams, ace horn player, has in a school of ballet. The Corps and Patricia Bowman are offered in pucrile ballet-istics of the ring-around-the-rosy type. The Corps-gals, of course, can't help themselves, but Miss Bowman could be infinitely better than she is. Her choregraphy is dull, her performance uninspired.

With that the show crawls to its end, Kids here, however, are plenty on the Picture is Tonight and Every Night, Biz mild when caught. Paul Ross.

> not good on the subtle monologs, which she attempts here. The payces came to see the famed physique and not to listen to her give off with double entendre in a half-hearted manner. Gypsy's heart still belongs to the daddles in the front row of burly houses judging by her spathetic performance in vaude here. Rigoletto Brothers and Aimee Sisters are a variety act in every sense of the term. Trouble is they pack too much variety into the act with the result that customers don't get enough of any one thing. If they would concentrate on juggling, magic or any one of a couple more things they do, mitting-would mount. John Sippel



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ORIENTAL, CHICAGO (Continued from page 25)

name before he goes any further with his vaude ambitions.

West and Lexing haven't changed much since seen here about a year ago. West's bald pate still gets a going over and there are plenty of comic vocals, Pair grabbed moderate applause.

Gypsy Rose Les has taken on the eclat of the literati, since she's written two books, but the boys in the balcony liked her better when she was strictly a stripper. Act falls flat, because La Lee is

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#### NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE 27

## Curfew Not Bad as Painted, 14 - City Report Indicates

#### (Continued from page 23)

owners wary but not openly planning to go out of business; PHILADELPHIA-None, but several may close if there is no pick-up; MINNEAPOLIS-None; ST. LOUIS-One (Club Plantation), one shaky; SAN FRANCISCO - None; LOS ANGELES -None; CINCINNATI-One (Primrose) dropped shows, some other ops talking of doing same thing.

#### Violations?

QUESTION: Have there been any violations of ourfew and what happened to violators? ANSWERS: CHICAGO-58 reports of violations

but some confirmed by local police, planty of sneak-selling by small nabe spots; BALTIMORE-Two small violators, so far nothing has happened to them; BOSTON-No violations, local authorities not en-forcing the curfew as there seems to be a "gentle-man's agreement" over it; WASHINGTON-TE viotations in one night attributed to "ignorance" by WMC which is itself enforcing the curfew, two spots (one a restaurant) propping for a court-test; DE-TROIT-Virtually no infractions by clubs, police satisfied: PHILADELPHIA-Seven spots cited for violating curfew and will be hauled before WMC, one of them arrested and held in bail for grand jury; MINNEAPOLIS—Two minor complaints; ST. LOUIS—75 violations by small taverns and clubs reported, so far nothing's happened; NEW OR-LEANS—One cocktail lounge operator arrested, re-port sent to WMC; LOS ANGELES—No violations found by WMC or police.

#### Hotel Room Biz?

The Billboard staff also gathered information on a number of related subjects. For example, there was a check on whether hotels have suffered as badly as straight niteries. A composite of the reports shows that hotel rooms are better off than the has been a little trouble with "birthday clubs.

some cities have shown heavy drops in business-in New York, the prez of the hotel association estimates the average slough-off at 25 per cent, in St. Louis one innkeeper is running 30 per cent behind schedule-most cities report little change one way or the other, and some hotels (the Waldorf in New York, for example) even claim increased dinner business.

Fact is that even if the hotel rooms suffered as much as the straight niteries, the hotels would lose less profit because their rooms do not have as big an overhead. The hotel spots use the hotel kitchens, some of the hotel help, pay a smaller proportionate rent, and so on. Among the aspects looked into by The Billboard was the question whether local authoritics of local WMC branches were allowing "swing shift" dances, "dawn parties" or similar affairs in war-worker centers. Without exception the answer is "no"-nobody gets an exemption. Thing goes so far, for example, that in Washington a State Department dance was held and it stopped at 12 midnight, sharp. As a matter of fact this no-exemptions situation may be developing an adverse result. In Detroit there are reports of a high absenteelsm rate among war workers over the week-end, indicating that

many are taking time off to secure the relaxation they formerly enjoyed after working-hours.

#### The Speakensy Question

On the all-important question of speakeasies-and their related evil, the "private party" where acts work-there is evidence that the sneak-joints are slowly coming back but so far "private parties" are nonexistant-possibly because the bootleg spots can't run very easily in the face of public opinion.

In New York, most club operators state within the past six months. that they have not heard their civilian patrons talk about speakeasles nor ask for addresses 'o which they can go after midnight. It is the servicemen who are complaining. However, there is talk that taxidrivers are steering people to joints or that bartenders are sneaking bottles off shelves to be sold on the q.t., and that, there is a growing number of hotel room joints. The cops in New York have been alerted to check on speaks and there have already been a number of raids,

In Chicago, liquor dealers report that there has been a 300 per cent jump in post-midnight buying since the curfew. In Baltimore cab-drivers have been threatened with prosecution if they steer suckers to speaks. In New Orleans there parties" in fashionable neighborhoods. In While it is true that the hostelries in Detroit, club ops report open soliciting for speakeasies, and the cops have ordered all parties in homes in the center of the city stopped at midnight-that's where the "vice" section 18.

#### No St. Louis Speaks

In St. Louis, however, there are no speakeasies-for a simple reason. Booze and beer is rationed to legitimate outlets by the makers who are opening no new accounts.

Added up, the facts and figures on the curfew are not too bad. They could have been a lot worse. It is significant that in several cities ops reported the second week of the curfew better than the first. And, most important, the industry has not gone to the wall.

#### **Club Dates Off**

(Continued from page 3) who were planning private parties are canceling them because they feel that such a venture might violate the WMC edict.

#### Milktonst Worries

Club-date booking has been hit hard by the recent string of government regulations because most of this booking is done by the average man who isn't too well informed on current legislation. Whenever a new government restriction is enforced, club-date booking takes another rap because the club member, who is appointed to sked the entertainment for the club party, feels that he might violate the government order. This hesitant attitude on the part of the general public has canceled many contemplated private parties

#### **Points in Question**

Because of the difficulty in getting points for food to be used in private parties, hotels here have been cutting down the number of private parties which they formerly handled. In a number of cases, private parties have been eliminated by amaller hotels.

When the no-convention ban was ordered here in December, bookers report they were forced to cancel thousands of dollars in contracted biz because convention date bookings are made well in advance.

Since the midnight curfew has been envoked, bookers say that the lull in clubdate booking has increased greatly because persons, who are arranging the affairs, feel generally that such a party would not hold to the thought behind the Byrnes' order. Clubs are waiting five or six weeks to ponder the situation before skedding their entertainment for coming partles, bookers add.

#### GLASS HAT, NEW YORK

(Continued from page 24) Third number was a capable samba to Tico Tico. Sock reception brought them back for another Viennese number which was straight ballroom stuff without the usual acrobatics. Their type of dancing would be great for a class room.

Jerry Lewis, who closes the show and





There may be more casualties and profits are certainly lower - they must be when clubs have to draw most of their revenue from food on which the profit is about 17 to 20 per cent, instead of liquor where the profit runs from 50 to 90 per cent. Yet, the fact is, that by the second week of the curfew the industry had not ceased to exist.

**Radio Set To Gang Up on Jim Petrillo** 

(Continued from page 3) it will be recalled, started out merely to stop AFM interference in broadcasts of the National High School Symphony at Interlochen, Mich.

That Lea means business was seen in his direct reference to the recording ban, standbys and other AFM practices. Here is Lea's explanation of his decision to reopen hearings and broaden the bill:

"During the course of the hearings, it developed that there are other practices of the American Federation of Musicians which have a bearing on the broadcast industry and which tend to prevent the maximum utilization of radio as a medium of public education and entertainment. Some of the practices which have come to our attention include the ban which was recently in effect upon the making of records and transcriptions, the quota system for the employment of musicians, the employment of standby musicians, restrictions on the appearance of members of the American Federation of Musicians on television broadcasts, restrictions on the use of service bands on the air, and disputes between AFM and NABET concerning platter turners."

All of these points indicate the need for further hearings, Lea declared, adding significantly, "It will be appreciated if you will make specific suggestions for legislation designed to cure these abuses." Use of the word "abuses" by the usually mild-mannered Californian convinced the radio bis here that he means to go "all-out" and it is up to the industry to show the committee how it can be done. Any "tightening" legis-lation is bound to have administration support, it is felt here, in view of Petrillo White House-slapping last fall.

is back here for the third time, did his standard pantomiming to disks. But results weren't too hot. When caught at Loew's State a few weeks ago, his records seemed blurred. Apparently he hasn't changed them for they still sound blurred. Opener is Figaro, Number still pulls laughs but its length runs it into the ground. Pruning it to at least half would keep the high spots and still get yocks. A Sinatra bit laid an egg. For one reason, the material isn't too good. And for another, Sinatra take-offs, no matter how good, are no longer smart. Lewis's final bit was Cyril Smith's madrigal, I Heard Three Birds, which was the best of the lot.

Payson Re's ork does well in the showcutting department. Biz good.

Bill Smith.

#### HOTEL SHERMAN

(Continued from page 24) room has needed for some time. Guy makes with the jokes to open and then goes into his regular spelling and writing deal. Backwards failed to grab audience attention at first with his jokes because of his delivery. If he stood nearer the mike and spoke a little more forcefully. be'd capture listeners more quickly. His spelling and writing brought big hand. John Sippel.



## B'way, Grosses Show Little **Curfew Effect; Cap Big 84G**

NEW YORK, March 10 .- The combina- house opens at 9 on weekdays and 8:80 tion of Byrne-out and brown-out hasn't a.m. on Saturdays. hurt Stem takes as much as originally feared. In some cases theater men say \$75,000) showed \$80,000 for its initial Music Hall, which just wound up a sixweeker, all of the other Stem vaude-pic plants did heavy business,

Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; house average, \$100,000) finished its sixweek run by taking in \$94,000 for a total of \$689,500. Bill which had Bil and Cora Baird, Zarco and Beryl, Los Andrinis and Song to Remember, opened with the first two weeks bringing \$191,000 each. Third week's take was raised to \$123,000. Fourth and fifth weeks' figures were \$112,500 and \$118,000. New show which teed off on Thursday (8) has Carter and Bowie, the Pitchmen, Patricia Bowman and Tonight and Every Night.

#### Roxy, Paramount

Roxy (6,000 seats; house average, \$75,000) wound up its first week with Victor Borge, Joan Edwards and Tree Grous in Brooklyn by getting a rousing \$105,000. To overcome the curfew, the

### Jane Withers Pulls \$28,500; Basie's Ork \$32,000 Looks for

DETROIT, March 10 .- Grosses have taken a marked upward turn at the Hughes-Downtown Theater (2,800 seats; house average, \$23,000), only local spot playing stage attractions as a steady polley for the white trade, with Jane Withers in a personal appearance grossing a nice \$28,500, slightly over the estimate last week. Pic was Blucbird.

Count Basie and his orchestra are currently doing even better, and are expected to hit \$32,000 for the week. House is drawing a heavy proportion of Negro patronage, usually going to the Paradise Theater, operated by Lou Cohen, which plays all-colored shows. Last attraction at the Downtown was Duke Ellington, who grossed around \$34,000 early in January.

Paramount (3,664 seats; house average, the lopping off of midnight shows has stanza with Cootie Williams' ork, Ink cut into grosses by 10 per cent. But fig- Spots, Buck and Bubbles and Bring on ures for last week do not indicate any the Girls. House says figure, without damage. With the exception of the midnight law, would have been \$88,000.

#### Capitol, Strand, State

Capitol (4,627 seats; house average, \$55,000) came thru with a beautiful \$84,000 for its bow with Xavier Cugat, Lena Horne, Robert Walker and Picture of Dorian Gray.

Strand (2,779 seats; house average. \$45,000) did okay when it showed \$64,000 for its first week with Peter Lorre, Carmen Cavallaro ork, Nip Nelson, Marcella Hendricks and Hotel Berlin.

Loew's State (3,500 seats; house average, \$25,000) for its initial frame of a Barrett, Sondra (Strand) NYC, t. two-weeker playing Vincent Lopez ork. Shella Barrett, Johnny Burke and Meet Me in St. Louis took in \$40,000. Previous week's gross was \$36,000.

## Philly Earle Scores Hefty 281/2G With 'Sons o' Fun' Unit

PHILADELPHIA, March 10 .- Offering further evidence that the name bands are losing out in their drawing power among local moviegoers, the Sons o' Fun tab unit piled up a tidy sum for ita week, ended Thursday (8), at the Earle Theater (seating capacity, 3,000; house average, \$20,000; prices, 45 to 95 cents) with Olsen and Johnson making a personal appearance on opening matinee, their unit starring Marty May and Fred Sanborn got off to a big start, and wound up the week with a hefty \$28,500 in the till.

With the niteries curtailing their fiesh productions because of the Byrne-out, Earle stage provided plenty of attractions for those making the center-city rounds before the midnight bells were tolled. Unit also featured Carolyn Marsh with an assortment of variety acts. Screen filled in with She Gets Her Man,



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sonville, Fla., h. Blossom Sisters (Carman) Phila, t.

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Brown, Ralph (Paramount) NYC, t.

rownee's, Pop, Hickville Follies (Bahamas) Detroit, cl.

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Carr, June. & Ron Ormond (Majestic) Pater-son, N. J., t.

Carroll, Deane (Lookout House) Covington, Lebrac & Bernice (Palace) Columbus, O. .t.

Holtz, Lou (Latin Quarter) Chi, nc. Horne, Lena (Capitol) NYC, t. Howell & Bauser (Regal) Chi, t. Hudson Wonders (Latin Quarter) NYC, nc. Hurley, Jacqueline (Mayflower) Akron, O., until March 18, h. Husson, Jimmy (Lookout House) Covington, Ky., nc.

Ink Spots (Paramount) Columbus, O., t. Imaginators, The (RKO-Boston) Boston, 1.

Jagger, Kenny (Germania) Freeport, Ill., no. Jans & Lewier (State) Baltimore, t Jean, Gloria (Adams) Newark, N. J., t. Jeanne, Myra (Swan) Phila, nc.



Jenkins, Polly, Musical Ployboys (SCV. 1994.

M. P. Co.) Eden, Idaho, 12-17. Johnston, Johnny (Adams) Newark, N. J., L. Jones, Allan (Palace) Columbus, O., t. Jordan, Jean (Rainbow Inn) NYC, nc. Jordan & Parvis (Majestic) Paterson, N. J., L.

Kalama's Hawallans (Hoffman) Houth Hend, Ind., h.

 Kay & Gienn (Beverly Hills) Newport, Ky., cc.
 Kcan, Jane (Capitol) Washington, t.
 Kelly, Patay (Earle) Phila, t.
 Kent, Marsha (Club 18) NYC, nc.
 Kimber, Kay (Savoy Plaza) NYC, h.
 Koval, Fred (Bal Taberin) NYC, nc.
 Korbitzki, Meta (Cafe Grinzong) NYC, nc. Kramer's, Henry, Midgets (Bowery) Detroit 12-25, nc.

## Orph, L. A., Looks **Good for 21G With Teagarden**, Bailey

LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- With Jack Teagarden and orchestra and Mildred Balley sharing billing at the Orpheum (2,200 seats; prices, 98 cents top) here, the spot will go a good \$21,500 this week. On the bill with them are the Paxtons, and Moro and Yacanelli. Pic is Roy Rogers in Lights of the Old Santa Fe.

A straight vaude show which included Petch and Deuaville, Gloria Wood, Rex Weber, Nadie and Ray, and Ross and Stone pulled a medium \$19,500 last week. Pic was This Is My Affair.



Corner Commerce and Browder Streets, Dallas, Texas. FRANK NICK, Owner

#### Spike Jones Slicks Up **33G** Take in Cleveland

CLEVELAND, March 10 .- Spike Jones and his City Slickers brought healthy coin to the Palace Theater till this week as they rang up a rousing gross of \$33,-000. Jones made several local appearances in record shops as well as numerous air tie-ups.

Bill also featured Black Brothers and Judy Manners. Screen had Falcon Goes to Hollywood.

Smiley Burnette Sets Mark

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., March 10 .-At the State Theater here Wednesday night (7) Smiley Burnette broke the house record held by Bonnie Baker by \$55. In seven one-night stands in this area Burnette has broken six records. He was able to the the house record at Roanoke, Va., even tho he has appeared there five times previously.

#### Marcus Unit Poor in Omaha

OMAHA, March 10 .- The A. B. Marcus stage show, La Vie Parce, grossed a mild \$15,200 for week eneded March 8 at the Orpheum Theater (3,000 seats; prices, 40-70 cents). As with show week before, bad weather cut into gross,

Featured were Aarons Brodrick, Florence Hin Low and Ruth Durrell. Screen had She Gets Her Man.

Ted Lewis ork and stage show opened March 8.

Glen Gray 191/2G at Orph, Mpls.; 2G Over Last Year MINNEAPOLIS, March 10 .- Bettering his 1944 gross by some \$2,000, Glen Gray and His Casa Loma Ork drew a neat \$19,500 at the Mort H. Singer Orpheum Theater (2,900 scats; \$16,500 average) for the week ended March 8. Pic was, Bowcry to Broadway.

William Sears, house manager, said Ted Lewis ork is booked in for week starting March 16, with some tentative dates booked for April.

Ky., nc. Carroll, Jean (Palace) Columbus, O., t.

Cherney, Guy (Oriental) Chi, t.

Chester, Eddie (Ernie's) NYC, nc.

Chocolates, Three, & Evon (Onyx Club) NYC, nc.

Clarissa (Glenn Rendezvous) Newport, Ky., nc. Cleon & Joe (Blue Moon) Newark, N. J., nc. Cole, Les. & Debutantes (Glenn Rendezvous) Newport, Ky., nc.

Colette & Barry (Pan-American Room) Chi, h. Collins, Harriet (Bismarck) Chi, h.

Conville, Frankie (Hipp) Baltimore, t. Cortez, Florez (Blue Room Lounge) Miami

Beach, nc. Curtis, Marilyn (Leon & Eddle's) NYC, nc. Curtis, Renay (Queen's Terrace) Woodside, L. L. N. Y., nc.

D'Angelo, Pierre & Vanya (Chez Parce) Chi,

Lae, Donna (Camellia House) Chi, h, Davis, Loretta (Swing Club) NYC, nc. Day, Marilyn (Brown Derby) Chi, nc. Debonaires, The (Blue Bar) Evansville, Ind.,

De Croff, Ann (Astor) Montreal, nc.

Dixon, Gaye (Club 18) NYC, nc. Dolphin, Chester (Lookout House) Covington,

Ky., nc. Donegan, Dorothy (Regal) Chi, t. Drayson, Danny (Chicago) Chi, t. Dupress & Charlo (Oriental) Chi, t.

Edwards & Diane (Blackhawk) Chi, re. Elgins, Four (Regal) Chi, t.

Farr, Freddy (Colosimo) Ohi, nc. Ferman, Bernie (Colony) Lincoln, Neb., nc. Fields, Ernie (Regal) Chi, t Fields, Sally (Ernic'a) NYC, nc. Fields, Benny (Rio Cabana) Chi, nc. Flippen, Jay C. (Capitol) Washington, t. Fiske, Dwight (Blackstone) Chi, h. Fitzgerald, Ella (Paramount) NYC, t. Fontaines, The (Earle) Phila, t. Ford, Mickey (Swing Club) Brooklyn, nc. Francis, George (Greystone) Mansfield, O., nc. Franks, Ollie (Glenn Rendezvous) Newport,

Ey., hc. Freed, Bob (Rialto) Tampa, Fla., t. Fuld, Leo (Beck's) Newport, Ky., nc.

Gallant & Leonora (Stevens) Chi, h. Garcias, The (Capitol) NYC. t. Gilette, Lucy (Carnival) NYO, h. Glover & LaMae (Hollenden) Cleveland, h. Gouid, Betty (Centaur Room) NYC, h. Gray, Delores (Chez Parce) Chi, nc. Greene, Lil (Royal) Baltimore, t. Green, Mitzi (Beverly Hills) Newport, Ky., cc. Green, Ronnie (Hogan's Irish House) NYC, nc.

Hall, Phil (Arele's) NYC, nc. Hanneford, George, Family (Shrine Circus) St. Paul; (Shrine Circus) Lansing, Mich.,

Harris & Allen (State) Baltimore, t. Havtary, Carlo (Cafe Grinzong) NYC, nc. Herbert, Jack (Jefferson) St. Louis, h. Hill, Betty (Primrose) Newport, Ky., no.

Labrie, Lloyd (Blue Moon) Wichita, Kan., no: (Pla-Mor) Kansas City, Mo., 19-April 2, b. LaFommics, Aerial (Majestic) Paterson, N. J., L.

Lamay, Toots (Pastor's) NYC, nc. Lane, Iris (Club 78) NYC, nc.

Lane, Lauretta (Old Romania) NYC, nc.

Larry & Couchita (Latin Quarter) Chi, nc.

Latch, George (Governor's Club) Fort Lauder-

dale, Fla., h. Latlip Sisters, Three (Hipp) Baltimore, t. La Verne, Mortimer (Embassy) Brooklyn, nc.

Leary, Ted (Hipp) Baltimore, t. Lee, Gypsy (Oriental) Chi, t

Levolo, Pat & Willa (Vogue Terrace) McKees-

port, Pa., 5-18, nc. Lewis, Ralph (Tic Toc) Milwaukee, nc.

Liberace (Copley Plaza) Boston, h.

Little Sisters, Three (Center) Norfolk, Va., L.

Lorre, Peter (Strand) NYC, t.

Louis & Cherie (Rio Casino) Boston, nc. Lowe, Hite & Stanley (Stevens) Chi, h. Lucas, Nick (Eitty Davis Airliner) Miami Beach, Fla., nc.

Lucky Girls (Capitol) Washington, t.

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Maison, Gil (Chicago) Chi, t. Malloy, Ullaine (Capitol) NYC, h. Mann, Marion (Club 78) NYC, nc. Mardoni & Louise (Sherman) Chi, h. Marmon, Lou, & Helen Pappas (Club 509) Detrolt, nc. Marriott, Helen (Little Johnny's) Phila, nc. Martell, Ray (Carman) Phila, t. Martin, Frenchy (Club Maxim's) Bronx, N. Y., Martinez, Chu Cho (La Conga) NYC, nc. Marvin, Larry (Club Maxim'a) Bronx, N. Y., Masalle, Sally (Club 78) NYC, nc. Maurice, Count (Majestic) Paterson, N. J., L. Maurice & Andrea (Madrid) Louisville 12-25, Miller, Lynn (Swing Club) NYC, nc. Miller, Susan (Hipp) Baltimore, t. Ming, Ling & Hoo Shee (Glen Rendezvous) Newport, Ky., 16-29, nc. Modernettes, Three (Carman) Phila, t. Montana Kid (Hipp) Baltimore, t. Morris, Doug (Arena) St. Louis 15-21. Morrison, Russ (Bismarck) Chi, h. Mostel, Zero (Chez Parce) Chi, nc. Murray, Jan (Adams) Newark, N. J., t. Murray, Steve (Greenwich Village Inn) NYC, (See VAUDE ROUTES on opposite page)



March 17, 1945

### MUSIC-COCKTAIL

Communications to 1564 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

## Jazzmen Dig Plenty Dough Via Midwest Concert Dates

which promises to hit pay dirt and put as he usually receives for a full week. Cozy end.

The concert idea isn't particularly new. It has been tried in New York where nothing happened. A top drawer sax or trumpet man giving out on a Sunday afternoon seldom brought out the custo- others in the same class. Artists he buys mers. New Yorkers, if Interested, could always see those guys on 52d Street.

In Detroit there is no swing street. An Art Hodes, Red Norvo, Art Tatum and others in that class are news away from

#### **Randle Sparks Idea**

momentum from Bill Randle, announcer on local station WJLB, who helped plug it by spot announcements and disk jockey programs. His original concert was staged last September at the Mechanics Institute. His next one headlined Art Tatum who brought in \$1,250. Plan has grown since and Randle has given up his radio job and is now branching out as a fullpledged promoter. He has recently hired the Shubert Lafayette Theater and on March 11 is putting on Cozy Cole, Dizzy Gillespie and Meade Lux Lewis. House is scaled to a \$3 top and the three performers get \$1,100 for their end.

Randle is now expanding to other cities. He has already tied up Chicago, Cleveland and Cincinnati. First city will be scaled \$1.20 to \$4.80, Cleveland scale will be a \$3.60 top. Cincy and Detroit get \$1.20 to \$8.

#### Week's Pay in Night

DETROIT, March 10 .- A new gimmick as much from Randle for his one nighter individual jazz sellers back into the upper Cole, for example, gets \$300 for his onebrackets is rapidly gaining headway in night stand. Money, according to Joe Detroit. Scheme involves a series of one Marsolals of the William Morris office, night and three night stands on a concert who seems to have an inside track on the basis, in which top flight tootlers and key- business, is as good as gold. Act gets 50 pounders can take down plenty for their per cent on the contract plus round trip fares. Agency commission is also sweet. Instead of the usual 10 per cent, fee splitters get as high as 20 per cent.

> Randle is now in the market for Barney Bigard, Red Norvo, Art Kaminsky and work with a local seven-piece Dizieland style band and take solos during the sessions.

Plans are to expand the jazz concert idea all over the Middle West with the New York and pull in plenty of shekels. possibility of bringing it to New England too. If latter develops, a lot of top musikers now on the Stem will be able to use Detroit's jazz concert plan got its first their days off to take a couple of hours run and collect some nice dough for their trouble.

## **Det. Theater Op Preems** Another **Cocktail Lounge**

DETROIT, March 10 .- With the curiew causing plenty of places all over the country to retrench on their entertainment policies, the Seville Hotel, managed by Lou Cohen, owner of the Paradise and other Detroit theaters, went in for an expanded policy with opening of a new cocktail lounge for the first time this plays good commercial music, has a week. The new room has both street and pleasant vocalist and shows plenty of lobby entrances, and utilizes the space visual appeal. formerly occupied by the theater offices. Carl Schiff, former manager of the hotel, ally carries the melody. Arne Kane's acis running the room.



#### Don Swan

(Reviewed at the Hollywood Palladium, Hollywood ]

This small orchestra was started about four months ago when the bass player. Wilbur Schwandt, decided to organize it. Along with his bandleading duties, Schwandt or Swan, arranged for Xavier Cugat. This accounts for the band's outstanding ability to handle Latin-American tunes.

Playing the intermission schedule here, Swan's outfit comes in for its share of praise. Strictly commercial, Swan varies his numbers nicely. However, he does go more for Latin-Americans than any other outfit to play the spot in recent months. Since the crew is able to do it, this is in its favor.

There are five reeds in the group along with plano, bass and drums. Of the five, four double on clarinet and these predominate on swing tunes.

John Anderson turns in good plano work and his intros on the Latin-American tunes are featured effectively. Swan paces at bass. Don Raffel does swing tunes up brown on first tenor.

Group is strong vocally, too, with Manda Lane, a looker, turning in throaty vocals. Delivery is plenty rounded. Eddie Robinson turns in outstanding vocal assignments in addition to getting some alto spots.

Neat in appearance and with an up-todate library, the group has the necessary showmanship to make it a safe bet. Sam Abbott

### **Tonney Ruscoe Trio**

(Reviewed at Lipp's Lower Level, Chicago)

The work of this threesome is commercial enough to bring a smile to the operator of most any cocktail lounge. Trio

#### VAUDE ROUTES

(Continued from opposite page)

#### N

Nadine (Zimmerman's) NYC, re. Nash, Marle (Earle) Washington, t. Nelson, Art (Bismurck) Chi, h. Nelson, Hip (Strand) NYC, t. Newell, Vivian (Circle) Indianapolis, L. Nicholas Bros. (Zanzibar) NYC, no. Nilsen, Al (Bismarck) Chi, h. Nyman, Betty Ann (State) NYC, t.

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O'Brien & Evans Duo (Theater Bar) Terra Haute, Ind., cl. Overman, Wally (Folly) Kansas City 12-15, t;

(Night Club) Denver 16-22.

#### P

Palmer, Patti (Pennsylvania) NYO, h. Parish, Adele (Majestic) Paterson, N. J., L. Parker, Jean (Circle) Indianapolis, 1. Paulens, The (Bismarck) Chi, h. Payton, Lenny, Trio (Little Johnny's) Phila, nc. Pearls, Three (Morocco) Chi, no. Peters Sisters (Zanzibar) NYC, nc. Petrie, Jane (Biltmore) NYC, h.

Phillips, Jackie (Club Maxim's) Bronz, N. T. nc.

Pickert, Rollo & Verna (Adams) Newark, N. J., t. Princess & Willie Hawailans (Hoffman) South

Bend, Ind., h.

#### R

Radio Aces (Center) Norfolk, Va., t. Ramsey, Sam (Fortune) Reno, Nev., no. Randall, Larry (McGough's) Brooklyn, no. Rardin, Joey (Center) Norfolk, Va., t. Ray & Pedro (Earle) Washington, t. Raysor, Ray (Don Mets Casino) Pittsburgh, no. Read, Kemp (Red Coach Grill) Hingham, Mass., nc. Regan, Paul (Capitol) NYC, t. Reis Bros. (Beck's) Newport, Ky., nc. Renna, Shorty (Carnival) NYC, h. Rich, Buddy (400 Restaurant) NYC, re. Richey, Jean (Earl Carroll's) Hollywood, Callf., t. rc. Rigoletto Bros. (Oriental) Chi, t. Rimacs (Palace) Columbus, O., t. Robinson, Al (Village Barn) NYC, nc. Robinson Bill (Zanzibar) NYC, nc. Rocco, Maurice (Zanzibar) NYC, no. Rose Marie (Chicago) Chi, t. Rosella, Jessie (Morocco) Chi, no. Rossillano, Mila (Vine Garden) Chi, nc.

Samuels, Three (Center) Norfolk, Va., L. Sands, Sonny (Club Jinx) Brooklyn, nc. Saulters, Dottie (Palace) Cleveland, t. Seiler, Jay (Beverly Hills) Newport, Ey., co. Semon, Primrose (DePinto's) Phila, nc. Sharpe, Robert (Cave) Vancouver, B. C., Can.,

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As far as money is concerned the musician with ability and pulling power gets

#### Melody Gardens, Det., Sold

DETROIT, March 10 .- Melody Gardens, East Side cocktail lounge, has been taken FB Juggling Lounge Staff over by George J. George and Victor A. Michaels, both newcomers to the field, following the death of Louis Friedman, former owner, a month ago. Louis George, a brother of the first partner has been named manager.

Spot has temporarily dropped entertainment, but plans are being made to resume if business conditions, including relaxation of the curfew, permit an expansion of policy.

#### **Dempsey's Dropping Units**

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Jack Dempsey's restaurant, one of the few Stem spots which uses cocktall units, has decided that poor biz-the curfew, you know-and music don't mix, So, beginning Thursday (15), it will drop all talent.

It may buy a string trio later, but right now it is out of the market. Both Jose Cortez and Ramoni, now current there, have received notice.



BROADCASTING KDAL HOTEL DULUTH, DULUTH, MINN. ist, booked for a run.

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Staff of Fred- pleasant crooning. erick Bros'. Hollywood cocktail departin a coming personnel shift which will their playing. swap staffers in other Frederick offices to Coast posts. Jack Kurtze, chief of the Eates Trio. Band has poor musical set-Boston office, has been named to general managership of the three-office cocktail lead over plano and bass. Trio used no department with headquarters centrally vocals when caught. located in Chicago, Jean Wald, former head of the org's small band department pearance by replacing their present tuxes in Hollywood, who left several weeks ago, with some sport suits. This spot caters is now in the booking biz with Bert Ger- to teen-age and 20-year olds, who don't vis, independent op from Chicago.

Leader plays a resonant alto that usucordion does double duty, carrying lead Spot is now using Chris Zazanis, plan- sometimes and playing fine background. Al Bikar's bass is steady and completes the accompaniment. Band's book includes current pops, standards and jump specialties. On vocals, both pops and original novelties, Ruscoe gives out with

On the sight-appeal side, unit ranks ment is up for expansion with Julie Ward, high, Boys are garbed in identical glenformerly of the org's Chicago office, the plaid suits. When they work the trio first new addition. Others will be added smiles and get plenty of movement into

> Other unit used at this lounge is Nat up. Tenor isn't strong enough to carry

Estes' combo could brighten their apappreciate the stiff shirts. John Sippel

OFF THE CUFF

#### East:

LARRY LUKE new at Club Teheran, Philadelphia. . . . BERYL and her trio take over at Mary's Musical Bar, Philadelphia. . . . AL SMALL'S quartet at the 20th Century Bar, Philadelphia, has changed its name to the Four Notes of Rhythm.... FRANKIE FAIRFAX TRIO at O'Shea's Wagon Wheel, Philadelphia, FRANCINE DEY at 164 Clover Bar, Philadelphia, recovered from a slege of illness. . . . LEONARD TRIO current at Little Johnny's, Philadelphia, . . , TOMMY LITTLE joins Al Small's combination at the 20th Century, Philadelphia. . . . COL, NEMETH'S TRIO new at Lou's Chancellor Bar, Philadelphia. . . WALTER ... RIST BROTHERS bring their unit to Philadelphia's Cove. . . . MIKE PEDICIN'S Men of Rhythm linger at Ciro's, Philadelphis. . . . LENNY PEYTON TRIO current Little Johnny's, Philadelphia.

#### Midwest:

the 21 Club, Grand Rapids, Mich., for an indefinite run.

"DOODLES" WEAVER held over in Zodiac Bar, St. Louis. . . JOE SCHIR-MER'S TRIO at Steeplechase Bar, St. Louis. . . . ANDY ERWIN at Hotel Claridge Grill there. . . ARMSTRONG AND ELDRIDGE due to bow out at Circus Snack Bar, to be followed by STEP WHARTON.

MEL HARRIS new at the Steuben Inn, Milwaukee, . . , RED CODY, who was forced to leave his vibes about two years ago when he injured his arm, is back in the cocktail field, this time preparing for a solo plano date. . . . SLATS HOUSEMAN moved from the Rendezvous, Alexandria, La., to the Sportsmen's Club, Peorla. . . NAT ESTES still at Lipps Lower Level, Chicago. . . . LANE at Little Johnny's, Philadelphia. CHET AND LAURA opened on March 5 at the Flame, Duluth. . . . RED CAPS now at the Plantation Club, St. Louis.

PAUL MALLORY, back from a Florida vacation, is opening at Club Rio, Pontiac, Mich. . . . BILL GOODEN began March 2 at the Show Bar, Detroit. . . . FAYE THOMAS booked in for a stand at McCarthy's, Milwaukee. . . . MINTO CHRIS ZAZANIS at the Seville Hotel, KATO current at the Bahamas, down-Detroit, new cocktail room, ... BOB PER- town Detroit spot, going into The Show-KINS and His Saz-O-Maniacs opened at boat, operatic production, on May 29.

nc. Silver, Bandy (Club 78) NYC, nc.

Simpson, Carl & Faith (Sherman) Chi, h. Simpson, Carl, & His Humanettes (Blackhawk) Ohi, re.

Skating Vanities (I. M. A.) Flint, Mich., B; (Auditorium) Grand Rapids 30-31

Smith, Betty Jane (Chez Parce) Chi, nc.

Snow, Valaida (Cave) Vancouver, B. C., Can., nc; (Amato's) Astoria, Ore., 19-24, nc.

Spiller's, Capt., Seals (Town Ranch) Seattle 5-17, nc.

Stone, Bert (Queens Terrace) Woodside, L. L.

Stoner, Percy (Ernie's) NYC, nc. Stowaway, Three (Palace) Columbus, O., t. Sumner, Helen (Ivanhoe) Chi, re.

Sunny, Leo, Trio (Duluth) Duluth, Minn., b.

Talia (Bismarck) Chi. h.

Taylor, June, Girls (Glenn Rendezvous) Newport, Ky., nc. Terrell, G. Ray (Statler) Detroit, h.

Thomas, Jimmy (Pennsylvania) West Palm Beach, Fla., h.

Thornton (Handy) Boston, no. Tilton, Martha (RKO-Boston) Boston, t.

Trace, Al (Aquarium) NYC, nc. Tucker, Sophie (Paul's Music Hall) Portland, Ore., 12-26.

Vallett, Ted & Flo (Earle) Washington, t. Van, Gloria (Beck's) Newport, Ky., nc. Van Samye (Swing Club) Brooklyn, nc. Victor & Ruth (Carman) Phila, t.

#### W

Wachs, Nat (Rainbow Inn) NYO, nc. Walker, Robert (Capitol) NYC. t. Walters, Teddy (Pennsylvania) NYC, h. Ward, Michael (Biltmore) NYC, h. Warren, Annette (Carter) Cleveland, nc. Webster, Ben (Onyx Club) NYC, nc. Wilkins, Jean, Trio (Shangri-La) Boston, rs, Williams, Bonnie Lou (400 Restaurant) NYO. Williams, Corky (Centaur Room) NYC, h. Williams, Hannah (Greenwich Village Inn)

NYC, nc. Winston, Jackie (Aloha) Brooklyn, nc.

Wood, Barry (Earle) Phila, t. Wyse Jr., Ross (Adams) Newark, N. J., t.

ZaBach, Florian (Pan-American Room) Chi h.



## La Guardia Backs Moss, But Will Support Bill Depriving Him of "Censorship" Powers

### "Trio" Can Be Put on as Test Case if Theater Is Found

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Follow-up of gave Moss' action his complete backing, last week's tempestuous indignation the committee appeared to feel that it meeting of theatrical trades anent the had accomplished a definite step in the heave-ho of Trio out of the Belasco by right direction. Beside Roger Baldwin Commissioner Paul Moss took place in and Fraenkel for the Civil Liberties the mayor's office in City Hall Wednes- Union, reps of the theatrical groups day (7). A committee representing the were Russel Crouse, Authors' League; American Civil Liberties Union and the Paul Dullzell, Four A's; Brock Pemberton various theatrical groups waited on hizzoner with a view to clipping his commissioner's official plumes and establishing a proper legal procedure for dealing with eyebrow-raising drama. Session was long and at moments stormy, due to the fact that committeemen felt that Butch was putting himself in the hedging column and side-slipping with evasions.

However, while hizzoner refused to admit error on the part of his subordinate and fistly stated that he had no intention of removing him, he did agree to support plans which will radically curb his dictatorial powers. In sum, he agreed to support a bill amending the State law to deprive License Commission Paul Moss and his successors of any power to deny issuance, renewal or transfer of any theater license because of the character of any play unless the responsible parties have first been convicted by a jury on a charge that such a play is obscene, immoral or impure.

#### **Butch Suggests Amendment**

La Guardia suggested that the current law be amended to make complaints against an alledgedly indecent play mandatory on the appropriate district attorney to seek grand jury action. This would by-pass the present procedure of beginning prosecution in a magistrate's court and thereby speed up adjudication. Osmund K. Fraenkel, counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union, announced that a committee of attorneys repping the various showbiz trades, will draft the necessary legislation to strip Moss of his self-assumed censorahin powers and forward it to Albany, N. Y., immediately. Probably, no change in the law will be made effective before next year, as the legislative sessions are already on the home stretch. However, it was pointed out that such a bill could come before the Assembly at the current session provided it received unanimous endorsement in committee.

and James Reilly, League of New York Theaters; Howard Barnes, Drama Critics' Circle; James Brennan, IATSE; Milton. Weintraub, ATAM: Howard Bay, United. Scenic Artists; Elmer Rice, Dramatists' Guild; Raymond Massey and Alfred Harding, Equity; Philip Loeb, Chorus Equity; J. C. McDowell and Joseph Dwyer, Theatrical Protective Union No. 1; Murray Seamon, Treasurers and Ticket Sellers; J. W. Rumsey, Society of Authors Representatives; Augusta Ocker, wardrobe attendants; May Ruppert, ushers and doormen; Marc Connelly, Independent Citizens Committee; Antony Cassar, porters and cleaners.

#### Fort Worth Gets "Vanities"

FORT WORTH, March 10 .- Earl Carroll opened his Vanities at Will Rogers Memorial Auditorium yesterday. Twentyfour performances will be given over the 10-day stand during Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, which is being held on the site adjacent to the auditorium. Admish range is \$1 to \$2.20. Line-up includes Eddle Rio, emsee; Three Weir Brothers, Park and Clifford, Dave and June Hacker, and Jimmy Vey, There will be 50 in the cast,



## **Out-of-Town Crix Tabs**

#### BOSTON

Right	Wrong or No Opinion	Accuracy
Peggy Doyle (American)	5	Percentage 77.27
Leslie Sloper (Monitor)	3	76.92
Elinor Hughes (Herald)		76.47
Elliot Norton (Post)	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	72.72
Helen Eager (Traveler)	7	
Leo Gaffney (Record)	0	61.11
Cyrus Durgin (Globe)10	11	50.00
	100 C	47.62
PHILADELPHIA		Service Inter
Linton Martin (Inquirer)11		73.33
Edward Schloss (Record) 8	7	53.38
Jerry Gaghan (News) 7	7	50.00
R. E. P. Sensenderfer (Bulletin) 8	0	
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WASHING/TON		No. Statistics
John Maynard (Times-Herald)	2	77.78
Nelson Bell (Post) 6	a.	66.67
Jay Carmody (Evening Star) 6	3	
Andrew Kelley (News)	1 2 2 4 1 1 1 1	66.67

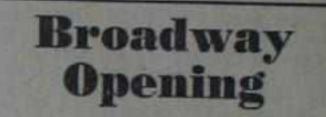
NOTE: Volded in this tabluation are revivals with fixed or limited runs. Also volded are 12 shows which have opened too late on the Stem to have had an opportunity of proving themselves.

## **Doyle, Martin and Maynard Lead Crix** In 3 Try-Out Spots

(Continued from page 3) previous running order. Helen Enger (Traveler) scores 61.11 per cent. She has been wrong seven times out of 18. Leo Gailney, who forks the drama saddle for the Record, has split his 18 opinions evenly-nine right, nine wrong-to score an even 50 per cent. Cyrus Durgin (Globe) has 11 errors out of 21 tries chalked up against him. His current total is 47.62,

#### The Philly Front

On the Philadelphia front, 15 shows have passed in review which have preemed to date for a Stem success or failure, Linton Martin, who lays down of 77.33. He has sat in on them all and has slipped up only four times. Record's expert, Edwin Schloss, has outstepped Jerry Gaghan (News) to take second slot for a percentage total of 53,38 based on a mark-up of seven wrong tabs out of 15. Gaghan has split 14 tries at seven to seven for a 50 per cent total to date. to date. Its action is still carefully pre-Bulletin's R. E. P. Sensenderfer continues to bring up the rear with an average In the interim, the late Max Knorah, sec- of 40.05, based in nine wrong judgments out of 15 reviews.



### CALICO WEDDING

(Opened Wednesday, March 7, 1945)

#### NATIONAL THEATER

A comedy by Sheridan Gibney. Staged by Sheridan Gibney. Settings by Frederick Fox. Company manager, Chandos Sweet, Stage manager, Paul Porter. Press repre-sentative, Richard Maney. Presented by Lester Mayer and Richard Myers, Nora ......Eva Condon Mary Gaylord.....Grete Mosheim Mrs. Abercromble ...... Mary Sargent Frederick Boynton ..... Louis Jean Heydt Betty Marlowe ..... Patricia White

#### La Guardia's Statement

press was admitted, the mayor issued the following statement: "We have had a more or less harmonious meeting. Everyone has retained the same views they had before the conference. However, we are in agreement that clarification of the law would be most helpful. To that end Mr. Fraenkel and Mr. Roger Baldwin are considering some suggestions made by the mayor with a view to drafting legislation at the earliest possible moment. The main feature of this legislation will be to provide the expediting of trial by jury, leaving the question of the play to judicial decision after jury trial."

"This will take the place," said Fraenkel, "of any right by a license commissioner to refuse to grant, transfer or renew the license of a theater because of the character of a play unless there has been a conviction.'

#### "Trio" Can Play Again

The question of the reopening of Trio was discussed and hizzoner, according to Fraenkel, offered to permit the show to be put on again as a test case provided a theater could be found to house it. The theater would not be held liable in any way no matter what the results of a trial. Fraenkel declared such a procedure impractical and stated that the paramount issue was the curbing by arbitrary censorship, and not the merits of a particular play. At the same time Lee Sabinson, producer of Trio, stated that his suit for damages of \$1,000,000 against Commissioner Moss would be pressed.

## For Enemy Act Ban

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other enemy Allen performers were banned from English music halls for four years afterward. First German act to play in England after the war appeared at the London Collseum in March, 1923. retary of the German International Artistes Lodge, visited London several times to try-unsuccessfully-to induce the V. A. F. to lift the ban.

Altho German and Japanese nationals still in their countries can well, be defined as enemy Aliens, the difficulty arises as to how to classify those border-When the smoke cleared away and the line performers of Hungarian, Bulgarian, Italian and other nationalities, whose countries entered the war on the side of the Axis powers. Difficult, too, is the decision as to how to deal with the few Italian and German performers who were interned in England and afterwards released by the British Home Office and who are appearing on the English music hall stage.

#### Japs Haven't Swarmed In

Altho there has been no influx of Japanese acts for over 20 years, there are a few Nip performers still in England. Nearly every one of them was in England prior to 1914 and has made his or her home in this country since then. One performer in particular was born in Japan and came here with a troupe in 1904. He has played in England since that date with hardly a break and now British Army.

German acts would close a big section of the Continental market to British spebe no theaters left standing in Germany by the time the war was over, got a laugh, but it is a fact that for the years preceding the war, considerably more German acts played English time in com- 90 per cent of the acts now playing in parison with the British acts that secured engagements in Germany. During the Hitler regime, especially from 1935 on- its books. Incidentally, all 'American wards, the figure was almost 2 to 1 in acts on this side belong to the V. A. F. favor of the Germans.

In the face of the fact that La Guardia Variety Artistes' Federation, with a tee of the federation.

#### Maynard No. 1 in D. C.

A month ago John Maynard (Times-Herald) and John Bell, drame pooh-bah for The Post were hitting stride for stride for Washington's lead spot. However, with nine capital preems tabbed, Maynard currently continues to set the pace with only two errors for a percentage of 77.78. Bell has dropped back annual marital stanza. Plays about to second with three wrong tabs out of the same number of shows covered. His average is now 66.67. Jay Carmody, year usually have the standard approach. Evening Star cric, holds the latter even Gibney hasn't missed it. Husband and with exactly the same score, while News's Andrew Kelley filed an additional error reviving former boy or gal friend ties. to drop him into fourth place with a Spray them all liberally with champagne score of 55.56.

from closed. As of this date, Hasty Heart, Hope for the Best, The Overtons, The Tempest, A Lady Says Yes, Laffing Room Only and On the Town, all have to be tabked pro or con for the Boston for Calico. Young Mr. Gaylord has outcrix, when they have proved themselves out on the Stem. Ditto goes for the status nor his yen for writing advertis-Philly group with Overtons, Lady, Tempest, Good Night Ladics, One Man Show, Sing Out Sweet Land, Up in Central Park and Calico Wedding. Hope for has two sons serving abroad with the Best still has to be weighed for or against the Washington contingent. There will One argument advanced by a dissent- be at least a dozen more entries in the ing member was that the banning of crix sweepstakes before the finish line is crossed, so there is still ample opportunity for critical toe-stubbings and cialty acts. The reply that there would shifts in position. It's a tough job at They wind up in the bedroom. this stage to pick the winners,

membership of over 5,000, an unprecedented figure and representative of nearly vaudeville and circuses in England, has a number of friendly and neutral acts on and several well-known American per-Now striving for a closed shop, the formers are on the executive commit-

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Some 10 years ago Sheridan Givney gave his comedy, Calico Wedding, a barn theater try-out. Now he brings it up war in pitch, but he has added a prolog featuring the hero in khaki and stationed in Alaska and with the rest of his droll notions tagged on as a flash-back. Theaterwise, there is nothing up-to-date about about Calico except the prolog uniforms. The rest of it is strictly a swatch cut off an ancient remnant of material woof and warp.

A calico wedding anniversary, in case you do not keep track of symbols. represents the beginning of the third smart people and the wearing-thin of the marriage state during the second wife must get the other jealous by and scotch, add a mental blank plus Total tabs in all three cities are far a third act hangover on the part of one or the other and climax it on a note of happy reconciliation and you have a farce comedy.

> That about sums up Gibney's notions grown neither his Yale All-American ing health slogans. His dizzy wife has nightmares evidently due to physical frustrations. She gives an anniversary party-and invites her old beaux. The beaux bring along an assortment of fem guests. One of them is a tipsy saloonhopper. Husband perforce sees the gal home to Fordham. Meanwhile, wife gets tight with a reticent explorer, who isn't so reticent when the grape is on him.

The third act question is-what happened? However, by that time nobody cares a damn-except the husband, and from what Gibney has given him to say, it seems as though he didn't care much either.

Apparently everything has been kept on a plane of propriety because the explorer discovers that he took his garters off before he arrived and didn't leave them scattered around the apartment, Just what this proves is a question, but It seems to satisfy the husband sum-

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ciently to rate a final clinch with his wife. How the whole matter satisfies the customers is somthing else again.

The coy, flimsy context of the script is reflected in the acting. The wife has been given a Holland Dutch background, perhaps to make more credible Grete Mosheim's Teutonic accent. Neither the latter nor its delivery helps much. Miss Mosheim makes with the head, eyes, hands and feet in the best Mittel-Europa tradition. She is acting every minute and up to the minute. Unfortunately, her efforts don't constitute an over-the-foots selling job. She substitutes coy mechanics for personality. William Post as the husband is called upon for little except to be adequately acceptable, which he is, and Louis Jean Heydt is momentarily amusing as the dead-pan explorer. The play's one outstanding bit is a second act scene or two from Jane Hoffman as tipsy gal from the Bronx. Latter registers a click and should be in demand for better slots. Eva Condon also rates a salute for making a stock maid far better than the script calls for.

Radio will likely give "Calico" no trouble. There is neither sufficient wit nor substance in it-even if the subject matter were adaptable to parter listening-to give it any airpull.

It would look as though Lester Meyer and Richard Myers have missed the boat, Calico has been given a good production -nice sets by Frederick Fox. Too bad that it's such a waste, The Gaylords will never see another anniversary.

Bob Francis (Closed Saturday (10). Printed for the record.)

## Single "Harriet" **Des Moines Smash**

DES MOINES, March 10 .- A new city record for a single dramatic performance was set at Shrine Auditorium here Tuesday (6), with over \$12,000 grossed by Helen Hayes in Harriet. The net take



#### Dramas Opened

229 (Mansfield)

Harry Wagstaff Gribble guested on the "Wishbone" program (WHN) March (3). John Tate was out of cast, same date, for mat. Alford Pierre subbed. Tate back in for evening performance, George Randol was featured on the merchant marine canteen program on Sunday (4), Cast gave benefit performance for Negro Actors' Guild same date. Rosetta Lenoire was taken ill on stage on Monday (5). Understudy Claire Leyba stepped in to finish show for her. Lenoire back on job on Tuesday (6). Producer John Wildberg has signed Bill Robinson for "Memphis Bound," modernized version of "Pinafore."

111 Bell for Adano, A ..... 12- 6, '44 (Cort)

Harold Stone out ill for special Sunday (4) performance. Guy Tano, recently returned Purple Heart G.L. winner, filled in for him.

Calico Wedding ..... 3- 7, '45 (National)

Closed Saturday (10).

Stem alsle-experts gave it a unanimous thumb-down for a zero score. No: Robert Coleman (Mirror), Louis Kronenberger (PM), Howard Barnes (Herald - Tribune), John Chapman (News), Wilella Waldorf (Post), Burton Rascoe (World-Telegram), Ward Morehouse (Sun), Lewis Nichols (Times, Robert Garland (Journal-American).

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Phyllis Povah was out for two performances on Tuesday (6) and Wednesday (7). Laura Walker filled in. Richard McCracken leaves troupe on Monday (12) for date with Uncle Sam. Michael Road will take over his chores.

Good Night Ladies ..... 1-17, '45 61 (Royale)

Ourrently posted as in "last weeks." Show will move into Shubert Theater, Boston, as of April 2. Will play there thru summer and under present plans will return to stem in September. Brown-out and curiew have juiced the move.

Opened Perfs.

Life With Father ..... 11- 8, '39 2347 (Empire) Serlin en route to Coast to confer

with Theodore Reeves on production and casting of "Out of Time." Also will inspect Coast troupe of "Life With Pather."

36 One-Man Show ..... 2- 8, '45 (Barrymore)

Closed Saturday (10).

Overtons, The ..... 2- 6, '45 39 (Booth)

Moves to Forrest on Sunday (11). Will play Sunday nights-no Monday performance-mats Wednesday and Saturday. "Two Mrs. Carrolls" sold out in advance for entire week of Buffalo and Rochester stands. Has booked Shubert for extra-seating capacity.

School For Brides ..... 8- 1, '44 256 (Ambassador)

Drusilla Deene eloped to Connecticut with Harvey (non-pro) Avedom on Thursday (8). She will stay with the Incidentally, according to show. drumbeater Zac Freedman, she is the fifth gal to step into matrimonial bonds since show's presm. Latter seem to think title of show has something to do with it.

158 (Biltmore)

Closes Saturday (10). Production is being kept intact. May do a summer tour-Chicago bound-if George Abbott approves when he comes back from West Coast in April, Jessie Royce Landis returned to cast on Tuesday (6). Mary Stephen has been subbing during former's slege with virus pneumonis.

Soldier's Wife ..... 10- 4, '44 183 (Golden)

Martha Scott air guests with Ethel Colby (WMCA) on Monday (12)

Tempest, The ..... 1-25, '45 52 (Alvin)

Cheryl Crawford underwent an operation on Tuesday (6) at Memorial Hospital.

Ten Little Indians ..... 6-27, '44 298 (Plymouth)

Voice of the Turile, The, 12- 3, '43 457 (Morosco)

Harvey Stephens took over Elliott Nugent role on Thursday (8). Latter will be out about two weeks while he readies up his new comedy.

#### Perfs. Opened

Recording of show made by hospital tech staff and will be broadcast thruout wards on Saturday (10). Why hasn't somebody thought of this before?

Lady Says Yes, A ..... 1-10, '45 60 (Broadhurst)

89 Laffing Room Only ..... 12-23, '44 (Winter Garden)

Ruth Mata and Eugene Havi have been out of show since Saturday (3) due to latter's hadly wrenched shoulder. Returned to duty on Friday (9). Meantime, comics Harry Burns and Charles Senna have been pinch-hitting in their spots. Burns-Senna routines. have been clicking so strong that Ole Olson and Chi Johnson have decided to give them a permanent spot. Virginia Barrett has been appointed understudy to Betty Garrett.

Mexican Hayride ..... 1-28, '44 470 (Majestic)

Everett West starts a series of Friday night song recitals at the Jewish Welfare Board Canteen on Friday (9).

862 Oklahoma! ..... 3-31, '43 (St. James)

Norman Mackaye replaced Murvyn Vye in "Judd" role on Monday (5). Latter leaves for slot in "Carousel." Mackaye may later join national company. Irwin Corey has replaced Marcel Dill in the overseas troupe-as of last Monday. Bargain Tuesday mats have been dropped for the present-reason: offshore company and shifting of personnel in N. Y. area. Jean Cast has been signed by Guild for "Carousel." She will have role previously allotted to Vivian Vance. Hub preem is now skedded for March 27.

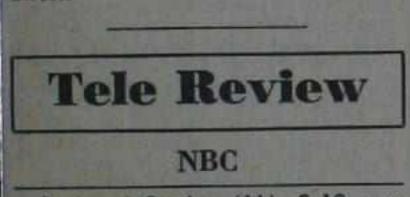
84 On the Town ...... 12-28, '44 (Adelphia)

108 Seven Lively Arts ..... 12- 7, '11 (Ziegfeld)

Tom Weatherly has left J. Walter Thompson org to halve drum-beating post for Billy Rose with Charlie Washburn. Rose currently skeds a threeweek run of "Carmen Jones" at the City Center, beginning on April 30, prior to its cross-country trek.

on the show was \$10,057, after tax deduction, according to Mrs. George F. Clark, auditorium manager. A total of 4,300 paid admission for the single performance, with the house seating capac-Ity listed at 4,200.

S. M. Handelsman, show's manager, claimed it was the largest single gross for a dramatic performance in the country. The previous record for Shrine Auditorium was a \$9,500 take by Miss Hayes in Victoria Regina and Katharine Cornell in The Barretts of Wimpole Street.



Reviewed Sunday (11) 8-10 p.m. Style-Newsreel, drama, dancing, musical, pic and fashion show. Sustaining over WNBT, New York.

This evening's two hours opened with a showing of official navy newsreels of the Iwo Jima invasion. The thrilling news drove home the present-day limitations of the iconoscope. Details just weren't there. However, there was a plus. NBC had Harry Hopkins' son, Lieut, David Hopkins, narrate the reels, and since he was in Iwo Jima at the landing it gave the presentation a swell sock punch.

Second and final episode of The Perject Alibi was as well done as the dirst, but it incked physical action. On the other hand, you can't put action where there isn't any and The Perject Alibi is actionless.

As usual, the camera work was effortless and at no time did the shots change just to have them change, a disease that's been noted all too often at other air pic showings.

Feature of the evening, of course, were the three dances set by Leonide Massine. Compliment NBC for not ceasing to do programs that require music just because Petrillo says no live music, They used disks for these three dances, for the most part effectively. First of Massine's creations was danced to Bach's Chaconne. It was tele static because, altho there was plenty of movement,

Harvey ..... 11- 1, '14 157 (48th Street)

Cast gives performance for Actors' Fund on Sunday (11).

Hasty Heart, The ..... 1- 3, '45 77 (Hudson)

Hope for the Best ..... 2- 1, '45 37 (Fulton)

Jane Wyatt air guested with Alma Dettinger (WQXR) on Friday (9). Franchot Tone dittos with Paula Stone (WOR) on Tuesday (13).

I Remember Mams.... 10-19, '14 167 (Music Box)

Jacobowsky and the 3-14, '44 418 Colonel (Martin Beck) Closed Saturday (10). Road trek opens in Baltimore on Monday (12).

837 Kiss and Tell ..... 3-17, '43 (Bijou) 129

Late George Apley, The, 11-21, '44 (Lyceum)

ing each other.

#### Musicals

Bloomer Girl ..... 10- 5, '44 181 (Shubert)

Ben Murphy has been out of cast as of Wednesday (7) with grippe. Jack Nagel has been filling in for him. Eleanor Jones left troupe on Monday (5) for tonsilectomy, Pamela Randall will replace her for the next two weeks. On her return, Miss Randall will take over slot of Toni Hart, who will leave to join her husband at that time.

Follow the Girls ..... 4- 8, '44 386 (44th St. Theater)

Gertrude Niesen out on Monday (5). Mildred Fenton subbed. Ernest Goodhart back in cast after month's layoff due to knee injury. Val Valintinoff, Frank Kreig, Dell Parker, Norman Lawrence, Ruth Mitchell and Arthur Randy to Mason General Hospital for G. E. show on Tuesday (6). Sing Out, Sweet Land... 12-27, '44 86 (International) Almo Kaye air-guested with Ethel Colby (WMCA) on Wednesday (7).

Song of Norway ..... 8-21, '44 234 (Imperial)

General Manager Gerald O'Connell left for West Coast on Thursday (8) on leave of absence. He will look after the affair of the L. A. and S. F. Civic Light Opera groups. Cast members are giving free afternoons to vending at "Friends of Norway" shop. Proceeds go to a free Norway.

Up In Central Park .... 1-27, '45 4.9 (Century)

Mike Todd back in town after fourweek trek to West Coast on Monday (5).

#### ICE SHOWS

Hats Off to Ice ..... 6-22, '41 358 (Center)

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BALLETS Ballet Russe De Monte., 2-20, '15 Carlo (City Center)

there seemed little sense of design. The cameramen went haywire trying to keep Katherine Lee, who danced it, always in the center of the frame. Thus there was dance movement and camera movement, often at the same time and often fight-

Second dance was beautifully done to the rhythm of The Blue Danube. The entire dance was done in silhouette. with lights, behind the scrim, in front of which Anna Istomina and Serge Ismalloff danced. Camera here didn't fight the movement and the flow of the two dancers was eye-holding.

Final dance, done to the music of Rimsky-Korsakoff's Antar, was a beautiful example of neo-classic acrobatics, with the Lee girl and Ivan Kirov going from one abstract design to another, with plenty of everything but handstands, and it appeared as tho one of those was coming up in a moment. The routine ended in a final dance abstraction. It was a swell way to chase away the average viewer.

Film, Alexandre Brallowsky playing one of the Valses, proved that some moving pictures have far worse camera handling than NBC's tele focusing. It smelled, and your reviewer likes Brailowsky.

Final NBC program was a Philadelphia Gimbel Bros.' fashion show. It had everything but showmanship. If it wasn't an off-the-cuff production, everyone con-

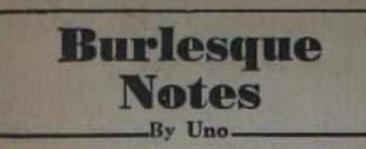
nected with it should be spanked. Bare
platform without models, models who
didn't know when to leave the camera,
and a Gimbel's exec who didn't know
what to do next, bitched this but good.
Fashion shows are a fine art, and while
this was better than Gimbel's first tele
trial at DuMont's WABD, it still was far

below NBC standards, Someone ought to tell Adelaide Hawley to get off that couch and stay off it. Abbott Kimball's Cecil Hackett and John Hugh are supposed to have produced this with NBC's Ernest Colling. The latter should stick to drama. He does a good job there. Joe Kochler.

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THELMA WHITE has been notified officially of the death of her husband, a pharmacist's mate, in action. . . . BOB COLLINS replaced Pat Daley in the Binder-Rosen unit at the Hudson, Union City, N. J., March 4. . . . ETHEL DEVOE celebrates a birthday March 21. . . HELEN LOVETT, Ryan and Benson, June March, Jeanne James and Mitch Todd comprise the stock principals at the Alvin, Minneapolis, for Harry Hirsh. . . . PATSY GILSON, former burly ace, is now Mrs. Alden Hagood, a resident of Flint, Mich., where Mr. Hagood has a key position in a war plant. . . . RUSTY from the camera on the door to the scene DARRO, strip tease, opened at the in the Walker's living room. Casino, Pittsburgh, March 4. . . . TOMMY (BOZO) SNYDER, in the USO unit, that, as the door swung open after the Puddle Jumpers, and Bobby Kuhen, another former burly and nitery comic, in was pictured with his back to the camera, his own-produced show, Laff Time, It would have been much better for him played for the 15th Corps of the 7th Army at the same time recently while unrealistic for a man to welcome guests overseas. Jake Garchime's 12-piece ork is with the Kuhen aggregation. . . . CORP. LOU DAIELL, from a transport bound for "destination unknown," tells of 3/Sgt, income tax, he could have welcomed the Tommy Monoghan, formerly of Philadelphia niteries, as being the foremost entertainer aboard. . . . HARRY KANE, former burly tenor, now with Uncle Sam my darn income tax." and then gone back overseas, has been made a corporal.

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consisted of nothing but Lindsay's hand in silhouette, moving to the tempo of the music.

Adrian Rodner, author of the Walkers drama, pulled plenty of video tricks out of his bag tonight. His opening shot was ruary 21: "Our company had a week's very effective. A camera panned in on a picture of a house and the walk leading to it. Then there was a dissolve to another camera focused on a large, life-size door. By transposing the titles, picked up by one camera on the picture of the door picked up by the other, good titling work giving cast and sponsor credit was done. By this time the first camera was refocused on a home scene, while the second (the third is used for slides) was left on the door. A man came up to the door, knocked on it, a voice said: "Welcome to the Walkers," and there was a dissolve

The only thing found wrong here was voice gave its welcome salutation, Walker to be facing the camera, for it appeared with his back turned to them. Even tho in the first scene Walker (Art Seltzer) was talking to his wife (Beverly Taylor) about audience and still started the show off right by merely saying a line like "Come in, my wife and I are trying to figure out to his wife and right into the show.

For the most, Rodner used excellent transition techniques. He used quick changes of scenes, with camera dissolves, for example, to and from the home of the Walkers and their friends, the Murphys (played by George Cisar and Fran Allen). But always he connected lines of thought. If at the Murphys, the talk was about income tax and there was a switch to the Walkers, the conversation was about the same subject. Rodner deserves a bow for his planning and writing of this show. So do its producer, Beulah Zachary, and camera handlers, Esther Rajewsky and Ray Stewart. While we're passing out bouquets we should include special praise for Helen Carson. She produced Voodoo a song, That's as Long as I'll Love You. Cy Wagner. Moon.



ACK GWYNNE writes from "Somewhere in China" under date of Feb-. rest in India, so I came over the Hump on my own as a crew member. Spending some time in the interior of China, up where it is rough. Did 15 shows in two and a half days and met a swell bunch of fellows. Will rejoin the show in India in a few days and when we finish there we are slated to play the Persian Gulf area on the way back. Will be here some months yet, however. Anne is fine and, as usual, is the life of the party. Our son, Bud, is back in England. He's a first lieutenant now." . . . GEORGE LOVETT and Company, mental turn formerly made up of Lovett and his wife, has been augmented to five people with the addition of the three Lovett daughters. Act is currently headlining at the Bowery, Detroit, after playing Ka-Cee's, Toledo. . . . JIMAE tops the floor layout at Club 509 in downdown Detroit.

. . . CARLOS MIRANDA, magish, and wife, Marianne, now engaged in war work in San Diego, Calif., keep their hand in by working an occasional club date in the area. . . . SIDNEY N. LE-VINE, Montreal pasteboard expert, has kept busy this winter entertaining at hospitals and orphanages in and around the Canadian metropolis. He will again have charge of Sunshine Camp for kiddies at St. Margarethe, Que., this summer. . . . G. RAY TERRELL, who opened February 26 at Hotel Statler, Detrolt, for a three-week stand, is set for like engagements at the Statler hotels in Washington and Boston, and then moves into the Park Plaza Hotel, Baltimore, for a fortnight's stay. . . . MIL-BOURNE CHRISTOPHER V-mails from Paris: "Many magicians working here, Carrington and DeRoze among them. Guy Bert still building illusions, and Mayette still supplying tricks. Dr. Dhotel is new president of the A. F. A. P. There is also a new pro club here, Syndicat National Des Illussionistes." HARRY OPEL, yet Toledo trixster, laid away his bag of nifties long enough recently to write the words and music to

#### Radio Cols. in Detroit (Continued from page 3)

affiliation with WWJ, which has not been effective during the years in which no space was devoted to radio, but the close circulation race among Detroit papers. The News was long comfortably in the lead with only one afternoon paper, the Hearst-controlled Times, as a competitor, but the race has been getting close and has resulted in the recognition of the value of radio interest on the part of readers in building circulation.

Further recognition of the value of radio directly in plugging paper sales was seen in the move of local papers to buy more radio time this week. With space tight at most stations, little additional time could be sold, but, typically, at CKLW, which has long had plenty of time bought by The Times, two additional newspaper sales were made this week-four spots a day for Friday, Saturday and Sunday for The News, and one daily spot for the Free Press, on a woman's program. Significantly, The Free Press wanted three spots if available.

#### TELE. PRODUCTIONS (Continued from page 10)

kids. There is no limit to what can be done with these presentations. In addition to the standard puppet plots that can be used, there is always the original story which a smart writer, familiar with the limitations of the medium, could concoct.

Desi Arnex appeared with his guitar, offering a trio of selections that came over nicely. Best of the selections was Babalu. He is top performer, who makes the viewer feel at case, and should contribute much to tele. His style is strictly informal, which is a great help in selling his numbers to the public.

Dean Owen.









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are expressed. When the legal routine is laid on so heavily that it permits little or no development of the ideas, the show fails in its purpose. Both sides had something to say in this pitch. Neither side had the opportunity of saying it.

It's still a great formula, one that ought to be just as swell without the visual side. This is a show that should be aired both with and without pix. Since CBS has an FM station, why not air the voice section of the Opinions on the FM station while it's being telecast? That should prove something, 1. c., that a show can be done for both ear and, or sight at the same time.

Third attraction on the bill was an intro to a USO-CSI troupe that has been touring the CBI (Chins, Burma, India) theater of war. The intro was terrific. It was well staged and the beat of the drum, as the narrator told his story of the six girls who had made the trip, was swell. Even the beginning of the girls' entertainment routine was swell, i. c., a jitterbug contest with G.I.'s and then it fell apart, ending up with the boys and girls looking over the girls' picture album. Ouch! It's bad video to build up to a letdown.

Then came two moom pix that were okay and then the final live shot, Ethel Colby visiting Bruno, of Hollywood, who told the video viewers what makes a good still picture and how it's shot. It did a swell commercial, if corny job, of selling Bruno, his profile, and his entourage that work with him getting a good picture-of stars and just ordinary people. CBS did a job of making you feel a shot was a still picture and then having it come to life. It was as commercial as hell . . . or is hell commercial.

Also on the bill was the first video spot announcement, a plug for war employment, It was well sold with a warpic and then a switch to a cartoon of a Who-Worries. Fast moving, taking the approximate time of a station break, it proved that the audience is not going to escape commercial spots on the video air . . . they're too effective.

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EARL MORGAN

ARRAL - Blanche (Mrs. George B. Wheeler), 80, opera and concert soprano, at Maple Lodge Sanitarium, Palisades Park, N. J., March 4. She sang at the Opera Comique in Paris and after a world tour came to the United States in 1908 and gave many concerts. Survived by her busband.

BEISMAN-Mrs. Zona K., 47, wife of Paul Beisman, manager of the American Theater, St. Louis, and general manager of the St. Louis Municipal Opera Assoclation, at her home in that city March 2 following a long illness. In addition to her husband, she is survived by three sons, two of whom are in the armed in Oak Grove Cemetery, St. Louis.

BLACK-George, 54, top-ranking vaude producer of England and controller of 32 London and provincial theaters, at his home in London March 4 after a long illness. Active in theatrical fields since he was 11 years old, he became the outstanding figure of vaude in Europe and is credited with reviving that form of entertainment after the theatrical slump of the early 1930s. With his father he Rochester, N. Y. Burial at Galveston, established the first permanent movie theater in England. In 1929 he disposed of his circuit of 11 movie houses in 72, American actress, at her home in the provinces and went to London as manager of General Theater Corporation. Later he was named managing director of the Moss Empire Theaters. These firms controlled the majority of the important vaude houses in London and thruout the British Isles. For several years Black also ran the Alhambra, the big-time vaude house in Paris. In ater, London, in 1933. addition to his interests in the vaude field, Black produced several of the most spectacular London revues and "crazy" shows. Two of his recent revues, Happy and Glorious and Strike It Again, are still running in London. Survived by his Save Me the Waltz, which opened at the widow, two sons and a daughter.

BOERS-Teddy, 48, acrobat, March 8 in St. Louis following a short illness. He was a member of the team of Boers Brothers, prominent midget acrobats, for many years in vaude and for 14 years featured by Carl J. Sedimayr on the Royal American Shows. They also ap-

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## THE FINAL CURTAIN

peared in several motion pictures. They came to this country from Europe 28 years ago with the Williams Midgets. Star. Survived by his brother Henry. Interment in Calvary Cemetery, St. Louis, March 10.

BOHN-Charles (Peanuts), comedian, recently following an operation in Army Hospital, Memphis, following an overseas tour with a USO unit. He had appeared in burlesque, vaude, night clubs and services. Services March 5, with burial legit. Survived by his widow and a brother.

> CANSDALE-Harry, 70, veteran character actor, following a heart attack March 8 in Chicago. Cansdale appeared with stock and repertoire companies for many years. Last 10 years he had devoted his time mainly to radio and had parts in many of the dramatic shows presented over Chicago stations. Survived by his widow, Ethel, Chicago, and a sister in Ind.

> DAVIS-Fay (Mrs. Gerald Lawrence). London February 26. She was with Charles Wyndham Sr.'s company in London in 1895 and played many Shakespearean roles during her career. She returned to America in 1902 and played for Charles Frohman at the Empire Theater, New York. Her last appearance on the stage was at the Winter Garden The-

> DAYTON - Katharine, 54, playwright and author, at her home in New York March 4. She was co-author with George S. Kaufman of the three-act comedy, First Lady, a 1935-'36 hit. She also wrote Martin Beck Theater, New York, in 1938. Survived by a sister and a brother.

> DELMAR-Fred, 62, at one time owner of Delmar's Lions, of a lingering heart ailment in Richmond February 28. He had been associated at one time with Clyde Beatty and also played fairs, vaude, circuses and carnivals with his cats. Survived by a brother and two sisters. In-

Georgia, Bougainville and Munda, where he was recommended for the Bronze

MERKEL-Mrs. Arno, 70, mother of actress Una Merkel, suddenly at her home in New York March 5. Interment in Highland Cemetery, Fort Mitchell, Ky., March 10.

ROMAKOFF-Vasily, 60, bass-baritone opera and concert singer, in Bellevue Hospital, New York; March 5. He came here from Russia in 1922 and was last heard in 1934 in the Art of Russia production of Khovansching. He was also seen in Boris Gudunoff, presented by the Cosmopolitan Opera Association, and in 1931 had given a solo recital in Carnegie Hall. No immediate survivors.

SANRICH-Mark R., 44, motion picture producer, suddenly at his home in Hollywood March 4. He had served as president of the Screen Writers' Guild. Sandrich left Columbia University to begin film work as a prop man. He soon rink operator. became an assistant director and in 1926 took over the direction of pictures himself. Later he specialized in full-length musicals. The first was Melody Cruise, an RKO production. He brought Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire together as a team, presenting them in The Gay Divorcee, Top Hat, Follow the Fleet, Shall We Dance and Carefree. He presented Jack Benny and Fred Allen in another "first," Love Thy Neighbor. His most recent film was Here Come the Waves. He leaves his widow and two sons, Mark Jr. and Henry. Services March 6, with interment in the Home of Peace Mauso-Ieum, Los Angeles.

SCHUL/TZ-Herman E., 66, musical director, composer and arranger, February 25 in Buffalo following several months' illness. He was best known for his 25year leadership of the old Shea's Court Street Theater, Buffalo, He composed and arranged for vaude acts during the Court Street Theater's heydey. He authored Butterfly Ballet used in the New York Hippodrome ice ballet, and Mon Jardin de Roses on Wurlitzer playerplano rolls. At 16 he was already featured cellist with the Buffalo Symphony and later played with the Rochester (N. Y.) Symphony. Survived by his widow, Carol. Services in Buffalo March 2 under auspices of Hugh de Payens

Commandery, with burial in Acacia Park there.

SINCLAIR-HILL-Wing Comdr. Gerald 48, film and play producer, who was in the Royal Air Force, in London recently. His play, 10-Minute Alibi, ran for two years in London.

TRILLING-Ilia, 49, noted composer of Yiddish musical comedies and ballads, at his home in New York March 3. His works included scores of Give Me Back My Heart; David and Esther, produced at the National Theater, New York, in 1937 and 1938; Goldele Dem Bekers, at the Second Avenue Theater, New York, and Children Without a Home and General Fishel Duvid, produced at the Hopkinson Theater, Brooklyn. Among his more popular songs are Only You, David and Esther; My Fiddle and With You Together. His last show was Who Is Guilty?, played during the 1944-'45 season at the Hopkinson Theater. Survived by his widow, a son, a daughter and a brother.

VAN DYKE-Pic. John, 19, killed in action in Belgium January 18 while serving with the infantry. He was the son of Melville Van Dyke, Buffalo Arena roller

WILLIS-Mrs. Emma Wendt. 88, wife of Charles H. Willis, founder of the Willis Music Company, Cincinnati, at her home in that city March 9. In addition to her husband, survived by a daughter, Mrs. Rupert Langdale. Interment in Evergreen Cemetery, Southgate, Ky.

WORTHINGTON-James Troy, 33, ride operator, accidentally killed February 8 in San Diego, Calif. He operated the Loop-o-Plane for Playland Amusement Company there and had the basket of the ride in the air while working underneath it when a sailor released the brake, causing the basket to strike Troy in the stomach. He died an hour later. He also had been with Bowen's Joyland Shows and other Western show organizations. Interment in Mount Hope Cemetery, San Diego.



#### Lucille La Verne

Lucille La Verne, 72, noted veteran stage and screen actress, died in Culver (Calif.) City Hospital March 4 after an illness of several months.

She became popular for her portrayal of Widow Cagle in the play Sun Up and made almost 3,000 performances of the role in this country and Europe. It opened in 1923 at the Provincetown (Mass.) Theater and two years later in London at the Vaudeville Theater, Miss La Verne later also did the motion picture wersion.

After traveling in stock companies since she was 14 years old. she was recognized in 1894 thru her acting of Corin in As You Like It in New York. Among the many plays she appeared in were Way Down East, The Dancing Girl, The Two Orphans, Camille; Frou, Frou: The Easterner, Seven Days, The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary, The House of Bondage, The Cinderella Man, Back Pay, On the Stairs, East of Suez, and Clarice, in which she made her London debut as Clancy at the Duke of York's Theater in September, 1905. Her performance as Clancy was later repeated in this country at the Garrick Theater, New York. She was last seen on Broadway in 1936 as Dr. Emma Koloich in Black Widow.

Other films in which she appeared, besides Sun Up, were Zaza, Orphans of the Storm, The : White Rose, Abraham Lincoln, Sinner's Holiday, Alias the Doctor, The Hours Between, The Unholy Garden, While Paris Sleeps, Union Depot. The Great Mendow, Hearts of Humanity, An American Tragedy and The Last Moment.

She gave command performances before the late King George V of England; Leopold, King of the Belgians, and Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany, Theaters were named after her in Los Angeles, Chicago, New York, London and Paris.

terment in Kansas City, Mo.

FOX-Gerald, 46, well-known carnival concessionaire and with American United Shows the past three years, March 2 in Los Angeles following a long illness. Survived by his widow, Daisy. Burial in Showmen's Rest, Evergreen Cemetery, Los Angeles, March 5, under direction of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association, of which he was a member.

GUNSKY-Maurice, 56, former wellknown stage and radio einger, March 3 in St. Francis Hospital, San Francisco. Survived by his widow and two sons. Services at Sinal Memorial Chapel, with Interment at Salem Memorial Park, San Francisco.

HOTCHENER-Mrs. Marie Russak, 77, soprano soloist, at her home in Hollywood March 4. She had appeared with Sousa's Band and the Boston Symphony, and sang 20 performances of Puccini's operas in Europe at which the composer conducted. She retired 40 years ago. Survived by her husband, Henry Hotchener, business manager for the late John Barrymore.

LANZA-Fred A., 65, musician, at his home in Grosse Pointe Park, Mich., March 3. He was formerly with the Al Green orchestra at the Temple Theater, Detroit, and the Eduard Werner orchestra at the Michigan Theater, Detroit. His widow and two children survive, Interment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Detroit.

LATHAM - John Francis, 70, former theatrical man and police chief of Port Jervis, N. Y., at his home in that city recently. He had been with Cotton Blossom Showboat and Primrose, Dockstader and other minstrels. He was a member of PBOE, Port Jervis. Interment in St. Mary's Cemetery there.

LESSINGER-Harry, 42, charter member of Michigan Showmon's Association. member Showmen's League of America, former general agent World of Pleasure Shows and formerly for several years with Hudson Fireworks Company of Ohio, at Deaconess Hospital, Detroit, March .4. Survived by his widow and 14-year-old twins, Helena and Richard. Services March 6, with interment at Britton Road Cemetery, Rochester, N. Y.

MacGREGOR-C. Perim, 57, former London grand opera singer, February 26 at Flint, Mich.

MacLEAN-T/5 R. E. Leroy, 36, former musician and actor, in action at Luzon. He had been active in Actors' Equity and was seen in The Great Waltz and many Gilbert and Sullivan productions, He saw action at Guadalcanal, New

#### **George Henry Payne**

George Henry Payne, 68, former Federal Communications Commission official, newspaperman, author, politician and lecturer, died at the home of his daughter in Hollis, Queens, New York, March 3.

He became a member of the FCC in 1934 and held that position for nine year, until July, 1943. He often did not agree with he decisions of the board and many of his suggestions for the control of radio were attacked by the industry. In 1943 he led an unsuccessful fight in the commission to grant WNYC, the city's station, longer operating hours. After leaving the FCC, he became vice-president and director of the Finch Tele-Communications Company, New York, which position he held at the time of his death.

As a journalist, he worked for The Long Branch, Long Branch, N. J., in 1893, The Gothamite in 1895 and in 1896 he became associate editor of the old Criterion Magazine. In 1903 he joined The New York Evening Telegram as drama and music critic, where he worked for four years.

Among the books he wrote were A Great Part and Other Stories of the Stage, The Fourth Estate and Radio, The History of the Child. in Human Progress, England-Her Treatment of America and The Birth of the New Party. He also had written a one-act comedy and a short play. He lectured on radio and journalism at Cooper Union and at Harvard.

Survived by his daughter and two grandchildren. Services held. at Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York.

DUNN-RUSH-James H. Dunn, film actor, to Edna Rush, radio singer, in Philadelphia March 7.

MCELDOWNEY-MARTIN - Sam McEldowney, nonpro, to Nancy Martin, radio singer, in New Martinsville, W. Va., March 20.

SKELTON-DAVIS-Pvt. Red Skelton. movie and radio comedian, to Georgia Davis, screen actress, in Hollywood March 9.

TERRELL-COURTNEY-Sgt. James A. Terrell, musician, to Audrae Courtney, dancer, at U. S. Naval Chapel (St. Francis Xavier) Camp Lejeune, N. C., February 22.

## Births

A son, Richard, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Page in Sydney, Australia, December 25. Father is with Page and Nono, tightwire act, on the Tivoli Circuit in Australia.

A son, Peter Newton, to Glenn Ford, actor, and Eleanor Powell, dancer-pic star, in Hollywood February 5.

A son, Burton, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Spivak at St. Francis Hospital, Hartford, Conn., January 26. Father is manager of Music Box Theater, New Britain, Conn.

A girl to Mr. and Mrs. Hymie Schreiber at Menorah Hospital, Kansas City, Mo., February 14. Schreiber is owner of Schreiber Merchandise Company, Kansas City.

A daughter, Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Mabry February 7 at Lying-In Hospital, Philadelphia. Father is announcer of Station WIBG, that city.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gange in Hartford, Conn., February 14. Father is manager of Decca Records Hartford branch.

Twin sons to Mr. and Mrs. Jess Barker in St. John's Hospital, Santa Monica, Calif., February 19. Mother is Susan Hayward, motion picture actress, and father is screen actor.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Andrews in St. John's Hospital, Santa Monica, Calif., February 19. Mother is Irene Coleman, screen actress, and father a scenario writer.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Concello February 16 at Sarazota, Fla. Father is owner of Russell Bros.' Circus and he and Mrs. Concello were formerly feature aerialists with the Ringling show.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Prudden, of the Bunting Shows, January 1.

# Three Majors Set for Opening

## **Krekos** First **On West Coast**

North American Expo Pensacola Premier March 18; -Hennies in Birmingham

CHICAGO, March 10. - Three major carnivals are set to open the season within the next eight days, with Mike Kreko's West Coast Victory Shows setting the pace with a March 14 bow at Emeryville, Calif.

J. C. McCaffery, general agent, arrived in Chicago from the South today with the announcement that Hennies Bros." Shows will open Saturday (16) for a month stand at Birmingham. The road tour will open April 16, at a location to be announced later.

Third of the majors set is the new North American Exposition, owned and operated by Pete Kortes and Mel H. Vaught, Its premier will be made March 18 on the Pensacola show grounds, Cervanics and O Streets.

#### **Krekos** in Modified Preem

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10 .- With a large crew working under supervision of Virgil Latiker, Swede Wilson and Edward Kemp, Mike Krekos' Shows is ready to open Wednesday (14) at Emeryville, Calif, on a restricted scale, due to limited space on a small lot. The grand (See THREE MAJORS SET on page 57)



CARNIVALS

Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago L Ill.

F. E. GOODING (left), past president of the Showmen's League of America, presents a set of resolutions commending The Billboard for its meritorious service for the benefit of show business in general at the SLA's recent "Salute To The Billboard" in Chicago. Bill Sachs, of The Billboard's Cincinnati office, accepts the plaque.

### **Dodson Employees Boost Hour Sked**

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 10 .---Winter quarters working hours were longthened last week after a meeting between President M. G. Dodson and employees. It was unanimously agreed to work longer hours in order to have all secretary-treasurer; Ben Ethier, ride forefeatures ready for the opening.

Holman Changes Royal Title to Sunshine for '45

TAMPA, March 10 .- Sam Holman has announced that he will discard the Royal Shows title and come out this season with his old title, Sunshine Shows, and with a considerably enlarged layout.

Line-up includes Mary Lee Holman, man; Dorothy Ethler, popcorn; Clarence,

## **ACA Delegates** At Safety Talk

March 17, 1945

ROCHESTER, N. Y., March 10 .- American Carnivals' Association has been invited to send a representative to participate in discussions now being conducted by the American Standards Assoclation at the request of the Building Officials' Conference of America and the National Fire Protection Association relative to a proposed code relating to the requirements for grandstands, tents and places of outdoor assembly, it was disclosed here today by Max Cohen, ACA counsel.

A meeting of the committee is scheduled for Tuesday, March 20, in New York, and Cohen indicated that he plans to attend the meeting in behalf of the ACA, accompanied by one or more ACA members, so that an adequate background of information may be submitted.

#### Green Books 'Red' Spots For Greater Rainbow Org

DES MOINES, March 10 .- Joe Green, general agent, has returned to the Greater Rainbow Shows quarters here with contracts for a string of still dates. and celebrations that have always been "red" ones, including Leon, Washington and Tama in Iowa, His fairs include Oskaloosa, Northwood, Osage, Hampton, Webster City, Sac City and Audubon, all in Iowa.

R. L. (Peanuta) Sinderson is general manager of the show, with Frank Ward, secretary-treasurer. Rides include a Merry-Go-Round, Big Ell, Chair-o-Plane, Tilt-a-Whirl and two kiddle rides



ITALY, March 10,-Prospects for the outdoor amusement season, aside from those activities maintained and sponscred by the American or British forces, do not appear particularly bright due to the lack of power and fuel for civilian mage. However, the majority of showmen in the liberated territory are planning a schedule of limited operations.

Owners of carnival and circus equipment have, wherever possible secured locations in the larger cities, usually in park areas. Swings and Merry-Go-Rounds, which would be limited to the kiddle patronage in the States, are doing a land-office business, with the power source being no problem as they are worked on a treadmill principle.

Shooting galleries, penny pitches and hall games are numerous and appear to be doing a healthy business. The same technique of operation that brings resuits in the States is used here, the on a alightly cruder scale. American soldiers are usually the leading patrons of the shooting galleries, with the troops of other nations running a close second. Civilian patronage is more partial to the pitch boards.

#### **Oscar Buck Starts Planning** At Troy, N. Y. Quarters

TROY, N. Y., March 10, - Oscar C. Buck has arrived in quarters here after an extended business and pleasure trip south, and is mapping plans for the coming season.

Also on hand are Mr. and Mrs. Luke Seifker, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Coffee and Mr. and Mrs. Toby Enceland. Show opening is tentatively set for April 20.

In addition to Buck as general manager, the staff includes Lon Ramsdell, assistant manager; J. L. Quinn, general agent; Richard Tolman, secretary; Mrs. Buck, treasurer, and Roy F. Peugh, ad-VADCO.

Charles Noller, of Arabian Nights, has been pinch-hitting in decoration of the shows' fronts, assisted by Jimmy Murry and Scotty Floyd, Jess Richards, foreman, has begun work on the Merry-Go-Round, assisted by Henry Grant, Mrs. Hapel Day, wife of the late Eimer Day, corn. game operator, is supervising the adjustment of her properties and the disposal of her house trailer. She plans to return to Philadelphia and remain off the road. Property has been purchased by Dodson and will be operated by Mrs. Nellie Golden.

Tex Craford, of the Monkey Villa, announced that 39 monkeys, two chimpanrees and four ponies will be used in a officer in the Royal Canadian Air Porce. 1er, prominent side show, girl show and 45-minute performance.

has Preston Taylor, Joe Eldrige, John Bedingfield and Art Detwiler in his dopartment, while Buck Talbott will be an- the Bluenose Shows before changing to aistant to him and to Henry (Fats) the family name. Some equipment is McCaulley, Diesel engineer. Carl and Lois in storage and plans are said to be Hansen, secretary and assistant, have under way for the building of new shows arranged their season's auditing system. and concessions.

Jimmie and Nellie Thrall, bingo; Billy Nelson, painter and rides; Bill Nelson Jr., P. C. and Eva Nelson, rides; Minnie and Clarence Nelson, tickets; Pearl Rogers, cat rack; Doris Rogers, bashetball; Ted Rogers, lot man; Virgil and Ty Lewiston has added two new attrac-Irene Nihiser, photos,

#### **Elliott Family May Rebuild** Show Destroyed By Vandals

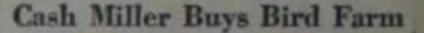
AMHERST, N. S., March 10,-Elliott Shows destroyed three years ago by a vandalistic attack by Canadian soldiers, may hit the road again this season, according to Frank Elliott Jr., a flying who is home on furlough after having Jess Warren, supervisor of motor power, been reported missing in an invasion sortis.

Frank Elliott Sr., formerly operated



### Lewiston Adds Two Features

WILKES BARRE, Pa., March 10 .- Hartions to his World's Pair Preaks, M. Laurelo, the "man with the revolving head," and Junior Stiles, Lobster Boy. Laurelo. also will work his trained dog and cat. Show has reported good business in Pennsylvania, and will soon head for Ohio, Indiana and Illinois dates.



KENDALL, Fla., March 10 .- Cash Milwild life manager, has purchased the Rare Bird Farm, formerly known as the Fingler Tropical Gardens, on Highway No. 1, 11 miles south of Miami, Mac B. (Doc) Rutherford will be resident manager.

Jones Gets LaPorte, Muncie

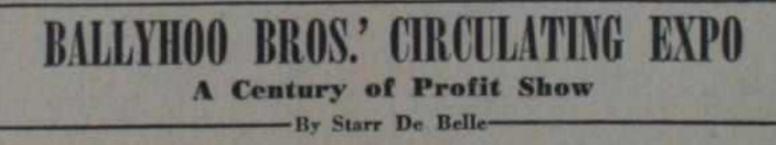
AUGUSTA, Ga., March 10 .- Officials of the Johnny J. Jones Exposition announce that midway contracts for the LaPorte County (Ind.) Fair, and Greater Muncle (Ind.) Pair have been awarded to the Jones organization for this fall's annuals. Both fairs represent third consecutive engagements for the Jones

#### Seeking James C. Oliver

CINCINNATI, March 10 .- James C. Ollver is asked to communicate immediately with Marjorie Oliver at Cambridge, In a wire to The Billboard here, Wednesday (28), Miss Oliver Informed that Harold died of a heart attack there. Monday (26). Funeral was held there Friday (2). Oliver was formerly with the

#### A. M. P. Shows Enlarge

PHOENIXVILLE, Pa., March 10 .- A. M. P. Shows will take the road this sessou with more equipment, carrying 7 rides, 5 shows and 35 concessions. Manager A. M. (Juggy) Podsobinski and John P. (Ducky) Miller have recently purchased a Tilt-a-Whirl. Mrs. Podsobinski has been released from a hospital after a long lliness,



Swamp Root, La. March 10, 1945.

Dear Editor:

Some try to boost their stock in trade as being real showmen because they were born in the business. Why one has to be born in a dressing room and cradled in a trunk tray to be recognized as a real showman is beyond me. This shows' competitors, Abigail and Matilda Drawhead, co-owners of the Drawhead Sisters' Cultured Carnival, circulated a rumor. among fair officials that our general agent, Lem Trucklow, was born a towner, with no show-family background. To further belittle our agent, the opposition goasiped that the only show experience the father of our agent, Lem Sr., had was cleaning circus lots on the day foltown, and lighting incense pots for a local palmist.

ment to give the full details of his agent's (See BALLYHOO BROS. on page 57)

family background. The big boss even show, went so far as to have Lem Sr. come to quarters and prepare for another season's tour with special billing as "The Dean of All Midwayites." We believe that he is the oldest active midway showman. Now 90 years old, he looks and dresses the part of a showman, with a snakeskin tie, which is hidden behind a 32-inch beard, and a snakeskin belt and hatband.

Trucklow Sr. broke into the biz in 1875. He was the first man to operate a sex show at street and county fairs. The Endy Bros. Shows. show was titled Adam and Eve. It comprised a prop tree, an apple and a snake, The show ballyed with 10 girls. Two of them were the Drawhead Sisters. He claims that he was the first talker to use the lines: "No one under 18 or over 80 lowing the show's appearance in his home years of age admitted. Because if you are under 18 you wouldn't understand it and over 80 you couldn't stand It." In order to kill such gossip, Manager Years later a front builder bought a copy Pete Ballyhoo advised his press depart- of the opening and sold it with wagon

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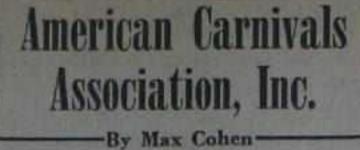
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ROCHESTER, N. Y., March 10.—Past President James E. Strates and Messra. Barnes and Smith, of the Valley Shows, were recent visitors.

Existing curfew regulations specifically apply to carnivals as well as other forms of amusements.

Personnel memberships for 1945 are now available, and Saul Salsberg, of James E. Strates Shows, has filed numerous applications for members affiliated with the Miami Showmen's Club.

The Public Relations Fund received \$15 from Peppers' All-State Shows.

Information received from Washington indicates that the labor situation is to be more severe than anticipated. However, present indications are that men aged 38 and upwards will be relatively free from pressure to change positions. Declarations of estimated tax returns for 1945 must be filed not later than March 15. This requirement relates to every one in the industry who expects to receive in excess of \$100 of income outside of wage sources from which taxes are withheld or income not subject to withholding tax if it is expected to amount to \$500 or more.

#### Franklin Joins Goodman

LITTLE ROCK, March 10. - C. W. (Chick) Franklin announced today that he has assumed the duties as press agent with the Goodman Wonder Shows. He was with the org in 1939 and '40.





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#### MARCHING?

BOB POLLOCK and Mike Roman are dressing up their newly acquired arcade in Miami. . . . SGT. VICTOR STARK. until recently a prisoner in Germany, visited Ray Balzer in Milwaukee, last week, . . . NED TORTI blew 50 wheels on the Maxie Shapiro-Juste Fontaine fight and warns that the price of merchandise is about to be upped.

NEWS: This winter found the midway smart-money boys with money.

PFC.HOWARD J. WHITE, APO 15, care Postmaster, New York, is anxious to get in touch with Bill Rogers, of Rogers the John R. Ward shows, ..., MR. AND J. BURKE last season secretary of the Greater Shows. . . CORP. J. P. BUT-LER JR., wants his friends to know that he is feeling great despite 28 months of H. Marks Shows. service overseas. . . , MRS, MARGARET POWELL has returned to Orange, Tex., after attending the radio debut of her 5-year-old nephew Sonny Queen, on Station KMOX, St. Louis,

MIDWAY PATRONS wish the old lead galleries would come back, because whereever one aimed a bell rang.

MR. AND MRS. J. C. WEER arrived last week in Miami, where they recently



work with Walter Steinfeldt's concessions on the Mound City Shows.

PUTTING TOGETHER parts of different rides that were scattered around the barns wound up wealthy. last fall is like trying to work a jig-saw puzzle.

ported missing in action and his mother nounce his new connection shortly. . . . is seeking the whereabouts of his broth- HARRY L. AND NELS P. MADISON have er, Robert, known as Ray, the Pony Boy, booked their rides, frozen custard and ... CORP, PATRICK G. TEMPLETON, other concessions with Moore's Modern former trainmaster, has been assigned to Midway. . . . FIDLER UNITED SHOWS the air depot group at Tinker Field, Okla. was the first to inaugurate the season ... PAUL BROWNE is in Jackson, Miss., in St. Louis, opening last Tuesday (7) to join Dude Brewer's concessions with at 14th and Branch streets. . . . HARRY MRS. JIMMY CONNORS have arrived at J. C. Weer Shows, arrived in Baton the Richmond, Va., quarters of the John Rouge, La., last week to join the John

AFTER LISTENING to a group of knockers a manager cracked: "There are two ways to improve midways. First is to get better managers, second is to give 'em better showfolks to work with."

JACK E. MOORE, owner of Moore's Midway Shows, was in St. Louis last week on a buying mission. In a visit to The Billboard office he advised that he had purchased the neon front entrance and three light towers from the Al Baysinger Shows. . . . HARRY AND LUCILLE MARTIN and Mr. and Mrs. Frenchy Le Deoux, concessionaires, passed thru St. Louis last week en route to Little Rock quarters of the Wonder Shows of America. . . MR. AND, MRS. R. W. STEPHENS left St. Louis last week, also headed for Wonder Shows' quarters.



IN DISPATCHES for Canadian Navy honors is Ralph A. Conrad, Halifax, N. S., brother-in-law of William P. Lynch, owner of the Lynch Shows. Conrad is a commissioned engineer in the Canadian Naval Reserve on active sea duty.

MONEY ISN'T EVERYTHING in midway biz. The manager who struggles for years without ever making a dollar is considered just as good a showman as the one who

FRED MEYERS, last season general agent of the Al Baysinger Shows, is in DUDLEY HUDDLESTON has been re- St, Louis visiting friends. He will an-R. Ward Shows, where he will be in the office wagon.

> RAIN STARTED falling on a small show on opening day and continued for weeks. "Does yo all think deah's a jinx on this yeah midway?," asked a newcomer on the minstrel show of an old-timer on the trick. "Naw," was the reply, "it's jest the 'ol equalizer ketching up with de boss befo' the Fourth."

MRS. JOHN R. WARD recently entertained Billy and David Logsdon at Baton Rouge La. . . . PFC. WILLIAM G. ANDERSON, son of Doc and Mrs. M. S. Anderson, is convalescing in an English hospital. His address is APO 68, care Postmaster, New York. . . . JOHNNY



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JOE S. SCHOLIBO, selected by Peter Kortes and Mel H. Vaught, owners and operators of the North American Exposition, as business manager of their new outdoor amusement enterprise opening in Pensacola, Fla., March 18.

purchased a home. Weer, last season co-owner of the J. C. Weer Shows, has sold his interest to Dave Endy and has no plans for the current year. . . C. E. (SLIM) JOHNSON, of Midwest Merchandise Company, Kansas City, Mo., is in Tucson, Ariz, where he will rest for two months, ... FRED OWENS will aid with office-owned concessions on the B. & H. Shows.

REASON A CARNIVAL OWNER gave for sitting in one place all summer was: "I wouldn't do any better where I was going than where I am."

MILWAUKEE NOTES: Albert Fitchette is prepping his concessions. . . . FRED WALTERS is operating a restaurant in town. . . . KARIUS BROTHERS are war plant workers. . . . CRIP WINNINGER has a cigar store here. ... RED SWAN-NERD is visiting in St. Louis. . . SWEDE CHRISTENSON and George Fed have their Wild Life exhibit on Third Street. . . . RED MERCY and Jim Russell are operating a local night club. . . . JOE HENKE is on sheet here with Charles McBride.

way shows seem educational, we have yet to see a line of university deans in front of of work accomplished." He was probably them.

MRS. WILLIAM (SNAKY) GREEN, of Stephens Shows, has been informed that her son, William McNeese, is in a hosthe trapped 101st Division in Germany. ... DAVID L. CLEARY, known as Highpockets, former talker for Doc Wilson on Sol's Liberty Shows, was recently commissioned a captain on the Western Front. . . . WOODROW ARNOLD will for the fourth season. . . . MENTIONED 30 Fessenden St., Mt. Clemens, Mich.



TEC/5c SIDNEY DAIELL writes that he was a bit homesick when he read The Billboard at the USO on Oahu, Hawaiian Islands, recently. Before entering the service he operated the Ro-Lo game at Coney Island, N. Y. His wife, Mildred, is carrying on in his absence.

PAUL EBERSOLE has contracted the Manson (Ia.) Fair for his shows and rides. ... ROY PATTERSON, general agent for Dobson United Shows, and Joe Green, general agent for Greater Rainbow Shows, were visitors in Des Moines. . . SOPHIA CARLOS is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. James K. Howey, former troupers, at their ranch home in Riverside, Calif. ... PINKY PEPPER is with Louis-Louise Logsdon's Scration on the Lone Star Shows. . . . DOC COMB (Shorty Stevens) is asked to communicate immediately with his home, as his father is seriously 111.

WE ALWAYS like press agents' copy that DESPITE a 25-year crusade to make mid- reads: "Upon Owner So-and-So's arrival in quarters, he was surprised at the amount surprised that they were working.

E. RAY ADAMS, electrician, is working in the navy yard at Bremerton, Wash., for the duration. ... AFTER 10 pital in England after having been with MONTHS of European service, S/Sgt. James Hurney, with the F. E. Gooding organization for 10 years, is on furlough in Pittsburgh. . . GEORGE AND BER-NICE PETERSON have booked their photo gallery on the Gold Medal Shows

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#### CARNIVALS 37

AND JANET WUETHERICK have left Hot Springs to join the Great Sutton Shows at Osceola, Ark. . . , GEORGE SHARP, George Madden, Harold Booth ind Charles Horner are confined to Vetrans' Hospital, Batavia, N. Y. . . WILLIE J. BERNARD has signed to manage Fred B. Perkins's Girl Show on the Continental Shows midway. . . . HARRY MARKSON is resting at F. S. Reed's Hotel Stanley, Petersburg, Va., waiting the Cetlin & Wilson opening.

JAMES CASHMAN, Las Vegas, Nev., Is in Los Angeles booking attractions for the annual Heldorado Celebration. . . . MABEL AND EDDIE BROWN, Los Anreles, are vacationing at Palm Springs, Callf. . . . DWIGHT J. BAZINET, Minneapolis, recently was discharged from the army and will not troupe because of physical disability. . . MR. AND MRS. FRED MILLER and Mr. and Mrs. Curley Hilton and daughter, Mary Jane, have closed with the Blue Bonnet Shows and are in Fort Worth, readying their equipment for a season with the Alamo Shows. . . VI AND AL PETHA, scales and age. and Jack and Virginia Barnes, photos, report a successful winter with the Blue Bonnet Shows, ... LOUIS G. KING joins the Lawrence Greater Shows at Sanford, N. C., March 18 as special agent. Show opens at Fayetteville, N. C., April 2. Catries 8 rides, 6 shows, 35 concessions and a free act.

AL BAYSINGER, who sold all of his ides and most of his show equipment, will book a string of concessions with he Wonder Shows of America, Mr. and Mrs. Baysinger are at present at their home in Poplar Bluff, Mo., and will leave about April 1 for Little Rock, quarters of the Goodman Shows. . . . RALPH W. STEPHENS, Danville, Ill., will operate the cookhouse on the Bunting Shows, going back on the road after operating restaurant in Danville for several years.





WHEN DODSON'S World's Fair Shows played Ashtabula, O., in 1937, Paul J. Osborne (left) struck up a friendship with Kenneth P. Walker, a local citizen. Their next meeting was in Germany and now they are buddles in the same company. Osborne plans to return to show business after the war, while Walker intends to return to business life in Ashtabula.

. . , ROY T. AND FERN DUFFY, who spent the winter in New Orleans, have booked their concessions with the Wallace Bros.' Shows. . . . ALTON PIERSON. concession operator on the Royal American Shows, spent several days in St. Louis on a buying mission. He has returned to Largo, Fla., quarters. . . JOHN J. ROTH arrived in St. Louis from quarters of Cavalcade of Amusements in Tulsa, Okia. He will visit relatives and friends for two weeks, then return to Tulsa to prepare for the opening of Al Wagner's show. . . . EDDIE AND OLLIE CLARK, en route to Muskogee, Okla., to join the World of Today Shows, stopped over in Dallas last week to visit Mr, and Mrs. Denny Pugh. . . . MRS. INEZ GRIF-FITH is visiting friends in Dallas. Her husband, "Pee-Wee," is stationed in Tyler, Tex. . . E. P. (RED) AND CLYDE JAMES are in Dallas on business. . . MYRTLE POTTER'S daughter and sonin-law, Seaman and Mrs. Rosenberg, of New Orleans, are visiting Mrs. Potter.

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North American Shows Pensacola, Florida

QUAKER CITY NOTES-Since the curfew law, the lobby of Hotel Senator is packed with showfolk from midnight on. . . EDWARD K. JOHNSON, Russell Harms and Judy O'Dell will leave March 24 to join Cetlin & Wilson at Petersburg, VR. . . LOUIS AND RAY KANE will hit the road again with grab concessions. . . . MATTHEW J. (SQUIRE) RILEY has finished a business trip to New York and New Jersey. . . . EMIL MOSKOVITZ enjoyed Savannah, Ga., and Miami for four weeks ... GEORGE AND ANN IN-GRAM will have a string of concessions on a unit playing near Philadelphia. . . . EDWARD K JOHNSON says there are plenty around Philly who want a show club, and he lists Harry Kleban, George A. Ingram, Ben Wells, Louis Weinstein, Sam Tassel, George Dover, Louis J. Kane, Herman Jacobson, Hugh Tinney, Ben Swartz, Jules Laibow, C. Carlisle, Spike Howard, Steve Graham, Dave Lodge, "Popcorn" Speaker, Jerry Gerard, Joe Baker, Walter Tyeski, Dick Gildsdorf, Emil Moskovitz, Simon Krause, Fuhrman Wells, Joe Sherman, Louis Hall, Joseph De Leo, Johnny Somers, Herbert Eugene Dixon, Eddie Crowell, Matthew J. Riley. Frank Ingram, Morris Black, Morris Fisher, Harvey Kennedy, Moss Brothers, Lloyd Peterson, Leo Riley, Murry Frinlander, Jerry Betoff, Danny De Foe, Joey Gallagher, Dave Lambaise, Basiel Goglia, Joe Goglia, Willie Riley, Joey Liss, Russell Charles Harms, Andrue Mahalio, Himey Liss, Walter Miller, Lew Assner, Harry Katz, Whitey Loftis, Morris Hannan, Harry Crowell, Dave Gillian, Billie Owens, Harry Phyare, Johnny Keller, Dave Eay. Charley Ross, Sam Appelbaum, Vazaile Goldey, Louis Cohen, Joe Goldey, Dave Lavadio, James Atwell, Mike Zlegler, Joe. Welsh, Irving Sherman, Harry Zenger, Tke Wallace, Willie Kim, Sammy, Harris, Marthan Mechanic, Max Gruberg, Albert G. Newton, Sylvester A. Kerr, Tommey Carson, William Royal, Norman Shapiro, Sam Burdorf, George Donahue, Clarence Church, Rodger DeWire, Claude Sechrest, Sol Kane, Sam Green, Frank Ryan, John Kelley, Benny Welch, James Sears, Jimmie O'Conner, Robert Robinson, Harry Boston, Bobbie Briggs and Harry Anderson.



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### Showmen's League America of

#### Sherman Hotel, Chicago

CHICAGO, March 10. - Annual Red Cross drive was opened with a \$2,000 donation by the club, and contributions acknowledged were Miami Showmen's Association, \$100; John W. Chapman, \$100; Sam J. Levy, \$50; Al Latto, \$25; Neiman Eisman, \$10; John Gallagan, \$10, and Atwell Luncheon Club. \$80, with a pledge of not less than \$200.

Notice was served on members that the curfew law will be rigidly enforced in the clubrooms. Bob Parker, Ways and Means chairman, was present to formulate plans, and it was announced a full report will be made next Thursday on the Mustering Out Fund.

Joe Archer was hit by an auto Sunday (4) and is in American Hospital. The sick list includes Norman Thorne, E. W. Weaver, H. H. McClellan, Louis Rosen, William J. Coultry and Larry Lawrence.

Bernle Wolf, new member, was introduced, and responses were made by Art Briese, back from Florida; Bill Naylor, from the East, and James Dewey, of Mills Bros,' Circus, Visitors included Corporals W. R. Childers and R. Lovensheimer and Sgt. G. A. Manning. Letters were read from Carl Berg, Johnny J. Jones Jr., and Harry Smiley from overseas.

M. J. Doolan presided, with G. L. Wright, Joe Streibich, Ed Hock and Sam Levy at the table.

#### Ladies' Auxiliary

Annual card and bunco party is scheduled for April 13 at Sherman Hotel. President Ann Doolan will name the committee at the next meeting.

fund at the American Hospital was ac- 11:30 p.m. A big entertainment program knowledged and a cash donation was re- is planned. Steve Fimlin was elected to ceived from Ida E. Cohen. Letters were membership. Harry Moore is reported read from Mrs. Ken Warfield, Miami ill. Past President John Francis pre-Club; Goldie Fisher, Gene Bernard, Pa- sided, with Euby L. Cobb and Leo C. a frequent visitor. (See SLA on page 46)

M. G. Dodson, Pres. Curtis L. Bockus, Gen. Repres. W. B. Starr, Legal Adjuster

Lone Star Show Women's Club

The Billboard

CLUB ACTIVITIES

#### 19281/2 Elm, Dallas, Tex.

DALLAS, March 10 .- President Helen Rees and the membership accepted, with regret, the resignation of Secretary-Treasurer Lenore Hogan, which was submitted on account of her illness. Myrtle Potter accepted the duties for the balance of the year.

honor of Ruth Martone, while in Dallas, was a luncheon by Mrs. Louise Hickman at her country home and a Valentine luncheon by Aline Morency.

donation was received from Louis Sarasota, where his crew is putting (Bisckey) Ringol, San Antonio,

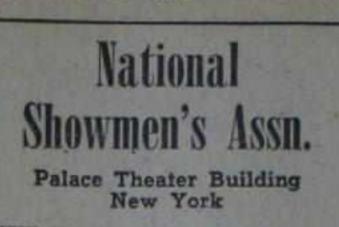
Mrs. Louis Ringol, Jean Spencer and Rheba Gilbert were elected to membership,



#### Maryland Hotel, St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, March 10, - Cards have been mailed to the membership heralding the March 14 social session, which The club's check for \$500 for the linen will start at 4 p.m. and continue until Lang at the table.

> A. C. Bradley, Ass't Mgr. John J. Cousins, Adv. Car Mgr.



NEW YORK, March 10 .- At the request of ex-President Oscar C. Buck, his testimonial dinner has been postponed until November. . . . Assistant Treasurer Jack Perry, who is also the chairman of the membership drive committee, has Among the entertainments given in contacted upwards of 50 managers of amusement enterprises and has the assurance that each will assist Jack in making this year's drive the best ever. . . . Frank Miller, concession manager Guests knitted for the Red Cross. A for the Ringling show, has returned from things in shape for the coming season. . . . Frank Ware, former lunch-room manager of the club, dropped in to say that he would have a big girly show with one of the major carnivals. . . . Sam Rothstein, who has been vacationing in Miami, has returned. Sam is the chairman of the entertainment committee.

> William G. (Slim) Dieckmann was a visitor. . . Vice-President Jimmy Strates has returned to quarters in Mullins, S. C. . . . Sad news-Wife of Sam Soloman (not the SLA prexy) passed on after a short illness. . . . Max Tubis and Jane McKee, daughter of Secretary McKee, are married. Max will handle the program on the Russell show. . . , William Glick, who now operates a hotel in Baltimore, visited. . . . Harvey (Doc) Cann, general agent, and Gerald Snellens, contracting agent, are holding down the World of Mirth office in Rockefeller Plaza. . . . Joe Hughes is

Jack Greenspoon is back from Miami. . . . Nathan House, who recently had a lower limb amputated, has an artificial one and is getting on well. . . . Frank Schillizi has had another throat operation at Veterans' Hospital in the Bronx. ... Lou Aarons had a serious operation and is slowly recovering. . . . Lieut. Charles (Doc) Morris is on furlough from officers training camp, Bainbridge, Ga. ... Corp. John L. Leonard in from Aberdeen, Md., for reassignment, as was Sgt. Ben Snapp. . . . Corp. Bernard Herman, son of Ben Herman, who has been in the armed forces since before Pearl Harbor, is now stationed at Fort Bragg. N. C. . . Sailor Ralph Ross, after two years in New Guinea, is back home. . . . Pvt. Anthony Baress, transferred from infantry to air force, is at Kessler Field, M155.

#### March 17, 1945

### **Pacific Coast** Showmen's Assn.

#### 6231/2 South Grand Ave., at Wilshire Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- Nearly 150 members attended the regular Monday night meeting presided over by Hunter Farmer in the absence of Roy Ludington, president. Also on the rostrum were Joe Mettler, vice-president, who came up from Mission Beach, Calif.; Bill Hobday, vice-prexy; Ted Lefors, secretary, and John Backman, treasurer.

Robert Machette and David Michaels were accepted for membership. Letters from Mike Krekos, of the West Coast Victory Shows, were read. Harry Rawlings reported that War Bonds donated by Jerry Jackson and Joe Mettler had been added to the building fund. Speaking for the sick and relief committee, James Gallagher and James Dunn reported that Doc McCullough, official PCSA greeter, was out of danger and had been discharged from the hospital. Fred Zipkin is ill; Sam Comas continues to improve.

Next Monday night (12), the Ladies' Auxiliary will hold its party in the clubrooms. Edith Walpert, Margaret Farmer and Betty Coe were granted time during the PCSA session to make a pitch for the event.

Ed Kennedy and Harry Rawlings conducted the drawings.

#### Ladies' Auxiliary

President Marie Tait presided at the meeting March 5 and it was announced that a number of the ladies would be leaving soon for the opening of the West Coast shows, among them being Past Presidents Edith Walpert and Margaret Farmer.

Jack Hughes, a Red Cross worker, and Mrs. Howard spoke. They were informed that the club's donation would be \$100. Sis Dyer, ill for a week, carried away a prize, while the prizes donated by Edith Bullock and Florence Lusby were won by Margaret Farmer and Edith Walpert.



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#### Ladies' Auxiliary

At special meeting March 6, a unit was organized to be known as "Rehabilitation USO Work and Hospital Gift Suggestions for Servicemen and Women," with Dorothy Pactkman in charge. Meetings are set for Monday nights and Wednesday afternoons, where instructions will be given in knitting, crocheting and sewing for the boys and girls in hospitals.

7, featured a musical arranged by the hostesses, Bess, Dolores and Magnolia Hamid. Appearing were Rubinoff and his violin, and the Metropolitan choir, Proceeds go to the Bess Hamid Sunshine Fund which also will provide for the third, a group of prizes. new USO project.

The next card party will be April 14, with President Edna Lasures, Treasurer Ruth Gottlieb, and Secretary Flora Elk, høstesses.

#### Maryland Hotel St. Louis

**Missouri** Show

ST. LOUIS, March 10 .- President Gertrude Lang called the business meeting to order March I, assisted by Mildred Laird, secretary; Norma Lang, treasurer, and Dorothy Williams, sergeant at arms. Donation of \$10 was sent to the Red Cross. A box of bath powder was won by Mrs. Alvin Arnold. Several members are leaving in the next few days for their respective shows.



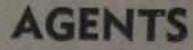
LOS ANOELES, March 10 .- On the rostrum were President Joe Krug; Vice-Presidents Martha Levin and Jennie Reigel; Harry Levin, treasurer, and Marle Balley, secretary. Josephine Foley donated \$63 for the new hot-water heater. Letters from Nancy Oaks, Prof, Donald V. Lewis and Annie M. Reed were read.

The sick and relief committee made a report on the passing of Edward Kanthe, of Portland, Ore. Mrs. Jimmy Dunn attended the meeting after a long rest. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Zeiger spent their last evening at the club, as they are bound for Colorado. Mrs. Zeiger donated \$4 to the refreshment committee and said she would do a lot of fancy needlework on The Hamid "Sisters" party, held March the emblem for a large table piece, which will have the names of club donors.

There are three major prizes for the "Rodent Bags" contest: first-\$50 in jeweiry, donated by Harry Levin; second, a War Bond donated by Joe Erug, and

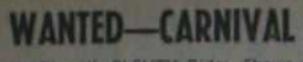


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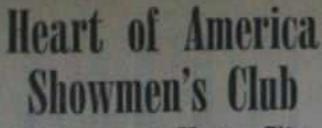
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#### Coates House, Kansas City

EANSAS CITY, Mo., March 10 .- Owner of the Adler Building, on West 10th Street, across from the clubrooms, gave definite terms and possible revenue to be derived if the club buys his building for a new home. It was voted to leave the matter with Chester I. Levin and his made quilt to aid in raising funds at building committee. Levin reported that a number of pledges have been received.

Harry Altshuler's Red Cross talk resulted in \$300 subscribed. L. K. Carter reported that his sister is improving. Vice-President Clay J. Weber, Secretary G. C. McGinnis and Treasurer Altshuler were on the rostrum.

#### Ladies' Auxiliary

Social night, February 27, with a dinner held in Trianon Boom of Hotel Muchlebach to celebrate 25th anniversary. Above the speakers' table was an array of flags of the Allied Nations and the table was banked with flowers from our men's club; Clara and Doc Zeiger; Peggy Reynolds; Stats, the Florist; the Caravans, and 10 past presidents,

At the speakers' table were Peggy Reynolds, president; Jess Nathan, Billie Grimes and Trinie Clark, vice-presidents; Loretta Ryan, secretary; Hattie Howk, treasurer; Ruth Martone, corresponding secretary; Louise Parker, club mother; May Wilson, chaplain, and Viola Fairly, mistress of cerembnics. At the past presidents' table were Juanita Strassburg, Margaret Honey, Myrtle Duncan, Ruth Ann Levine and Gertrude Allen.

An accordionist entertained thruout the dinner, and Lorelei Hugo sang a solo, Viola Fairly read congratulatory messages from Hattle Wagner, Lucille Mc-Shea, Showmen's League Auxiliary, Lone Star Show Women's Club, Caravans and Honey Vaughan.

Out-of-town members present were Juanita Strassburg, Toledo; Irene Lachman, Lake Charles, La.; Viola Fairly; Independence, Kan.; Boots Marr, Lin-Peggy Reynolds; Kate Signor; Juanita coln, Neb.; Mrs. Willett, Harrisonville, Hunter, Muskogee, Okla.; Edith Buton, Mo.



#### 156 Temple Avenue, Detroit

DETROIT, March 10 .- John Gallagher, co-chairman of the St. Patrick's Day party, announced that proceeds will be used to buy a \$50 War Bond for every Made in 30 sets of 100 cards each. Played in 3 member in the armed forces. Mrs. Her-member in the armed forces. Mrs. Her-weight cards. Per set of 100 cards, tally card, bert Pence has donated a \$200 hand-calling markers, \$3.50. member in the armed forces. Mrs. Herbert Pence has donated a \$200 handthis party.

Vice-President Ben Moss paid a \$6 fine for being absent six weeks and praised the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association for hospitality on his West Coast trip. Members mourned the sudden passing Members mourned the sudden passing of Harry Lessinger, a charter member. March 4. On the rostrum at this meeting were President Jack Dickstein, Past President Solo State And State and the thin the state of the sta

President Jack Dickstein, Past President Harry Stahl, Vice-Presidents Moss and Harry Wish, Treasurer Louis Rosenthal, Executive Secretary Bernhard Robbins, and Secretary Arthur J. Frayne.



daughter. Hattle Wagner has left for a visit in Sarasota. President Betty Endy praised her committees for the spiendid work accomplished in the org's first year.

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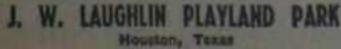
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Legion Victory Fiesta Success at Montgomery

MONTGOMERY, Ala., March 10 .- Victory Plesta, staged in the Auditorium here February 12-18 under the auspices of Montgomery Post No. 2, American Legion, was a financial success.

and Paul Curtis, assisted by Elizabeth alcade of stars under auspices of the Dis-Finn.

Thearle-Duffield's Bombing **Of Berlin Scores at Tampa** TAMPA, March 10 .- Thearle-Duffield's fireworks spec, Bombing of Berlin, presented at Phillip's Field February 28 under auspices of Hatton-Gillette Post. Veterans of Foreign Wars, drew more than 5,000 people under ideal weather conditions.

Nat D. Rogers handled the promotion, can Legion.

or 10 pr more, \$45.00 each.

with Barney Walker, Walter DuPont and Jimmle Van Cise, all of Chicago, handling the technical end.

#### Talbot, Crowder Present **Cavalcade at South Bend**

CHICAGO, March 10. - Hugh Talbot Promotion was handled by Al S. Cole and George Crowder will present a cavabled American Veterans in Wood High School Auditorium, South Bend, Ind., March 23-25, with matinees the 24 and 25. The Great Gregoresco will be featured.

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EAST MOLINE, III., March 10 .- Don Sweet's Entertainment Service has been awarded the contract to supply circus and thrill acts for the annual July 4 stadium show sponsored by the Ameri-

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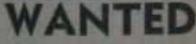
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new, \$200.00. LARCE ROOT BEER BARREL, \$50.00. LARCE FANCY ORANGEADE

**OF COLUMBUS 24th ANNUAL BARBECUE** 

The Billboard 40

### Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill. INDOOR GATES STILL SOCKO **Blizzard Helps Control** Weather Fails **Opening at Minneapolis**

CIRCUSES

Van Tilburg's offering promises to shatter all-time records for attendance, gross and turnaways-see 100G take-49,000 watch first five performances .

MINNEAPOLIS, March 10 .- The 27th annual Zuhrah Temple Shrine Circus in Minneapolis Auditorium, which opened Monday matinee (5) and closes after three performances today, was on the way to establishing three all-time records: attendance, gross and turnaways. The attendance, as of the Wednesday matinee show, according to Joe Ste. Marie, general chairman, pushed 49,000, with each of the five

shows produced by that date drawing even more than the preceding preperformance day. With the attendance running the way it has been, the gross gate was expected to exceed \$100,000 as compared to \$90,000 a year ago. And for the Wednesday matinee show alone, 1,500 school kids had to be turned away, along with several hundred on Monday and Tuesday. At the Wednesday matinee, upwards of 1,000 kids, were standing, as reserved seats, general admissions and blues were jam-packed full, even on the large audi- Paris recently by the Medrano Circus in torium stage. Mild blizzard Monday

Capacity seating for the circus is 8,700 seats. The night reserved section numbers 2,700, selling at \$1.60 each. Matinee reserves are reduced to 950 seats. General admission is 80 cents, with kids in for 40 cents except those coming in thru the Shrine's tie-up with the schools in Minnespolis. School kids get in for 35 cents.

#### Show's Nut 50G

### **Medrano Thrills** G.I.'s in Paris

CHICAGO, March 10 .- Sgt. Gordon E. Gladue, former outdoor showman now serving with the army in France, in a communication to The Billboard tells of witnessing an excellent performance in a permanent building, with plush seats afternoon helped seating situation some. and good lighting. Gladue says he was the guest of Nino Fabl, the show's principal clown. A number of the circus performers, Gladue says, were rescued from prison camps when Paris was liberated.

Gladue writes that it was quite humorous to watch the talking clowns working among the G.I.'s in the stands. Albert Carre, he says, presented a good Liberty horse act and was the matinee Idol.

Gladue, was in miniature size and listed the following acts: Gasti, juggler; Les Andreor, illusionist; Carre's Liberty Horses; Nini and Mimile, clowns; Golden, cyclist; Misten and Junior, musical act; Mircilly's, aerialist; Trio Rexy; Albert Carre; Pipo and Rhum, acrobats; Les Deux Ellys, ladders, and Recordier Et. Loriot.



this week, is completing his 15th season with Bob Morton, and May 19 opens with his Madison Square Garden Band at Olympic Park, Irvington, N. J., for his 32d consecutive season. His proud boast is that he has never had a signed contract either with Morton or the management of Olympic Park.



NEW YORK, March 12 .- While the banner tackers have been in action for a The official program, sent along by week, Ringling Bros, and Barnum & Bailey billers, under the direction of F. A. (Babe) Boudinot, assistant general agent, will swarm over New York's streets today to herald the coming of the "Big One" to Madison Square Garden April 4. The date was officially announced Friday (9) in the first of the general news releases mailed from quarters at Sarasota and was given an adequate play in all big-town dailies. Due to an unprecedented rush of requests by mail for opening-night War Bond reservation, the mail order office was opened today in the Garden, pre-dating the customary opening by three weeks.

# To Crimp H-M

March 17, 1945

Variety of acts pleases crix on "Kansas City Star"-Polack success in Chi

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 10 .- Opening here in inclement weather Tuesday (6), the Hamid-Morton Circus, under auspices of the Police Benefit Association, opened to a half-capacity, 6,000, in Municipal Auditorium, but garnered an excellent review from the critical Kansas City Star.

The varied program drew praise from the critics and acts especially mentioned where Miss Victory, shot from a cannon; Alfred Court's Wild Animals, the Berosinis, Emil Pallenberg's Bears, the Yacopls and the Flying Valentines,

A new record for attendance at the Auditorium was established Thursday afternoon when 12,500 cash tickets were admitted to the building for the matinee, with several hundreds being turned away. Twenty-five hundred extra chairs. were placed on the floor, all space right up to the ring curbs being utilized.

newspapers, radio, streetcar and bus cards, as well as a strong billing.

Circus scored with a fine publicity break when Robinson's Elephants pushed a Public Service Company bus that was snarled in a snowdrift.

Total show nut will be \$50,000, more by \$17,000 than in the past, due to the 20 per cent amusement tax of which the Shrine will pay 10 per cent, or \$8,000, Ste. Marie said. To take care of the large kid audiences a special Saturday morning matinee was staged today.

Noel Van Tilburg, Zuhrah Noble and circus producer and director since 1937. again is in charge, ably assisted by Mrs. Edna Dee Curtis, equestrian director; Harry Thomas, announcer; Izzy Cervone, band director; Whitey Wilbur, boss property man; Clarence Marine, assistant boss; Larry (Fat) Arnold, concessions.

Because the streetcar company, which furnished transportation for school kids attending circus, cannot get trolley lineup any later, matinee performances have been shaved to two hours and 15 minutes. Opening day matinee met time schedule

(See VAN TILBURG on page 42)

### **Memphis Shrine Gross Tops 76G**

MEMPHIS, March 10 .- Final audit of the Hamid-Morton Circus for Al Chymia Temple here disclosed that the gross recelpts were \$76,421.50, or more than \$11,000 more than was previously estimated by Bob Morton.

The exact gross on membership tickets, promotion sales tickets, advertising, banners, block ticket sales and box-office sales was \$72,621.50, according to Vernon L. McReavy, who handled the promotion. The Shrine brought in an additional gross of \$3,800 from program sales. Total attendance was 48,831, comprised of 18.174 children and 35,656 adults. Net profit to the Temple was more than double the amount derived from the 1944 circus.

The Shrine Circus executive committee comprised Wray Williams, potentate and general chairman; Dr. Charles C. King and Jack Britten, executive vicechairmen; W. B. Smith, vice-chairman; J. F. Ramier, secretary-treasurer, and George Klepper, chairman of the auditing committee. W. A. Woodmansee, recorder, was not active for the first time in years because of illness.

#### More Ringling Pay-Offs

HARTFORD, Conn., March 10 .- Board of Arbitration, which is handling death and injury claims stemming from the Ringling circus fire, Monday (5) made awards totaling \$156,100 to the estates of 20 victims of the disaster. This brought the total of death cases passed upon to 103.

Bey Kelley, general press representative, is in town, while Frank Braden and Allen Lester, story men, and Frank Mor-(See R-B BALLY STARTS on page 56)

#### Polack Closes Strong

CHICAGO, March 10 .- With capacity audiences assured for today and Sunday, the closing, Polack Bros.' Circus will show an increase of about 30 per cent over receipts for 1944 for Medinah Shrine Temple, according to Mickey Blue and Louis Stern, show officials.

Show opened March 1 with a sellout preview to Radar and Allied Radio Industries, and a heavy business over the first week-end. Attendance slumped in the early days of the second week, but picked up to four-fifths of a house (alightly under 4,500 capacity) Thursday, Friday matinee and night were near (See H-M, Polack Click on page 42)

#### Jack Mills Shops for Paper; Trek Begins in Youngstown

CINCINNATT, March 10 .- Jack Mills, one of the owners of Mills Bros,' Circus, and James Dewey, general agent, spent Thursday (8) with Harry Anderson, of the Enquirer Show Print here, making arrangements for a special line of paper. Show opens at Rayenwood Auditorium,

Youngstown, O., week of April 16, auspices Junior Chamber of Commerce, to be followed by dates under canvas.

#### Hartford Cancels Annual Shrine Event-Fire Reason?

HARTFORD, Conn., March 10. - Sixteenth annual Sphinx Temple Shrine Circus, due for the State Armory here April 9, has been canceled, according to Jeoffry O. Phillips, general chairman.

The nationwide curfew, transportation difficulties and the labor shortage have been listed as reasons for the cancellation, but insiders say the disastrous Ringling fire and the current circus Connecticut entertainment seekers.

#### Dailey Bros.' Band Line-Up

GONZALES, Tex., March 10, - Under the direction of Joe Rossi, Dailey Bros." band line-up will comprise Tommie Osborn, cornet; Joe Pamilio and Wilfred Simpson, clarinets; Fred Mascoe and Owen C. Boggs, trombones; Louie Mittendorf, baritone; Elmer Peterson, sousaphone; Louis Grabs, calliope; Sam Barhams, drums, and Doris Welter, vocalist,

### Sunbrock Sans Name, Bounces Back With New 'Super-Dooper'

LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- In true Larry Sunbrock style of radio air, peppered with spot announcements, streetcar and bus cards, 24 and 6-sheets, the promoter makes his 1945 debut here Sunday (11) with his rodeo and thrill circus featuring the Fall of Tokyo. Sunbrock is boring with a big augur and aiming to jam the Collseum that seats nearly 105,000 people.

While Sunbrock's touch is evident in all the publicity, there is one thing that is conspicuous by its absence. It is Sunbrock's name. The show's paper carries no line, except the word "colossal," to indicate that Sunbrock is connected with the event.

The Fall of Tokyo is being given the play. It will be, Sunbrock said, a simulated war between ex-servicemen dressed as Yanks and Japs.

Other events, shadowed by the spotlighted turn, include 962 performers and grand-entry people. Many of the acts are from Arthur Bros.' Circus and include, in part, Jorgen M. Christlansen and his horses, Cheerful Gardner's elephants, Johnny Gibson's Hollywood Sky Ballet, Skylight Revue, Art Larue and 16 clowns: Bud Decker, the Hollywood daredevil, and including tax.

Lucky Burke. Also to appear are the Jumping Jacks, trampoline; Billy Hammond and his horse, Peanuts; Roman charlot and steeplechase races between the Art Hudkins and Fat Jones stables; Chief Many Treatles; Chief Yowcachie, grand opera singer, and over 200 entrants for the rodeo events.

Stuart Hamblem and his KFWB cowboy entertainers, Coon Hunters' Band, and Charlie Post and his 31-piece band will furnish additional entertainment.

Sunbrock said that \$35,000 would be spent for the afternoon's show. Of this, \$20,000 has been spent for advertising, with \$10,000 going for radio. A total of \$9,500 has been posted with the City of trials are too fresh in the minds of Los Angeles.

Sunbrock would not name his angel, but said that the show was being given by the Sonny "S" Corporation, and named Henry Dottenheim as president; Mort Briskin, manager, secretary and treasurer, and Marion Pope, vice-president. Assisting with publicity, Sunbrock said, is Cliff McDougall, Mel Morrison has the program concession. Joe Bren is handling the bookings,

Seat prices will run from \$1.25 to \$2.50

#### 41 CIRCUSES

### With the Circus Fans -By The Ringmaster OFA

President Secretary THOMAS M. GREGORY W. M. BUCKINGHAM 12039 Edgewater Drive P. O. Box\*4 Lakewood 7. O. Gales Ferry. Count. (Conducted by WALTER HOHENADEL, Editor "The White Tops." care Hohenadel Printing Company, Rochelle. IIL.)

An eventful two weeks for national President Tom Gregory and Mrs. Gregory came to an end with the closing of the Cleveland Grotto Circus. They visited almost every day, and entertained Col. and Mrs. Harry Thomas, Florence Tennyson, Ethel and Freddle Freeman, Corinne and Bert Dearo and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Browning, of Louisville,

CFA Bill Stanton, Adrian, Mich., was in Madison, Wis., visiting CFA's S. O. Braathen, Don Leicht and Robert C. Zimmerman.

Helen Bonfils, Denver, has joined the CFA. Her father was a member of Tammen and Bonfils organization which owned the Selis-Floto Circus.

Doc and Mrs. Staples, New Haven, Conn., are spending a vacation in St. Petersburg, Fla. They plan to visit Elsie and Paul Jung, of the Big One, (See WITH THE FANS on page 56)



CHICAGO, March 10 .- Sunny Bernet, old-time vaude comic and lately a salesman for the Globe Poster Corporation and a hillbilly and rodeo announcer, will leave here Saturday (17) for Los Angeles where he will open March 24 with Cronin Bros.' Circus as announcer and manager of the Cal and Ruth Thompson White-Horse Troupe. Outfit includes 20 horses and 15 riders, majority of whom are juveniles. This will be Bernet's first venture into the circus field.

Show will feature LaTosca on the bounding rope. Other acts include the Hanneford-Smith riding act, featuring Mark Smith and Poodles Hanneford, and Smith's 16 Liberty horses. Kenneth Waite will arrange clown routines. Five elephants will be handled by Lawrence Davis.

Forrest E. Freeland is handling the publicity and designed the paper and advertising. Gronin Bros. will use a special line of paper in addition to other media. Cronin, Russell **Billers Glaring?** 

LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- As billers for the Russell Bros.' Pan-Pacific Circus and Cronin Bros.' Circus start boiling their paste for the gigantic job of letting Los Angeles and environs known about their respective openings, Cronin at Washington and Hill streets lot March 24, and Russell in Pan-Pacific Auditorium March 29, old-time circus fans are wondering if they are going to get in on an old-time billing war.

Reports say that S. L. Cronin has tied. up all spots controlled by the Callan-Kennedy snipe plant, which assures his show of a top showing, while Francis Kitzman, biller boss for Russell, counters with "There are still lots of other good hits."

Anyway, the circus fans are excited.

### Vern Williams To **Guide Arthur Bros.; Portland Date Set**

LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- Vern Williams, manager of No. 1 Car for Cole Bros. last year, will be general agent and traffic manager for Arthur Bros.' rallroad show this year,

Harry Hendricks, formerly of the California State Highway Police, has been named legal adjuster, with Kokomo Anders, assistant legal adjuster.

There is also a report that Ken Maynard, movie cowboy, has been contracted to feature and that the show will move on 15 cars.

Chuck O'Connor infos from Portland, Ore, that the show has been licensed to play the 12th Street lot there May 30 thru June 24.

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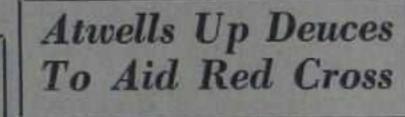
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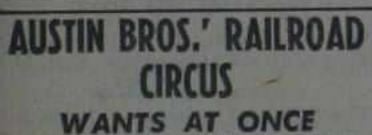
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CHICAGO, March 10 .- G. L. (Mike) Wright, Chief Dinger for the Atwell Luncheon Club which meets daily except Sunday at the Hotel Sherman, is dinging his best these days, as the org's annual Red Cross War Fund Drive is in full swing.

All members, as they appear at the luncheon table, are nicked for \$2, and those out-of-town are requested to send in their checks, money orders or two iron men.

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GLENN (PINNSY) DAVIS, last season with the Cincinnati Clowns baseball team, has contracted as producing clown for Bradley & Benson Circus.

FROM ALL INDICATIONS this year's crop of First-of-May's will be the December kind.

tenant and a life member of the Cleveland Mounted Patrol during the Grotto Circus, and is now superintendent of Circus there.

world to a dyed-in-the-wool trouper is the vieve Gurath, of Oshkosh, Wis,, visited sight of circus cars covered with snow.

MRS. GEORGE DAVIS was in Chicago last week visiting her husband, George, with Polack Bros.' Circus. . . . ROBERT C. (BOB) ZIMMERMAN, CFA, was a visitor at the Atwell Luncheon Club and Polack Circus in Chi last week.

TO THE CANVASMAN who just blew into quarters, nothing smells more appetizing than the aroma of bacon frying in the cookhouse.

JACK LINDELL, recuperating from flu contracted while training his horses, Flicker and Thunderhead, is the guest of Dan and Josephine Mears at Sunland, Calif. . . . STANLEY F. DAWSON cards to Chuck O'Connor at Portland, Ore., that he is enjoying excellent health in Mexico City. . . SGT. GORDON E. GLADUE pens a "hello" from Paris to Whitey Harris and Mickey McDonald.

ALMOST ANY seasoned trouper would vote to open the show a month too carly regardless of hardships and weather, provided they are not owners.

BYBON GOSH recently enjoyed visits with "Hi-Brown" Bobby Burns, circus P. J. RINGENS visited in Chicago en agent; Roy Bible and Charles LaBird in Georgia, and says he was impressed with the effective management of Scalo Bros." Circus, . . MILT HERRIOTT, horse trainer, will be with the Cole show this year. . . . AL DENNIS, who will manage concessions on the Clyde Beatty Circus for Jacobs Bros., was a visitor at The Billboard's Chicago office last week.

> WE OFTEN DOUBT a towner who tells us that his great grandfather traveled with a circus as an advance forerunnur and tent atretcher.

DR. AND MRS. O. C. SCHLACK are in WILLIAM HEYER was made a lieu- Sarasota visiting the Ringling quarters. He formerly trouped with Gorman Bros." Oak Forest Infirmary, Chicago. . . MR. AND MRS. JOHN HEIDL and daughter, MOST DISMAL-LOOKING thing in the Barbara Lee; Beatrice Heidl and Genethe Hamid-Morton Circus in Milwaukee. . . . VAN GRAY, thrill circus and rodeo promoter, is breaking new ring stock at (See Under the Marquee on page 56)





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### Wells, River Rouge, **Holds Spring Event**

RIVER ROUGE, Mich., March 10 .---Wells Rink here held its Carnival of Spring under the ARSA auspices February 23, with capacity attendance reported by Andrew C. Fisher, Runelda Perry directed the show and designed most of the costumes. Elish Pagany designed and painted the accnery. Leonard LaJeunesse was at the Hammond organ.

A hoop number by 12 girls opened the first half. Robin, former ice skater, had a special number. Virginia Swartz and Hazel Gonia did a double that combined free style and dancing. Chuck Kains presented a tango, while Earl Roberts did some unorthodox footwork. Youngstera presented the Viennese Waltz and a quick-step.

Judy and Kathy Olde, three and five years old, respectively, skated a waltz, with the former also doing a free style to Don't Fence Me In. Comedy theme was in the Skates of Yesteryear number. in which Loretta Ruchle had the role of a teacher, with Beverly Reddy, Dick Blowers and Austin Sibley as pupils,

Second part opened with a salute to the armed forces, with special organ selections, A rive-girl group offered the Mexican Hand-Clapping Song. Cecil Robin and Austin Sibley skated the Rum Boogie, and Beverly Reddy and Dick Blowers danced the tango. Jerry Stefaniak and Douglas Milne skated pairs numbers in special time, with thrills for the spectators in their lifts and spins. Orville Mendis skated free syle in spins and jumps, with a flag twirl for a finish. Betty Barron and Florence Mendel, rink floor girls, had a comedy number. Show closed with the line in a military precision number,

#### **Toledo Contests March 29**

TOLEDO, March 10 .- Rollercade, converted to a rink from an loehouse last June, will stage its first amateur championship March 29. It is an RSROA spot and owned and operated by Jack 'Dalton, Clarence Reynolds, D. J. Reynolds and Gus Schiefelbein. Recent special show, with 65 participants, brought in revenue for the Infantile Paralysis Fund and atare being held for all divisions in dance, coming contests.

Mondays, but matinees are held Saturdays and Sundays.

Opie, ARSA national novice champion, in practice work at White Plains (N. Y.) Rink.

HELEN ALLEVO, who has been skating at Conrose's Rink, Hartford, Conn., for more than four years, joins the pro ranks and leaves for New York for a stage career with the Three Tops, skating act.

### Van Tilburg May Hit 100G Take Minneapolis In

#### (Continued from page 40)

only after Van Tilburg cut three acts. Tuesday these acts went back into show after others were trimmed to permit full presentation. Time remains the same and kids are on the street within seconds after 3:15 p.m.

Evening show was clocked to run two hours and a half after initial night performance took an extra 10 minutes. Again act time was shaved to meet schedule. Starting time is 8 p.m.

Following half-hour concert by Zuhrah Temple Band, directed by Al Rudd, circus got under way with tournament, parade of stars of the sawdust ring, escorted by Shrine's marching units.

#### Program

The program: 1 .- LaSalle Duo and Chick Yale, rocking tables. 2 .- Aerial Ballet with Miss Corrine, Bert Dearo, Mrs. Paul Nelson, Miss Carter, Miss Lewis and the Aerial Mathicus. 3 .- Eddle Polo. in his rocket slide by the hair. 4 .- Dick Clemens and lions. 5 .- Aerial Ortons, high pole. 6 .- Tommy and Kay, rolobolo, and Rica and Otto, tidbits of fun. 7.-Harold Voise and company, aerial bars. 8 .- Clowns. 9 .- Sonny Moore and Company, dogs and ponies; Cole Bros.' ponies and the Lindemanns' dogs and ponies. 10 .- Eva May, the girl who keeps you guessing. 11 .-- Donahue and LaSalle, barrels; Wright Duo, balance; Andy and tracted good newspaper space. Tryouts Beverly, bars. 12 .- Capt. William Hoyer and Starless Night, 13 .- Clowns, 14 .pairs, figure and speed classes for the Hermine's Lilliputians' Circus, including Louis Vasek, Alois Sapek, Mimi Krish, George Ruff, Peppi Krisch, Elizabeth TWIN CITY ARENA, Elizabeth, N. J., Zollner, Fred Karollus, William Haasz, Fred Soucek, Maria Gazanno and Theresa Robblica, 15,-Cole Bros.' elephants, trained and presented by William Wood-CHAMPIONSHIPS at Mineola (L. I., cock, preceded by American Red Cross drive appeal, 16 .- Larry Griswold, trampoline, 17,-Con Colleano, tight wire. 18 .- George Hanneford Family, featuring Little Kay, 19 .- Andy Bakalar and clowns' version of human cannonball. 20 .- Gretona Brothers, high wire, 21 .--Jim Wong Troupe, acrobatics, 22 .- Beeswax, taximeter mule with Moore Brothers. and clowns, 23 .- Cole Bros.' Cremoline Clowns. 25,-Flying Harolds, trapeze re- or write

#### H-M, POLACK CLICKS

(Continued from page 40) WALTER KIEFER directing Reggie capacity, and today and tomorrow three performances will be given to handlethrongs.

Performance moved fast on the unusual stage, which has very little depthbut an unusually long apron, and was well received by Chicago reviewers.

Jean Meredith Saxon, rolo-rolo, suffered a strained heel Sunday and was forced to withdraw. Cyae O'Dell was added to the bill Monday, featuring her one-arm planges.

Hubert Castle, wire ace, was indisposed Thursday afternoon and cut it short, but returned to work the full act that night. Jack Klein, equestrian director and announcer, was given a nod for his work in Chicago Night Life, an about-town publication.

Show failed to cash in on an unusual attraction. One-Eyed Connolly worked as an Andy Frain usher thruout engagement and few of circus personnel knew of his presence until near closing, so perfect was the transformation from gatecrasher to stub-reader. Tommy O'Brien and Emmett Simms handled press and radio.

Show goes to Des Moines to open in the Colliseum Tuesday, with Sam Ward in charge of promotion.



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is the site of America On Wheels championships March 9 and 10.

N. Y.) Rink are set for March 11, according to Earl Van Horn.

EMPIRE ROLLERDROME, Brooklyn, will hold its fifth annual Queen Contest April 14. Winner will get pic and modeling contract,

SEFFERINO ROLLERDROME, Cincinnati, has arranged a special St. Patrick's Day Party, with music by Melba Maringer, organist. No sessions at this spot

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#### Committee Chairmen

Committee chairmen for the Shrine include Carl S. Lagerquist, potentate; J. C. Ste. Marie, general chairman, with Ray G. Butts and L. F. (Bud) Johnson, vice-chairmen; Van Tilburg, production; Al Rudd, music; Ivan H. Graves, advertising and program; Harold Foster and Dwight Thomson, publicity; E. L. Olson, chief of staff Grand Entree; E. E. Rempfer, banners; Guy Lathrop, floor; Paul R. Gray, door; H. A. Rosacker and Paul G. Johnson, ushers; Earl Traeger, fireman; Elmer F. Hillner, police; Art Jespersen, accounting; William Holm, ticket checkup; William J. Klein, ticket drive; Paul C. Johnson, school tickets; L. C. Hanson, reserved seats; Charlie Johnson, Red Cross; Dr. F. Denton White, orphans' entertainment; C. W. Hamilton, lost and found; Dr. H. F. Wahlquist, physician; H. A. Dahlquist, concessions.

During the run of the circus, Zuhrah Temple played host to some 5,000 orphans and other underprivileged kids, Patients at Elizabeth Kenny Institute and at Shriners' Hospital for Children were brought to the auditorium in Red Cross ambulances.

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### Uncertainty in **Mapping Plans**

#### Consensus is that modification will come when war in Europe ends

CHICAGO, March 10 .- The racing ban nposed by War Mobilizer James F. vrnes definitely applies to harness racng at county fairs, according to letters sceived from Byrnes by a number of air officials in various parts of the ountry. While it is expected to hurt he fairs to some extent, there is a genral feeling that with the imminent colpse of the war in Germany there is kelihood of a modification of the ban efore fair time.

In some States the fairs are going head with plans for holding their anuals without harness racing. Ohio fair ud horse men, however, are so confient that the ban will be lifted this ummer that they are laying their plans ith racing in view.

"Horsemen in Ohio," says Judge G. W. Rittenour, chairman of the speed comnittee of the Ohio Fair Managers' Asociation, "feel that the war in Germany hould be over by July and we feel that fr. Byrnes will relax his ban on racing t the earliest possible moment. All this fair men and horsemen have agreed o go ahead and prepare to run this ummer. Of course, if we can't race, we ust can't race, but we're not going to be caught behind the eight-ball. If we an race we're going to be ready."

The ban will hurt 15 county fairs in owa according to Lloyd Cunningham, ecretary of the Iowa State Fair board. ut most of these fairs are expected to ontinue without races. Most of the ther county fairs of the State have ot featured racing.



P. T. STRIEDER, manager of the Florida Fair and Gasparilla Carnival, is enthusiastic over the probable resumption of the fair next February. Long the gathering place for showmen from all over the country and the outstanding show place for Southern products, the fair was discontinued after the start of the war and the grounds have been occupied by the army. The government's lease expires in May and Manager Strieder is already making plans for a fair next winter.



### Southern Michigan **Circuit To Operate;** Schrader President

HILLSDALE, Mich., March 10 .- The 12 fairs comprising the Southern Michigan Fair and Racing Circuit will operate as usual this year, with the understanding that full co-operation will be given the government in any requests it may make, it was announced this week by H. B. Kelley, secretary-treasurer of the circuit, Meeting of the circuit was held last

week. Attendance was smaller than usual, due to travel restrictions, but those present were enthusiastic over prospects for the coming season. "Wedid not deem it practical to discontinue all operations, as everyone hopes that the war situation will be cleared up sufticiently before fair time to bring about a modification of some of the restrictions," said Secretary Kelley.

Officers of the circuit were elected as follows: President, L. R. Schrader, Centerville; vice-president, Joy Davis, Mason; speed secretary, Andy Adams, Litchfield; secretary-treasurer, H. B. Kelley, Hillsdale.

Guests at the meeting included Commissioner of Agriculture Charles Figy. Chief of Fairs A. C. Carton, Attorney General John Dethmers, Secretary of State Herman Digman, Senator Tripp and others.



### Wis., Milwaukee Get Together on '48 Centenn Plans

MILWAUKEE, March 10 .- The assembly at Madison has adopted a joint resolution to harmonize plans for a State centennial celebration which would be held at the Wisconsin State fairgrounds, West Allis, and the Milwaukee Centennial Exposition to be held at the same time on the lake front here. According to the existing plans, both celebrations are scheduled for the summer of 1948.

Ora Rice, assemblyman, stated that the resolution is the outcome of a series of conferences between Milwaukee officials and State legislators, Rice indicated that the Milwaukee exposition would run thru the season and the State centennial would run just a short time, possibly during the Wisconsin State Fair. Thus there should be no reason for conflict.



READY FOR ANOTHER BIG SEASON

Affected fairs in other States are planing to operate as usual, substituting ther features for harness racing.

#### Plan New Buildings For Lancaster, Wis.

MILWAUKEE March 10 .- According to ounty Agricultural Society from \$5,000 olders' meeting. A. S. De Buhr, presirounds.

with new structures.

Sketches of the proposed new amhitheater were shown. Plans are for a with a seating capacity of 2,120.

#### **Chilhowie Lease Renewed**

KNOXVILLE, March 10. - Tennessee Valley A. & I. Fair Association's lease at Chilhowie Park here will be renewed by the city, but only for two years intead of the five-year lease requested by President Frank (Pat) Kerr for the association, city officials state. The lease vill be confirmed at next council meet-Ing,



the Cass County Fair Association have been re-elected for 1945. They are: President, G. Elwood Bonine, Vandalia; vice-president, W. C. Southworth, Cassopolis; secretary-treasurer, Harry B. Ibbotson, Dowagiac, Agricultural counsellors are R. F. Bittner, county agricultural agent, and Harold Sparks, district 4-H Club leader. In a recent drive to raise funds for debt retirement a sufficient amount was raised to reduce the bonded debt by half.

IONIA, Mich .- Allan M. Williams, for report from Lancaster, Wis., increase in 25 years Ionia County road commission he capitalization of the new Grant engineer, has been elected president of the Ionia Free Fair Association, suco \$15,000 was voted at a recent stock- ceeding Howard C. Lawrence, of Grand Rapids, who has been president for the ent, reported that the society plans to last six years. Lawrence asked to be make extensive repairs at the fair- relieved of the post because his duties as president and general manager of the Plans are under way for tearing down Grand Rapids Varnish Company require he old amphitheater and some of the all of his time. Other officers elected ther old buildings and to replace them were: Vice-president, Fred T. Wortman; secretary, Rose Sarlo; treasurer, Leo Mc-Alary. Directors elected were Lawrence, Williams, Wortman, McAlary, Nels tructure 168 feet long and 50 feet wide, Strand, Harry H. Gemuend, John Todd, L. L. Swanson, George Coe Sr., and Clarence S. Johnson.

#### **Plan Centralia Annual To Celebrate Centennial**

CENTRALIA, Wash, March 10 .- Lewis County Fair, discontinued thru the war years except for 4-H Club exhibits, will be revived this year, it was decided at a recent meeting of citizens at Chehalis.

Attended by people from all parts of the country and representing the cham- on racing is temporary and they hope bers of commerce of Centralia and Che- It will be modified before fair time, Ray halis, Granges, 4-H clubs, garden clubs (A. Dillinger, president of the Illinois Asand other organizations, the group se- sociation of Agricultural Fairs, stated. lected a board of directors which was to meet later to elect officers.

The group decided to make the 100th anniversary of the founding of Lewis County the feature of the fair and authorized the newly elected board to arrange for the production of a centennial pageant. . us and 4-H Club exhibits will form the basis for the fair.

READING, Pa., March 10, - Russell Moyer, for several seasons on the publicity staff of Hankinson Speedways, Philadelphia, and recently honorably discharged from the army after two years of service in the Aleutians, is now a member of the reportorial staff of The and H. A. Daugherty, treasurer, Cash Reading Times.

bookings of 15 Nebraska and Kansas fairs. Most of them will use circus units, consisting of from 10 to 14 acts; others will use revues and acts.

Some Colorado fairs will also have acts.

#### Chattanooga Interstate **To Hypo Local Interest**

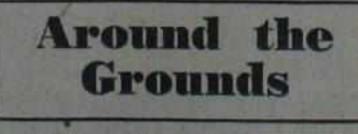
CHATTANOOGA, March 10. - A firstrate entertainment program and increased exhibits are being planned for this year's Chattanooga-Hamilton County Interstate Fair, which is set to run six days. Joe W. Engel, president-manager, has engaged the Johnny J. Jones Exposition for the midway and is arranging for a good grandstand show, which will again be free this year.

Premiums have been substantially increased in all lines of agriculture and livestock, Secretary Maude H, Atwood "Interest in farm crops is reports. greater than for several years," she states, "and we feel that more interest will be created locally by putting our prize money into premiums for this territory." The cattle show will be enlarged but will be open only to the Chattanooga district.

#### 70 Ill. Annuals in 1945 Against 62 Held Last Year

SPRINGFIELD, III., March 10. - The number of Illinois fairs will be increased this year, according to Howard Leonard, State director of agriculture, who said that 70 are being planned as against 62 held last year.

County fair officials believe the ban



ARKADELPHIA, Ark. - Clark County Fair and Livestock Association will hold its annual Spring Fat Calf and Poultry Show April 28, and a fall event, October 12-13, George S. Dews, secretary, announces. New officers elected were Clarence Hardin, president; I. D. Jones, Mote Gill and Tom G. Clark, vice-presidents, (See Around the Grounds on page 45)

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### Loss Pegged At \$100,000

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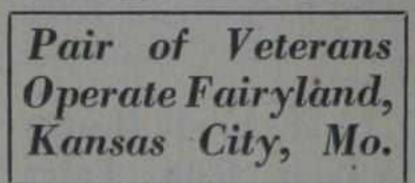
CINCINNATI, March 10. - Executives of Coney Island, Cincinnati, are anxious, ly waiting for the flood waters of the Ohio River to recede so that they can make a check of the damage to the amusement park, appraised as one of the finest in the nation. The Ohio reached its crest at 69.2 feet Thursday and is still at 68 feet today.

Edward L. Schott, president and general manager, has made a tentative estimate of damage running to \$100,000. This is second only to the disastrous 1937 flood, when virtually every part of the resort sustained damage, many of the buildings being levelled. Schott based his estimate on what he observed during a tour of the park in a rowboat yesterday. It is by no means final, as final figures cannot be determined until the water is out of the park and the damage can be seen from the ground. "It will be necessary to do a big repair job," Schott said, "Of that we are certain.

"In past years, when we were confronted with the rehabilitation problem following a serious flood, we made it the occasion for a major building program. when we replaced numerous devices and installed new ones of a major character. That was particularly true after the 1937 flood, the biggest in the history of the Ohio River, when we spent more than \$350,000 on remodeling and new construction.



TWO WIDE-AWAKE MIDWEST AMUSEMENT PARK MEN, Marion Brancato (left), who recently purchased the 80 acres on which Fairyland Park, Kansas City, Mo., is situated, and Harry Duncan, who is starting his 14th year as manager of Fairyland.



KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 10 .- Fairyland Park here, which has made great strides in the last few years, is operated by men who have been in the amusement park business for many years, ued some years ago, if recommendations Marion Brancato, owner, started his career as a park man in 1929 when he purchased a three-abreast Merry-Go- are adopted. Round from Allen Herschell and operated it in Fairvland. die auto race in the park, and since then and playgrounds for children; also has been constantly acquiring new rides, parking space for cars approximating in He now owns and operates Fairyland, number 20 per cent of the number of having recently purchased the 80 acres seats in the stadium, on which it is built. The modernistic concession building recently completed is only one of many improvements Brancato has planned for Fairyland. Harry Duncan, who is starting his 14th year as manager of Fairyland, has been associated with amusement enterprises tive in the annual staging of the Mayor's in Kansas City for many years. Over 50 Christmas Tree here, has served as genyears ago, when Troost Park here was eral of Division 4 in the charities caman amusement center, he worked on the paigns, and is active in various civic unswitchback railway operated by hand. dertakings. His success at Fairyland has The ride later was modernized into the won him a national reputation as a park

### Stadium, Recreation Grounds Planned for "Philadelphia, Baltimore and other to Old K. C. Park Site

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 10 .- A stadium with facilities for football, track events, parades, rodeos and similar events will be built on the site of Electric Park, amusement resort discontin-

### A. C. Prepares **For Competition** In Post-War Era

March 17, 1945

ATLANTIC CITY, March 10 .- The rush of out-of-town residents to rent summer homes in Atlantic City this season is the "greatest in 20 years," Byron Jenkins, of the real estate board, asserted this week, and a tremendous season appears to be ahead for the resort.

At the same time Albert H. Skean. director of the Atlantic City Convention Bureau, warned citizens that after the war there will be keen competition among Atlantic Coast resort towns and that Atlantic City must put forth every effort to get its share.

"The resort needs a thoro grooming and its citizens must become good joiners if it is to effectively compete for the \$6,000,000,000 travel, convention and trade exposition business after the war." he asserted. He declared the resort should amplify its resources with greater comforts and the embellishment of such physical assets as the convention hall, streets, Boardwalk and beaches.

"Philadelphia, Baltimore and other attract convention business after the war and the competition for the 2,700 national conventions will be real," said Skean. He added that special business made up a sizable percentage of the resort's annual income, and that it was imperative that worth-while ideas and promotions be pushed to attract national, sectional and State meetings and allied groups here.

#### War Stymies Rebuilding

"However, we plan nothing that ambitious this year. With the war still on, and so much uncertainty as to what materials we could get and when we could get them, we will probably do nothing more than to repair the flood damage, restoring our existing amusements. This alone will cost us in the neighborhood of \$100,000. With conditions as they are, with restrictions in effect and others likely to be promulgated, and with transportation difficulties likely to restrict attendance, we will do little more than open Coney Island and operate it in a routine way, without attempting anything new and spectacular, and no extraordinary fanfare."

Coney gets its first taste of flood waters when the Ohio River reaches 50 feet. That brings it into the picnic grove and into the play area at the swim pool. Moonlite Gardens Coney's summer ball-(See 100G CONEY FLOOD on opp. page)



LIEUT. GEORGE A. HAMID JR., USN, first vice-president of Hamid's Million-Dollar Pier, Atlantic City, home on a 30-day leave from service in the Pacific.

made to the Citizens' Planning Council

Recommended for the area outside the stadium are facilities for archery, The following year he installed a kid- tennis, horseshoes, roque and croquet,

> The city-plan engineering staff has been making a study of stadium plans in other cities and soon will have a report ready.

present Roller Coaster. Duncan is ac- manager thru his many special events.

### **NAAPPB Insurance Meeting** To Set Credit Allowances

CHICAGO, March 10 .- An important of the company, and John Logan Campcommittee of the NAAPPB will be held NAAPPB, announced this week. At the meeting, the experience records of all operators will be studied by the official of the carrier and the committee, and the experience credit allowances for each policyholder will be determined for 1945.

This is one of the unusual features of the plan sponsored by the NAAPPB, as the carrier waives the arbitrary right to determine on credit allowances for individual risks and opens its records to the committee in order that it may arrive at a mutually satisfactory rate with the company for individual' risks.

members of the committee, consisting of pohl, Leonard B. Schloss and Edward L. value of first-class coverage. writing manager of the New York office coming season is anticipated."

meeting of the public liability insurance bell, the association's official insurance off at the pier. consultant. Forwood is in direct charge March 31 at Hotel New Yorker, New of the operation of the public liability York, A. R. Hodge, secretary of the insurance plan from the standpoint of the carrier.

"The problem of perfect maintenance as well as that of sound operation, with more or less inexperienced help, has been given careful consideration by the carrier and the representatives of the association, and the fine records set up last season show what can be accomplished even under severe handlcaps when everyone works together, as the loss ratios for 1944, all things considered, were exceptionally low," said Secretary Hodge. Governor Maurice J. Tobin at the ban-"With the public inclined to demand quet, and R. S. Uzzell will offer a tribute higher compensation than ever before to the men who have left the industry Present at the meeting will be the for minor claims and because of the to join the armed forces. Featured added hazards incident to wartime oper- speakers at the banquet will be Lieut. N. S. Alexander, chairman; H. P. ation, a vast majority of operators thru- Arthur Katz, recently returned wounded Schmeck, vice-chairman; Paul H. Hude- out the country are recognizing the veteran, who will talk on "The China-Schott, together with Ralph L. Inglis, NAAPPB plan last year showed its great- Prof. Eric A. Starbuck, of the Brownvice-president of the Associated Indem- est growth in premium volume and an Nicholas School, Cambridge, Mass., nity Corporation; W. D. Forwood, under- even greater increase during the forth- whose subject will be "Recreation in

### Lt. Hamid, Home on Leave, Has Post-War Plans for A. C. Pier

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Lieut. George A. Hamid Jr., U.S.N., home from the Pacific war theater on 30-day leave, and his father, George A. Sr., are spending considerable time at Atlantic City looking over Hamid's Million-Dollar Pier, of which the lieutenant is first vicepresident.

Lieutenant Hamid enlisted in the navy in 1941 and has seen 28 months of active service in the Pacific area. He was with the Third Fleet, under Admiral Halsey, was in the Guadalcanal invasion and remained with the fiest until the last landing on Luzon in the invasion of the Philippines. Before enlisting in the navy, he was assistant manager to Samuel W. Gumpertz at the pier.

The lieutenant is still vitally interested in the management of the Million-Dollar Pier and has many ideas for an elaborate post-war plan for the resort. After the war he expects to return to Atlantic City and take up where he left

#### N. E. Ops To Unfurl Flag for Men in Service

BOSTON, March 10 .- A survey of New England park men in service has, been completed by the New England Section of the NAAPPB, according to Harry Storin, chairman of the association banquet to be held Wednesday (14) at the Parker House, here.

The service flag will be unfurled by The Burma-India Front As I Saw It." and Russia."

#### loyce Sets Hillbillies American Recreational Equipment Association **At Eastern Funspots** By R. S. Uzzell

PHILADELPHIA, March 10 .- With an arly spring in the air, outdoor amusesent spots in this area are planning rly starting dates. Jolly Joyce Thepening for Sleepy Hollow Ranch, Quaktown, Pa., with the Arkansas Wood hoppers the lead-off attraction.

The Carter Family comes in the same ay to usher in the season at Indian cho Cave, near Harrisburg, Pa. Joyce so indicated that Valley View Park, ark, Pa., and Brendel's Manor Park, altimore, will open late in April or arly in May,

Booking the attractions for these four arks, among others in the territory, oyce is lining up summer stands in he East for the following hillbilly atractions: Hocsier Hot Shots, Lulu Belle and Scotty, Smiley Burnette, Sons of the Moncers, Patsy Montana, Elton Britt, lim Slonecker and His Gloom Chasers, ob Ballentine and Agnes, the Duke of aducah (Whitey Ford) and the Cackle listers.

### **Court Ties Up Assets of**

R. & C. Amusement Company, Inc., which perated the midget automobile concesion at Riverside Park, the court pernitted the restraining order to stand, reventing the defendants from disposing of bank accounts or stock in the corporaion, pending trial on its merits of a uit filed by Albert V. Reeves of Cambridge. Reeves asked an accounting, laiming to own a one-half interest in he company but he charges he was only paid \$2,200 from earnings of \$23,000 which he claims the concession made ast year.

Hartford, Conn., last summer should \$80,000 in a park exclusively for colored generate a spirit of caution in our busi- people which flopped. ness. In the amusement parks, because trical Agency here announces a May 6 of the inexperienced and incompetent together with some of the contents, were help of the past two seasons, each major damaged when heavy snow caved in the device should be gone over carefully in roofs. Imagine roof, snow and all comevery detail by an expert. Worn or weakened parts can be easily overlooked by anyone, but the expert knows just where and what to look for. Here is dertaking, where a park with its own machine shop and well-trained mechanics has an advantage, Mr. Stoneback, at Euclid Beach, Cleveland, and E. P. Pratt, St. Louis, have the additional advantage of having been on the road setting up rides and devices before settling down to a park men have not negelected anything that maintenance Job.

> Independent of the mechanical inspection, there should be a thoro job done in removing fire hazards. The fire inspection will be well worth the time and effort. Let the fire insurance people know that we are not careless housekeepers. Go thru your own place with an inspector from a fire insurance company and observe how he takes notes of things you would not see,

One man has asked how to get Scooter Concession Operator plates rolled these atrenuous days when all mills are so completely engrossed in SPRINGFIELD, Mass., March 10 .- Be- war production that there is no room fuse no one appeared before Judge for outside work. Just lay your plates homas J. Hammond in Superior Court on old level pavement and run over o represent Edward J. Carroll or the them with the gas or steam roller. They will be just as flat as the rolled at the mill and you will save in cost and delay.

> No parks are for sale at this time unless for some unavoidable reason, such as declining years of owner, settlement of estate or death of owner. No new parks can be expected this season, as the war in Europe is not likely to close in time to get a new one ready for operation this summer. The plans for some longer.

Another real estate boom is incubating in Florida. It may die aborning but on the boards. Those who were caught before will be cautious, while the uninformed and inexperienced will take the gaff. One of our substantial members

Several buildings in Northern parks, ing down on the Merry-Go-Round horses. Repairing the horses these days, with the scarcity of wood carvers, is no small un-

New England park men's meeting is on the boards for the Parker House, Boston, March 14. Harry Storin and Harry Bowen have come thru with a program that will touch every member at some point and is sure to be helpful. These should come up at this time, when every park man needs all the help he can get to carry on.

#### AROUND THE GROUNDS

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premiums for the fall show will be increased from \$800 to \$1,000. Local chamber of commerce has added \$100 for Experience of the Ringling circus at caught the bug before and planted about cash awards at the stock event and \$100

> COOKSVILLE, Ont .- Several changes are to be put into effect at the 1945 Cooksville Fall Fair, Fair days have been set for September 14-15, with admission charged on both days. A complete floodlighting system will go into operation. this year, making possible evening programs of horse-jumping contests, night exhibits of other entries.

> More Williams & Lee Dates

ST. PAUL, March 10. - Gladys M. Williams informs The Billboard that Williams & Lee have been awarded contracts to furnish the grandstand attractions for the fairs at Algona and Humboldt, Ia., and Leigh, Neb.

### THE CROSSROADS

#### By Nat Green

VITH conditions at the moment as un-V certain as a plane reservation; outdoor showmen are going ahead making plans to carry on in the face of whatever handicaps they may encounter, confident that they will be able to make the grade. Big and little, they have the stamina to take a lot of punishment and come up smiling-and they deserve to win.

On the Magic Carpet: Yep, it's still known by the moniker given it by the late lamented Beverly White, and the great and small of the show world still stream across it daily. . . . Art Borella, veteran joey, had an appreciative audience when he appeared before the Alliance Club Thursday (8) at a Panther Room luncheon and made a hit with his new parks will have to sleep a little stories of the White Tops .... Raymond A. Walton, of Jimmie Heron's Wild Life Exhibit, in town looking for some canvas. . . L. L. (Larry) Hall and the missus, well-informed men are telling us it is of Milwaukee, stopped off between trains on their way to visit their daughter, Ruby, at Harrison, Ark. With his concessions at State Fair Park, West Allis, Wis., and his farm in Michigan, Larry manages to keep a step ahead of the sheriff. . . . Mrs. George Davis has returned to her home in St. Louis after visiting for a week with hubby, George, who has the concessions with Irv Polack. . . . Art Briese, pyrotechnic impresario, is back from Miami sporting a terrific tan. . . . William B. Naylor, back from the East, left for Tulsa, Okla., a few days ago to ready his publicity campaign for the Cavalcade of Amusements. . . . Ray P. Speer, publicity director of the Arena, Minneapolis, stopped off in Chi after visiting the Ice Follies in Boston. Incidentally, Ray will have an interesting article in the Spring Special issue of The Billboard.

(Mich.) Fair, wasn't satisfied with spending most of the winter in Florida. He's hopped off for a two-week stay at Hot Springs, stopping off in Memphis to visit his son, who is in a hospital there after spending some months in the army overseas. . . . Dr. Max Thorek, chief surgeon of American Hospital, celebrated a birthday Saturday (10)-and Dan Debaugh, Ringling office manager, has one coming up March 23. . . . Robert Reichardt, former general manager of Riverview Park, Des Moines, leaves for the army April 9.

. . Rube Liebman says he has snagged 70 fair contracts for '45. . . . C. W. Finney is finishing up what he declares was a delightful season with the Passion Play and will return shortly to the capital of his world, Aurora, Ill. . . . Nate Lewis, with Polack Bros. until he entered the service, is in a hospital at Brigham City, Utah. . . . Dwight J. Basinet has been honorably discharged from service and is back in Minneapolls ready to resume operation of Harriet Island Park. Don Carle Gillette, former editor of The Billboard, has an interesting story on New England Jack Murray, of the leaf, in the April issue of Esquire. . . Maybe it's bursitis, arthritis or neuritis. but "Young" Jake Newman calls it just plain rheumatiz. . . Don' Morris, in charge of lighting on the Ice-Capades, had a yen to troupe under canvas this season but has decided to stay with the ice show. . . . Otto Griebling played a two-week engagement at the Alpine Village, Cleveland, before going to St. Paul for the Shrine show. . . . Selden, the Stratosphere Man, in town readying for his new season. He opens at Kennywood Park, Pittsburgh, May 27 for two weeks. ... Noel Van Tilburg, Minneapolis Shrine show impresario, was in Chi last week, more interested in seeing his young granddaughter than in catching the current circus.

#### **Jimmy Dorsey To Launch** Steel Pier's 48th Season

ATLANTIC CITY, March 10 .- Steel Pier opens its 48th season March 31, with Frank Gravatt still at the helm. Jimmy Dorsey will bring his orchestra to the esort for the launching of the Pier season. Teddy Walters and Patsy Porter farine Ballroom Easter Sunday,

Alex Bartha and His Steel Pier Synopators will play for dancers Saturday 31) and join Dorsey in providing coninuous music on Sunday. Two of the Pier's theaters will show feature motion pictures, and a vaude show will be preented in Music Hall.

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#### **Post-War Pool Biz Rosy**

NEW YORK, March 10 .- In a recent survey on post-war plans conducted by the Swim for Health Association, a total all be with the Dorsey ensemble in the of 54 out of 450 communities polled on the subject replied that they are planning on constructing at least one swim pool each as soon as materials are available after the war. Construction costs on these projects will be between \$15,-000,000 and \$20,000,000.

### **100G CONEY FLOOD**

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room, is the last to be affected. The water starts covering the dance floor when the river reaches 61 feet. The flood peak this year was 69.2, which means that the dance floor was under more than eight feet of water.

If the dance floor is as badly warped as the Coney management fears, it may be hard to replace, as new lumber is difficult to obtain, except on a high priority. "If we cannot do otherwise, we will re-lay the floor as best we can and make out with it," Schott said.

#### Coney Floodhardened

Concy Island is hit almost every year by floods. It was apared the last two years but, on the other hand, the spring before that it was hit twice. Most of the floods, however, caused only minor damage. In only a few cases have they involved an expenditure exceeding \$25,-000.

When the 1937 flood levelled a large section of the resort, new construction One Batter-Up Baseball Pitching Machine, complete was undertaken on a more permanent basis, Buildings and rides were anchored in heavy concrete. A new clubhouse was erected entirely of reinforced concrete. These precautions are expected to prove their value when the current flood damage is assayed.

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### **Non** - Theatrical Films Help In Good Neighbor Program

WASHINGTON, March 10 .- The 16mm, American public in the culture of Latin films have played a big part in the United States' campaign to further the good-neighbor policy in Latin America. Equally important, these films have helped to offset Axis propaganda there.

Responsibility for the good-neighbor program lies with the Office of the Co-Ordinator of Inter-American Affairs, headed by Nelson Rockefeller. By an executive order of the President, the office was set up to formulate and executive. "a program in co-operation with the State Department which, by use of governmental and private facilities in such fields as the arts and sciences, education and travel, the radio, the press and the cinema, will further national defense and strengthen the bonds between the nations of the Western Hemisphere."

At the time the CIAA was organized, in August, 1940, Axis propaganda was being circulated on a large scale in every Latin-American country. German films enjoyed a wide audience. Obvioualy. something had to be done, as as fast as possible, to offset German propaganda with a factual presentation of the truth.

CIAA motion picture officials selected the 16mm, educational short subject to show realistically the North American way of life to Latin America. The 16mm. field was chosen because it was impossible to get on the screen of commercial theaters as much material as was necessary to do a real educational job. Also, millions of people whom CIAA was anxious to reach never had seen a motion picture. Yet films were an ideal medium for what our government was trying to say. If the Latin Americans couldn't read, they could watch a picture. If they had no radio, they could stand before a acreen set up in a village square or sit in a schoolhouse.

possible to deal with subjects which country and the talents of its people. these fields were all-important in order to better the welfare of the people of the Americas and are considered important in building good-will for the United welfare of the other republics. States in the minds and hearts of our great importance in the program,

America, Again the 16mm, medium was chosen, since it was impractical to get enough material on the other Americas on commercial screens. By distributing in the United States films actually produced by official agencies of Latin America, CIAA was able to build good will with the various governments concerned and proved that our country was sincere in its good-neighbor policy. An example of the type of films imported into the States is a series about Mexico produced by the Mexican Tourist Bureau; Road to Cuernavaea, A Line From the Yucatan, Vera Cruz, Guadalajara, Mexico City, Lake Patzenaro and Women of Tehuantopeo.

After Pearl Harbor a radically different type of program was planned. Emphasis was shifted to military and propaganda subjects, plus many anti-Axis and civilian defense subjects already under way. Victory for the American, a tribute to U. S. war production, by 1943 had been seen by more people in Latin America than any other single film. The Axis menace was pointed out in such films as Disney's Der Fuchrer's Face and Education for Death; We Refuse to Die, the story of Lidice, and Mr. Blabbermouth, showing how morale-destroying rumors are set going by fifth columnists and passed on by stupid and sometimes disloyal citizens. Attention was focused on civilian defense in Your Air Raid Warden and Don't Talk. Theme of many of the films was the joint war effort of the Americas, emphasizing why we are fighting, why we should stick together fighting and how and where we were fighting.

#### Shows Cultural Life Here

CIAA is not devoting its efforts soley to war pictures, however. It is also producing pictures which show the artistic, Also, thru non-theatrical films it was musical and literary background of this could not be shown in commercial thea- This, in turn, helps to counteract the ters. Many good pictures on health, Axis propagandists who claim we are a sanitation and medical subjects would be nation of business men and industrialimpossible to show in theaters. Since ists. Other pictures show our respect for family life, inventivo genius, pioneer ideals, social progress and interests of the people of the United States in the Distribution abroad and in the United. Southern neighbors, 16mm, films were of States has posed problems, but has brought amazing results. In the other Just as important was educating the American republics non-theatrical audiences of almost 4,000,000 persons a month showings. Exhibitions are given by traveling caravans, going from town to drafted into use when gasoline was tary; George Cole, treasurer, and Wilfred lacking. Electric current was sometimes so for the operator to be prepared for emorgencies by taking along a generator, condenser and transformer. Programs are arranged by co-ordination committees of the CIAA in co-operation with local missions and other interested persons, such as the government in the particular area concerned. Appeals may be directed to special groups, such as doctors or other professions. Due to the lack of projectors south of the border, CIAA has been forced to export its own and also to provide experienced projectionists to see that the programs are properly carried out. U. S. distribution of the co-ordinator's pictures is comparatively easy. More than 50,000,000 people have seen the 70 subjects released here. Arrangements have been made with many State and city school systems for CIAA films to he seen by every student. Prints are released to 105 selected distributors who have the responsibility for obtaining maximum showings in their respective territories.

SHOWS Communications to 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, O.



TILL H. LOCKE writes from Pixley, Calif, that he has almost fully recovered from his recent illness and is back on the job with Fred Jenning's Tent Show. . . , W. B. ANDREWS, musician and comic, has joined La Tendre's show presenting vaude and pix in the Three Rivers (Que.) area. . . COAST PLAYERS, four people, are playing schools and halls, under auspices, in Waldo County, Maine. . . A. T. BLACKERTON will move into Central New Hampshire soon with a vaude-pic outfit. Playing under auspices, he and his daughter do the flesh end. . . . CLARENCE E. MAINE, date under auspices in New England with who has a vaude-pic show in Gettysburg (Pa.) area, will go under tent in Virginia soon. . . . CARTWRIGHT PLAYERS, four people, have been showing under auspices In Woodward County, Oregon, using E F. Hannan's Sour Grapes. . . . CHESTER COBB is laying off after showing religious pix in Maine since the holidays. He will make some church and suspices dates this month around Boston and go back into Maine later with a vaude-pic show. ... EMIL SUBERS and Hi-Brown Bobby Burns met up recently at Donalsonville. Ga. The latter also visited Emmett Miller at Dothan, Ala. The trio were comics operating a pool hall, and Miller is workcity, Burns is a circus agent.

I and popular for years in tabs and burly as a blues-singing fool, after 18 weeks at the Allied Bar of Music, Savannah, Ga., has taken over the management of The Gables nitery in the same not also been troupers, either by birth city. . . BERT SMITH is up and about or acquired. From Booth on down, the again at his Haviin Hotel quarters, Cin- best of them have had a real trouper's cinnati, after a relapse to an old illness love for the stage and a sneaking desire that laid him low for several weeks, for the road, Smith, who boasts a host of friends in There is no better place to get this repdom, was for years one of the leading than with rep or other shows of the farproducers of musical stocks in the coun- out places.

try. His wife, VI Schaffer, is holding down a position with RKO in Cincy. . . . BYRON GOSH recently visited with the following troupers in Southern Georgia: "HI-Brown" Bobby Burns, Glenn Newton and family, Eddie Holt, Frank Caggan, H. Whitestone and family, Burleigh Cash and Francis Dixon ... A. N. CARBERRY, former repater, has a religious picture. show under auspices in Massachusetta. He will move to Northern New Hampshire later with a vaude-pic trick. .... M. L. DUMAINE has Passion Play pig booked solid till April 18 in St. Lawrence County, New York. . . . GILES show has added a pic outfit to its fiesh show and will soon move into Western Oklahoma from Colorado. . . BRIGHTON PLAY-ERS, five people, have finished their 45th E. F. Hannan's That Man From Chicago.



TACK COLLIER, of Collier's Comedians, J brings up the subject of youngsters with rep and circle shows. He says we must depend on them until the war is over, at least, This is true,

Collier brings out another point, the with the Al G. Field Minstreis. Subers is fact that there is no better place for dramatic training than with rep. That is ing at the Kokomo Club in the Georgia also true. The trouble is that young and aspiring thespians won't stay long enough to acquire that something that TAPPY LAWSON, well known in rep makes the real trouper and that fosters the desire to stick thru no matter what comes.

> You can count on the fingers of one hand all the great in dramatics who have



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#### PCSA

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In attendance, after long absences, were Linda Burnett, Cris Rodin, Tillie Palmateer, Emily Gregg, Mayme Butters and Jolly Josephine, A silent prayer was offered for Jerry Fox, husband of Daisy Fox, who was buried March 5.

### **Officers** Nominated At ANFA Meeting

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Nominating committee of the Allied Non-Theatrical Film Association, at a well-attended association meeting at Sheraton Hotel here have seen CIAA films at nearly 8,000 Wednesday (7), offered for re-election the entire slate of present officers, which include Horace O. Jones, president; Samtown and to remote areas by trucks and uel Goldstein, vice-president; E. E. Carboats. Horses and buggies have been ter, vice-president; W. F. Kruse, secre-Knighton, executive secretary,

The board of directors was also offered irregular and unreliable it was necessary for re-election. Members of the board are Stanley C. Atkinson, Thomas Brandon, Harry A. Kapit and Clem Williams, Past presidents Bertram Willoughby and William K. Hedwig are honorary members of the board. Ballots are being prepared and will go into the mails soon. Election will be supervised by the Ballot Committee, which includes Saul Jeffee, Harold Baumstone and Wilfred Knighton.

> Of particular interest at the meeting was a discussion of the raw stock problem and, after listening to reports given by Samuel Goldstein and William Hedwig, who were in Washington recently, general feeling was that there may be an easing of raw stock shortages in the second quarter this year. Other reports were made by E. E. Carter, chairman of the Code of Ethics, who recommended no change, and L. E. Jones, chairman of By-Laws Committee, who also recommended no change.

> It was voted that ANFA publish a 16mm, annual to serve the industry this year in place of the regular convention, which was canceled in line with the ODT request.

Committees appointed at the meeting were Red Cross, Samuel Goldstein, chairman; Saul Jeffee and William L. Rogers, and Regional Directors Committee, Samuel Goldstein, chairman; P. E. Shanahan, New York; William F. Kruse, Chicago: William Horaley, Los Angeles; George H. Mitchell, Austin, Tex.; Edward Stevens, Atlanta; P. Ray Swank, St. Louis; Ernest Ryan, Davenport, Ia., and C. A. Mathews, Toronto.



T/SGT, SEYMOUR ZEITLER, of Brooklyn, former employee of S. O. S. Cinema Supply Corporation, waist gunner of a Flying Fortress, has been awarded the Silver Star, DFC, Air Medal with three Oak-Leaf clusters, and the Purple Heart. On one of his 25 missions over Germany he was wounded and removed to the radio compartment for first aid. But when Nazi attacks knocked out two of the plane's engines and wounded the other waist gunner, Zeitler made his way back and manned both his own gun and his comrade's until the ship, which was in flames, reached England.

MILTON J. SALZBURG, president of Pictorial Films, Inc., has returned to his New York office from a Midwestern sales tour during which he arranged for distribution of the company's 1945 lineup of feature pictures and short sub-Jects.

#### SLA

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tricia Taylor and Dorothy Flanagan. Daisy Davis, Betty Proper and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Eckhart visited.

Relief committee reported Viola Blake slowly recovering at American Hospital; Marie Brown ill at the home of Martha McKay; Carmen Bishop and Maude Geiler at home. Agnes Henderson is still in a cast as a result of an auto accident.

Frieda Rosen is visiting her brother in Moline, Ill. At the table with Mrs. Doolan were Ida Chase, Lillian Woods, Elsie Miller and Lillian Lawrence.



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**Mdse.** Firms **Study Plans** 

Search for new items and chandise conscious

CHICAGO, March 10 .- Mention of the big mail order houses and chain stores usually mean competition to the average firm in the specialty merchandlee trade, But, the big firms may also be studied for examples and for pioneering methods, merchandise and ideas in that light if the management of any specialty firm wishes. Many questions are being asked in financial and merchandise circles at the present time as to the future of the chains and also of the mail order houses.

Current reports show that the managements of the big firms are surveying, output, WPB announced this week, investigating and planning in every pos-(See Firms Pioneer Ideas on page 52) yards lower.

### MERCHANDISE TRENDS

CHICAGO, March 10,-Shortages and post-war plans highlight the week's news and twills will be most seriously affected. in the merchandise field. "There will be Altho second quarter supplies of lighter less and less of more and more" seems weight cotton apparel fabrics will be far to the theme as far as most merchandise from adequate, there will be enough to is concerned. Post-war plans of most fill civilian needs at about the current trades, however, as discussed in newspapers and trade journals, are much house furnishings are the most severely making consumers mer- more optimistic. The statement: "It will affected of all groups. take at least two years to finish off the Pacific war," made this week by a highranking navy official, has failed to dampen enthusiasm for post-war planning. Most manufacturers and trade leaders with the OPA's maximum price plan, is take the view that with the end of the European war there will be some relaxation of government controls, altho Washington officialdom has done everything possible to discourage this viewpoint,

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#### Less Cotton Fabrics

use in the second quarter of 1945 will be smaller than in the current three months, due to increased military requirements and a prospective drop in

In releasing figures on second quarter sible way for expansion after the war. quotas, it was explained that stated re-Some leaders in the trade here may that quirements are nearly 75,000,000 yards watching the plans and ideas in which higher than for the first quarter, while the big firms are experimenting gives estimated production is nearly 40,000,000

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Combed fabrics, denims, towels, drills level, WPB said. Supplies of fabrics for

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Cotton, rayon and wool fabrics for civillian clothing will be channeled into the most essential uses by the controls in Order M-388, which in conjunction expected to cause a decrease in retail prices of 6 to 7 per cent during the next six months.

#### **Pre-Easter Buying Brisk**

Pre-Easter buying has begun, according to Dun & Bradstreet's weekly review Supplies of cotton fabrics for civilian of business, and has already sent the volume above that of the preceding week, and a year ago.

> According to the report, "practically every department experienced a steady demand for all types of merchandise, but merchants were hampered by low stocks. Consumers expressed more selectivity in their purchases. Altho trading in several wholesale markets was very slow, over-all volume was slightly higher are being rapidly depleted."

> For the country as a whole, sales were estimated at 12 to 16 per cent above last year. Percentage gains for the various sections were: East, 11 to 16 per cent; New England, 7 to 10; Middle West, 12 to 17: Northwest, 6 to 9; South, 10 to 13; Southwest, 15 to 19, and Pacific Coast, 13 to 17.

#### Post-War Lag Predicted

### Seek New Uses **For Light Metals**

WASHINGTON, March 10 .- New postwar uses and markets for light metals such as aluminum and magnesium must be found if the light metals industry is to avoid abandonment of most of the wartime facilities and technical developments, William Y. Elliott, vice-chairman of WPB, in charge of the Office of Civilian Requirements, told a Senate special committee on small business,

Capacity of the aluminum industry has been multiplied at least seven times and that of the magnesium industry at least 50 times as a result of the war, Elliott declared. The major point to bear in mind, he said, is that with war requirements completed, the capacity of these industries will unquestionably exceed the now known civilian demand. The principal limits on the post-war use of these metals are to be found in technical and price factors and if technically suitable, the remaining issue is merely cost in relation to the cost of substitutes, he said.

Altho magnesium offers the main comthan a year ago. Soft goods inventories petition to aluminum, its future appears to be less predictable, Dr. Elliott declared. There is less familiarity with it and less interest displayed by prospective customers. Since a major source of magneslum is sea water, however, he thought it might become more abundant than aluminum.

The Senate committee investigating the problem wants to create 60,000 new small business enterprises using these It will be two to three years after the two metals. Dr. Elliott warned that altho war before improved electrical appliances he supported this idea, these industries can be marketed, the advertising man- may create more indirect employment

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### Ban On Trade Shows To Last After V-E Day

OHICAGO, March 10 .- There will be no relaxation of the ban on trade shows, Office of Defense Transportation spokesmen say, despite rumors to the contrary. ODT declares firmly that such gatherings are out for the duration in the present transportation emergency, which will last until after the American armies now fighting in Europe are transferred to the Pacific following the end of the European war.

ODT contends it is better to avoid the congestion resulting from trade shows and spread the travel over a longer period and to more trade centers. Buyers going to markets individually cause less disruption of travel facilities than such shows, it is said.

The recent Madison Square Garden Sportsman's Show was given without



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#### FIRMS PIONEER IDEAS (Continued from page 50)

many useful clues for the average small firm to make its post-war plans,

One merchandising leader here says that the average firm can either follow in the path which has been opened up by the big firms or the small firm can start out in an entirely different field and use highly specialized items not featured by the big chains and the mail order houses.

During the war, the catalogs of the mall order houses here have been studied by the merchandise trade to see what cialty merchandise business. the trends are in merchandise supplies. Catalogs have been regarded as a good barometer of what small items could be had and how fast the supplies of merchandlae on the general markets were declining. It was felt that if anybody could get the customary small goods, the big mail order houses would get it and it would show up in their new catalogs.

#### More Retail Outlets

The big mall order firms are, of course, giving their chief attention to expansion into the retail field after the war. Some of them are planning big expansion in setting up new retail outlets. The big chains, including the big tire companies that have retail stores, are also planning to increase their retail outlets and they are also planning to increase the variety of goods which will be offered thru their stores. Chains are also planning improvements in the type of outlet used for retail sales. In other words, they will modernize their retail stores.

Whatever the increase in competition may be for the small firms in the novelty field, it is certain that much bigger publicity will be given to small items in the future. The public will be made



much more conscious of novelty and speclaity items due to the big expansion programs of the big firms.

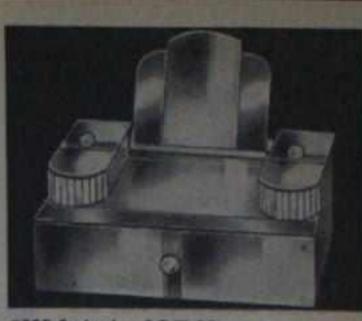
During the war, the trade has been made well aware of the tire and rubber companies, such as Goodyear and Firestone, because of announcements at intervals of new plastic and fabric inventions developed by these big concerns. Every news announcement has given one more indication that these big firms, with their retail outlets, will be in the field again after the war to offer competition in some respects and to ploneer ideas in other ways for the whole spe-

Officials of the big tire companies have recently made announcements of their post-war plans and financial and trade ournals have carefully charted what most of the firms plan to do. All of them will increase their promotion of specialty merchandise,

#### New Products

As an example of the new products which the tire companies announce at regular intervals, an official of the Goodrich Company recently announced at a business meeting here that it had a new plastic specialty which would be ready for the trade as soon as war needs were over. According to the official, the new plastic will be very useful in the fabric field. It is now being used exclusively on war orders for the manufacture of army and navy raincoats and other items, he said. There are four different types of the plastic costing, proving that it will find many uses when civilian goods begin to use such new developments.

About the same time Goodyear was also announcing a flame-resisting fabric, The new fabric is suitable for auto seat covers, wall coverings, tapestry and many other ideas. It can even be used in the luggage, handbag and other gift merchandise fields. The new fabric can be woven into a variety of colors, patterns



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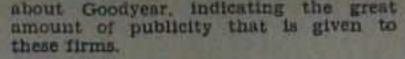
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predicts.

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ing restraint, he calls attention to advertising blurbs about soap, cereals and hair tonics. Not that he criticizes advertising. On the contrary, points out Esquire, he believes it is one of our greatest social forces. Anything that can be of public benefit should be made known to all, he says, and before a man can sell any article with true dramatic flair, he must be sold on himself as well as his merchandise. Jack believes he is good . . . which undoubtedly has bearing on his phenomenal success,



#### March 12-17

MINN .- Saint Paul. Shrine Circus, 12-18. MISS .- Port Gibson. Fat Stock Show, 13-16. TEX .- Fort Worth. Exposition & Stock Show,

KAN .-- Wichita. Police Circus at Forum, 18-



NEW YORK 13, N. Y.



Want any quantity from 50 WILLIAM DOYLE . . . to 10,000 in any condition. known as Kid Hollywood, was removed (Larries okay.) Submit to City-County Hospital, Fort Worth, March 5, after being suddenly stricken ill. Arrangements were made for his care by Jack Soder and Abie D. Gilley. The Kid asks for lines from the circus boys and Gus, the popcorn man.

HUCK WASHBURN . . .

reports from Ocala, Fla., where the Southeastern Florida Stock Show was held February 23-25, that takes were fair for Ed Huff's publications. Jackpots were cut up and the Chamber of Commerce threw a feed for the fair gang. Pitchfolk with Washburn were Ben Smith, Joe W. Keown, Harry Singleton and Slim Maxwell.

Pipes

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CORRECTIONA Address of the **Border Novelty Co.** was incorrectly given in Advertisement in the March 10 issue as 415 Woodward Ave. Correct Address Is: 405 Woodward Ave., Detroit 26, Mich.



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#### ED WHALEN . . .

and wife are operating a photo studio in Forest, Miss., to good takes.

Columbus, Ohio IRVING AND RUTH LIVINGSTON . . . are working corn punk in Akron.

> NEW ENGLAND JACK MURRAY . . . widely hailed as the most versatile, talented and erudite sheet writer in the game, is the subject of Don Carle Gillette article, The Prince of Pitchmen, appearing in the April issue of Esquire. If Murray is less widely known than Orson Welles, says Esquire, it is due chiefly to the great differences in their media of expression. Orson has the advantage of radio, screen and stage. Jack is confined to the audience within personal sight and sound, plus readers of his occasional contributions to the Pipes for Pitchmen column of The Billboard.

> At seven, Jack started his selling career by peddling flypaper from door-todoor. At 64 he is still selling paper, tho not that kind. In 1928 he set the alltime one-man record on subscriptions by making 1,132 sales in a single month. Shortly before that, during a special week in Boston, he sold 716 subscriptions at \$3.85 each in a space of seven days.

Unlike the famous Dusty Rhodes, who pounded the road for nearly four decades on behalf of The Southern Ruralist, continues Esquire, Jack Murray plays the field. He is quick at finding out what a prospect is interested in. Then he confines his sales talk to that one line.

After talking the language they understand to agriculturists, poultry men and fruit growers, he can step into a beauty shop and discuss colffures, massages and plastic surgery. One evening he barged into the meeting of a carpenters' and jobbers' union. When he left he had sold 84 subscriptions to a woodworkers' journal. Next day he addressed a women's sewing circle and showed them a short-cut system of tatting. Naturally, he picked up numerous subscriptions to his needlework magazine.

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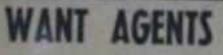
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LAST CALL

#### **R-B BALLY STARTS** (Continued from page 40)

rissey, radio, are in Sarasota. Shooting photogs at quarters recently were Mike Ackerman, Acme; Earl Shugara, Amociated Press, and Ike Vern, pix agency. while writers included John Wilds, of the Miami AP office. Entire press and radio staff will be in New York within a week.

From Sarasota comes word that rehearsals indicate the program will have many new features. Daily winter practice has brought fine results to the Loyal Repenski Family act. Zefta Loyal is now doing a somerssult thru a four-foot hoop on a galloping horse, and the five Loyal Sisters are fork-jumping at the same time onto a horse. Papa Loyal has broken new horses for his act, as well as two new horses for Ernestine Clarke. Brice Rutherford is in charge of the stock.

#### WITH THE FANS

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who winter in near-by Tampa. Staples will also visit Sarasota.

CFA Charles Consolvo, Norfolk, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sam W. Gumpertz in Sarasota.

#### UNDER THE MARQUEE (Continued from page 41)

Oklahoma City. . . Myrtle Hutt has returned to Hot Springs after a visit in Chicago.

EARLY-DAY COMPLAINT: "I allowed your billposter to cook his paste with the steam in my laundry, but he didn't leave the promised passes."

CLIPPORD THOMPSON, Iola, Wis., an attorney, 8 feet 7 inches tall, told of his 13 years' experience with circuses in the United States, Canada, the Orient and Europe at the Clintonville, Wis., Lions' Club recently. . . . BILL LINDE-MANN, Seils-Sterling Circus, was Walter W. Stockland's guest at the Hamid-Morton Shrine Circus in Milwaukee. . . . For Wheel and mod Grind Store Men. Write to WHILE PLAYING a theater date in Worcester, Mass., recently, Don Dorsey had a visit with Doug Campbell, now a rigger in a shipyards near Providence. . . .

LAST CALL

PVT. DON MacCALLUM, Cole Bros," clectrician, gets The Billboard in Germany and reports his address as APO 339, care Postmaster, New York . . . SINON COL-LINS will clown the Wichits, Kan., date for Hamid-Morton and then make a trip to Mexico.

The Billboard

DESCRIBING HIS BOSS, a canvasman said: "As managers go, he is more like the old-time managers than the old-time managers were."

RAY AMY, magician, is visiting in Shreveport with Dee Aldrich, Russell Bros.' Side Show manager. . . . AFTER four years in the marines, Everett Coriell has rejoined his father, Vern, and will present his head slide and head jumps with Bob Atterbury's Circus. . . BUCK LEAHY is playing dates around Pittsburgh. . . ROY VALENTINE'S Flying Romas will play the Chicago Stadium and Detroit Olympia dates. . . LEE'S SOCIETY CIRCUS has completed a tour of schools and is in Birmingham preparing to join the J. F. Sparks' car-The nival

> NEWS ITEM: "The prefabricated house can be set up or torn down in one day" may have been startling to some, but circus men didn't give it a ripple,

TINY SMITH has booked his comedy Ford and new bear acts with Mills Bros. . . . TIGE HALE will have his Gold Medal Band on the Austin show. . . . STEVE (SHORTY) BYRD, novelties with Dailey Bros., recently visited The Billboard's Cincinnati office, . . . CHICK YALE will play Frank Wirth's dates at Washington. and St. Louis, and then fairs for Williams and Lee. . . OTTO GRIEBLING gets top billing for the St. Paul Shrine event. . . AERIAL LA ZELLAS took a nasty tumble at Temple, Tex., but will be ready to work the St. Louis Police Circus,

YESTERYEAR'S BIG THRULL for a colored ruralits in the Delta country was a 36cent round-trip excursion to see, if nothing else, a circus parade.

LETTER LIST

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CORP. GEORGE M. ALVAREZ, former catcher with the Flying Zacchints, 15 now on the Western Front in Germany. . . BILL OWENS, Philadelphia, has joined Bond Bros,' advance.... HENRY WYLIE, former clown, landed in the clink in Glasgow, Scotland, recently for wearing a uniform he borrowed from a marine in an effort to get back into service. . . PVT. FREDERICK WENZEL former R-B clown, was injured in line of duty with the 83d Division in France and is now convalescing at Welch General Hospital Daytona Beach, Fia.

LAST SEASON the West Coast circus came to the Middle West and back; the Midwestern shows went to the West Coast and back. Funny there isn't enough paying territory in one section.

GERALD (JARE) JACONET, who worked advance for Billroy's Comediana and Lewis Bros," Circus, has been seriously wounded in France. . . . FORREST BROWN, Delphos, O., will continue to work in a war plant. . . C. STANLEY FULTON writes from Miami that Lee Conarroe will manage Ringling's No. 2 cur; that "East-Coast" Mehan is still business agent for Miami billposters; that Duke Brownell will be out with a big one; that Fred Kessler is still distributing films to theaters; that Glen Edwards will troups again, and that he will go with the Grand Ole Opry. . . . THEO FORSTALL trained out of Los Angeles Monday (5) for New York to resume his duties with the Ringling show. . . . RED GILSON arrived in Los Angeles Monday (5) to take over his duties as the band director with Gronin Bros.' Circus. . . . K. E. SIMMONS, formerly correspondent for The Billboard in Indiana, is back in Los Angeles to take a position as a theater manager. . . . AMONG PROMI-NENT visitors at the Polack Shrine Circus in Chicago were Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Levy, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kressmann, Toby Wells, Ida E. Cohen, Early Shipley. Helen Billeti, Larry Lewis, Ethel Robinson, Charley Zemater, Sue Pallenberg, the Juveleys and the entire cast of Icc-Capades.

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A. J. Budd will have the back yard with his 150-foot Circus Side Show, the Girlesque Review, posing show and two walk-in shows. Rudy Mullens will have a trained wild animal circus. Ed Kemp has been re-engaged as special agent and will handle The Billboard.

A. H. Lea, secretary of the Multnomah County Fair, Gresham, Ore., was a guest while on a tour of San Francisco.

The show will be routed thru California, Oregon and Washington.

Vaught Presses NAE Work PENSACOLA, Fia., March 10.—"Fullspeed ahead" order has been given by Manager Mel Vaught, of the North American Exposition, and work will be finished in time for opening on the show grounds near Cervantes and O Streets, March 18.

Four flats and 13 wagons with rides, shows and additional concession paraphernalia from the Beckmann and Gerety Shows' winter quarters, Shreveport, La., arrived last week to be added to the shows' equipment.

Joe S. Scholibo has taken over his duties as business manager, coming from Shreveport, where he conferred with B. S. Gerety and handled the shipment of the flats.

Pete Kortes, one of the owners, checked the work for a few days and then returned to Texas to start his Circus Side Show and another riding device on its way back to Pensacola.

A. J. (Whitey) Weiss, concession manager, has many of his agents in quarters and his secretary, Edgar Neville, and Tony Ybanez show office manager, are on the job.

B. A. McDonell is Diesel engineer and chief electrician; Joseph Myk, Skooter foreman, assisted by August Karau and Albert Charest, who built three new show fronts; Leroy Hunter is neon superintendent, with Rubin Rymer on neon construction and towers. Wade Calder is working on his new ride, the Stratoship, and Steve Keating has his Fun House ready. Eddie Jameson arrived from New Orleans with girls for his Musical Midway Revue that will be managed by "Red" Marcus, and Jameson will handle the Colored Minstrel and Revue. C. C. Mc-Clung has stocked his reptile and wild animal exhibit. Fred Nash is Octopus foreman: Harry Wagoner, Flying Skooter, and John Logan, the Streak. Max Lawrence rebuilt the Merry-Go-Round, Elmer Peyton has charge of motor transportation. Three sleeping and stateroom cars leased from Gerety are expected soon. Dick Hyland has a new front for the posing show and says he will use eight girls until fair season and then add more, Earl Chambers, with the Royal American last season, will have the Monkey Hippodrome,



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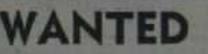
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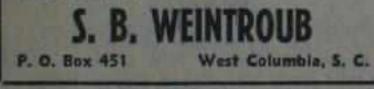
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#### BALLYHOO BROS. (Continued from page 34)

fronts. Talkers have used it since. In those days it wasn't considered quite so corny. Those lines will act as a monument to Lem Sr. It has become so popular that tips wait to hear it even tho the only ones who laugh at the crack are the bally gals and the talker. We can forgive the gals because they are supposed to smile on the front or be fined. Later the Dean of All Midwayites

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# BILLS PASS IN FOUR STATES **Executive Approval Makes** Three Bills Already Law

Montana leads with two laws on books this year-one bans slugs and another licenses gaming devices in clubs -five Legislatures have already adjourned

CHICAGO, March 10 .- Four States have finally produced some coin machine legislation, according to reports received during the week. The bills passed by Legislatures in at least three of the States may be considered generally favorable as far as the license provisions go. One State has put a vending machine license on the statute books and laws taxing vending machines per machine are generally

considered unfavorable. The four State Legislatures that have actually passed coin machine bills up to the present are the distinction of passing the first coin Dakota.

ed, another trend set in which is favorable to the trade also-Legislatures are current trend in legislation. The new new beginning to adjourn. Among the Legislatures already reported to have adjourned early in March are Indiana, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and Tennessee. The Legislatures of In- edly these laws will establish new prediana and Tennessee had very unfavorable coin machine bills, and reports reshow that these bills were passed,

detract some attention from State legis- Such legislation is considered unfavorlation. Recently, the cities of Columbus, O., Detroit and Philadelphia have reported local license bills. The full legal steps of completing the Detroit license plan on juke boxes has not yet been completed and operators may have a chance to get more favorable consideration. The license systems passed in Columbus and Philadelphia are now in process of undergoing court test cases. There are indications that city legislation may become a much more pressing problem for the industry than State legislation. In reviewing the coin machine legislation passed by the four States mentioned above, the following comments can be made at the present time and full digests of the laws will be published at an early date,

Georgia, Idaho, Montana and South machine bill this year; a law to ban the use of alugs. Now, the governor has ap-While this legislation was being pass- proved a law for licensing gaming devices in clubs, another example of the law becomes Chapter 142, Laws of 1945, Page 199. The law for licensing gaming devices in clubs is also a long document and contains many details but undoubtcedent for various other States.

ceived up to the present time do not approved a bill for licensing vending machines in the State according to the City legislation has recently tended to size of the coin used in the machine.

(See BILLS PASS on page 78)

Amend First Price Control **Order That Mentions Trade** 

official price control order of OPA that also discusses the topic of additional specifically mentioned coin machines has charges which may be included in the been amended again. It is now RMPR- celling price for services. Both of the 165 and has amendments 1 to 7. Origi- sections of the order are reprinted as nally, this order definitely mentioned follows: vending machines and apparently meant to include various types of coin machines under its control. The order refers to the price charged for services and apparently, the inclusion of coin machines in a regulation controlling prices charged for services, was meant to control the price of merchandise or amusement sold thru coin machines to the public.

The terms of RMPR-165 deal chiefly with getting ceiling prices set on new services started since the original order went into effect. The order also says that the seller of a service cannot charge a price higher than his ceiling and it includes the buyer of a service, saying that the buyer must not pay a price higher than the ceiling price for a service, Coin machine services were included in the SOUTH DAKOTA. The governor has order only as one of many types of serv-1005.

> In some cases, operators of coln machines might be interested in Section 11 of the order, which provides for raising the price ceiling on a service in order

WASHINGTON, March 10 .- The first to cover taxes. Section 12 of the order

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Section 11. Taxes. If a tax is imposed on a service covered by this regulation and the tax law does not forbid you to pass the tax on to your customers, you may add the tax to your maximum price in accordance with the following provisions: If the tax becomes effective after March, 1942, you may add the tax to your maximum price if you separately state it. If the tax was in effect in March, 1942, and you were not then supplying the service, you may add the tax to your maximum price as established under this regulation if such price does not already reflect the tax, if you separately state it. If the tax was in effect in March, 1942, and you were then supplying the service and passing on the tax, you may continue to do so; if you separately stated the tax then, you must do so now. If in March, 1942 you did not pass the tax on to your customers, you may not do so now, ("Tax" as used in this section also includes a tax increase.)

Section 12. Additional charges. You may not make a higher charge for expediting, packaging, or other incidents of a service than you made in March. 1942 to a purchaser of the same class; nor may you now make any charge for any incident of a service if it was not your practice to do so in that month. You may not require a purchaser to pay a larger proportion of transportation costs incurred in the supply of any service than you required a purchaser of the same class to pay during March, 1942 for the same service. Unless authorized by OPA, you may not now require a deposit for any reason, if you did not require one in March, 1942, nor may you now increase any such deposit which you required in March, 1942. (Sec. 12 amended by AM. 4, 9 F. R. 12989, effective 11-2-44.) Operators of cigarette machines have, during the war, perhaps come face to face with more questions relating to services than any other branch of the trade. For that reason, it has been (See LIMIT MCH, SALES on page 76)



#### Bills Passed

GEORGIA. The Legislature receased March 3 to convene again January 7. 1946, but it had already passed what is known as House Bill 531. This bill is what is generally known as an empowering act. Its purpose is to give local officials in cities and counties a legal method whereby they can license coin machines if so destred. The bill which has passed the Georgia Legislature definitely gives cities and counties power to license gaming devices at a minimum of \$100 for each machine. The text says that the machines may give the player "a chance to win money or some article of value." Reports do not show that the governor has yet approved this bill and there is a possibility that it may not be approved by the executive. The passage of such liberal legislation in Georgia, a State that has been marked by crusades against pinball games, is an indication of the liberal trend now current,

IDAHO. The Legislature has passed a bill, now definitely a trend in legislation, which provides for the licensing of gaming devices by clubs of various kinds. The bill is a long document and contains many details and the license fee may be considered rather high, but it definitely is a plan for licensing gaming devices in private clubs and fraternal organizations. Reports do not show that the governor has approved the bill as yet. Its passage by the Legislature, however, is another indication of the current trend to license gaming devices in clubs, At the same time it was reported that the Idaho Legislature is speeding along the passage of a bill which would legalize free-play awards on pinball games in the State. The bill would amend the gambling statutes of the State to declare that the use of free plays on pinball is now gambling.

MONTANA. This State now takes its place as having passed two coin machine bills and both of them have been approved by the governor. The State had

#### By Walter W. Hurd

TWO cities have recently passed A ordinances licensing one or more types of coin machines, thus taking the spotlight from State legislation for the time being. Predictions have been made in our news columns in past months that cities might grab the legislative ball and become more of a problem to the trade than the 44 State Legislatures that met this year.

The reason that cities may raise more tax problems than States will be that cities are more in need of revenue. Organizations representing city officials have been saying for some time that some way must be found to get State governments to pass on more revenue to local governments or cities will be compelled to find many new sources.

A significant fact about State treasuries at the present time is that most of them atill have large surplus funds, altho they do foresce the time when they may have to again hunt for revenue. Many of the State Legislatures this year have had to consider the problem of handling surplus funds, but citles are not so well off. Hence, city taxes may become much more of a threat to the trade this year than State taxes. Up to the present no alarming reports of tax threats have come from any State Legislature.

The two cities that have recently passed ordinances are Detroit and Philadelphia, Both cities have a previous long history of proposals to tax coln machines, and Detroit at one time had what was regarded as the model city ordinance for licensing amusement games. The present Detroit ordinance refera only to music and apparently has been drawn up with care to take in all types of music machines, including radio, etc. The Philadelphia ordinance is broader in coverage and includes juke boxes in its plan to license amusement machines. The Detroit plan is more reasonable in the fees proposed.

Reports say that Detroit and Philadelphia both need revenue and that is the true reason for the coin machine ordinances. In fact, Philadelphia passed laws to tax bowling and other amusements at the same time. Chicago may be said to have led off first in this general search for new sources of revenue when it passed laws to tax many types of business, including arcade machines and jukes, and there are a number of other large cities that may make a general sweep in finding revenue.

At the present time it is not possible to say whether the city councils of Detroit and Philadelphia may have been influenced by a book on taxing coin machines which has been published by the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers, with headquarters in Washington. The book has been supplied to member city attorneys and may be had by non-member city officials for \$2 per copy. It bears the title, Mechanical Amusement Devices-Juke Boxes-Cigaret Vending Machines, According to Reports.

I have recently seen for the first time a survey report issued by the U. S. Conference of Mayors in 1936 bearing the title, "Municipal Regulation of Mechanical Amusement Devices." This is the organization thru which Mayor La Guardia at one time tried to stir up a national crusade against gaming devices. The report tries to give a balanced survey of city ordinances taxing or regulating amusement games, and yet a casual reading at once gives the impression it is weighted much on the unfavorable side.

All these things contribute to the problem of city taxation in the future.

### WMC Confirm **Midnight End** For Machines

#### **All Amusements Included**

WASHINGTON, March 10 .- Juke boxes and pinballs are included in the general curfew because they are considered "amusement devices" and aim is to shut down everything in way of amusement at midnight, War Man-Power Commission officials repeated here today.

Order has resulted in some 5 to 10 per cent drop in revenues locally, except in Virginia, where 11 o'clock curlew was already in effect. Operators here are confident that sales will go back to normal in next few weeks as public habits shift to earlier pleasure hours.

Most all-night eating spots using jukes are turning them off here at midnight tho servicemen, seeking late food, are reported grumbling at inability to play. jukes.

WMC says there can be no exceptions, however, and that all jukes must be off at midnight regardless of location. Pinballs were included mostly to hit arcades which also are considered in amusement field under ruling. Arcades here are complying and this seems true throut the nation from reports reaching here.

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### COINMEN YOU KNOW

#### **Detroit**:

FRANK YAGIELA, a newcomer to the coin machine field here, is buying up a number of music machines and establishing a new route as the Classic Music Company. He is establishing headquarters at 3468 Yemans Avenue in the Northeastern suburb of Hamtramck. . . . HENRY EDELMAN, operating skee balls and guns, has returned from a three weeks' vacation. . . . LOUIS FISHER, of the R. and F. Novelty Company, was a visitor at the Edelman Amusement Company store.

#### **Buffalo:**

BEN KULICK, well-known coin operator, head of Mills Amusement Company, who now also heads the Fay-San Corporation, distributor for Admiral Radios, etc., is in the midst of doing an extensive redecorating and remodeling job on his headquarters on Main Street. The place is being done over completely. New private offices are being built, as well as new display racks, showrooms, general offices, with a color scheme of cream and blue. Kulick has now signed up 200 dealers for Admiral in his territory which includes 12 counties. He is buying radio time this week to plug his Fay-San Admiral set-up locally, right after the Sunday afternoon Columbia Network news program put on by Admiral.

JAMES D. BLAKESLEE, Iroquois Amusement Company, is back from his New York trip and full of enthusiasm after making the rounds of wholesalers and record firms. He bought some equipnent (novelties and guns) while there ind made various conections for future surchases of machines and records. He made a tie-up with Feature Records and New York: hopes to get some of those disks soon. Beaides business, he had a good time eeing some shows and attending some proadcasts.

Another letter came from S/SGT. BOB MILLER, with the army in India, formerly also of Iroquois Amusement Commany, saying that he received three more opies of The Billboard and read them rom cover to cover, and feels that this et's him know what is going on back nome. He was delighted, and even his uddles, none of whom are in the busiless, read them thoroly and got a real lick out of It.

"Mr. Dutton." . . . BILL MALICK, of Oakland, in the city on a business trip. MRS. JACK UMPHREYS, wife of Jack Umphreys, of E. T. Mape Music, knawing on a turkey leg at the California Amusement Company's party. . . , BERTHELLE and JOHN PATRICK in the city from Santa Maria. Patrick talking about his horseback riding. One or two of them have been short-lived rides. In other words, it's on again-off again Patrick. ... TONY CAPERS, who operated music machines in Oakland, has sold out his route. He plans to take off from the coin machine business for a year. During that year he is going to college, studying business management and kindred subjects, ... GEORGE MURDOCK and GEORGE BENNETT are getting set to distribute Rock-Ola machines in this area after the war. . . RAY WHERRIT and wife up from San Luis Obispo. Wherrit made the California Amusement party and then left early the following morning to resume his operational duties, .... S. H. MASON, of Mason Music Company, Los Angeles, in town for the round of parties. He and Mrs. Mason arrived in town late. They came thru anyway. Plane priorities couldn't keep them from arriving for the event at California Amusement Company.

JACK GUTSCHALL put out nearly 16,000 records in one day while here. ... L. B. MCCREARY stayed in town for the night's festivities, getting together with the boys. One stop was Fishermen's Wharf for a good sea food feed. . . . E. T. MAPE taking advantage of the gettogether to tell people about his ranch and horses. With him was his nephew, Bill Lyons. . . . MEL SHAWL is handling service calls for Alfred Lamp in Oakland.

BEN HOCOWITZ, of Albena Sales Company, has just received an RCA Radiogram from a customer in the city of Teheran, Iran, some 7,000 miles from New York. Ben was surprised to hear from this Near-Eastern country which is located by Arabia and populated largely by tribes of herdsmen. Looks like the Arabians and Persians are taking to coin machines. Well anyway, as Ben puts it, Billyboy sure gets around. . . . MATE 2ND CLASS JACK M BERMAN and his wife are now in Cleveland, where Jack is taking advanced training. Jack's parents, like and Bessie Berman, of the Economy Supply Company, have just received a letter from him saying that both he and his wife are enjoying their stay in Cleveland. . . . SPRING must be just around the corner-things are really humming at Mike Munves.

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#### San Francisco:

L. B. STOKEN, of Consolidated Manuacturing Company, working the town thile attending the opening at California imusement Company. . . . ALFRED AMB making the rounds and passing ut his business cards that specify that is "exclusively Wurlitzer." . . . BILL ATHANSON, of Los Angeles, here for he day. Arriving on the train in the norning, Nathanson went directly to a urkish bath to get freshened up for he task of selling. Worked hard that day nd trained out that night for Los Aneles with LOU WOLCHER, of Advance utomatic Company. . . , MRS. E. M. JUTTON, of Viking Specialty Company, sughing about the many letters she ets regarding equipment. Nothing funny bout that. But they are addressed to

#### 600 Members of Detroit TA **Club Dance to Juke Tunes**

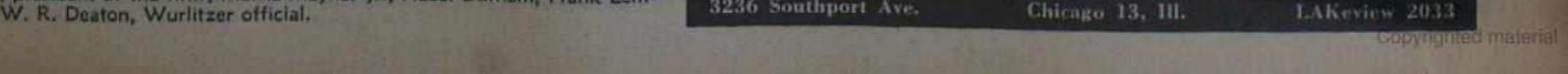
DETROIT, March 10 -At Hazel Park, industrial north end of Detroit, a center has been established where dances and games attract the youth of the community. A juke box provides the music for dancing and the clubhouse has a pool table, shuffleboard equipment and ping-pong tables.

Activities of the center are financed thru dues of 50 cents per month and boasts over 600 members.



DISTRIBUTOR OPENING. Recent gala party to celebrate opening of Brady Distributing Company quarters, Charlotte, N. C., handling Wurlitzer phonographs, hows above group among those present, left to right: C. Godwin; R. S. Jefferys; C. B. Brady, president of the firm; Morris Maynor Jr., Hazel Durham, Frank Lemmond, and W. R. Deaton, Wurlitzer official.





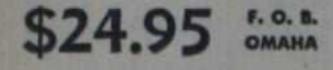
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### **States With Good License** Laws Stirred by New Bills

most overshadowed all other legal hap- legalize free-play pinball. Another bill penings in the coin machine trade dur- for licensing gaming devices in clubs has ing the week of February 26, not previ- appeared which looks rather favorable. ously reviewed in these columns. In- A bill for taxing cigarettes in the State creased legislative activity on coin ma- has also appeared and a section on vendchine bills, however, was reported during ing machines is included in the bill. that week in such States as Arkansas, Apparently, the bill simply lumps all re-Idaho, Montana and Washington. A pe- tail sales of cigarettes under one tax cullarity in these reports is that two of system and it does not single out vendthe States-Arkansas and Washingtonalready have what are considered good coin machine license systems in operation. Apparently, the "opposition" is bent on disturbing the present workable systems. The new proposals seem to be worse than existing laws,

The coin machine trade can rejoice in one report, however, that is, what appears to be the first coin machine bill to pass in any State so far this year, is an anti-slug bill in Montana. The anti-slug bill is definitely very favorable to the industry. So, whatever unfavorable bills may yet become law in various states, the first bill to pass is favorable to the industry.

Recent reports on legislation deal found in seized machines, chiefly with committee reports on bills in the hopper, either favorable or unfavorable, and voting on recommendations made by committees. This may indicate that the Legislatures in a few States are getting ready to pass some sort of legislation in the next few days or weeks. Up to the present time, the majority of the bills that came up for definite action were killed either in committee or by vote of one of the houses. This is distinctly favorable to the trade.

#### Little Publicity

Publicity on coin machine legislation

CHICAGO, March 10 .- Curfew news al- A new bill has appeared which would ing machines for any special hardship.

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INDIANA. The House has indefinitely postponed the unfavorable bill which would have banned music from liquor locations.

IOWA. A bill which would have reduced the Statae fee on penny scales was killed by committee. The sponsor of the bill said unfavorable newspaper publicity killed it. At a public hearing some legislators criticized penny scales as being inaccurate.

NEW YORK. A big State in which unfavorable bills usually appear in the Legislature now has an anti-slot machine bill. It provides for disposing of money

NORTH CAROLINA. The Music Copyright bill has passed the House and the Senate has recently sent it to committee. (See NEW BILLS on page 72)

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### State - by - State Roll Call **On Legal and Market Data**

In The Billboard, March 3, page 69, the first installment of an alphabetical roster of the States was published, showing some of the high points in the legal history of coin machines in each State and also suggesting present legislative trends. The second installment of the report is continued below, listing the remainder of the States in order.

NEW MEXICO. In keeping with e liberal spirit of the West, the State egislature now has a bill to license aming devices. Previous history of coin achines in this State has been limited a local affairs and not much has been ritten about it.

#### New York Makes History

NEW YORK. While the Legislaare of this State has never been noted r any large number of coin machine ils, yet the trade and legal history of in machines in the State and in its rgest city fill a book. The industrial d political rivalry of up-State New ork and New York City has its reactions the coin machine trade as well as in her lines of business. The New York ity market has long been considered the gest single market area in the United ates for coin machines of all types. It sloomed the pinball industry early in its ginning and passed a city license sysm which existed for many years. New ork City has always been a big vending achine center. It revived and sped e modern arcade movement on its way id was the first to use modern newsper advertising to boost arcades or ortlands. The legal history involving nball and gaming devices in New York ty and in the State as a whole is so mplex that it is impossible to give outline here. Unfavorable administraons in New York City and in the State flees now cast a damper on the outlook the amusement machine trade. There we been some reports that the State iministration was unfavorable even to ending machines.

The present Legislature has a bill to amend certain sections of the general revenue law which relate to the State tax on vending machines. The Legislature also has a bill of interest to juke box operators since it would collect a \$1,000 tax on any organizational person assessing fees for the use of copyright music in the State. The State is considered an example to other States around it and its legal history has run fairly smooth.

#### Exempt Juke Boxes

NORTH DAKOTA. The State license system on amusement machines seems to run fairly smooth in the State. One of the first court tests went to the State Supreme Court which decided that juke boxes are not classed under the State law as amusement machines and hence are exempt from the State tax. There have been other court tests on the question of free plays, but the State IIcense system still continues in effect. A legislative proposal this year to empower cities and countles to license coin machines has been indefinitely postponed.

OHIO. This important agricultural and industrial State is an important coin machine market. Its cities of Cleveland, Columbus, Akron, Toledo and others all have important coin machine histories and a chapter could be written on each. Columbus has recently adopted a license system and a number of other cities in the State have a license system, including Cincinnati. The Cleveland license system on pinball was the subject of a contest in State courts and the State high court finally decided that pinball, being a mechanical game, cannot be a skill game or something to that effect. It is considered one of the most unfavorable high court decisions on record involving pinball games. The cigarette vending machine-trade has an important history in the State and since the retail tobacco trade and the cigarette vending trade work together, it sets an important precedent in this field. The Ohio Legislature seldom has many bills relating to coin machines.

now before the Legislature to repeal the percentage juke box tax. In years past the State Legislature has made efforts to license coin machines of various types in the State, but an unfavorable State administration has usually defeated such moves.

OREGON. The State has a coin machine license system which was under long court attack that included two test cases that went to the State Supreme Court. The high court upheld the State license law in two cases. Bills in the Legislature at the present time are generally considered unfavorable. The State is a center of retail opposition to vending machines.

earliest battles in State high courts on pinnball games developed in this State. It involved a question of whether pinball games were covered by the 1907 State Mercantile Tax Law. In two important test cases the State Supreme Court decided that pinball was taxable under the 1907 law. This had the effect of declaring pinball to be a legal game in the State. Hence, Pennsylvania was said to be one of the first States to have a State tax on pinball. In more recent years the mercantile act has been said not to apply to the games, Philadelphia is now considering a tax on coin machines, and Pittsburgh among other cities in the State has long had a tax on amusement machines. The State is considered an excellent market and the prestige of the State tax on pinball long had a helpful effect on the progress of the games in the State. The State Legislature seldom has any large number of bills on coin machines. The juke box trade is interested in the State because at least two important test cases on the use of copyright music have long been pending in district courts there.

RHODE ISLAND. "Poor little Rhode Island" seldom has much to contribute to the news channels of the coin machine industry.

Follows Neighbor's Example SOUTH CAROLINA. The State usually follows the example of its neighbor North Carolina in its laws and taxes. Hence, the State has a license on coin machines similar to that of N. C. At present, however, South Carolina has a bill for licensing juke boxes or piccolos as they are sometimes called in that section.

the State Supreme Court and a bill is stitutes one of the two States that have had a State license system and then after a trial of a few years have repealed the State license law in a clear-cut issue.

WASHINGTON. This State has made important coin machine history. Its State license system was the first law in the U.S. to place the tax on coin machines on a percentage of the gross intake. Gaming devices are included in the tax system but are not legalized thereby. Due to the rapid industrial growth of the State, the license system has proved favorable. One of the most complete surveys on the licensing of pinball games a few years ago revealed that more than half the cities and towns in the State licensed pinball at varying PENNSYLVANIA. One of the fees. The organized city governments opposed the State license law in one of the most carefully planned campaigns in the country. Important data on taxing coin machines was made available before the Legislature. Present bills in the Legislature are considered unfavorable.

> WEST VIRGINIA. This great coal mining and industrial State has never had the agitation about coin machines that takes place in areas of similar size, The State has a license system on vending machines and bills are in the Legislature to amend this law at the present time. The State is considered a favorable market for industrial reasons,

#### Unfavorable Administration

WISCONSIN. An unfavorable State administration has inspired the usual type of bill to ban gaming devices, and one just recently introduced would make it possible for the player of a gaming device to recover money lost in such machines. This latter bill is apparently an attempt to apply the principle set forth in the recent decision of the Minnesota Supreme Court. The State has a strong political reform faction led by two important newspapers in the State that continually harp on the federal tax records of gaming devices in the State. Tourist trade makes gaming devices very popular and also makes them pay. There is a prospect that unfavorable legislation may be passed this year. The State income tax has been used to get important data on taxes paid by coin machine operators in the State. Milwaukee adopted a city license system after one of the most extended battles in public and in the newspapers yet to take place on the issue of licensing coin machines. Invariably, the issue of bingo games becomes involved with the drives against licensed pinball games and even the churches have been drawn into this Issue.

NORTH CAROLINA. The State OKLAHOMA. This important cense system has a high occupational coin machine State has made legal hise, but it forms one of the important ates in the large list of Southern govnments that license coin machines.

#### "Grab Tax" Upheld

tory chiefly in relation to its State percentage tax on juke boxes known as the "grab tax." It was finally upheld by



SOUTH DAKOTA. The State has little coin machine history. A move to get a popular vote on the extreme 1937 anti-slot machine law failed to mature and little news has developed since that time.

TENNESSEE. This important coin machine market has a State license system which bases the rates somewhat on population. The Legislature now has a proposal which would set up a State IIcense tax on a percentage basis. Court tests have been important in this State. involving pinball license fees in Memphis and other cities and also an important juke box tax case which was decided unfavorably to the trade by the Tennessee Supreme Court, A test case on free plays is said to be on its way from Chattanooga to the State Supreme Court.

TEXAS. This big coin machine empire of the Southwest in days before the war has often been spoken of as the second most concentrated coin machine market in the U.S. It has the distinction of having preserved the juke box trade during those days when newly developed radio killed the phonograph business. Texas has the distinction of also having developed the first coinoperated table game for us in public places and to have proved that the public would patronize such an idea, The coin-operated miniature pool table was the first successful idea in modern table games. A Texas ban on standard pool halls brought about the idea. The State has a license system on coin machines, and some bills are in the Legislature now which are considered unfavorable.

#### Utah License System

UTAH, Crusades come at intervals against coin machines in this State. At present the Legislature has a bill for a State license system.

VERMONT. At one time this State had a license system for amusement machines which was considered favorable. but due to the efforts of an unfavorable State administration, the State license law was repealed. With Florida, it con-

WYOMING. This State has a very minor coin machine history. In 1941 the first year of the federal tax, the gaming device fee was paid on a total of 778 such machines in the State. This suggests that something of the liberal spirit of the West also prevails in this State.



#### The Billboard

# Trade Views **Record Set-Up**

### See Indies Holding Own

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10, - Music machine operators in this area are sure about several things pertaining to their business. They are: (1) That after the war they will support the independent record companies that have stood by them during record shortage days; (2) that a new name must be added to "the big four"; (3) that some of the major companies could be more diplomatic in turning down the boys; (4) there is not as much money in the phonograph boxes as some city ordinance makers believe, and (5) that a definite need for a general distributor of records issued by the indie companies is shown in this city.

A majority of the operators are strong in their opinions that the independent record concern is here to stay. While there are those who have had plenty of trouble with some of them, they are willing to forgive and forget. However, it will be up to the individual company itself to forestall competition and it will have to keep up with the good talent to be used.

The main complaint against the indica is directed to the smaller companies, Operators say that they send money and wait and wait for records. There isn't, in a number of cases, even an acknowledgement of the order. Not only do the music men become perturbed about their lucre but they need their records and need them quickly.

Along with the thorns there are roses, On the thorny side, operators believe that the smaller companies will eventually sound their death knell by failing to abow the courtesy of even a penny postal card to advise that the money has been received. A rose was tossed to one company by Clinton Roe, local music machine operator, who switched into this field after having a route of cigarette machines in the East. He said that he had ordered 400 records from a certain firm and that 200 had been delivered to him in five days. When asked if this was good service. Roe said that he could not get records that quickly here.

### Western Juke Lehighton Coin Machine Couple Tops in the Eyes of Over 90 G.I.'s

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The letter was mailed from Oklahoma games. City and was signed by over 90 soldiers, nearly a score of them commissioned ly recounted the full story of the deeds officers, expressing their thanks to the juke hox operator and his wife for kind- lows; nesses which had been shown them in passing thru this city.

#### Give Cigarettes, Too

The operator is O. J. Strauss, who, with his wife, meet trains passing thru the city which have servicemen among the passengers. Recently a train was passing thru and Mr. and Mrs. Strauss met the train and showered gifts of candy. cigarettes and other items on the boys, and it was this kindness which prompted the letter.

The text of the letter follows:

### **Heading Home**

On behalf of the officers and men returning from overseas, we wish to express our sincere appreclation for your generous gifta to our train company. As we have just returned from the European theater of operations from combat duty with the Eighth and Ninth Air Forces where many of the things that you gave us were unobtainable, it was especially gratifying to be remembered by the people of Lehighton.

We can assure you that it was a most generous gesture and truly an expression of America's hospitality which we will never forget. It is people such as yourself and the other kind people of Lehighton which make us proud to be Americans and make America worth fighting for.

LEHIGHTON, Pa., March 10 .- An op- ized plan which they have been carrying erator of juke boxes here has one of the forward during the past two years. In most interesting letters perhaps anyone that time they have presented more than in the trade has received during the war, \$1,500 worth of candy, cigarettes and Newspapers here have given important other materials to servicemen as they space to the letter and the services to stop over on troop trains at the railway men in the armed forces that prompted stations here. Strauss operates about 100 juke boxes and also a few pinball

> An Allentown (Pa.) newspaper recentof service of the Strauss couple as fol- George R. Murdock, George Bennett and

"Altho there was no special reason for their acts of kindness, the well-known couple took a financial burden upon themselves and purchased candy, cigarettes, magazines and other items. They also presented many packs of playing cards donated by Lehighton clubs."

In addition to gifts at home they have sent many boxes overseas. Mrs. Strauss said; "Soldiers that we saw and probably never will see again," were included in the groups that received the boxes. The majority of the gifts were made at the troop trains in Lehighton,

The biggest satisfaction to the couple is the number of letters and cards received from the boys to whom they gave presents. They have letters from servicemen in all parts of the world.

The permission to meet the troop trains is granted to the couple by the commander in charge of troop transportation. They are unable to meet every train that stops for servicing at Lehighton because of the lack of materials but they are able to meet a fair share and carry on their work.

Strauss is a veteran of World War I and his wife a native of Easton, Pa., and a trained nurse. She is the former Laura Schmidtetter.

**Juke Cockroaches to Take It on Lam With** 

### New M-B-W Firm **Rock-Ola Distrib** For West Coast

LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- M. B. W. Associates, a new name to West Coast columen, has been appointed Rock-Ola distributors for Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Western Idaho and Nevada.

With offices in San Francisco and contemplated offices in Seattle and Portland, Ore., they will be able to give complete services, announced George R. Murdock, one of the company executives.

Owners of M. B. W. Associates are Willard Wayne. Murdock and Bennett have both been actively associated with the phonograph business for the past 15 years. Wayne is an electronic engineer and will be able to offer his professional services to the operators.

Murdock was formerly western division manager of Rock-Ola and more recently was one of the largest operators in the State of Washington. He has sold his routes there and will be devoting his entire efforts to the new enterprise. Formerly with Mills Novelty Company and the M. A. Pollard Company, San Francisco, Bennett will hold sway at one of the branches,

### **Coast Juke Box Ops Combat Output Lack** With Preservatives

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10 .- Production limitations are hitting the music machine operators pretty hard. But there are still some short cuts to saving machines and records. Probably the hardest problem to overcome in replacing accessory equipment is the cut-down on the manufacture of 130-volt bulbs.

The fact that there are no more 130volt bulbs is hitting Clinton Roe, local music operator, pretty hard. He's using 120-volt ones but is not getting as much

#### **Good Beginning**

Operators are indebted to the small companies for coming out with good money-makers. The Excelsior label release, I'm Lost, is one of those moneymakers that came at a time when records were needed most. Recordings by Exclusive have also worked tabulators overtime. And then the boys are indebted to Giltedge for I Wonder, by Pvt. Cecil Gant. There have been good releases on Hit, Classic, Commodore, Musicraft and other labels.

Some operators claim that the big companies have been kicking them around. The kicking in some parts has been strong enough to make the boys anxious to buy their disks retail. The operators show no signs of carrying their feelings on their shoulders, for many of them have withstood harder knocks than any record company could give them. Complaints have not been directed against any particular one of the three big companies. The charge varied with certain operators. However, there were never any two companies named.

One operator made a complaint against a firm, saying that on an order, he got part of the shipment and then some weeks later a back order came after the tune had lost its popularity. He sold the never taken time to explain why. lot of records to retail stores,

husband's firm, Happy Jack Music Company, Watsonville, Calif., said most of the independent companies were very accommodating in their services. Her firm operates about 120 machines. She buys that the machines are taking in money about 75 per cent of the records from re- but at the same time records used to tall outlets and the remainder from sell for 21 cents and now they are 60 wholesalers.

Ac-Cent-Chu-Ate the Positive has boosted the reputation of Capitol among operators. The trade has not been able to get a sufficient quantity, either from wholesale or retail outlets.

Operators expressed approval of the idea of a dstributor specializing in records made by the independent companies. Most operators state their views

We wish you to convey to the other magnanimous people our deepest thanks,

The operator and his wife have not confined their services simply to meeting one or two trains but have a well organ-

very frankly on this subject. If a distributing firm should open such a shop here and circumvent those headaches of getting the smaller companies to ship records, the operators say they would give the firm plenty of orders. The thing that appears to be wrong with the small firms is that they don't acknowledge orders or money. Then, too, when they ship, they sometimes throw in numbers of which they have plenty on hand, If it happens to be a top-flight tune that has been ordered, the indies are generally out of it. When production does get to where shipment can be made, the chances are that the operator's machines have gone over the peak on this particular tune.

#### Poor Business

That companies do pass up business, either legitimately or otherwise, was confirmed by Ros. He said that he had a standing order with a Los Angeles firm for 100 records. The firm has never shipped any portion of the order and

Music machines in this vicinity are not Ha Gardner, who buys records for her making money in the fashion that some councils think. Commenting on this was Lynn Jones, operator of Golden Music Company here, and Union Music Company in San Jose, Calif. He said cents and up. Other costs have ad-Reports here say that Johnny Mercer's vanced, too. The percentages for operators have increased, too. Jones blames operator competish for this and no one elsc.

If the indies can give the operators good records after the war and conduct their trade in a businesslike manner today, they can carve a niche for themselves in local trade circles. But they've got to do what is expected of them.

#### **Use of New Chemical**

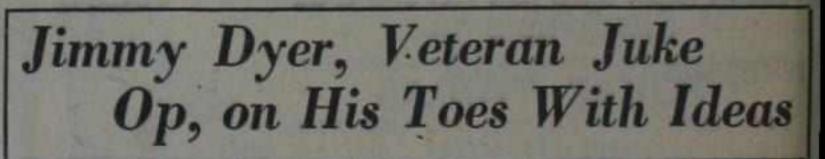
LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- Music machine operators troubled with cockroaches and other vermin-infested counter boxes will soon have an opportunity to rid them with a new chemical that has been created.

Two local men, familiar with operator problems, have concocted this new formula, Manufacturing the ingredients into a crystal form and placing it in small ventilated bags inside the selector boxes will, in a short time, eradicate all bugs.

Having no odor unpleasant to patrons, this new chemical will eliminate considerable servicing problems now encountered.

service out of them. Roe switched to the 130-volt bulbs when he began having trouble with burn-outs. He said that he has used 130-volt bulbs in machines as long as nine months.

Lynn Jones, of Golden Music Company, and the Union Music Company, San Jose, Calif., and Ros have been using record preservatives, too. Roe has found ordinary bar polish plenty okay. He used it on Edgar Hayes recording of Stardust and summed up its service by saying "It should have been off three months ago." These operators have found that the preservatives work better on records which have been used. However, Jones started out to save Rum and Coca-Cola with a preservative from the very beginning. It worked.



Dyer, local operator, has invented a new versation or carry on any chit-chat that 30-wire music adaptor. By-passing con- is unfavorable economically to the operaventional innovations embodied in present adaptors used in every phonograph an over-ride on plays that is not poswith remote control, Dyer has created an sible now. item that present-day operators of music equipment should not overlook for years to come.

will be saved plus man hours and labor charges involved in the installation of auxiliary bar-box equipment. This item alone has meant the decision one way or another when considering contemplation ingly little corrections, is the fact that of new location installations.

Using only two wires to transmit the impulses from the counter boxes to the playing mechanism is its main feature. Conceived exclusively Dyer and now under scrutiny of the engineering department of a large Eastern manufacturer, this invention no doubt will be an added feature on post-war phonographs, Also, wired music operators will benefit by its use. The conventional 30wire counter boxes now in use can be hooked up to it with the telephone wire going to the central station and registering on a board the location and the ideas to be offered operators and distune requested with no interruption. tributors in servicing their machines That is to say, the girl at the central sta- come post-war days,

LOS ANGELES, March 10. - James tion does not have to carry on any contion, plus giving the talk-back system

#### Has Volume Control, Too

Another feature that has been per-Thousands of dollars in cable alone fected by Dyer is an automatic volume control that will take care of the variances in tonal reproduction of presentday recordings. Commonly practiced among all pressers of records with seemone record will have higher volume than another. With this automatic volume control set by the operator for each individual record within reach of everyone in a location, and then a master control behind the counter for an employee to increase or decrease according to conditions, will eliminate the oft-cursed loud music box by touchy patrons.

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#### **Ritter Entertains Solons**

When Tex Ritter's Jamboree, with Max ferhune and Elmer as extra added atraction, recently played Helens, Mont., be State Legislature recessed, while Max intertained for 15 minutes and Tex ad-



dressed the assembly for eight minutes. While there they visited Governor Sam C. Ford in his offices and were made life members of the Montana Cowboy Assoclation and the Montana Trail Riders. The Jamboree unit is meeting with great success thruout the West. Among the many big names featured is that of Laura Lee Owens, yodeling cowgirl vocalist formerly with Bob Wills. Following Helena. the group played Butte and Missoula, Mont.; Spokane's Orpheum Theater, Yakima, Wash.; Beacon Theater, Vancouver, B. C., and this week they are at the Palamar Theater, Seattle.

#### **Owens Touring Southwest**

Tex Owens and Chief Tonto Thundercloud, of Lone Ranger fame, are now on tour of the Southwest. The duo appeared in Jim Boyd's gala Western Hillbilly Jamboree at Dallas' Municipal Auditorium recently. Two recent Jim Boyd songs popularized on Crazy Gang programs and appearances have been contracted for early publication: Old Texas Waltz, co-written with Ra-Faun, by La Casa Del Rio, and Sleepy River, co-written with Lew Mel and Emmett Henry, by Kelly Music Pubs.

#### Heath's First Waxings

Boyd Heath, new Bluebird recording artist, has just had his first waxings released. They are Dreamy Rio Grande and Smoke on the Water. Heath is skedded for a Coast-to-Coast air shot aix days a week, commencing early in April.

#### **Buchanan Brothers Click**

The Buchanan brothers, Chester and Lester, are two Georgia boys who have made good in the big city. Unknown six months ago, they are now featured on the Broadway Barn Dance, over WOV, and also have a program on WAAT, Newark, N. J. The boys have just completed 60 quarter-hour transcriptions for Mentholatum, being featured with Elton Britt, under the emseeing of Layman Cameron. They are making their first recordings for Bluebird this month, first record being Mama, I'm Sick and Them Good Old Times.



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#### Corn Brings Big Fan Mail

Big Slim Allen and Hazel Hawley, featured with their high-school horses and mules on the Hollywood Thrill Show for the last two years, have been working on WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va., this winter, pouring out their cowboy and hillbilly corn, which is drawing a big fan mail. Big Slim has written a number of songs in the last few months and they have been recorded by RCA-Victor in Canada, When the summer season opens Slim and Hazel are going back to outdoor dates.

#### Another Britt Winner

Elton Britt has hit the jackpot again. His Star-Spangled Banner Waving Somewhere recording sold 1,400,000 platters, and now orders for his newest Bluebird release, I'm a Convict With Old Glory in My Heart coupled with The Best Part of Travel, have already reached the halfmillion mark.

#### **Tunester** Tattle

Those Coon Creek Boys are building up quite a rep with their novelty singing and playing on the WLS National Barn Dance.

"Just want to tell you that I have received a contract for one of my songs, I Have Only a Picture of You, which M. M. Cole will publish," writes Carrie Hoffman.

Lee Thomas, New England cowboy and hillbilly tunester, who recently received a medical discharge from the navy, was in New York recently and made a deal to record several of his songs.

Smiley Burnette gets out some clever advertising material. On the envelopes he uses is printed: "If I go to the waste basket before you've looked inside, you're much too busy! Slow down; some day you'll miss something good."

Lockwood Johnston Jr., of the Barkley Mountain Boys in the WFIL Barn Dance, Philadelphia, has been inducted into the army,

Two more Kahl Ra-Faun tunes, Good-Bye Blues, co-written with Charles (Mickey) Mahoney, and Gone, with Walter Hansen, soon will be released by Premier Music Company.



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### **Pop Record Reviews**

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#### TEDDY WILSON QUARTET (Musicraft)

#### Ev'ry Time We Say Good-Bye-FT: VC. This Heart of Mine-FT; VC.

the collective of this foursome plus vocals that rates record interest. With Teddy Wilson's plano pacing, plus Red Norvo's vibes, Charlie Shavers' trumpet, Al Hall, bass, and Spec Powell at the drums, it's the playing that makes for this attraction. another instance where alapping together

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a gang of stars is no guarantee of a polished product. Playing individually rather than as one, disk is devoid of any musical meat, with uninspired doodling for two slow ballads in Evry Time We Say Good-Bye and This Heart of Mine. It's the individual efforts rather than Maxine Sullivan for the singing rates such company, but the boys have no more conception of playing for her than a gang of mickey mousers might display.

It's the names of the principals rather than

DELTA RHYTHM BOYS (Decca) Gee, Baby, Ain't I Good to You?-FT; V. Is There Somebody Else?-FT: V.

The solo and ensemble singing, contrasting the sustained and rhythm harmonies, of the Delta Rhythm Boys, rings out true for both of these tunes. Tops is Don Redman's plaintive Gee, Baby, Ain't I Good To You?, which packs all the infectious appeal a hit tune can hope for. Also in top vocal order is the sentimental ballad, Is There Somebody Else? Adequate instrumental support, with the guitar strumming pronounced, is provided by the Gulf Coast Five.

Music ops should reap a harvest of buffalo heads with the heated harmonies of "Gee, Baby, Ain't I Good To You?

#### SAMMY KAYE (Victor)

Just a Prayer Away-FT: VC. All of My Life-FT; VC.

Coated heavily with the sweet music is the conventional stylings of Sammy Kaye for both of these new ballads. Rich in melodic appeal is Irving Berlin's All of My Life, for which the saxes take the lead and Billy Williams the lyrics in appealing fashion. The trombone trio tees olf for Just a Prayer Away, a heart-warming song of a happy land, for which Williams gets vocal assist from the Kaye Choir for the wordage.

Both ballads foom big in popularity circles, with both sides designed for music box disking.

#### ROY ELDRIDGE (Decca) Twilight Time-FT.

Fish Market-FT.

The trumpeting Roy Eldridge shows to advantage for the contrasting moods set by these songs. Backed by a big band sitention to any of these sides in a music box, that packs a rhythmic wallop, Eldridge's horn and improvisations shine for the LOUIS PRIMA (Hit) twinkling Twilight Time ballad. Tempo is stepped up to jumping proportions for the maestro's Fish Market, a blues riffer that has Eldridge and the band boys riding out handsomely and hot.

#### **RED CAPS TRIO (Joe Davis)** Get Oll al That Kick-FT: V. It's Got a Hole in It-FT; V.

The rhythm singing of the Red Caps Trio, instrumentally supported by plano, bass and guitar, makes effective needling for both of these riff rhythm ditties by Irene Higgingbotham. Geared to the Harlemese flavoring, with the instrumentalists getting a chance to shine individually, there's plenty of kick in Get Off of That Kick. . It's a blues riff for the novelty wordage, and as much a nicety, for It's Got a Hole in It.

Wide appeal should attend the lively spinning of "Get Off of That Kick."

#### AL TRACE (National) Rum and Coca-Cola-FT: VC. Southpaw Special-FT; VC.

With the lyrics carrying the load, the singing of Al Trace and company for Rum and Coca-Cola is acceptable enough. While all the commercial appeal is packed in that side, it's a pleasant surprise in the spinning of Southpaw Special. Particularly for the cow-cow boogie singing of Miss Tony Arden, altho the Trace band doesn't keep pace with her pip piping. A train song, it carbons the Cow-Cow pattern, altho the band brings up no boogle.

Demand for "Rum and Corn-Cols" will keep that side spinning in the music boxes.

CARL RAVAZZA (Feature) How Deep Is the Ocean?-FT; VC. Blue Shiez-FT: VC. Waiting-FT: VC. This Heart of Mine-FT; VC.

With his band geared strictly along commercial lines, and pleasant enough with the fiddles and muted brasses bringing out the melodic content of the tunes, Carl Ravazza gives acceptable. dance treatment for these four ballads in a moderate tempo. There is an element of sameness in the playing of each of the sides, and in each case, the maestro carries the vocal load. However, the needling gives his pipes little advantage, bringing out an element of quiver in his voice that doesn't make for the most pleasant listening. How Deep is the Ocean and Blue Skies are Irving Berlin evergreens. Waifing is an original with

It's the song titles that will have to attract

#### London Decree

TORONTO, March 10. - Thru the Vigneux Bros., juke box operators of Toronto, the famous juke box decree of the London Privy Council will be made available to the trade in the U.S. Five members of the judicial committee of the privy council were present at the hearing which attracted attention because the judges were amused by the name "juke box."

The decision is likely to become famous because it is, no doubt, the most careful and complete analysis of the valous angles to using copyright music in juke boxes on record at the present time.

Since the same issue of copyright music is a live topic in the U.S., the Canadian decision will be quite helpful to the trade in the U.S.

### Cal. Amusement Gets Distributorship of Auto Music Inst. Co.

LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- That California Amusement Company will make a strong bid for foreign trade here was indicated recently when it was revealed that this firm has been appointed exclusive distributor for Automatic Music Instrument Company, According to Bill Wolf, owner of CAC, territory given him firm includes California, Nevada, Arizona and the Hawaiian Islands. Distribution will be thru the three branches, Los Angeles, San Francisco and San Diego, Calif.

#### PLENTY NEW BANDS

(Continued from page 22)

at the Lincoln, but it was still a losing proposition.

And these bands have been around This Heart of Mine of current vintage. for a while. Starting out today, without any agency assistance, these bands with all the dough in world, could easily end up behind the eight ball. On the Coast GAC is pushing Ansill Hill's outfit, currently playing Mondays at the Palladium, and the teen-agers ork under direction of Jimmy Hixon, Latter is heard on the Hosgy Carmichael NBC commercial. Art Farrar, along with six sidemenarrived on Coast several weeks ago and are currently working out their Local 47 cards now. Farrar has a 16-piece ork in a swing groove. Farrar feels that opportunities exist for bands galore out on the Coast. Also on Coast three new colored bands are forming. One, Johnny Otis, ex-Harlan Leonard drummer; Bob Parrish, singer, formerly playing chubs as a single, being set by Frederick Bros. for Eastern theaters, and Gerald Wilson's ork, now playing the Plantation. Eddie Miller, sax man formerly with Bob Crosby, has been playing stray jobs with a big band of his own, aside from solo radio work.



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"Fish Market" to their likings,

HOT LIPS PAGE (Commodore) Fish for Supper-FT; VC. You Need Couchin'-FT; VC.

A sequel to the Seafood aaga of earlier vintage, it's a delightful dish of Harlemose offered up for Fish for Supper by Hot Lips Page and his hot trumpet horn, backed by a sextet of hot aces. The novelty features the chanting of Hot Lips and the Ensemble, with the instrumental steam stemming from the tenor sax of Don Byas. You Need Coachin', a salty race blues by the maestro, has Page shouting out the song in style. With his blues-blowing horn, there is the alto sax sorcery of Earl Bostic.

The race locations will create the greater ALBANY 4, N. Y. enthusiasm for these sides.



#### Hitsum-Kitsum-Bumpity-Itsum-FT; VC. Rum and Coca-Colo-FT: VC. What's the Matter, Marie?-FT: VC. I Wanna Get Married-FT: VC.

All four strictly on the novelty side, The jump fans will find the musical live of and applying a rhythmic punch to each, Louis Prima has a foursome here that should enjoy wide circulation. Pashioned from a traditional Jewish folk melody, Prima and Sonny Skylar have whipped up a tuneful novelty in the tongue-twisting Hitsum-Kitsum-Bumpity-Itsum. With the vocal support of Lilyann Carol and the ensemble, Prima rings out in song that it means "I love you." What's the Matter, Marie? is the maestro's own Tashioning of an old Italian folk ditty. While he uses his trumpet horn to add to the folk flavor of Hitsum, Prima adds lyrics in the Italian tongue for Marie. Lilyann Carol carries the second couplet, singing it naughty and nice for Rum and Coca-Cola, but lacking the sophistication in the song-selling of I Wanna Get Married.

> Looks like Louis Prima can dominate the phonos, and profitably so, with at least three. of these four novelty sides highly effective for the nickel needling.

#### LES BROWN (Columbia)

My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time-FT: VC.

He's Home for a Little While-FT: VC.

It's right smart rhythm making in the music of Les Brown for both of these ballads. With highly effective scoring for the muted trumpets, it's tuneful and toe-tapping music for the lilting My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time. The first two stanzas are taken in a slow tempo by the band and Dorls Day, and following the vocal, Brown doubles the tempo to the jump pace for a sprightly out-chorus that calls back the songbird for the tag. The rhythmic beats are subdued and the setting is smooth for He's Home for a Little While. With tenor sax and trumpet opening the side, spinning is carried on by Doris Day, who gets colorful backgrounds paced by the woodwinds in singing of the boy home on furlough.

With both ballads counting strong in song popularity circles, Les Brown provides double duty with this disk for the phone ops.

#### New All-Skirt Unit, Too

All-gal outfit of 20 led by Dale Belmont is currently rehearsing at Nois Studios in New York. Last week's Billboard carried yarn about Jack Fettis, formerly with Ben Bernie, is now rehearing a 21-piece aggregation, also in New York. Cy Baker, who subbed for Hal McIntyre when latter took nights off at the Commodore to broadcast, is readying band, probably under William Morris flag, Les Elgart, who with his brother stepped out of radio to form a band, is said to have a couple of big agencies after him. He's in his first job at Pelham Heath Inn. Where to, after that, is the problem.

Jimmy Palmer, in a comparatively new light, is currently at Roseland, losing dough, Billie Rogers, gal trumpeter, threw in the sponge after having booking trouble with GAC and is going out with Jerry Wald's ork. She's surely going to make more dough than when she had a band.

An inside look-hee into the pic is the recent Jack Robbins backing of bands, in which he sank over \$50,000 in a few bands, Georgie Auld, George Paxton, Eddie Heywood and Billie Rogers. Even with Robbins bank-rolling them, bands lost their shirts first time around.

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### NCA Report 9 **Bills in State** Hoppersfor'45

CHICAGO, March 10. - The National Confectioners' Association representing the candy industry, recently notified its members that in the present legislative ports due. Use tax and reports due. year at least nine different bills relating in some way to candy, were now in the various State hoppers.

The report of the NCA to its members naturally, includes a good many bills that relate indirectly to the candy trade. Among the bills in the report are proposals for licensing in Missouri, lowa and Pennsylvania; excise and sales tax proposals in Arkansas, North Carolina and Georgia; bills relating to food and drug laws in Kansas, Montana and New Mexico; bills relating to trademarks in Nebraska, Iowa, Texas, Utah and Wisconsin; bills relating to trade practices in Texas, Indiana and Washngton; a weights and measures bill in evada; and a bill on selling to embloyees in Texas and New Jersey; a bill a sales of confections and other foods n schools in Tennessee, and a pay roll ull in Illinois,



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ALABAMA: 10-Tobacco stamp and use tax reports and payment due. 20-Sales tax and reports due, including small taxpayers. Use tax reports and payment due.

CALIFORNIA: 15-Sales tax and re-

COLORADO: 14-Sales tax and reports due. Use tax and reports due. 15-Service tax and reports due,

CONNECTICUT: 10-Cigarette distributors' inventory report due.

FLORIDA: 10-Agents' and wholesale dealers' cigarette tax reports due.

GEORGIA: 3-Soft drink sirups returns and taxes due. 10-Cigar and cigarette tax reports due.

ILLINOIS: 15-Cigarette tax returns due. Sales tax and reports due.

IOWA: 10-Cigarette venders' reports due. 20-Sales tax and reports due. Use tag and reports due.

KANSAS: 5-Cigarette wholesalers' reports due. 15-Compensating tax and reports due. 1-Sales tax and reports due.

KENTUCKY: 10-Cigarette tax reports due.

LOUISIANA: 1-Tobacco wholesalers' reports due. 15-Tobacco tax reports due. 20-New Orleans sales and use tax and reports due. State sales and use tax reports and payments due,

MASSACHUSETTS: 15-Cigarette distributors' tax and reports due.

MICHIGAN: 15-Sales tax and reports due. Use tax and reports due.

MISSISSIPPI: 15-Manufacturers', distributors' and wholesalers' tobacco tax reports due. Sales tax and reports due, Use tax and reports due.

MISSOURI: 15-Retail sales tax and reports due.

NEW MEXICO: 25-Use or compensating tax and reports due.

NEW YORK: 20-New York City retail sales tax and returns due. New York City use tax and returns due.

juices. A recent report to The Billboard tells of operators in that State looking forward to fruit juice vending machines

> after the war. A current report says that the State Agricultural Department of Florida has developed a new tangerine sirup that is rich in sugar and vitamins and is readily

usable for two types of beverage bases. Agricultural agents say the new tangerine sirup will prove useful not only in the soft-drink trade but may even be used in the candy trade to add Vitamin C and other factors to soft drinks and candy.

BALTIMORE, March 10 .- When a re-GUM SUBSTITUTE BALL cent proposal was made here to place a city tax on cigarettes, the committee which had been making a study of State MARBLES — GLASS — ASST. COLORS and city cigarette taxes, reported that 31 Keg of 15,000 ..... 19.50 In addition, a number of citles have CHARMS, Best Grade, 15 Gross Carton, imposed taxes on cigarettes to increase their revenue and relieve other sources \$13.25 Parcel Post Paid. of taxation such as real estate. The pro-COIN COUNTERS, 1c or 5c Cast Alumiposal here is said to be in order to renum, \$1.25 Each While They Last. "SPARKS CHAMPION," Token Payout, Among the cities that now have a local tax on cigarettes are St. Louis, Kansas Like New, While They Last, \$12.50. Full cash with order-f.o.b. factory If the mayor of Baltimore approves the report of the committee suggesting the TORR 2047 A - SO. 68 PHILA. 42, PA. city tax on cigarettes, the recommendation will then go before the State Legislature now in session. The local tobacco trade has not taken much notice of the proposal up to the present time. It is reported here that some other States at the present time have proposals for taxes "I don't ave hole any operator can get along without your paper." RTHWESTERNER Syrup for Bev. Base MIAMI, March 10 .- An association of Here is an invaluable service for citrus fruit growers in Florida once obevery operator. Regardless of what tained national publicity on an unusual machines you operate, you'll find it. type of machine for vending orange juice. a mighty wise move to keep in touch with the fast growing bulk vending While the vending trade at that time field. The Northwesterner is packregarded the machine as too elaborate to ed with vital information, service be practical, the citrus growers are still hints, ideas to help you make and busy developing new ideas to sell fruit save money. It's yours for the ask-IT'S ing---just tell us what you operate. FREE!

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#### USED COUNTER GAMES

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Aces, Poker Sym., Div. Mod 6.9	5
Cubs, Clo. Sym., Divider Mod 6.9	5
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Wings, Cig. Sym., Divider Model 9.8	5
Binyo Victor Roll-a-Packs	0
Victor Roll-a-Packs 9.9	5
Races, New 14.5	0
Liberty, 1¢ Tok, Payout, Cin. Sym. 19.5	0
Sparks, 1¢ Tokon P.O 12.5	0
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Lucky Strikes, 1¢ Cig. Sym 12.5	0
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Vest Pockets, 54, Blue 54.5	0
Vest Pockets, 54, Chrome 75.0	0
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American Eagle, 16 or 5¢ Play, Fruit 19.50

#### **SLOTS & CONSOLES**

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OHIO: 15-Cigarette use tax and reports due. Use tax and reports due.

OKLAHOMA: 15-Sales tax and reports due. 20-Use tax and reports due.

RHODE ISLAND: 10-Tobacco products tax reports due.

SOUTH CAROLINA: 10-Soft drink tax and report due.

SOUTH DAKOTA: 15-Sales and use taxes and reports due.

TENNESSEE: 10-Cigarette distributors' reports due.

TEXAS: 10-Cigarette distributors' reports due.

WEST VIRGINIA: 15-Sales tax reports and payment due.

WISCONSIN: 10-Tobacco products tax and returns due.

WYOMING: 15-Sales tax and reports due. Use tax reports and payment due.

#### R. C. Jones Rescue

LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- First deflnite proof that Roy C. Jones, soldier son of Roy Jones, local phonograph operator. has been rescued, came to coin machine circles thruout the industry last week when a three-column picture of Jones shaking hands with a former L. A. buddy, who was among the rescuers, was published in local papers. Word of his rescue, but not confirmed, came to the coin machine industry members thru The Billboard (February 17).

Jones was one of the many American civilians and soldiers interned by the Japs in the Cabanatuan prison camp in the Philippines, until their rescue by the steadily advancing forces of Mac-Arthur toward Tokyo.

The picture reveals Jones in definite good spirits but not quite as heavy when seen last in local coin circles. His parents have not heard from him as yet and the picture in today's papers have kept the family telephone busy from friends elated over his rescue. Local distributors have hung the picture up on their bulletin boards and have registered their thoughts for Jones in many ways since his internement. He was actively assoclated with his father in the operation of a phonograph route here previous to enlistment.

The photo was an official Signal Corps picture and was taken at a base hospital somewhere in the Philippines.



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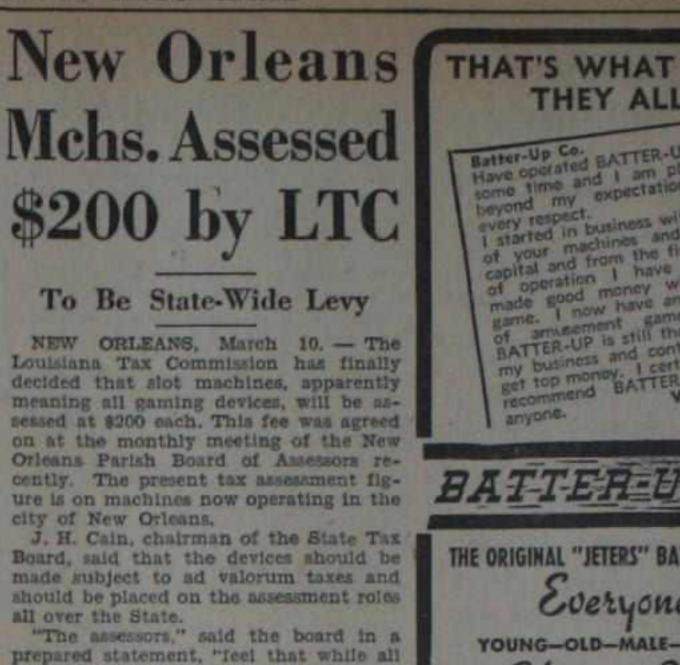
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#### ARCADE-AMUSEMENT MACHINES

March 17, 1945



Manitowoc, Wisconsin



taxable property in their respective districts is on the assessment rolls, they have decided to give their deputies special instructions to check every business. place with the view of ascertaining if any gaming device, especially slot machines, forms part of the personal property contained therein.

#### Will Use U. S. Records

"The board contacted the United States Government during the meeting and was informed that a record was kept of all gaming devices which would be made available to the assessors and their deputies.

"These records will be used in connection with levying an assessment on the machines.

"The board has decided that slot machines, if and where found, should be assessed for \$200 each."

Martin E. Kranz, secretary of the board, said that Cain had been invited. to discuss his recent ruling to the board,



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but that when he did not respond the board acted on the basis of press releases of the tax commission.

"The office of the Collector of Internal Revenue has informed us that they will make available to us a list of all establishments in which gaming devices are operated," said Kranz.

#### \$5.04 for City

"The assessors and their reputies will make a check of this list and the establishments involved. If they tell who owns the machines we will assess him. If not, the assessment will be made against the proprietor of the establishment."

Taxes on the machines, under the \$200 assessment, would amount to \$5.04 for the city and \$2.25 for the State.

The federal license on the machines is \$100 a year, but James Finley, chief clerk to Mayor Robert S. Maestri and director of permits, recently said that the city is without authority to license the so-called mint-vending machines which are operated as slot machines in New Orleans.

"The city cannot issue a permit if the State does not," he said. "Since Attorney General Eugene Stanley ruled in 1942 that the mint-vending machines are illegal, and therefore the State could not license them, our hands have been tied."

#### N. Carter Buys Sports Center

LOS ANGELES, March 10 .- The Sports Center on Main Street and operated by Anron Nathanson, was purchased this week by Nick Carter, of the Nikaboh Sales Company.

#### FOR SALE

6 Gun A.B.T. Range, 7 Guns just reconditioned by factory. Three Targets, one morable with new figures. 30,000 Pellets and 10,000 Leading Tubes, never used. Compressor and 12-font Counter. Ready to go. Complete \$2200.00, 115" Direct Positive Camera, semi-automatic, wallout booth, complete with Visualizer and Enlarger, 2 Holls Film, \$400.00; perfect shape. 1/3 Cash, Balance C. O. D.

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### WHEN IT COMES TO MAKING MONEY

You can't beat this amazing New Ride. No hints now. But all about it in the Spring Special of The Billboard. Watch for the full page of details.



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Challenger				249.50
Race King				249.50
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Blue Ribbon			1000	69.50
Sport Page				69.50
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Gold Cup				49.50
Gold Medal	200		1.55	49.50
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Bally Stables				39.50
Fair Grounds	*****			29.50

#### SLOTS

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594.50; 25¢	139.50
Mills Vest Pocket (A-1 Condition) :	04.00
Blue & Gold	57.50
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Bally Reliance Dice Game	49,50
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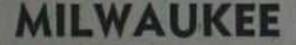
#### FIVE BALLS

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Oh Johnny	49.50
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On Deck	39.50
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Fifty Grand	29.50
Red, White and Blue	29.50
Super Six	29.50

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1/3 Deposit, Balance C. O. D. State Distributor for Seeburg Phonographs and Accessories.



### Plain Talk on Free Plays Forms Big Aid to Defense

Michigan Supreme Court minority adds its vote on the subject-Iowa minority started ball to rolling-one Federal Court included in list of favorable decisions

DETROIT, March 10 .- The minority opinion of the Michigan Supreme Court, handed down recently in a decision involving free plays on pinball games, has given operators in the State a source of encouragement. Altho the decision of the high court on the basis of a 5 to 3 opinion was favorable to free plays, yet the minority opinion was strong in its terms and was featured in the news appearing in a local

newspaper here. The trade feels that the minority views of the Michigan high court will add to the accumula- more, if the total score on the machine tion of favorable arguments that has is high enough. That, alone, does not already been handed down by other establish a gambling device. high courts.

unfavorable.

heard November 30 last year and took player free plays on the machine and the trade somewhat by surprise, The appeal had been taken from Port Huron and the sheriff of St. Clair County had also been a party in the appeal. The operator in the test case had 60 pinball games of the standard free-play than the additional free plays.

The opinion of the majority hinged largely on the assertion that the games gaming devices.

There is nothing in the record before The trade also recalls that a strong us to indicate that these machines have minority opinion in previous years in been or were being operated as gambling the Iowa Supreme Court had a very devices. The only proof in the record is favorable effect thruout the State that the machines were operated solely there, altho the majority opinion was for the amusement of the player. The question before us is: "Is a pinball or The pinball case which came up be- bagatelle machine which is coin operfore the Michigan Supreme Court was ated and which automatically gives the nothing else, the number of free plays, depending on the score he makes, a gambling device?"

#### Altering Machines

The answer does not depend upon type. He was operating, according to whether the machines could be opertestimony, as free play games are cus- ated for gambling purposes. This is tomarily operated. No evidence was pre- well pointed out in People v. Jennings, sented before any court to show that 257 N.Y. 196 177 N.E. 419, where the cash or other awards were paid, other court said: "The district attorney introduced in evidence a circular issued by the manufacturer of this machine, the Mills Novelty Company, of Chicago, were of the type that could and were Ill., showing how it can be altered and usually, as they alleged, used for mak- changed so as to be used as a gambling ing payouts in cash or merchandise. Be- device, that is, one that will emit, with cause it was customary to make awards an element of chance, money or things in cash or merchandise, the majority of value by the insertion of a coin and asserted the games must be considered the turn of a handle. The people also introduced expert testimony to show how the particular machine in the possesion of the defendant might be thus played if the mechanism were different. Such evidence was entirely incompetent. No changes in the machine had been made while in the possession of the defendant. It discharged only candy mints and rings of no monetary value. The case against him cannot be upheld by evidence of what might have been done. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."

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5213 411	Mills 5c B & G Vest Pockets Mills 5c Gold Q. T.'s Mills 25c Q. T.'s (Blue) Jennings Ciga-Rollas Super Bells 5c Comb. Paces Reels Pace Saratoga Wurlitzer 616 Rolaway in Metal Cabinet with Buckley Adpt. 10 Buckley Boxes and Speaker
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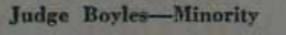
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to be the first instance in which the favorable decision of the U.S. District Court of Appeals in Washington, favorable to free play games, has been used in a State high court decision. The minority view is also considered very favorable because it is one of the first to call attention to the decided variance in values received by the patron when he goes to such games as baseball or bowling games. The minority asserted that free-play awards on pinball is exactly the same principle a patron gets who goes to a baseball game and the game for that day may be a washout. The majority had said that on the games under consideration, if a player got 60 free plays, it would be worth \$3 in cash, according to the usual price charged for playing pinball.

The minority opinion in the free-play case is as follows:



I do not concur in the result reached by Mr. Justice Reid.

The plaintiff has about 60 so-called pinball or bagatelle machines in various places in Port Huron and the adjacent area in St. Ciair County. The Chief of Police of Port Huron ordered them removed and threatened to confiscate them as gambling devices. Plaintiff filed this bill of complaint to enjoin the Chief of Police from Interfering with the operation of the machines. The Sheriff of St. Clair County asked for and obtained leave to intervene as a party defendant. The court below denied the relief sought and dismissed the bill, Plaintiff appeals.

The mechanics and methods of operation of so-called pinball machines have been before us recently on two occasions and are set forth in Henry V. Kuney, 280 Mich. 188, 273 N. W. 442, and Gibson v. Martin, 308 Mich. 178. 13 N. W. 2d 252. In those cases, as will be pointed out, pinball machines were held to be gambling devices because of the use made of them in their operation. If the machines in the instant case were used as in those cases-as gambling devices-the record fails to show it. According to the record in this case. neither the machines nor those who own or operate them give out to the player any coin, token, or anything of value whatever, unless it be the mere opportunity of playing the machine some

The mere fact that an implement, object or device can be used for gambling does not make it a gambling device per se. Were this not true, it would follow that ordinary playing cards, tables, coins, golf clubs, matches, almost any inanimate object, would be a gambling device per se and subject to confiscation as such. The distinction between gambling devices per se and objects made so by use was pointed out in People v. Lippert, 304 Mich. 685, 8 N. W. 2d 880.

The mechanics of pinball or bagatelle machines, and method of their illegal use in the operation, was described in detail in Henry v. Kuney, supra. In that case an injunction to restrain certain law enforcement officers from interfering with or seizing the machines was denied. The distinction between the facts in that case and the case at bar is clearly indicated in the opinion. In that case the machines became gambling devices by the method of operation. We said. "The player receives the free games in the form of a nickel for each of such games, and it is possible for the player to play the game again or retain the money. The merchant keeps track of the money he pays out, and when plaintliffs go to collect from the machines, the merchant is reimbursed. \* \* \* In the machines in question there is the chance to receive additional plays without additional cost to the player, or at his option there is the chance for profit if he is skillful and lucky. The player has the chance to obtain from one to twenty free games or receive the equivalent in money."

#### **Contract** Suit

The issue came before the court again in Gibson v. Martin, supra, decided in February, 1944. Gibson gave him exclusive right to own and operate pinball and other coln-operated machines in Martin's places of business. The court again held that the pinball machines

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#### The Billboard

AMUSEMENT MACHINES

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#### March 17, 1945





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rlitzer 618, Ea 179.50	ONE-BALLS
rilitar 412, Ea 135.00	Sport Special
ritzer 312, Ea	Record Time 180.00
ckola Windsor 225.00	Kentucky
ckola 16 Record 135.00	Sport King, C.P.O. PINBALLS
ckola 12 Record, Ez 115.00	1 Air Circus
ckley Wall Boxes, Ea 10.00	1 Big Six
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W, Wall Speakers in Wooden Cases,	1 Marvel Baseball (Slightly Used) 150.00
10.00	1 Merry-Go-Round 25.00
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SLOTS	1 Nippy
Gold Chromes, 3/5 P.O., Ea \$325.00	1 O'Boy

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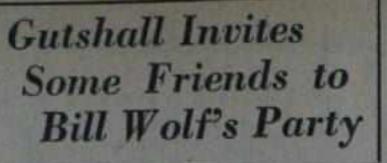
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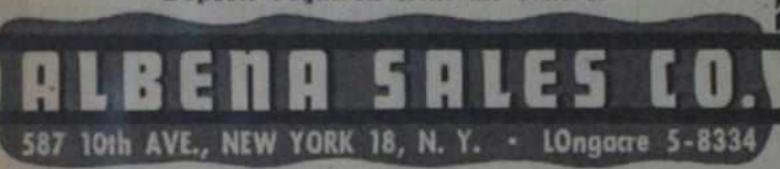
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(Continued from page 62) This bill may pass and is considered favorable,

OHIO. The State Legislature has the typical bill prohibiting gaming devices.

OKLAHOMA, March 15 has been set as the day for adjournment of the State Legislature so the next few days will tell the story in this State.

OREGON. The House has amended a pinball tax measure which is considered more unfavorable than the present State license system.

TENNESSEE. The Legislature has one of those bills peculiar to the State which would make it unlawful to operate the music machines in Knox County.

UTAH. A Senate committee has reported favorably on a bill which would place a very high State tax on pinball and juke boxes.

WASHINGTON, Committees of the House have been husy recently juggling around two bills making majority and minority reports on these bills in committee. February 26 was the last day for the introduction of new bills in Legislature.

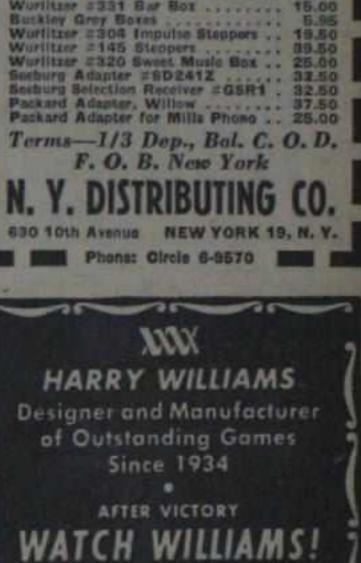
WEST VIRGINIA. The Legislature has a bill which would declare certain gaming devices to be public nuisances. A House committee has turned in a substitute bill for an original proposal to smend the yending machine license system of the State.

WISCONSIN. As previously mentioned, the anti-gaming device bill proposed by the State administration has stirred up a real political campaign. A public hearing on the bill brought both protest and favorable comment. However, protests were so strong that the bill has been revised in order to make it less stringent. Something new in the way of State legislation was added when the Milwaukee City Council by a public vote decided to oppose the anti-slot machine bill. The Milwaukee City Council said the bill had been drawn up with such broad definitions that it would even ban innocent amusement games. Milwaukee licenses pinball and other coin machines and wants to keep this revenue.

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### PLAIN TALK

(Continued from page 69) were gambling devices—based on the method of operation. We said:

"If a total over a certain designated amount is registered, the player wins the number of games designated and he can either play free games or obtain cash for the number of games won.

"When the cause came on for trial and at the close of plaintiff's case, the defendant made a motion to dismiss plaintiff's bill of complaint on the ground that the contract was against public policy. The motion was denied. Further testimony was taken which indicated that some of the machines were used as gambling devices.

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"In our opinion the pinball machines mentioned in the contract are gaming devices. The amusement given by the machine is the chance to get either money or free games. Plaintiff participated in the promotion of this illegal purpose by supplying and servicing the machines, and making allowance or giving credit for money paid out as 'winnings.' Under such circumstances we must hold the contract void as being against public policy."

Mr. Justice Reid writes that the opportunity afforded the player to have free plays is a thing of value, that there is no difference in principle between a trade check (redeemable in cash or merchandise) and a free play. I do not agree. While this seems to be a question of first impression in this State, it has been passed upon in other jurisdictions. In a recent opinion of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, the court held:

"The term 'property' as used in antigambling statute includes goods, chattels, effects, evidences of rights in action, and all written instruments by which any pecuniary obligation, or money or right or title to property, real or personal, is created or transferred, but none of such terms should be expanded to inculde a free amusement feature such as privilege of playing an additional free game if certain score is made. \*\*\*

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score would receive a 'free play' or another 'try' without an additional coin but nothing more, the machine was not a 'gambling device' designed for purpose of playing game of chance for 'property' within anti-gambling statute. \* \* \* Washington Coin Machine Association et al, v. Callahan (Syllabi), App. D. C., 142 F. 2d 97.

The Superior Court of Pennsylvania has held:

"The operation of a slot machine which vended mints and produced combinations of symbols entitling operator to free plays, but did not give mints on the free plays and was incapable of ejecting coins or anything except mints, did not authorize conviction of establishing gambling place. 18 P. S. 1441.

"A lure to play a machine or to read a witty saying or absurd prediction of the future is not a 'thing of value' within meaning of statute against establishing gambling places." Commonwealth v. Kling (Syllabus), 140 Pa. Super, 68, 13 A. 2d 104.

#### **Kansas** Citation

The Supreme Court of Kansas has held: "A particular 'pinball' machine or device-described more fully in the opinion-in no case 'pays' any money or tangible property. Upon deposit of a coin every player is enabled to play one round or game, with scores automatically registered. If certain scores are made the player is accorded the privilege of entertaining or amusing himself by playing additional games. Such additional games constitute the only thing which a player may win. Held, that the privilege of such additional entertainment or amusement is not 'property' within the meaning of G.S. 1935, 21-1508, and that therefore the machine does not fall within the prohibition of that statute." State v. Walte (Syllabus), 158 Kan, 143, 131 P. 2d 708, 709, 148 A. L. R. 874.

In the case at bar the only possible ground for holding the machines to be gambling devices when they are operated as shown by the record, lies in the fact that they give amusement unequally to different players—that some may get more amusement than others, for the same amount of money. This might equally be said of persons who pay fees to play golf or for admission to ball games. It is not sufficient to make these machines gambling devices per se.

A decree may be entered enjoining the defendants from interfering with the use of the machines when used solely for



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North, C. J., and Starr, J., concurred with Boyles, J.

In the legal annals of the pinball trade, the minority views of the Michigan high court will now be added to the minority opinion of the Iowa Supreme Court. The Iowa minority opinion is generally regarded as having turned the tide in high court circles to more favorable consideration of free plays as a legitimate award for players. The freeplay idea had met with a succession of adverse decrees from higher courts when, in 1942, the Iowa minority seemed to reverse the trend.

It was followed by a success of majority decisions favorable to free plays in the Kansas Supreme Court and in courts of appeal in California, Pennsylvania and in a Federal Court in Washington.

The Iowa minority opinion was in somewhat the same vein as the more recent Michigan decree and is reprinted as follows:

#### Judge Miller-Minority

I am unable to agree with the majority opinion and respectfully dissent.

One of the most revealing paragraphs of the majority opinion is that which asserts that "obviously, pinball machines may not properly be compared with games of skill such as bowling or baseball" which are essentially based upon skill rather than chance, because pinball machines are "so constructed that skill is thwarted by hazard and chance is the dominating element." The majority then state that it is no longer necessary that chance be the dominating element and that the possession of any slot machine or device with an element of chance is prohibited. It is only necessary to separate the word "slot machine" from the phrase "device with an element of chance" and, following the majority opinion to its logical conclusion, a bowling alley is a gambling device because it is a "device with an element of chance." A game of bowling is customarily played in 10 "frames." Each player ordinarily secures two balls for each frame. However, if a player were skillful enough and lucky enough to bowl a perfect game, that is make a "strike" with every ball he plays, instead of 20 balls for the game, he would only have the privilege of playing 12. On the other hand, if he made no strikes whatever until the last frame, he would have 21 balls to play. While bowling is ordinarily a game of skill is cannot be denied that there is an element of chance in it and this element of chance may determine how many balls the player can play for each game. Accordingly, under the reasoning of the majority opinion, it is perfectly logical to say that a bowling alley is a gambling device.

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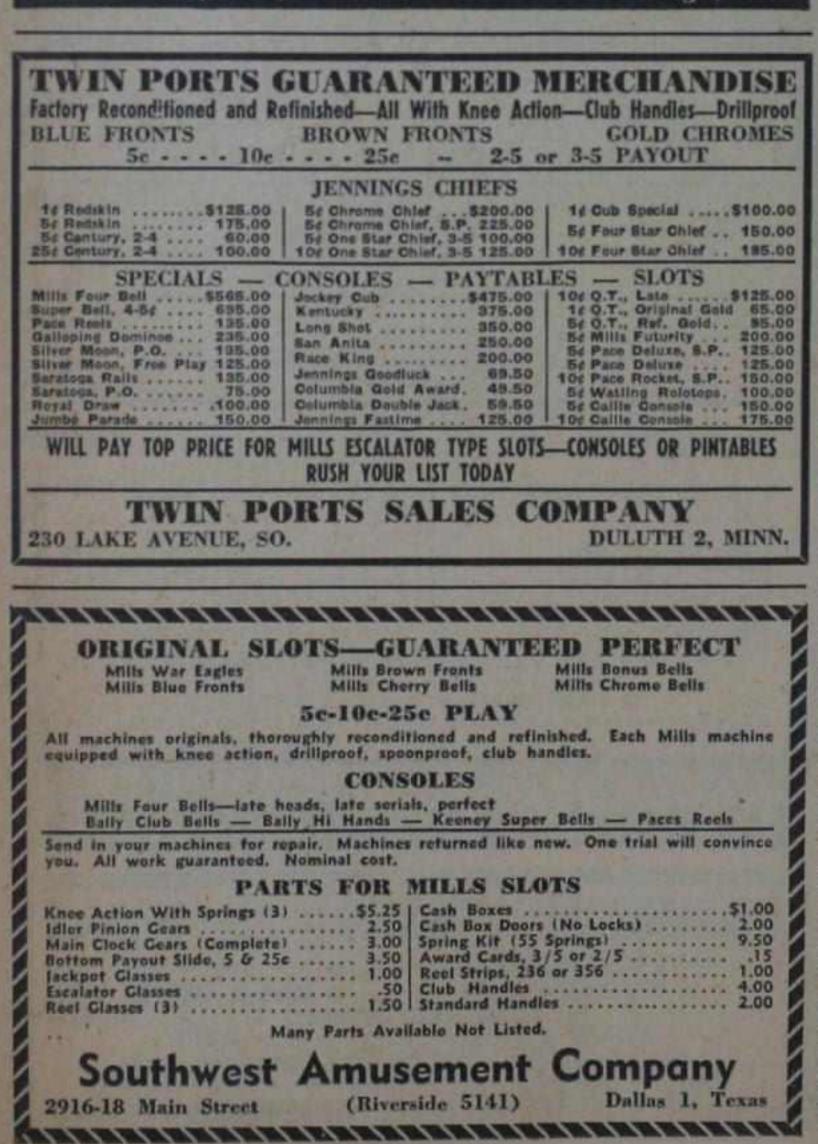


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Were we to so hold, then, under the holding of this court in the case of State v. Cowen, Iowa, 3 N. W. 2d 176, which the majority opinion follows herein, the bowling alley could be confiscated and destroyed without compensation to the proprietor, the proprietor would also be guilty of a crime for having the same in his possession, would be guilty of operating a gambling house, and every bowler would be guilty of gambling. I cannot conceive that the Legislature intended any such result.

While the constitutional question of depriving one of his property without due process of law is not specifically raised in this case, the question is one which should be given consideration. Under the majority opinion, one, who permits the operation upon his premises of a "device with an element of chance," may lose that property on the theory that it is a contraband. I do not think that any such drastic penalty should be inflicted unless the device is actually a gambling device. To be such, it must have something more than an element of chance, otherwise many devices obviously legitimate might be seized and destroyed without compensation to the owners thereof.

I am persuaded that the court in the case of Mills Novelty Company v. Farrell, 64 Fed. 2d 476, 478, announced a sound rule when it states, "One may not suppose that a person desiring to gamble would put up money in the hope of obtaining tokens which can be used only to produce insignificant humorous sayings. The amusement feature of the ma-



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chine does not make the machine a gambling device. It arouses interest and perhaps attracts customers to the machine in much the same way as advertising would, but this is lawful." The court was dealing with the same proposition that confronted us in State v. Marvin, relied upon by the majority. Such also was the case of Davies v. Mills Novelty Company, 70 Fed. 2d 424, 426, wherein the language of the Farrell case was quoted with approval and the court adds, "Under the evidence and findings of the lower court these machines are lacking in the essential elements necessary to make of them gambling devices or gambling machines. There is no element of gain or loss, financial or otherwise, involved in the transaction." Along the same lines is the case of Commonwealth v. Mahalow. (PA) 16 2d 656. In discussing a pinball machine the court states as follows, "but a machine upon which games are played for amusement, altho involving an element of chance, is not ipso facto a gambling device or a gambling ma-chine. See in re Mapakarakes, Supra: People v. One Slot Machine in Parkside Recreation Parlor, 303 Ill. App. 337, 25 N. E. 2d 139; Com. v. Kling, 140 Pa. Super. 68, 13 A 2d 104."

As I see it, something more than an element of chance is necessary to render a device a gambling machine. Practically every legitimate business has some element of chance in connection with its operation. The presence of that factor does not render the enterprise unlawful. Neither is innocent recreation or amusement, such as bowling, rendered illegal because something of value such as an extra ball to be played, may be gained as the result of chance. As pointed out by this court in the case of State v. Hundling, 220 Iowa 1369, 1372, 264 N. W. 608, 103 A. L. R. 861, the evil, which the State condemns in a gambling enterprise, is that "it arouses the gambling spirit and leads people to hazard their substance on a mere chance." I can see nothing about the pinball machines described by the indictment herein that would arouse the gambling spirit and lead people to hazard their substance on the mere chance of winning a prize, It seems to me that the amusement factor predominates the machine described by the indictment herein. The mere fact that there is an element of chance incident to its operation is not alone sufficient to render the property contraband, incapable of protection against seizure, and to brand as a criminal the one who operates it and the proprietor on whose premises it is situated. It seems to me that the legalistic reasoning of the majority opinion and the cases upon which it relies carries the court far beyond reasonable interpretation of the legislative intent and com- mits this court to a doctrine which might place in jeopardy many enterprises which, under any rational view of the law, should be considered proper and legitimate. I would affirm this case, Stiger and Sager, JJ concur in this dissent.

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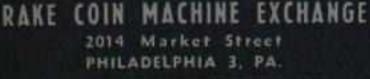
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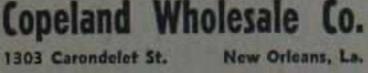
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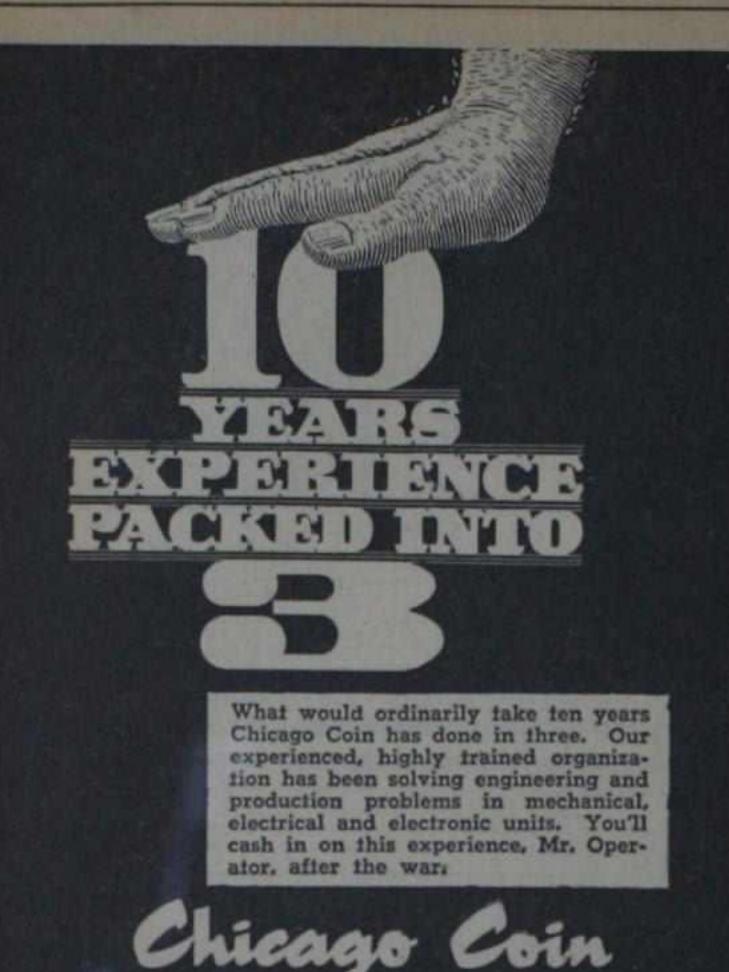
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(Continued from page 60) necessary to obtain special rulings from OPA at various intervals.

In January a special ruling on cigarette vending machines was issued to the Tobacco Retailers Industry Advisory Committee, headquarters in New York City. In response to a definite query, the following official interpretation was issued to the organization:

"This is in response to your letter of November 29, 1944, wherein you request our views regarding the propriety of the following arrangement between vending machine operators and location owners. It is proposed that operators of yending machines deliver cigarettes to location owners instead of placing them in the machine, and that the location owners sell the cigarettes for and on behalf of the vending machine operators and retain the same commission as was allowed to them when the cigarettes were sold thru the vending machine. The recommendation of your committee indicates that the plan is proposed in the interest of securing wider distribution of present stocks and preventing hoarding.

"We have given careful consideration to the request of your committee and are pleased to advise you that we will consider the above arrangement proper only when the location owner is not himself a seller of cigarettes and has not established a celling price for his own cigarette sales.

"However, the same vending machine or machines must remain on the location owner's premises and the vending muchine operator is required to deliver the cigarettes to the location owner packed in the same manner as the the cigarettes were sold thru the machine. For example, in those localities where the ceiling price for vending machine sales is not a multiple of 5 cents and the vending machine operator inserts or attaches the change to the eightette package, he shall continue to do so."

Chief Counsel,



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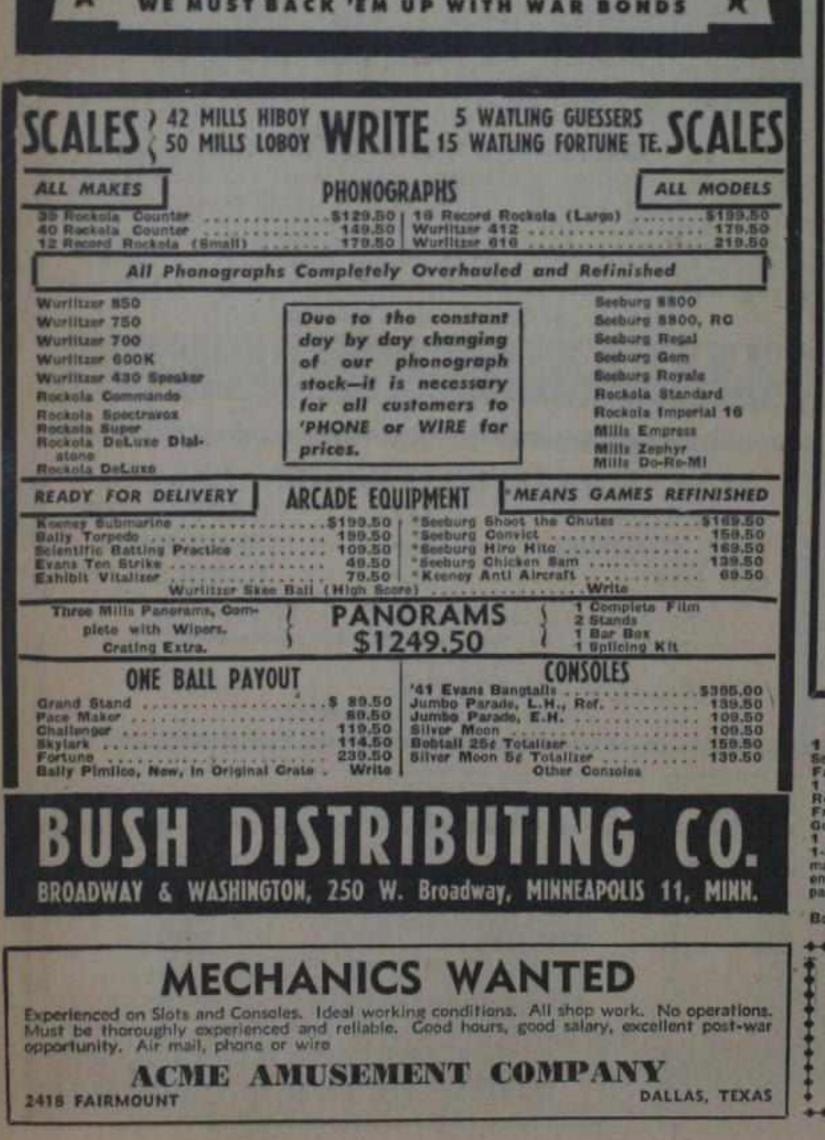
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#### BILLS PASS

(Continued from page 60) able by the trade because it is felt by trade leaders that an occupational fee on the operator of vending machines is much more fair than a tax on each machine as a unit.

#### **General Summary**

To sum up legislative reports more briefly, received during the week, the following State by State outline is published:

ARKANSAS. The Upper House of the Legislature is really getting ugly. Three bills have been passed and none of them are considered favorable.

DELAWARE. This small State now has two bills; one would provide for licensing games and juke boxes; another refers to scales.

GEORGIA. The House dropped the slot machine seizure bill; the Senate passed the House Coin Machine License Bill, then Legislature recessed to January 7. 1946. The bill which passed in Georgia seems to be a gaming devices license. No report on governor's action yet,

IDAHO, The Legislature has really moved fast on three bills recently. The bill for licensing gaming devices in clubs has passed both Houses; a bill to legalize free plays on pinball is moving favorably in the House after passing Senate. The rush act is being given to a cigarette tax bill.

INDIANA, The Legislature adjourned March 6.

MARYLAND. The Legislature has another bill which would increase State fee on vending machines.

MONTANA. The new law for licensing gaming devices in clubs becomes Chapter 142, Laws of 1945, Page 199. The Legislature adjourned March 1.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. This State joins the list of those that have a bill to license games of skill.

NORTH CAROLINA. The General Revenue Bill is moving along with several amendments; some of them important to vending machine trade.

NORTH DAKOTA. Legislature killed local license bill and adjourned March 3.

OKLAHOMA. A new juke box tax bill would raise the fee by amendment. The 10 per cent tax is still on the books.

SOUTH DAKOTA. Governor has approved a vending machine license bill

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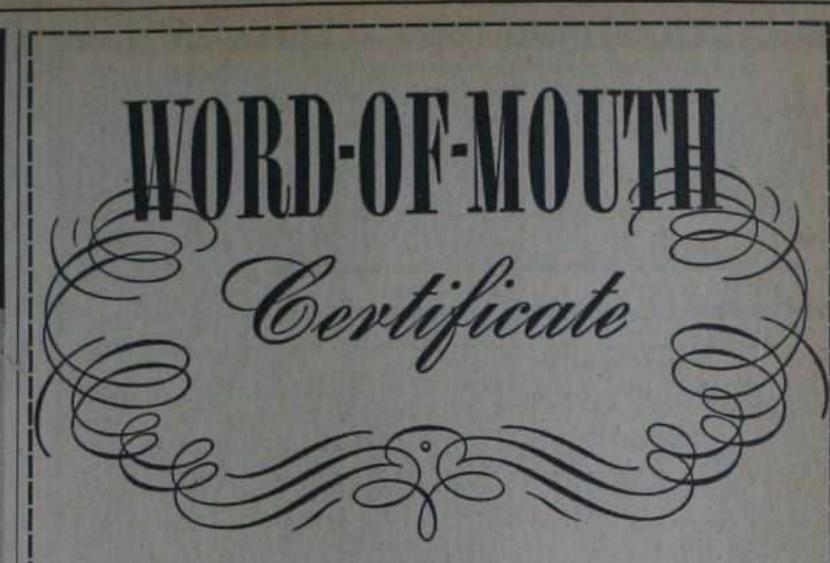
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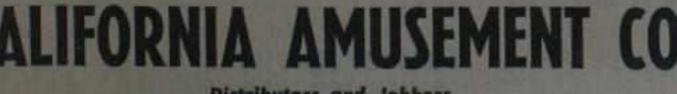
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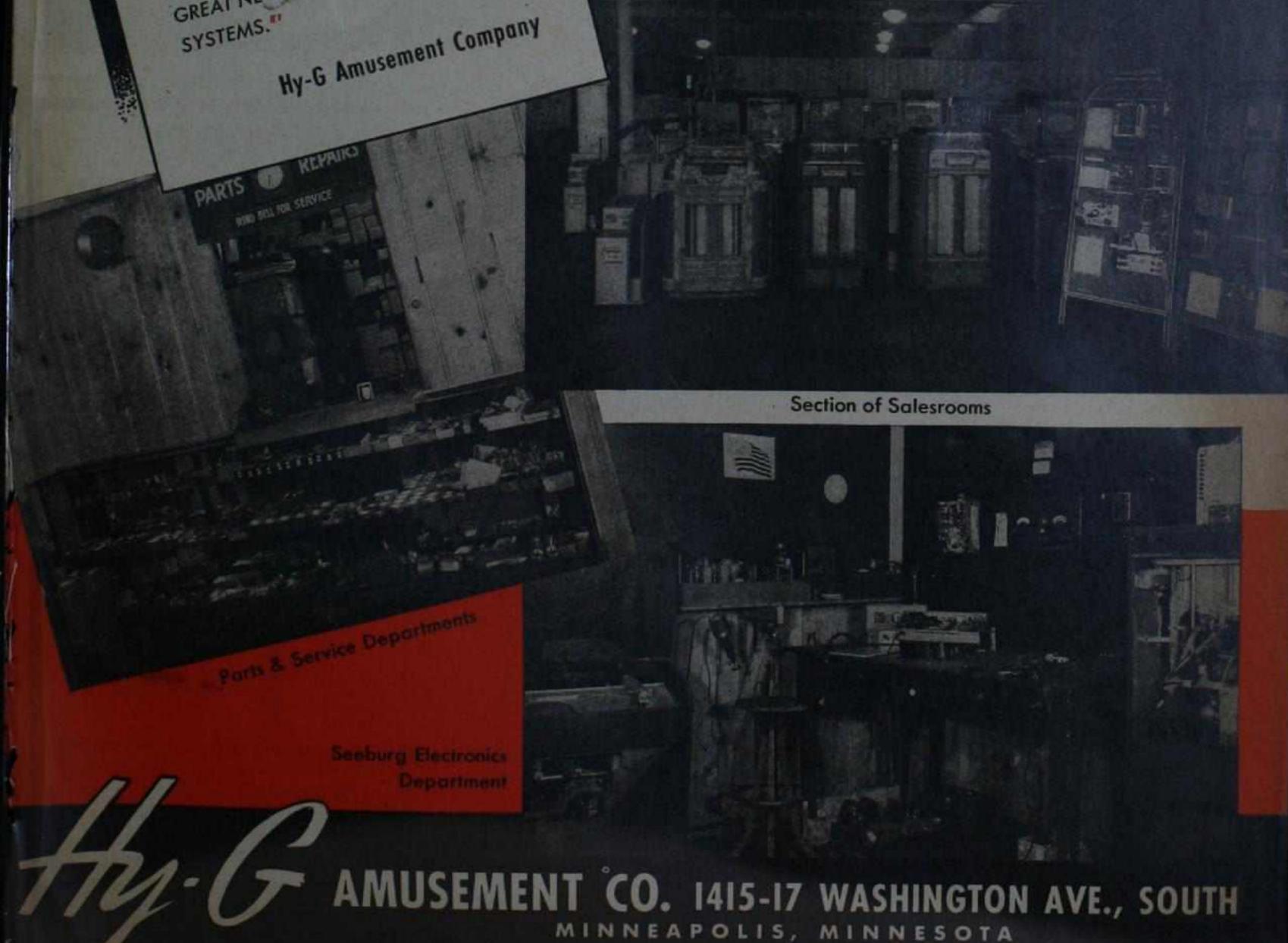
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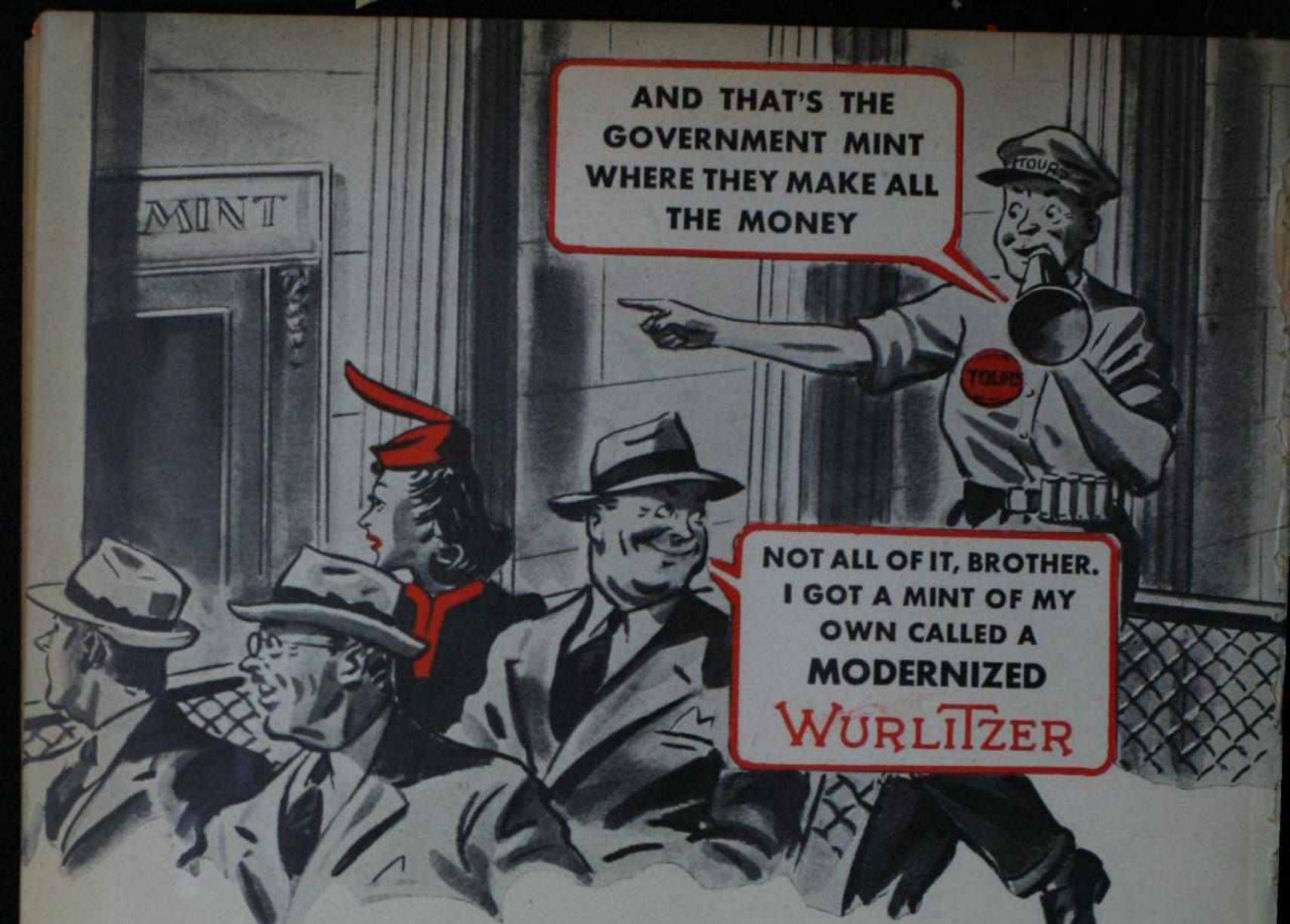
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