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"G.I.'s Want Music Longhair, Brow & Pops OK" -- Pons

NEW YORK, April 23.—Back from their eight-month tour overseas with the USO where they played to 400,000 soldiers directly, Lily Pons and Andre Kostelanetz threw some light on the musical tastes of the GI's in an interview recently. They found the doughboys pitched for good music-whether pop middlebrow or highbrow didn't matter - the boys wanted the goods. Among their favorites were Ave Maria, The Bell Song, from Lakme, and Old Man River, Begin the Beguine go on forever, Kostelanetz said.

Kostelanetz used service band and G.I. fiddler from his temportary base for ork. After band was prepped they flew to remote camps. The couple gave 27 shows in 29 days in CBI theater.

WOTO, Bahmo, Burma was opened by a Ponc-Kostelanetz music fest. Station beams music to troops in China, While in the Orient, Kostelanetz spotted an foriginal composition by Jack Kolen, G.I. composer, Dreamy Serenade, that the troops went for in a big way. He brought the tune back with him.

The further the couple went from the States, the more they found that tunes popular back home were not even known by doughboys-the Oklahoma score for instance.

Kostelanetz made some interesting remarks about International music. "Our music can be a good-will ambassador for aus if we send it thru the world. The other countries appreciate it. When we played before the Chinese, they enjoyed our tunes."

Getting right back into harness, Miss Pons will pick up the Met Opera Company in the Middle-West and tour with them. Altho Kostelanetz is now prepping an ork for his summer concert series, he is making woo with another radio show probably on CBS.

Equity Group Names Ticket

nominating committee, elected last March 19, reported to council meeting on Tuesday (17), with regular ticket to be voted on by membership at the annual meeting June 1 at the Hotel Astor. Nominated to serve on the council for a full term of five years are: Vera Allen, Matt Briggs, Russ Brown, Leo G. Carroll, Frank Fay, Ruth Hammond, Ross Hertz, Sam Jaffe, Jean Seymour and Jack Sheehan, Mary Frances Heflin is nominated as a replacement to serve two years and Robert Perry for a similar stint of four years. Under a petition by several members present at Tuesday's meeting, Philip Loeb was nominated for

A special membership meeting is skedded for May 7 at the Astor to discuss the merits of the candidates. At that time there may be further independent nominations.

Among other matters taken up by the council at Tuesday's session was the payment to members for canceled Saturday (14) mats. Some companies made a one-eighth deduction from their pay rolls. Council ruled that all members shall be paid in full for week.

Petition of Harry Goetz to lay off I'll Be Waiting troupe, pending script revisions, was granted "under the usual conditions." All members of original cast shall continue when show reopens if they so desire, and shall be guaranteed two weeks salary after reopening.

Baltimore Code To Avert Fires Set for Intro

BALTIMORE, April 23 .- A new city fire prevention code, giving enforcement and police powers to the chief engineer of the fire department and his deputies, has been completed by a special committee which has been working on it for nearly a year, H. Webster Smith, president of the board of fire commissioners and committee chairman, has announced. The code, which must be passed by the city council in the form of an ordinance to make it legally binding, covers all items dealing with fire.

It enumerates in great detail different kinds of assembly, convention and amusement halls, night clubs, theaters of all types and other places of entertainment, and lays down rigid rules relating to the number of persons allowed per square foot. There also are strict regulations relating to carnivals, under which heading amusement parks apparently will be listed, and to circuses.

Authority and Penalties

not only is "authorized, empowered and charged" with the duty of enforcing the provisions of the code, but also is au-

(See Baltimore Drafts on page 57)

Johnson Sounds Discordant Note For U. S. Fairs

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Transportation Director J. Monroe Johnson yesterday issued a warning that there is a possibility that State, regional and county fairs may be banned this year as a travel conservation measure and cautioned fair managers against making elaborate preparations for such events during the summer or fall.

Johnson's statement stressed the many problems confronting the nation's transportation services some of which are becoming so acute that it may be necessary to restrict the holding of fairs in order to reduce the travel load. "In such an (See Johnson Jars Fairs on page 57)

Govet Jenture Maine Rejects Sunday Vaude

AUGUSTA, Me., April 23 .- The Maine Chief engineer of the fire department Legislature has rejected a measure which would have made Sunday vaudeville shows legal in the State. Senator Currier, who sponsored the bill, contended that Sunday shows are now

Catskills Now Big-Time Stuff

Advance rentals, bookings tab season that will mean \$\$ despite V-E or any day

By Paul Ross

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Providing the weatherman doesn't toss a series of weekend dipsies, the summer resort industry this year is going to provide plenty of gold for acts and musicians. Forecasts by

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talent peddlers, large and small, indicate that the summer of 1945 will be, at the very least, as big as 1944-and, possibly, even bigger. Vacationtime, 1944, was the best season the industry has had in its history.

Several factors will combine to make 1945

highly successful, say such varied sources as Charlie Rapp, Beckman & Pransky, Abe Lyons, Sid Hall, Mike Hammer, Frederick Bros. and William Morris.

Bungalow Sell-Outs

One of the factors is heavy advance reservations of housekeeping units at both mountain and shore resorts. Some sources say that family-type apartments and bungalows are already completely sold out in the resort places. This heavy advance biz is not due as much to unusually early spring weather as anxiety to make sure of a place to live and enough folding money to carry out this wish.

Non-family units, says the trade, are not being booked now in any degree because this type of business waits on the weather, occurrence of holidays and so on. But there is no reason to think volume will not be as large as last year. when it was huge despite the enormous rise in rent and charges for board or restaurant meals.

V-E Date No Ache

Another factor in the roseate pic is the imminence of the war's end. Even if a lot of factories should suddenly close. the summer resorts are not likely to be affected, says the trade. People who feel they can afford to lay out the mazoom it now costs to go to a resort place are not those who would be directly struck by factory shutdowns, altho they might have to retrench next year if there is any kind of depression.

On the other hand, the end of the war would unleash more or less pent-up desires to have as good a time as possible. Trade points to the fact that ex-servicemen or furloughing fighters now constitute a heavy proportion of the business done in summer resorts.

Curfew Helps

A third factor is the curfew, curiously enough. Trade says the presence of a clamp on festivities in town would serve to make people think they have little to stay at home for and may as well go up to the mountains or down to the shore.

Also, the curfew would not be a holddown on fun at mountain resorts where there generally is an early closing hour anyway.

At the shore places, however, the curfew might develop into a retarding factor as far as act and music bookings are concerned but so far it hasn't. The large agencies report plenty of advance interest in bands, including name outfits, and say shore operators are not scared of the curfew either, because they think (See Borsht Sweet on page 27)

Stage Managers To Get in The Donaldson Award Votes

NEW YORK, April 21.—Preparation for the balloting on the Second Annual Donaldson Awards for outstanding achievement in the theater's 1944-'45 season, which will take place next month, received an added impetus Monday (16). Some two dozen Stem stage managers met at Sardi's Restaurant to break bread together and voice enthusiastic cooperation to make The Billboard-sponsored legit Oscars even more completely far-reaching than last year.

Get-together was the notion of Eddie Dimond, dynamic backstage pooh-bah of NEW YORK, April 21.—Equity's Bell for Adano, who represents the s.-m.'s on the Donaldson Awards Committee. Latter suggested to the committee that the fastest and surest way to get the ballots into the hands of the personnel of current Broadway shows was to enlist the aid of the backstage execs, and the confab resulted.

Dimond Explains Purpose

For the benefit of a few of the backof-the-curtain brigade who were unfamiliar with last season's awards picture, Dimond explained the purpose of the balloting-that it is distinctly the accolade of the theater itself to its own. Everyone having a part in the making of legit, either straight play or musical, a five-year term on an independent is entitled to a vote. Obviously, he pointed out, the honors in the 22 categories can have their fullest meaning to the winners only if theaterfolk as a

whole get their ballots promptly and drop them in the mail. He asked, therefore, that each s.-m. accept the responsibility of distributing the blank ballots and instructions to each member of his own cast and crew and to urge the latter to be prompt in casting their votes.

The Dimond oratory went over with (See STAGE MANAGERS on page 33)

USO-CSI Revives Vaude Sketch Act In G.I. Hospitals

NEW YORK, April 23.-Under the banner of the USO-Camp Shows, the vaude sketch act, a real showbiz oldie is being given life again in army and navy hospitals. Since August, 1944, without any bally, without any salary, the hospital sketch artists, modern prototypes of the old-timers, have drawn 18,000 pictures in 95 hospitals. The 100 or more of them work in the States, 14 are now overseas following our armies in the field. John Vickery and Carl Bender, two of the most prominent of the artists, have just returned from long stays in the South Pacific.

They go into the wards and under the guidance of doctors do portrait sketches (See Sketch Act Revived on page 33)

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DOUBLE-TALKING RATE CARDS

Watta Routine For Buyers!

Hocus-pocus on time, wordage, prices, etc., confirms AAAA standardization plea

NEW YORK, April 23.—Rate cards are not only, in many cases, a snare and delusion but in many instances are so lacking in standardization that even after the time buyer has the rate card



and Standard Rate and Data in front of him, he's not certain, on spot business, what a certain slot will cost him and how long it should be in number of words or recorded seconds, and a host of other vital facts that a time buyer should have to avoid going nuts.

Often, also, he finds that spot costs are so high that it's cheaper by far to buy a five-minute slot and get a real plug for his product than it is to use the spot routine.

Standardization has been sought by the American Association of Advertising Agencies for a long time. While the nets have swung around bit-by-bit to the form for which the rate card standardization group has been yelping for a long time, the number of individual stations which publish rate cards that "conform to the 'standard rate card' of the AAAA" represent but a fraction of the 850-odd stations thruout the U.S.A. that issue cards.

More Buyer, Rep Aches

But it's more than standardization that is causing aches-not only at the desk of the time buyers but at the station reps. There's the problem of differential between live copy and e. t.'s, uniform time classifications, the underthe counter special rates and rotating contracts that give sponsors like Bulova special advantages. There's also the denot 15 but 141/2, for instance.) Typical instance of the actual time not being on most rate cards was a recent check-up by a time buyer who found that station breaks meant anywhere from 25 to 40 words, that minute spots ran from a low of 80 to a high of 150 words. The differential doesn't means so much on paper but what it means to the writer of spot commercial copy is a tremendous (See Double-Talking Rate Cards page 8)

Hope, Bing, Allen To Guest on Blue's Rehabilitation Seg

NEW YORK, April 23.—Blue's new rehabilitation show, The Road Ahead, which goes on the air for 13 weeks with a different sponsor each week, makes its preem May 2 at 9 p.m., with Bob Hope leading off as guest star, Clifton Fadiman emsecing and bank-rolled by International Business Machines. Plan is to have the show broadcast each week from a different service hospital with different star guesting each shot.

Bing Crosby will handle the guest chores the second week and Fred Allen the third. David Brockman's ork will do all the shows and Information, Please. Quizmaster Fadiman is expected to handle the ringmaster stint all the time The Road Ahead is on the air unless he takes Injo overseas on a USO tour.

Blue is trying to line up a different institutional sponsor each week, with several set. Those shows for which there is no client will be paid for by the net. When there is a bank-roller, he will pay only the talent and line charges. One of the features of The Road Ahead will be a short forum, conducted by Fadiman, in casting Corporation, the Canadian Broad- The airmen will be set up in the Palace which he will quiz wounded vets on their pet gripes.

Bland Date

NEW YORK, April 21.-Talking about double entendre (which we weren't, but it's a good way to start a gag story), where's one that popped up on the Blue's Blind Date last Monday (16). Emsee Arlene Francis asked a serviceman if he'd ever had a blind date before.

Replied the soldier: "I never even made a blind date."

FCC To Survey Listeners Channel Hearing

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The biggest survey of its kind, aimed at exploring nications Commission hearing on clear channels. FCC hopes to complete the survey by midsummer with the help of researchers from Bureau of Budget, Bureau of Census and Department of Agriculture.

Tuesday (17) of committee, called by Dalls Smythe, FCC chief economist, of 28 attorneys and industry research men. Also present at conference were FCO General Counsel Rosel Hyde and Clure Owen, assistant chief of broadcast division of engineering department.

Survey as originally proposed by FCC was to sound out listening interest among families outside primary service areas. Proposal was generally supported by industry representatives but there was a strong feeling that the survey be enlarged to cover families within primary listening areas as well as outside. Mail questionnnaires will be sent to several hundreds of thousands of homes and personal interviews will be held in several score representative counties. The survey, it was emphasized, will not overurged by FCC.

Cowles' WHOM S. F. Conference Swapped for WBYN Plus

NEW YORK, April 23.—Station WHOM Seems as the problem of moving WBYN from Brooklyn to Newark, which would mean switching a license from New York, was becoming a bit of a problem to the that WHOM was becoming a bit of a problem child to the Cowles interests. and since The News had plenty of dough with which to talk to the Cowles, a trade was made—one station, WBYN, and a pot of dough for one station, WHOM.

Naturally this all has to be okayed by the FCC, but it looks more in the groove than the original Newark News buy of WBYN. Indicated is a fast shift by Mike Cowles of his exec personnel with Craig amount and kind of radio listening in Lawrence getting out of New York and the United States, is about to get under- Jack Paige moving to another Cowles opway in preparation for Federal Commu- eration. Ted Enns, national sales manager of the C stations, is said by the trade to be set to remain on the Main

Move is admitted by several WHOM boys to be as much a surprise to them as it is to the trade. In-and-out of sta-Survey is outgrowth of conference last tion ownership (in the case of WBYN, before the fact) is said to be fastest switch in radio biz in a long time.

Tony Scheffer Joins WLW

CINCINNATI, April 21.-Appointment of A. E. Scheffer as administrative assistant to James D. Shouse, vice-president of the Crosley Corporation in charge of broadcasting, and Robert E. Dunville. general manager of WLW, was announced this week. Scheffer was managing director of the Retail Grocers' Food Show at the Cincinnati Zoo for 28 years until the event was curtailed by war conditions. He also operated Greystone Ballroom in Music Hall here for eight years and for two years was director of entertainment at the Netherland Plaza Hotel. His duties with lap the listening census proposed by WLW will consist in contacting various mand that rate cards state the actual Broadcast Measurement Bureau. Tech- national and regional trade organizations number of minutes that are for sale (i.e. nical participation by industry has been and representing the station management in various other fields.

7 Nets, Dozen Area Outlets To Air San Francisco Meet

light of international politics is turned on this city as the United Nations Conference prepares to open next Wednesday (25), with radio out to do its greatest reporting job. For the first time in broadcasting history radio will augment on a mass basis its regular news wire services, network programs and on-thespot handling of conference material.

After a poor start, when it was twice rumored that the meeting of the Allied Nations might be postponed, the parley is now definitely skedded to be launched at 2 p.m. (PWT) on Wednesday with broadcasts that will be heard around the world. There has been no specific announcement as to which of the world's diplomats will open the conference from here, but it is expected that Secretary of State Edward Stettinius Jr. may do the job. President Truman, it is definitely known, will not attend the conference but will be cut in from Washington to officially open the session and welcome the delegates.

Opening ceremonies will go on the air over seven networks and a possible dozen individual stations, including eight in the Bay area. The four American netthree foreign webs are the British Broad-Broadcasting Corporation. Each net out- meet will run thru seven weeks.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—The spot- let will have individual studios and

work rooms.

With the networks gobbling up the principal hunk of floor space in the Veterans' Building, where daily conferences will be held, the indies found it convenient, at the last minute, to organize. Don Fedderson, manager of KYA, headed the small-watters and was able to grab for the coalition two small back rooms which must serve the eight indies plus a few small stations from near-by areas who may want to come in later.

The four nets have their top-notch John Whitmore was an arrival early last week. Francis McCall, special eventer for NBC, and George Milne also are here. The Blue's G. W. (Johnny) Johnstone is likewise on the job, as is CBS's Paul White.

NBC's television coverage has hit a snag. The web hasn't the film on hand at the moment and is dickering with the Eastman Kodak office here to supply the film and equipment. If the deal prospers, NBC will go ahead with its previously announced plans to fly the films to New York for television showing

The herd of some 200 newscasters have works are NBC, CBS, Blue and MBS. The begun to arrive and the delegates also are beginning to put in an appearance.

Gives News Seg to Spotlight Bands

NEW YORK, April 21.—Blue's Spotlight will go to The Newark (N. J.) News if a Bands, Coca-Cola bank-roller, gets a couple of okays come thru from the FCC. news hypo for the duration of the San Francisco World Security Conference starting next Wednesday (25), opening day of the meet, when its first four minutes is taken over by reports of the day's estate that owns the Newark paper and activities. Blue commentators will give

Move is part of the net's attempt to So, since WHOM had a New Jersey license make the news of the conference part of the web's programing as long as the meet lasts. The addition of a news period to a band show is no novelty, with NBC's Fitch Bandwagon taking on a commentator last fall. NBC move, unlike the Blue's, was attempt to correct poor programing they had from early Sunday afternoon thru to 11 p.m. with no news stanza.

Brown & Hale Go Co-Op on Full MBS Web

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Two of Mutual's top commentators, Cecil Brown and Arthur Hale, go co-op on the full web next week, retaining their present sponsors on the clients' current list of stations but being offered to local bankrollers in areas where they are not now heard. Brown, for Bayuk Cigars, goes to 93 outlets Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8-8:15 p.m.; Hale, for Richfield Oil, is heard on 28 stations Tuesday. Thursday and Saturday from 7:30-7:45.

Brown, long-time reporter, war correspondent and newscaster, has been on Mutual for over a year, coming to the web after his blow-up with CBS over the problem of censorship. Hale formerly did the trans-radio news package, Confidentially Yours, on WOR, Mutual's flagship station.

Bert Hauser, head of the MBS co-op program department, has been setting promotions for the two newies plus some others that are expected shortly. Main pitch in Hauser's plans is an attempt to aid national advertisers merchandise their products in small towns as well as to sell to local sponsors.

Blue April 26 Night Sked To Have S. F. Confab Twist, M. C.

NEW YORK, April 21.-The Blue, on April 26, day after the San Francisco World Security Conference opens, will try a novel gimmick designed to give the web an over-all confab theme without throwing out commercials or cutting its Thursday night talent. All shows that night will be given a conference twist with the whole thing tied together by an evening-long emsee job from S. F.

Web has managed to clear every spot special events men on the job. Mutual's from its managed-and-owned station sked and from most of its affiliates. Added to the extra 10 seconds which advertisers have granted to plug shows following their own, net has 40 seconds between programs in which to throw an emsee. The man to do the job has not yet been selected, but he'll work out of San Francisco and, during station breaks, relate each program to the following one,

As far as the shows are concerned, the net will try to have Lum 'n Abner, for instance, give small-town America's impression of the conference. Fred Waring will play songs of the united nations, Town Meeting and March of Time, of course, are naturals for conference themes and the early evening sked of commentators no programing problem. It's considered possible that Orson casting Corporation and Australian Hotel. The conclusion here is that the Welles, if he isn't tied up with other biz, will take over the emsee reins, enal

CBS Listening Survey Number

Too Cue for Words

NEW YORK, April 23 .- The Groaner continues to be the most prolific source of ad-libs on the air. Latest is his own re-write of the lyrics to his theme song, Blue of the Night. This one was used on last Thursday's (19) stanza:

"When the blue of the night— Did I miss my cue tonight?"

Lombardo Shifting Tied to Chelsea's Blue Plug Contest

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Unique tie-in with a program time shift, as well as a neat way to obtain more flack notices, is being made by Larus Bros., Inc., makers of Chelsea cigs and sponsors of Guy Lombardo Musical Autographs (Blue, Mondays, 10 p.m., EWT). In shifting "Sweetest Music This Side of Heaven" to Tuesdays at 9 p.m., starting May 15-in that spot, the show will follow the Allen Young show and buck the Molle Mystery Theater-Chelsea decided to cash in on the deal by making the efforts of the Blue affiliates' flacks who will plug the change part of their contest, previously announced.

The contest is being run for promotion and publicity managers of 180 Blue Network stations carrying the "Sweet" seg and awards are to be based on promotions and presentations, including newspaper publicity and advertising, spot advertising, spot announcements and special exploitation tie-ups. Contest period is from April 15 to June 15, with scrapbooks and presentation deadline set for July 1.

Prizes will amount to \$1,500 in War Bonds. Judges will be Doris Lawton, 4 radio editor of Advertising Age; Lou Frankel, radio editor of The Billboard; Bruce Robertson, Eastern editor of Broadcasting; Eldridge Peterson, editor of Printer's Ink; Frank Burke, editor of Radio Daily; Reginald Clough, editor of Tide, and George Rosen, radio editor of Variety.

Elman's "Auction" Set as Roy Rogers Show Replacement

NEW YORK April 21.-Dave Elman's Radio Auction, new Mutual sustainer, is reported set as a replacement for the Roy Rogers show when the Goodyear bankrolled Western opus bows off the air May 15. Elman's program will not be spon-

sored by Goodyear.

Reason for the early closing date on Rogers is the cowboy singer's indefinite draft status. At latest reports he was in 1-A, but there is some talk that he may be turned down by the armed forces. Elman's show is a gadget affair. Articles of historical or curiosity value are auctioned off to specially invited guests. with listeners at home permitted to bid on a few items.

Talk in the trade has it that if Rogers is not drafted he will return to the air in the fall.

Ruth Davey New Chirper for 7-Up

NEW YORK, April 23.—Philadelphia singer Ruth Davey, who has been doing a show on WCAU for about a year, takes over the chirpng chores on the 7-Up show next week, replacing Annette War-Miss Warren bows off after five weeks on the program.

It is understood that the show's producer felt that Miss Warren is a topnotch singer, but her style was not suited to the type of music that the client wants on the Mutual airer. Show is supposed to demand a straight commercial protege, relies heavily on trick delivery.

Don Lee-Mutual Buys Site for Post-WarStudios

HOLLYWOOD, April 23 .-- New site for Don Lee-Mutual was purchased recently for \$750,000, making it the first of the networks to have definite location for post-war buildings. The Blue still has to pick a spot for headquarters.

Announcement of the purchase of the new site was made by Thomas S. Lee, prexy of the Don Lee Broadcasting System. This will give the web title to 90,000 square feet on the west side of Vine, from Homewood to Fountain, three blocks south of Sunset.

Building Awaits Materials

Lewis Allen Welss, vice-prexy of the Don Lee chain, said that new buildings would be constructed as soon as materials are released. He anticipates a fall date for ground breaking ceremonies. Plans for a two-story building to house standard radio, FM and television have been drawn up.

New building to be constructed under the supervision of Frank M. Kennedy, chief engineer for Don Lee, and Harry R. Lubcke, director of television for Thomas S. Lee, will include groundfloor production and programing department, four studios with 300 to 400 seating capacity and seven of medium size. Present location of Don Lee-Mutual on Melrose Avenue has been purchased by RKO studio which adjoins. Lease held by Don Lec on the property expires in December, 1945, but RKO agreed to extend the time limit until new facilities

Pacific USO Cirk **Booked for Bing**

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Bing Crosby, for the second year in a row, will hit the USO road this summer with the Pacific theater his most probable destination. Understood that the singer is auxious to repeat his sock performance in the ETO last summer and do a little groaning for the men fighting the Japs.

Meanwhile, no definite replacement has been set for him, altho it's definite that the program will be strictly pop music with a few topnotch guest singers thrown in. J. Walter Thompson Agency has been very anxious to get Dinah Shore to do three or more stints, but it's said to be doubtful that she will be able to coordinate her sked.

The summer show will originate in the East and Miss Shore has already signed to work in a film and do a concert tour for the hot months.

Rogers, Morse Ice "Family" Pic Deal

HOLLYWOOD, April 23.—Picture deal between Charles Rogers and Carlton Morse for filming of One Man's Family has cooled. Morse said that the agreement to call off the production plans was the result of writing snags which developed when screen play was attempted. Screen version of Family was not acceptable either to Morse or NBC and Morse stated that the show was too valuable a property to tamper with. It was understood that Rogers had gone to quite an expense attempting to get a screen treatment but could not come up with anything that was satisfactory to

Clinton Twiss, who handles production for Morse, said that screen writers would have to wade thru nine volumes of scripts, covering a period of 14 years the show has been on the air. New plc deals are in the offing, according to Twiss, who singer and Miss Warren, a Phil Moore said that all negotiations will be handled by the Stanley Bergerman Office.

Stamp Memorial

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 23 .-Listeners of WELI last week launched a telephone campaign to get the station's backing for a series of postage stamps commemorating F. D. R. The outlet liked the idea so much, it sent a telegram to Connecticut Senator Brien McMahon, urging him to suggest it to the postmaster general, and has gone on the air asking listeners to write to the Senator. There's a good spot open now for a permanent 3-cent stamp!

Navy Nixes WCCO Co-Op E. T. Try on Shakedown Cruise

MINNEAPOLIS, April 23.—Return to the city of A. E. Joscelyn, WCCO-CBS station manager here, from the threeweek shakedown cruise of the U.S.S. St. Paul, on which he went along with three newspapermen, disclosed for the first time that Joscelyn had attempted to cover the expedition via transcription for other stations in this territory.

Joseelyn went along at the invitation of the navy to handle production of e.t.'s made on the trip by Cedric Adams, WCCO newscaster and Minneapolis Star-Journal columnist. It was explained that Adams's insistence that he have a radio of whatever technical problems arose was the reason Joscelyn got the bld.

At any rate, once aboard ship, Joscelyn prepared scripts, not including Adams's, which were to be transcribed for use by KSTP, WTCN, WLOL and other stations in Minneapolis-St. Paul. The e.t.'s, according to Joscelyn's plan, were to be released simultaneously with those to be used by WCCO featuring

But just as the transcriptions were to be made, the navy, thru one of its censors, stepped in and nixed the idea, claiming the cruise was "strictly a newspaper deal" and not for radio. Joscelyn, according to reliable reports, tried. to argue the censor out of this point of view but failed.

Jo Stafford Nears Tape in Race for Ford Thrush Slot

NEW YORK, April 23.—Pop singer Jo Stafford is about set to take over as the regular chirper on Ford's new NBC show (2-2:30, Sunday) after the agency tried one other gal. When the show went on the air, the agency, J. Walter Thompson, decided to try three types of singers, classical, middle-brow and pop.

Met opera star Dorothy Kiersten took the first show and Jane Frohman was supposed to get the second trial. Her spot was canceled because of the death of President Roosevelt and it's reported Ford decided to go along with Miss Stafford, who bowed in yesterday (22). Selection of the singer means says the trade, that the tone of the program will be prevailingly popular with few operatic frills.

Hoosier Hot Shots Going Back to Hollywood Films

CHICAGO, April 23 .- Hoosier Hot Shots, who have just returned here following Columbia Picture commitment and a series of West Coast p. a.'s, are set to return to Hollywood in June for another workout before the Universal

Larry Finley, op of Mission Beach Ballroom, San Diego, where the Hot Shots did a series of one-nighters on their last West Coast visit, has inked the foursome for another set of dates during their June flicker stint.

Station Tab Accurate Pic

Mapping attempts emotional measurement habit alibies year's lateness

NEW YORK, April 23.—Despite the fact that the Seventh Bi-Annual CBS Listening Area Survey stands a very good chance of being the last of the series made by the web, the formula on which the audience

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measurement study was made in 1942 and 1944 is important since the Broadcast Measurement Bureau station circulation studies will be along the same lines. It is also important that the trade know just what the CBS map (every affiliate received its map during last

week) means and how the formula was

developed and why. First the sample tabbed in every city, county and State was in direct ratio to its actual population. Altho only approximately 187,500 ballots were tabbed (75 per cent of the total 250,000 mailed by the web) they were stratified so that each of 3,000 countles were pictured adequately, culturally and by the size of the community. No county was declared measured until a minimum of 50 per cent of the ballots mailed to that county had been man along to produce and take care returned. In other words in a CBS ballot audience measurement tab, returns must be representative—even if it should take as many as 10 follow-up requests with extra incentive offers to bring in a required minimum sample. This avoids lop-sided pictures which are bound to result in cases where a survey is made based upon one mailing sans follow-up. Best tested direct mail devices are used in the CBS ballot mailing such as pre-paying with actual stamps all mail costs on ballots. Pre-paid premiums, etc., but how the ballots were obtained is a detail—the fact that they were obtained and that the sample was proportionate down to the smallest county is the vital factor to ad agency time-buyers and sponsor ad man-

Outmoded Terminology

CBS maps still rate station circulation in the outmoded primary, secondary and tertiary verbiage, but each of these means something different than they mean in other usage of "P," "S" & "T." Primary, for instance, means at least two-thirds of the radio families listen one or more times a week but one half of these radio families must listen three times a week or more. Secondary means from one-third to two-thirds of all radio families listen one or more times a week, with one-third of these radio families listening at least three times a week. Tertiary represents an audience from 10 per cent up to 331/3 per cent of all radio families listeninglistening three or more times a week.

"Tough" Requirements

These requirements are tough—in fact, some stations put their CBS maps right in the drawer and never use them. Their BMB maps will be much prettier. On the BMB formula, the coverage pix well go up and up, for in the tertiary rating, for instance, all that area in which 10 per cent or more listen at least once a week will be tabbed. That will make a great difference, giving some stations as many as five extra counties. The same is true on the primary and secondary rating. With a 50 per cent listening requirement with all of it in the once-a-week dialing basis it means a much larger claimed primary than the 66% and 50 per cent of that with listening of three times a week or more.

No BMB Goose

CBS hasn't set up its requirements in order to goose BMB. Its requirements were set on the present basis back in 1941 following the 1940 report (survey made in (See CBS Measures Circulation, page 10)

Stations Top Daytime Ratings

WGBI Tab Astounding

Newspaper-owned percolators deliver top soap opera dialers 7 out of 15 times

NEW YORK, April 23.—The theory that a one-station town should top all others in ratings even in the daytime should be backed by Hooper city-by-city ratings, but the facts in the case indicate that "It ain't so, brother." Only in the case of one Hooperated area, Scranton, Pa., is there anything to back up the idea that a station without strong competition will deliver the top ratings. WGBI, in the coal mining area, really goes to town with ratings on four of the First Fifteen that are nothing less than sensational.

Even adjusting the five-month cityby-city Hoopers downward by 8 per cent (for a seasonable decrease in listening), WGBI does anywhere from 175 to 360 per cent better than the average national rating. Actually, WGBI in the case of Big Sister delivers an audience that tops the national sets-in-use figure (15.1) let alone topping the national rating. WGBI in the daytime is Scranton radio. On the four programs on which it's top dog the pic looks like this:

Program	Nat't	
AA SANTI AA AAA GUUAAA AA A	Rating	WGBI*
Ma Perkins (CBS)	. 8.0	22.0
Kate Smith		23.6
Life Can Be Beautiful	. 6.5	23.3
Big Sister	. 6.2	28.7
*Adjusted for a seasonab		ease of
listening by 8 per cent.		

Only Two Outlets Repeat

Another "surprise" in the first tabbing of the stations that top the ratings of the First Fifteen is that only in two cases are the percolators the same as the ones that topped the evening First Fifteen as reported in The Billboard (April 27). These two were KVOO, Tulsa, Okla., which added a sizable 8.6 to the evening national rating for its own tab of Kay Kyser and WTAR, Norfolk, which at night did a phenomenal 39.3 for Edgar Bergen (seasonably adjusted from its five-month 42.7 which was only 0.9 less than the top of the tops, WBEN's 43.6 for Bob Hope).

KVOO proved that it's delivery of ratings that topped the national evening Hoopers was no flash in the pan by landing twice in the daytime chart with a 14.8 (adjusted 8 per cent) for Young Widder Brown against a national rating of 8.2 and 15.3 (also adjusted) for Right to Happiness against a national 6.7. In the latter case it did better than double the national figure. KVOO is not without competition since it has the CBS affiliate, KTUL, and the Blue-MBS KOME battling for the Tulsa audiences.

Ratings in a Navy Town

WTAR at Norfolk is in a war town, a sailor's home port. That it topped nearly everything in the nation, with a fivemonth 42.7 for Edgar Bergen on a Sunday night, is amazing but that it almost triples the daytime audience of Just Plain Bill is slightly out of this world. Or do navy wives stay at home in the afternoon? (WTAR appears in the evening TCI Chart but unfortunately was dropped out of the evening ratings box which appeared with the running story on the toppers. The box has been reprinted in this issue for comparison to correct this omission and two typographical errors.)

WTAG Also Delivers

WTAG, Worcester, Mass., is another station that delivers a top audience that's out of this world for a daytime the First Fifteen daytime shows six are show. While Our Gal Sunday does 6.4 newspaper owned and controlled. Obnationally, it comes up with a rating over viously that two-way tie-up means higher three times this, or 19.3, on a compara- audiences in the area covered by the tive basis. WTAG has The Telegram- newspaper. What the station does for Gazette behind it but it has plenty of the paper itself would be the basis of competition. The station, however, is another study. Maybe The Billboard will promotional-minded and is in there bat- make that study too-someday.

Correction on National Vs. Local Ratings

Because there were two typographical errors and an omission from the table included in the story "Programs Better On Top Stations" in last week's issue, the correct table is included here:

1 COD1	Nat'l	Station	5-Month	Comparative	Rest Dares
Program	Rating		Rating	Rating	Competition
Bob Hope	29.5	WBEN	43.6	40.1	WGR, WKBW, WEBR, WBNY
Fibber McGee & Molly	28.5	WKY .	40.1	36.9	KOMA, KOCY, KTOK
Joan Davis	26.0	WTAM	33.6	30.9	WGAR, WJW, WHK
Screen Guild Players	23.3	WBNS	30.8	28.3	WHKC, WCOL, WTAM, WLW
Bing Crosby	22.9	WBEN	37.6	34.6	WGR, WKBW, WEBR, WBNY
Lux Radio Theater	22.7	KFH	37.4	34.4	KFBI, KANS
Mr. D. A	21.8	WBAP	30.9	28.4	KGKO, KFJZ, KRLD
Abbott & Costello		WSPD	29.9	27.5	WTOL
Kay Kyser		KVOO .	28.9	26.6	KTUL, KOME
Edgar Bergen		WTAR	42.7	39.3	WRVA, WRNL, WMBG
Eddie Cantor		KARK	27.0	24.8	KLRA, KGHI, KTHS
Hit Parade		WHP	34.7	31.9	WKBO, KYW, WCAU, WIBG, WIP, WPEN
Hildegarde	16.0	WLW	35.7	32.8	WSAI, WKRC
Mr. and Mrs. North		WLW	25.5	23.5	WSAI, WKRC
Bob Burns	and the second of the second	KARK	27.4	25.2	KLRA, KGHI, KTHS
World Parade		KARK	16.1	13.8	KLRA, KGHI, KTHS

tling to get more than its share of the audience. In fact, it's noted that its Truman To Continue audience. In fact, it's noted that its adjusted 17.0 is actually more than the national sets-in-use figures.

Only other station besides WGBI and KVOO showing up in the daytime toppers is WSB, Atlanta. WSB is another station that has a newspaper behind it, The Atlanta Journal. It has more, for it's one of the South's first great stations and it's run by Leonard Reinsch for the Cox newspaper interests. Reinsch, who for three days was President Truman's press and radio secretary, knows broadcasting-but good.

WSB Clicks, Too

WSB delivers a 14.4 for When a Girl Marries against a national 7.8, and a 13.8 against a national 7.4 for Portia Faces Life. Both of WSB's figures are adjusted by that 8 per cent to allow for the differential between present seasonable ratings and the period covered by the fivemonth city-by-city reports from which the station ratings are taken.

Adjusted Tabs

Adjusted figures for the rest of the stations in the daytime First Fifteen and the stations that are toppers follow:

Program		Natl.	Station	5-Ma.	Adjuste
		Rating		Rating	Rating
Pepper 3	oung	6.8	WOAL	14.0	12.9
		Sa	n Antonio		
			Tex.		
Breakfas	t in				
Hollywo	boo	6.7	WFMJ	17.7	16.3
(Kellog	g)		Youngs-		
STRIPPERSON			town, O.		
Helen Tr	ent	6.7	KNOX	18.4	17.0
			Knoxville		
Stella 1	Dallas	6.5	WKY	11.9	10.9
		(kla. City		
Breakfas	t in H	olly-			
wood (P&G)	6.3	woc	18.5	17.0
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			port, Ia.	97355 F00703	

"Adjusted downward 8 per cent because of scasonable decrease in listening.

Habits Affect Listening Pic

Obviously the daytime picture of stations is different from the nighttime because of local listening and living conditions. Norfolk isn't the same as Davenport, Ia., and San Antonio must have a different bunch of habits from Worcester, Mass.

Also notable is the fact that stations thruout the country with newspaper affiliation sock home a little extra listening volume. Among the toppers either owned or affiliated with a local rag are:

WSB, Atlanta, Atlanta Journal; WFMJ, Youngstown, O., Vindicator; WNOX Knoxville, News-Sentinel; WKY, Oklahoma City, Oklahoman, Times; WTAG, Worcester, Mass., Telegram - Gazette; WTAR, Norfolk, Ledger-Dispatch, Virginia

This means that out of the 10 stations that deliver the top audiences for

Fireside Chatting But "Moderately"

WASHINGTON, April 23 .- The radio "Fireside Chat" instituted by the late Franklin D. Roosevelt will be continued in moderate form by President Harry Truman. According to the new President's aides, Truman is anxious to keep the people informed in much the same homespun manner that F. D. R. did in

Capitalizing on the medium of radio to overcome great distance, Truman addressed the soldiers overseas by radio last Wednesday (18). He believes he can maintain the unity with which he has begun his office by confiding his plans and activities to the public every so often via the air waves. The new President is fully aware that his radio voice lacks the ringing clarity and resonance of his predecessor's, but his aides believe that Truman's Middle-Western twang and unassuming speaking manner are important assets in his radio approach,

Truman is convinced of the power of radio which Roosevelt used to such great advantage. Truman's designation of Charles G. Ross as chief of radio relations in his secretarial staff provides additional evidence of that. In Roosevelt's secretarial set-up, the radio relations duties were absorbed by the secretarial press chief instead of being assigned as full-time work for one man,

Ross was appointed to his post Friday (20), three days after President Truman had named J. Leonard Reinsch to the job. Truman yielded to the surprise request from James A. Cox, former governor of Ohio, for recall of Reinsch, who went to the White House from the position of managing director of Cox radio stations. Ross was Washington correspondent for The St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Switch from Reinsch to Ross leaves the industry unhappy because it replaces a man definitely commercial radio-minded and having the ken and experience to back him up with a man formerly employed by a paper that has been riding the dollar air.

"Silver Theater" Shined Up For "Ozzie and Harriet" Sub

NEW YORK, April 23.—International Silver Corporation, sponsors of the Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet (CBS, 6-6:30 p.m. Sunday), will return to old Silver Theater format for the summer layoff with Conrad Nagel, late of the Radio Reader's Digest and longtime pilot of the theater, handling the emsee chores. Silver Theater is the show that preceded Ozzie and Harriet under International Silver's sponsorship.

It's rumored that CBS's crack rehabilitation show, Assignment Home, was suggested as a replacement, but the firm decided to resume the theater program. First airing is skedded for June 17 and final bow will be made August 5. Young & Rubicam is the agency.

Sub, Cantor Show **But Minus Cantor**

Cantor's Summer

NEW YORK, April 23.—Eddie Cantor's Harvey act is set for the summer. The replacement for the Eddie Cantor show will be the Eddle Cantor Show minus Eddie Cantor.

Program, following exactly the same pattern as is used in winter, will feature singer Nora Martin, Leonard Suess' ork, announcer Harry Von Zell and fill-in emsee Fred Martell. Running gag will be "Where's Cantor?," with intent being to hold the comic's audience over the hot months.

Understood that Cantor put across the idea over the objections of sponsor, Bristol-Myers. The client had complained, as reported in The Billboard four weeks ago, that the show would cost too much dough. However, Cantor was able to persuade them that the thing would hold listeners, an important factor in the sponsor's and the agency's thinking. Young & Rubicam handles the show.

Marlin Herth in For Pearce or, those historic Sunday night Fireside "Judy" for Tums

NEW YORK, April 23.—The Lewis-Howe Company, makers of Tums and sponsors of the Al Pearce show (CBS, 10:15-10:45 p.m., Saturday) and A Date With Judy (NBC, 8:30-9:00 p.m., Tuesday), this week took a 30-day option on a comedy music package built around Marlin Herth, singer Trudy Erwin and Ray Sinatra's ork. Program will be used as a summer replacement either for Pearce or Judy.

Show, a situation comedy stanza, has Herth playing three roles, himself, "Beulah" and "Bill." Kathrine Card will play the "Aunt" to one of the characters. Roche, Williams & Cleary is the agency.

Danny Thomas USO-ing

NEW YORK, April 21.-Danny Thomas, Fanny Brice's foil on her Sunday CBS stanza, will go USOing in Europe this summer while the show takes its 13-week layoff. Last broadcast of the season will be June 10. Thomas's last overseas jaunt was with Marlene Dietrich last July and August.

JO STAFFORD Piping to the Top on Her Own

TO STAFFORD is the fem who Pied-Pipered her way to a single. The sockers raved so much about her, while she was quarteting, that radio let her out on her



own. Then having proved that she could stand on her own two musical mikefeet, Jo took the center of the floor at La Martinique, New York, and proved that she didn't have to stand behind a microphone or need the help of a trio to get by. Of course, a bow

by Tommy Dorsey along the way didn't hurt her (when she was a Pied Piper).

From that night spot to the Paramount on the Main Stem was just a hop, skip and jump tune. That's were Josie (if we may use her champion's, Frank Sinatra's, pet name for her) is now, proving that broadcasting and not a little talent can get you anywhere and get you plenty of the long green, too.

Jo is piping away to the top and not missing a bet-and is paying off at the box office all the way.

Blue adds 13,976,320 Weekly Impressions

(An impressive two-week gain)

Here at the Blue Network we've made some interesting progress recently in one specific phase of this radio business. We seem to have been able to influence more and more people to hear the shows our advertisers are putting on.

It started a few months back. We had some new ideas we wanted to try. From the experience many of us had in selling products, we thought it might be well to approach the selling of entertainment the same way. So we believe we've added some new thinking to sound promotion effort.

In place of routine promotions, we set out on Planned Promotions. We coordinated the efforts of our 196 stations the way a manufacturer coordinates dealer effort.

It was obvious that the impact of 196 stations, working with agencies and advertisers, would deliver many more listeners to the Blue.

The Sunday Night Promotion

First—we charted a Sunday-night-on-the-Blue promotion. It was only an experiment. Nobody knew how it would come out.

The individual stations took the plan, enhanced it with their own ideas and their own enthusiasm, and here's what happened:

6,800,000 more family impressions were attracted to the Blue on Sunday night . . . this in spite of well-organized previous promotions by the two other major networks.

The Morning Promotion

Well, it worked once. So it was tried again. Next came the Morning Promotion. Head-quarters formulated the Plan. 196 stations put it into effect. The results?

In the first two weeks we added 13,976,320 impressions per week to our morning audience! And of course this increase came to us from the other networks.

The advance Hooper reveals that for March the Blue was the only network to lift its Share-of-audience while the other three networks dipped. And, as you know, the Blue's average rating of a l morning programs is the highest of the four networks.

This is just a beginning

With progress like this, naturally we're planning other promotions. We're confident we're going to get the same kind of results with them, too. It's given us a promotional philosophy that can be summed up in two sentences—FIRST, YOU HAVE TO HAVE GOOD SHOWS TO OFFER THE PUBLIC (and ours are getting better all the time). SECOND, YOU HAVE TO LET PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT THESE SHOWS (and it looks like we've hit on a good way of doing this).

All this adds up to a pretty important thing to radio advertisers: Now's a good time to get your franchise on the Blue!

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Program

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Rating

Weeks

Date

338

HOOPERATINGS from weekday daytime

Total

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Point

\$1,600,00

\$ 195.12

(Report April, 1945)

Talent

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1,000

Rating

Urban Station &

Listeners Rating **

5 .30 KVOO

programs

In the absence of continuous data on non-telephone home listenership, The Billboard takes the liberty of projecting telephone home-based radio audience measurements to total families.

Opposition

Dan O'Neil-CBS

Hop Harrigan-Blue

Phillips Milk of Magnesia D-F-S NBC 138	8.2	338	Hop Harrigan—Blue Handy Mau—MBS	\$ 195.12		Tulsa 14.8
MA PERKINS Oxydol F-D-S CBS 71	8.0	117	Mystery Chef—Blue Lopez Luncheon—MBS Melody Swetches—NBC	\$1,300.00 \$ 162.50		WGBI Scranton 24.0
WHEN A GIRL MARRIES Raker Choc. Benton & Bowles NBO 75	7.8	200	Service Time—CBS Terry & Pirates—Blue Cblck Carter—MBS	\$2,300.00 \$ 294.87		WSB Atlanta 15.7
PORTIA FACES LIFE Post's 40 % Bran B&B NBC 88	7.4	201	Service Time—CBS Dick Tracy—Blue Superman—MBS	\$2,750.00 \$ 371.62	•	WSB Atlanta 15.0
Grape Nuts . Y&R CBS 117	7.0	318	Glamour Manor—Blue Words & Music—NBC Wm. Lang News—MBS	\$5,000.00 \$ 714.29	\$1.14	WGBI Scranton 25.6
PEPPER YOUNG Camay, Ivory Flake D-F-S NBC 79	6.8	447	Sing Along—CBS Ladies Be Seated—Blue The Smoothies—MBS	\$2,650.00 \$ 389.71		WOAI San Antonio 14.0
RIGHT TO HAPPINESS Ivery Scap Compton NBO 131	8.7	341	Locals—MBS Sing Along—CBS Ladies Be Seated—Blue	\$2,250.00 \$ 335.82	1100000	KVOO Tulsa 15.3
BREAKFAST IN HOLLYWOOD Kellogg Pep Keynon & Eckhardi Blue 192	6.7	177	2d Husband—CBS Ask Jane—MBS Finders Keepers—NBC	\$1,500.00 \$ 223.88	5 .37	WFMJ Youngstown 17.7
HELEN TRENT Bisodol D-F-S CBS 133	6.7	594	Farm & Home—Blue Service Bands—NBC Service Bands—MBS	\$1,800,00 \$ 268,66	MECONDE.	WNOX Knoxvilla 18.4
STELLA DALLAS Phillips Toothpaste D-F-S NBC 138	6.5	354	House Party—CBS That's for Mc—Blue Johnson Family—MBS	\$1,750.00 \$ 269.23	20 (3	WKY Oklahoma City 11.9
LIFE CAN BE BEAUTIFUL Ivery Seap Compton CBS 67	6.5	339	Various—CBS Bankhage—Blue News—MBS	\$2,500.00 \$ 384.61		WGBI Scranton 25.3
OUR GAL SUNDAY Anach D-F-S CBS 132	6.4	429	Farm & Home—Blue Service Bands—MBS Service Bands—NBC	\$1,750.00 \$ 273.44	\$.45	WTAG Worcester 21,0
BREAKFAST IN HOLLYWOOD Ivory Flakes Compton Blue 192	6.3	177	Amanda—CBS Arthur Gaeth—MBS Finders Keepers—NBC	\$1,500.00 \$ 238,10	\$.40	WOC Davenport 18.5
JUST PLAIN BILL Anacin D-F-S NBO 52	8.2	187	Cimarron—CBS Jack Armstrong—Blue Mystery House—MBS	\$2,000,00 \$ 322.58	P	WTAR Norfolk 18.7
BIG SISTER Lever Bros. R&R CBS 141	6.2	214	Locals—NBC Glamr. Manor—Blue M. Downey—MBS	\$2,500.00 \$ 403.23	\$.64	WGBI Scranton 31.2
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MBS Search for Producer Highlights Program Upswing

NEW YORK, April 23.-Indicative to the trade of Mutual's new approach to programing and the web's upswinging as a builder of shows is Phil Carlin's current search for a top-flight music and variety producer. New man, who will be paid something below middle three figures, will be assigned as a full-time builder of strictly commercial airers.

Carlin, the net's program v.-p., has been gradually expanding his operation and now has enough help to take detail work off his shoulders. With a couple of new producers in and a script editor, Carlin is about set to start spending that Times-Star.

doubled budget which the MBS board of directors approved for programs two weeks ago. Up and coming line-up of audience participation shows, among them Queen for a Day, the new Dave Elman auction and a few others now in the works are beginning to make Mutual look more and more like a network.

WKRC to CBS

NEW YORK, April 16 .- WKRC, Cincinnati, joins CBS, June 1, replacing WCKY as web basic station in that city. New Columbia outlet uses 500 watts day, 1000 night on 550 kc.

WKRC is owned by The Cincinnati

Double-Talking Rate Cards---. Watta Routine for Buyers

(Continued from page 4)

ache. Sponsors want as much wordage as possible and, therefore, want different blurbs to fit every station. It's bad enough on live copy but when an agency man tries to get the maximum plug on e. t.'s then the trouble is really something. With CBS's controlled-andoperated (CO) stations, chain breaks down to 15 seconds in the Class A Time from 6 to 10 p.m., and 20 seconds at nearly all other times, and up as high as 26 seconds at all times on many other stations on the same CBS network.

Among station reps and ad agency men are two schools of thought on spots and station breaks. One crics like a stuck pig at WLW's spot announcement rate of \$75 a crack. Another points to stations, many good ones at that, that get 25 per cent of their card rate for minute spots. With the NAB trying to make all stations and webs conform to a threeminute maximum commercial time on a 141/2-minute program, sponsors thru shrewd buying can get four minutes of commercial copy on the same station at the same fee they pay for three minutes on a full 15-minute program. On the latter they pay for talent as well as for time. This, say the ad and rep boys, is what makes so many of the smaller indies spot heavy and program light.

Standard Card Need Cited

Need for standard rate cards is greater than the need for BMB, some time buyers admit off-the-record. These same men can't see why it's taken so long for the NAB and AAAA Committee to get action from the stations.

It should be easier for a station to follow a set form than it is to make up its own, but despite this, the info carriers are not only contrary in format but they're actually different in size, color and form. Even those that bear the credit line of AAAA form differ in any cards." Maybe there's a reason.!

Some list time only.

Some list part of the shows available. Some go the works and list everything that can be bought—if it's available.

Some are promotional pieces of copy instead of factual.

Some list discounts—and they differ

one of a hundred different ways.

enormously. Some ignore that detail. Rate Structures

Rate structures are often fantastic. Typical middle-of-the-road sked finds: One-minute e. t. or 150 words..........\$12 One-half minute e. t. or 100 words...... 10 Fifty words or less 8

There's no explanation on this rate card of how the time for an e. t. doubles and the live copy only goes up one-third between the second and first classification. This happens to be a Blue affiliate.

A CBS affiliate picked at random comes up with a rate card on spots that reads something like this (and in all cases Grade A or evening time, onetime rate between 6 and 10 p. m., is used for these examples):

One-minute transcriptions\$18

An NBC affiliate rate card shows the following:

One-minute 100 words\$50 Flash-25 words 33 Five minutes 80

A key Mutual outlet shows no special rates for chain breaks or short announcements but charges the minimum, one minute or less. The spot section of the rate card reads:

Five minutes\$40 Chain breaks, 25 words or 15-second e. t., same as one-minute spots.

These are not the worst offenders against standardization. They were selected as being representative of what confronts the time buyer with unstandardized rate cards.

Discount Provisions

Other ache factors on these cards are the discount provisions. (In all these cases it must be stressed that spots are being highlighted altho there are just as many variations in regular 15, 30 and 60 minute program rates quoted.) Discounts on one rate card read like this:

Frequency discounts beyond 260 times-500 times - an additional 5 per cent times - an additional 10 per cent times - an additional 15 per cent

Nothing is mentioned about discounts

Another rate card sets up discounts on the following basis.

before 260 times.

		times-per- frequency d	
13 weeks	 	 	0 per cent

If less than three announcements per week, each is charged at the one-time rate and is subject to the above discounts.

One-time rate is for 125 words or one minute or less and is \$20. Three times a week the per announcement rate is \$18. Five-time rate is \$16, and the six-time rate, \$15. For 50 words or less deduct 40 per cent.

In pointing out the aches of these cards none of the reps or ad men was talking about overcharging, etc., but merely pointing the need for standardization that would not affect station income at all.

Another yelp about rate cards that came up time and time again was that rate cards don't mean a thing when a selected spot was on the block. A network exec pointed out that a chain ; break between Fibber McGce and Molly and Bob Hope delivered the top audience on the air and that it was worth anything that the traffic would bear, And a number of stations were getting just that. It's known that certain supplementary and bonus stations (for free to net advertiser) do better than what they'd get from webs for time by selling the breaks before, between and after top-Hooperated shows. That's one way for a station to get the shows and get dough,

Rate cards have gone a long way since Linnea Nelson (J. Walter Thompson) started fighting for readable cost sheets, but they've got a long way to go yet before they can stand on their own feet and give with the info that sponsors and time buyers need.

One rep put a twist to the time card standardization plea with, "That's what station reps are for-to explain rate





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WHAS Brings Its Listeners Carey Longmire and Wilfrid Fleisher

... nationally known news commentators, broadcasting exclusively for WHAS, by direct wire from Washington.

LONGMIRE, whose nose for news led him to Europe when the first signs of disintegration appeared, managed by hook and crook to get into Spain to write for the New York Herald-Tribune the first articles from Franco's Spain which were printed in 1939. Referring to this scoop, Time magazine called him an "open-eyed" correspondent. He was in New York when the Battle of France was lost, but went east immediately to cover the London blitz. He predicted trouble between Hitler and

Stalin before the German invasion of Russia.

Longmire was one of the first Yankee correspondents to fly in an "operational flight" in an R.A.F. bomber . . . but his top "beat" was a mysterious cable to his editor's home resulting in a 24-hour scoop for his paper predicting the famous Atlantic Charter conference. Longmire claims to be a liberal-independent politically, and his mike style is very informal. Favorite comment of listeners is: "He explains the news so well."

FLEISHER, a native of Pennsylvania, educated abroad, was correspondent for his father's newspaper, the Japan Advertiser, in World War I. He obtained the first exclusive story of the murder of the Czar of Russia and his family . . . covered the League of Nations for a time . . . and was managing editor of the Japan Advertiser when pressure from the Jap Government caused its abandonment in 1940. Fleisher scored a world beat by becoming one of 4 white men in the world



to interview Emperor Hirohito. In 1936 he scored another world beat by telephoning the New York Herald-Tribune that Japan and Germany were forming an alliance. He covered the diplomatic talks with Japan which were going on when war started. March 23, in a WHAS broadcast he predicted that General Douglas MacArthur would lead the invasion of Japan. Fleisher is the author of two books on Japan, "Volcanic Isle" and "Our Enemy Japan."

The clamor for news was never greater. And WHAS meets the demand. It devotes 127 broadcasts every week to unglossed, unemotional, authentic reports of the news as it happens.... And it does more! It brings Carey Longmire and Wilfrid Fleisher straight to its listeners with their straight-from-the-shoulder analyses of the news, backed by first hand knowledge of the places and people they talk about.

WHAS keeps its listeners listening by its intelligent news reporting.



'Round-the-Clock News-Backed by 50,000-Watt Clear Channel.

Blue Courting 3 Seg Sponsors

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Blue tele department is rolling along the sales routes with three new sponsors reported interested in buying net shows. According to informed agency sources, a large Philadelphia cosmetic manufacturer, R&H Beer and Hearns Department Store will shortly be added to John Davis Stores, current bank-roller of Letter to a Serviceman on DuMont's WABD.

trade, will sign on the dotted line for Ladies Be Seated, once-a-week audience participation show which the net puts on at General Electric's station, WRGB, Schenectady. R&H Beer is interested in 'Kiernan's Korner, gag news show ringmastered by Walter Kiernan on WABD. Hearns' wants a fem show with Nancy Craig, Blue woman's program commenta-

"Ladies" About Set

Ladies Be Seated is about set for sponsorship, the other two, according to agency men, will take three to four weeks. If the last two deals go thru, the net's video topper, Paul Mowrey, will have to take more time on WABD to supplement its present half-hour for Letter to a Serviceman.

It's understood that all three deals will be worked on a principle similar to the agreement with John David. In that case net is making no profit on the program, merely asking the client to share the production costs. Theory behind the no-dough deal is web's belief that since the limited number of tele sets make the medium impractical as a salesman, net would be just as wise merely to develop good client relations for the post-war period.

AFM's Resolution Calls for Live Rate For Posing on Tele

NEW YORK, April 21.—A resolution. which strengthens AFM's stand that live musicians be used in television to pose bit almost immediately after dialing the for scenes where canned music is used was brought up at a recent International executive board meeting in Chicago. The resolution states that no musicians will be allowed to pose for tele programs where canned music is being broadcast unless they are paid at the same rate they would receive for actually playing or recording the show.

Porter Applauds Video at DC-Philly Relay Inaugural

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Confidence which Chairman Paul Porter of FCC has in television as a unifying force in postwar America was re-emphasized by the chairman last Tuesday (17) on the occasion of inauguration of first television multiple-relay linking Washington and Philadelphia. Porter in a speech broadcast by WPTZ (Philadelphia) regretted that television couldn't have reached popular usage in time for late President Roosevelt to have broadcast on it. But he praised enterprise of U. S. industry for speeding development.

He singled out Philco Corporation for praise for pioneering in opening the multiple-relay and predicted that television "will grow into a giant capable of serving us in many ways which we do not now even comprehend." Television, he said, "Can hasten the process of reconstruction." He stressed that video "can be democracy's greatest handmaiden by bringing the whole picture of our political, social, economic and cultural life to the eyes as well as the ears."

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REVIEWS

Balaban & Katz

Reviewed Thursday (19), 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Style—Drama, news, magic and dancing. Sustaining on WBKB, Chi-

After six months of experimentation, Commonwealth Edison Company's Welcome to the Walker's has turned into a smooth vehicle for advertising the The Philly lipstick outfit, says the firm's electric appliance line. Some smooth direction by Beulah Carney, a great deal of animated acting by four radio actors, especially Fran Allen and George Cisar, as Jean and Chris Murphy, and a subtle bit of scripting by Ardien Rodner make the sequence, laid in the friendly atmosphere of a kitchen, a most innocuous, yet extremely convincing, advertising medium. Playlet also worked in a clever plug for the Seventh War Loan Drive. Even the most caustic critic of commercials wouldn't blink an eye at this bit of salesmanship. Show received four and a half hours of rehearsal, and the pre-show experience was very evident.

> Don Faust WIND commentator, did just a fair job in the news slot. Via the Chalk Talk, he analyzed the current war situation, after which he went into discourse on the third anniversary of the bombing of Tokyo. Date of the anniversary was Wednesday. This made it a day late for the broadcast. If tele wants to meet the competition of radio and newspapers, it must hit such news more on the head. He closed with a dramatic bit built on a feature story which was dated, as it was given plenty of space by papers locally early in the week.

> Excellent camera direction, plus an artistic backdrop depicting Latin American music, put over Rumba Moods, a dance interpretation by Loretto and Lee. ground was used more frequently than showing, with the result that a listener just tuning in got the trend of the

> Lee Phillips and his magical mysteries need some rehearsal in video technique before his work becomes good video fare.

CBS

Reviewed Wednesday (18), 8-10 p.m. Style-News, documentary and forum, Sustaining over WCBW, New York.

The Columbia telenews pitch gets better and better. Even Allan Jackson's chin seems to get stronger and there's less and less bobbin' up and down with his head as he reads script.

Mademotselle's Brides in Wartime, the fifth show which the girl eds of M'lle. have dreamt up, was okay in part and stinko in others. The first episode, How Not To Stay Married in Wartime, was the smelly portion, with a sailor and wife being caricatures of people.

The idea of doing seg in pantomime was dkay but they laid it on so thick that it was disgusting even unto the getting into bed, which no sailor should do with his wife before an iconoscope on his first night's furlough. A wedding etiquette quiz was well done, but someone should have reminded Frances Buss and Lucille Hudiburg, who megged this, that white dresses flare. This would have meant special off-white wedding gowns, of course. That's the way it's going to have to be some day. Final M'lle, seg was Brides in Poland, a spy melo with a fem slant. William Hollenbeck was good as Jan, and Ann Shepherd better as Jadwiga. Sets were good. lighting well handled, and while the script was corny, it was okay airpic

Second gathering of high-schoolers on There Ought To Be a Law was on the subject that "bachelors over 40 should be taxed and the dough ought to go to maiden ladies over 40." It was a riot; a minor riot. They dropped those campaign signs used on the first show which Camera gave full-length shots of the had nothing to do with the delegations, dancers 95 per cent of the time, with and while they haven't solved the probthe result that receivers got realistic lem of getting good, clear-cut close-ups, depth of the terping. The full back- the kids are so much fun that you don't mind the elemental camera work. Law the close-up during the entire hour is a natural, and what a commercial possibility! Joe Kochler.

> Many times his magical equipment was only partly in the camera's focus and the magical illusion was ruined.

John Sippel.

CBS Measures Circulation; Station Tab Is Accurate Pic

(Continued from page 5) 1939) which did base its figures on the once - a - week listening formula. The theory behind the tight requirements is that it's better to claim less and deliver

That's the CBS reason why the survey was mailed in March. This meant that the survey was answered in April and most of the ballots were back in the hands of Sam Barton's Industrial Surveys Company which makes the survey for CBS by May. The report, therefore, covers mid-spring listening—not the peak January-February nor the low of July-August. However, since what is measured is supposedly the "habit of listening" and not "current listening," indie audience measurement researchers point out that there would be very little difference between a January-February tab and a March-April census.

Habit Offsets Lateness?

That "habit" is CBS's explanation of why it's not too bad that it takes a year to get the returns tabulated and in coverage and circulation form. The "habit of listening" says CBS doesn't change rapidly, which, if true, must hurt when a network loses stations like WNAX, Yankton, N. D., and KRNT, Des Moines, for if the continuing listening habit claim is solid then the "habit of listening" may continue with the station after the station has left a

What the network and the stations face where there is a change of network or shift of channel is a tough hard-hitting promotional job, like the socko job turned in by WGAR when it took over the 1220 band and came up with a higher share of the Cleveland audience than it had before it shifted. It cost money and required in-

the fact that they received an award in The Billboard '44 Promotional Survey for the job is an indication that it isn't done quickly or effectively too often.

Age No Negative?

The CBS ballot survey indicates the habit of listening. That it's a year old the day it's issued is a negative, but it's negative only in a small percentage of areas, and there are no other coverage surveys or circulation figures for stations available that are fresher. Competitive surveys are usually just as old and BMB plans call for year-old figures in its first circulation survey also. NBC year-old coverage figures are yet to be released.)

Hooper and CAB Protections Only figures which can be converted into circulation figures are Hooper audience measurement figures which The Billboard elects to project upon 412 urban areas once every two months. In doing so, The Billboard realizes that it is projecting listening-in telephone homes against nontelephone home listening. It does so in the general realization that most surveys covering non-telephone home listening indicates that the rank order of listening is the same as in the telephone homes but is more intense.

No Emotion in CBS Ballot

CBS surveys remove, as far as possible, the emotional impact of broadcasting. They endeavor to place radio circulation upon a pure research basis. The concentration is upon stations without mention of programs. Since another school of research thinking stresses the fact that people listen to programs and not to stations or networks, the forgetting of the tions give 'em. showbiz side of broadcasting in this tabtelligence to change the "habit" but bing hurts. However, the case of pro-WGAR proved that it could be done, but grams vs. stations can be paralleled by (ARF Study No. 78).

NBC

Reviewed Saturday (21), 7-8:30 p.m. Style - Magic, film. Sustaining over WNBT, New York.

There's pitifully little that can be said about or for tonight's performance by the usually highly competent NBC video staff. Of the hour and a half devoted to what was hopefully called a "children's program," only 15 minutes was live, that portion being occupied by the none-too-mystifying antics of Williston, a magician.

Williston is not a bad magician and his patter, for the most part, was fairly entertaining. However, if the program was really aimed at children, Williston should have been instructed to aim all of his talk at them. His cracks about pawn shops and insane asylums were probably more mystifying to juvenile listeners than his tricks, not that they were funny to adults. A bit more attention should have been paid to color values. At one point he spoke encouragingly about red and white balls (part of a trick) but they all looked one shade. At the close of what in all fairness must be called a decent performance, the director cut him off the air before he had finished his good nights, a disconcerting

The rest of the evening was taken up by two films. The first, a U. S. Department of Agriculture production, used the Quiz Kids and Joe Kelly to discuss the problem of balanced diets for children. The best comment on that one was made by a fellow viewer who said that it was bad enough to have been a studio show. The other movie was called Wings Over Africa. It was about diamonds, murder, jungles and allied bores. Very stimu-Marty Schrader. lating.

newspaper readership versus readership of features in each paper. It would be, point out the non-program circulation defenders, just as logical to tab the circulation of The Daily News by discovering how many followers of that paper buy it for Dick Tracy instead of for The Daily News itself.

10-Carat Gold

The CBS 7 Series-1944 corner on a station day or night circulation map, is admittedly at least 10-carat gold. Timebuyers might ask for 14 or 18-carat but a cross section of those who buy the most time admitted that they're happy to buy time on a CBS circulation map basis, even if it isn't the ultimate in "guaranteed audience." . . . No one guarantees newspaper readership. While advertisers buy and pay for the full paid circulation, the No. 1 grocery ad* had a readership of 30 per cent and the body copy 24 per cent. The number one ad (a national ad) in the same paper with a typical non-selling post-war appeal brought an 80 per cent readership. The straight selling appeal readership usually runs nearer the grocery ad than it does the national ad.

What any circulation measurement for radio does is to indicate, as pointed out previously, the "habit" of listening (i.e., the tuning habits, buying habits with newspapers). Hooper and CAB' tab the actual audience for any individual program as far as it's possible today, just as Neilsen endeavors to do in a limited fashion in the Middle West. The Advertising Research Foundation endeavors to deliver the same info on newspaper advertising. The field of public relations via advertising is still an unscientific one, but the ad-dollar knows far better where it goes in broadcasting than it does in most newspaper advertising, except in the field of direct selling where department stores and other retailers have been doing it longer in black and white than they have by ear-sight. However, today, wherever broadcasting has really used the ultimate in direct selling, for instance, Arthur Godfrey over WTOP for a number of Washington retailers, and Ben Hawthorne, pre-war, for G. Fox over WTIC in Hartford, Conn., the selling cost per dol-Iar has been less day-by-day than any other ad-medium. That the retail pic of radio hasn't been over-all as sock as in the case of WTOP and WTIC (it has in a great number of cases which can't be tabbed here) has nothing to do with the medium or its circulation.

The missing element is the know-how of spiel selling. Too few air-ad-men have taken the time to use the ears that sta-

*In The La Cross (Wisconsin) Tribune.

SHEETS SOLD IN 1944

"Candy" Infringes On "Sugar Baby," Pinkard Suit Says

NEW YORK, April 21.-Infringement suit against Robbins, Feist & Miller Music was brought last week by Maceo Pinkard, writer of That Sugar Baby of Mine, in which he claims tune Candy. pubbed by Feist, is an infringement. Sugar Baby was written in 1926, with the late Sidney Mitchell and Edna Alexander. Pinkard claims that the possibilities of a contract signed in 1944 between Robbins and Pinkard and Alexander Music Company, original copyright owners of the song, were damaged.

At the time Robbins advanced Pinkard \$3,500 with promise of reviving and promoting the song. Pinkard also wrote Sweet Georgia Brown and Here Comes the Showboat, among others.

ASCAP Wins In Nebraska; Ban Repealed

OMAHA, April 21.—Long fight waged by music users in the State of Nebraska on behalf of ASCAP finally has resulted in victory for the society. Last week the State Legislature voted to permit the society to resume doing business in the State. Governor Griswold subsequently signed the bill, LB 252, making it a law. Bill repealed the Nebraska anti-ASCAP law passed in 1937, and this time was passed 27-11, with five members of the Legislature not voting.

Repeal of the law has created one of the hottest fights seen here in a long time, with most music users in the State writing senators in support of the bill, asserting that they must have some agency to deal with for public performance of music or be subject to numerous and costly copyright infringement suits.

Senator Against Measure

Typical of those who were against the bill was State Sen. John Mekota, Crete, who bitterly charged ASCAP with being a "vicious monopoly" that was conducting a campaign of fear to coerce music users to support it (the bill) and the Legislature to pass it. He made one final effort to kill the measure but was unsuccessful. Joe Maiec, operator of Omaha's Peony Park, and WOW, Omaha, State's biggest music users, had also opposed the bill.

After it was passed, Malec said: "In seeking truth and justice in defense of free enterprise under the laws of our constitution, I bow to the organized power of the music ASCAP cartel which knows no justice and does not recognize the laws of our constitution."

Pix Studio Tooters Salaries Upped; Year Guarantee \$5,200

HOLLYWOOD, April 23.—Movie studio musicians will get upped salaries and overtime pay, according to a decision just handed down by the War Labor Board. The pact, negotiated by AFM prexy James Petrillo, is retroactive to April 1, 1944, and calls for guaranteed annual earning for studio staff musicians of \$5,200. Sidemen go on overtime after reaching that figure.

Rehearsals are to be considered as full-time recording scale and double sessions are out, therefore, granting an automatic boost of \$10 a man for a six-Lour period. Conductors are to get double time instead of time and onehalf. After midnight, time and one-half pay prevails. Studio orks range from 25 to 35 men.

Earle Theater May Nix Bands For 4 Weeks

Names Want "Too Many \$\$"

NEW YORK, April 21-Altho Warners' booking execs say that they've got band bookings for their Philly House, the Earle during May, there's a strong possibility that house may go into a straight film policy for at least four weeks, starting May 11. It's a two-sided story: (A) Band leaders nixing of what they call "short" dough offered for that house by WB bookers, while (B) from the booking office it's said to be a combination of retaliation of teaching leaders a lesson for turning down the house via asking prices out of reach, and unavailability of bands within their price

Warners' bookers say that story is untrue, and that Ink Spots are going in May 11, followed by Les Brown, but such facts as Xavier Cugat and Woody Herman turning down the house when they couldn't get the price they wanted indicates that the whole situation is a pregnant one. According to leaders, Warners have always used the "crying towel" routine in getting name bands to play the Philly house, using at the same time the incentive of the New York Strand booking, on a "favor" basis. Now that theater bookings are plentiful, band boys say that the Earle will have to pay their price or they'll not play.

That's kinda backwards in reasoning, execs point out, because if you look at the house's gross, in many cases, bands don't pull their weight. Earle is a case of a band draw, becaust the plx are usually fillers. Most of the bands ask in the neighborhood of \$10,000-\$12,500 per against a percentage, and on that basis, Earle figures that the house would be in business to meet the band payroll.

For the four weeks after May 11, Earle was thinking of bringing in Alan Ladd in Salty O'Rourke, an A pic, for a change. They figure that they won't need a band to draw 'em in on that one. WB's Stanley Theater in Pittsburgh uses same reasoning, playing name bands for four weeks, then big pictures for four weeks.

Palace Theater, Cleveland, is laying off

Burke-Van Heusen, Talking Duke Pub

NEW YORK, April 23.-Burke-Van Heusen is in the midst of a publishing deal with Duke Ellington, terms of which have not been disclosed. Same firm has inked a pact with Vaughn Monroe as selling and collection agency for Monroe's tunes. However, it's known that deal with Ellington, if and when it goes thru, won't be the same kind.

Firm's talked-of deal with Harry James is strictly talk, according to those close to James. As disclosed by The Billboard some time back, James had been approached by Buddy Morris, along with many other pubs, but the leader wanted more than a 50-50 set-up in any new firm. From one pub he wanted a twothirds interest, the pub to get one-third. That was out of the question in manipulation of profits for all concerned. Same story still goes; James most likely will go into biz for himself.

Morros Signs Hines To Exclusive Pact

NEW YORK, April 21,-Boris Morros' American Recording Company last week inked Earl Hines band to an exclusive contract. Hines had disked for a couple of the major companies, and talk was that he had to secure his release from Victor to ink with Morros. However, investigation proved that he had no definite contract with that company.

Hines signing is in line with recent The Billboard yarn, in which it was pointed out how smaller disk companies today are snaring many of the big name properties. Reason, of course, is the production problem being faced by the majors. Minors can't get as many disks out, but at least they can put an artist out more often than a big company. Morros recently signed Art Tatum.

ing in May, because of unavailability of bands and talent. Execs admit that situash right now is pretty confused because of the known fact that many bands that ask top dough just don't come anywhere near that figure in so much as b. o. gross at the end of the week is concerned.

vaude policy for at least six weeks, start-Army Officers Give Name Bands Verbal Shellacking On Brush - Off Over Fees

"\$500-\$750 Night at G. I. Camps Doesn't Tempt Leaders"

that have passed up playing army camps because the posts couldn't meet their fee, have come under "severe" comment by several officers in charge of entertainment at many army camps. The complaints have slithered into New York from many sources, but suffice to say, the majority of digs have been at the general attitude of topflight bands that command a couple of thousand bucks for one-nighters. When they've been approached about playing army camps whose budgets will allow payment of from \$500 to \$750 a night, army men say they've met a general fluff-off by big bands.

Consequently, they continue, they have (the army camps) come and get them, and \$750 a date.

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Name bands haul them away after the performance. Of course, many air bases are able to do this, since they have transports at their command, but in other cases, it's difficult to manipulate the transportation of big bands to and away from army camps.

On the Other Hand

On the side of the big bands, it's known that they play only a certain number of one-nighters, and they try to cash in on as many as they can. Especially, when they've had to lose dough at a New York hotel spot. Consequently, they have fluffed off army camp dough where they can get much more from a one-nighter in the same territory.

However, from the entertainment offihad to take second-rate and inferior cer's point of view he's aware of only one bands. To put it mildly, big bands have thing. He's got just so much dough to been "unco-operative." Another point spend, and for the most part, he knows that has many of them boiling is fact that that he's going to get a turn-down from many big bands won't play unless they the majority of big bands when he offers

Jobbers Did 77% of Biz

Syndicate stores sell 18% and mail order houses 5%; MDS way out in front

NEW YORK, April 23.—With the sheet music biz at one of the highest peaks in the history of Tin Pan Alley-not counting the present-day slump which is caused by numerous factors—pubs last year (1944) put away plenty of dough from sales of their pops, folios and standard music. In a breakdown, as indicated below, every part of the country participated in the purchase of sheet music of all types, with percentage breakdown something like this: jobbers did somewhere around 77 per cent of the business; syndicate stores (including companies that lease out music departments in large stores) did around 18 per cent of the sheet music biz; while mailorder houses did around 5 per cent.

Taking the figures of one of the major publishers for last year, net sales for popular and standard music-not counting the rack orders—were close to \$800,-000. Of that amount, jobbers did close to \$600,000 worth of business; syndicate stores did around \$150,000 and mail-order houses around \$40,000.

MDS Paces Field

Breakdown of the jobbers indicates that Music Dealer's Service was way out front, doing some \$130,000; Ashley Music Supply did around \$95,000. These two far outpaced the rest of the field, supplying some 6,000 dealers between them. Suffice to say, they did around \$225,000 worth of biz for this one pub. That's approximately 30 per cent of the actual total of \$781,000 sold in sheet music last year by this major pub.

It's estimated that about 50 per cent of the tobbers' sales were made up of popular sheet music, with the other 50 per cent split between standards and folios. That would mean that of the \$600,000 biz done by jobbers, pop music brought in around \$300,000; while folios and standards netted some \$150,000 apiece.

Kresge Nets 55G

S. S. Kresge Company was the biggest syndicate store seller, netting \$55,000, with sales mostly of sheet music. They have some 100 stores that carry music. Mail-order houses had some \$40,000 worth of biz, which is strictly standard.

Syndicate stores sales are said to be pretty much divided the same way as jobbers, which would mean that pop music accounted for about \$75,000; folios netted around \$37,500 and standards the same. That's generally speaking,

In the syndicate bracket, besides Kresge, music sales did over \$50,000 in some 100 departments in syndicate and department stores all over the country. Neisner Bros., also handling music for the country, did some \$20,000 worth of biz. Remainings two syndicate stores were Pacific Music Sales, which has 100 small counters in syndicate stores, which netted some \$10,000; McLellan Company which has music departments in five department stores, did around \$6,000.

19 Jobbers Get Rest

All in all, some 19 jobbers, outside of MDS and Ashley, did the remainder of the biz. They accounted for approximately \$284,000 between them, or a little less than 50 per cent. Carl Fischer, Chicago, did close to \$50,000, while Gordon V. Thompson, in Canada, handled \$35,000 worth of biz.

Rest lined up as follows: figures are

kept round, for purposes of clarity. Cael Fischer \$35,000; Lyons and Healy, Inc., \$34,000; Gamble Hinged, \$25,000; Jenkins Music Co., \$24,000; Morse M, Preeman, \$22,000; Chesbro, \$20,000; St. Louis Music Supply, \$18,000; Southern Music Co., \$17,000; Sherman Clay, \$17,000; Grinnell Bros., \$15,000; Paci.lc Coast Music Jobbers, \$15,000; H. N. Homeyer, \$13,000; Capitel Music Co., \$13,000; Thomas Music Supply, \$10,000, and Grossman Music,

Retailers Have Special Disk. FOR THE FIRST TIME Yens; the Cash Register Says

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More L. A. Stuff Needed Quick

More Platters by Ink Spots, Spike Jones, Mills Bros. Wanted

of a series of pieces intended to pass on to diskeries, artists et al., just what the customers want (disk jockeys and juke box ops had their say in previous

> issues), record dealers this week came up with a pile of lowdown on what goes . . . over the counter. Two hundred and twenty-three platter retailers in big burgs and small towns from one end of the country to the other (constituting The Billboard Retailers' Advisory Com-

mittee), turned in opinions in the present study.

They named the bands and singers they'd like to get more records by; artists, not now recording they'd like to have return to the wax; types of music they'd like to see plattered more consistently, and specific tunes they could use on disks. The score shapes up thus:

Ink Spots Again

The Ink Spots, who rated right up near the top in both the disk jockey and operator studies, scamper off with top honors in the dealer derby. More than 25 per cent of the retailers would like to see more Spots' platters, and this figure is half again as high as the number of dealers who clamored for more disks by the next highest scorer, Spike Jones. Right on Spike's heels 223 dealers who contribbed to survey, came another Negro quartet, the Mills

NEW YORK, April 21.-In the fourth Brothers, who were demanded by just one dealer less than the Jones boy.

Among the standard name bands, Frankie Carle was the maestro whose disks the dealers could use more of. And Harry James's hot breath was right on Piano Frankie's neck. Guy Lombardo, Tommy Dorsey, Les Brown, Woody Herman and Charlie Spivak rated next in the order named.

Haymes, Como and Mercer

Dick Haymes, Perry Como and Johnny Mercer finished neck and neck among the male vocalists, who apparently are in far greater demand than the singing gals, none of whom were named by as many dealers as yowled for Haymes, Como, Mercer, or for that matter, for Bing Crosby, Andy Russell or Frank Sinatra, who seemingly are having enough disks turned out to satisfy the dealers a little more than the first three named.

Jo Stafford, Billy Holliday, Deanna Durbin, Betty Hutton and Judy Garland are the canaries whose records are not coming out in great enough quantitles to keep the retail job happy.

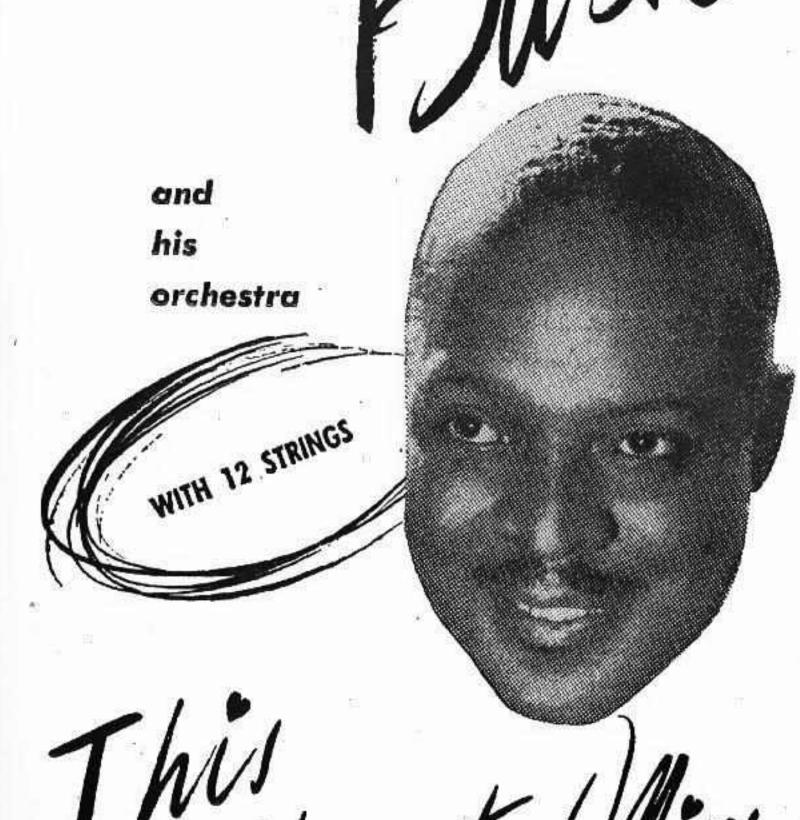
Ethel Smith Rates

A real standout in this phase of the study was Ethel Smith, who rated right up with Frankle Carle and other toppers on the not-enough-disk tab.

On the question of platters by performers who have not recently, or have never recorded, the study revealed an amazing range of dealer opinion. Of the

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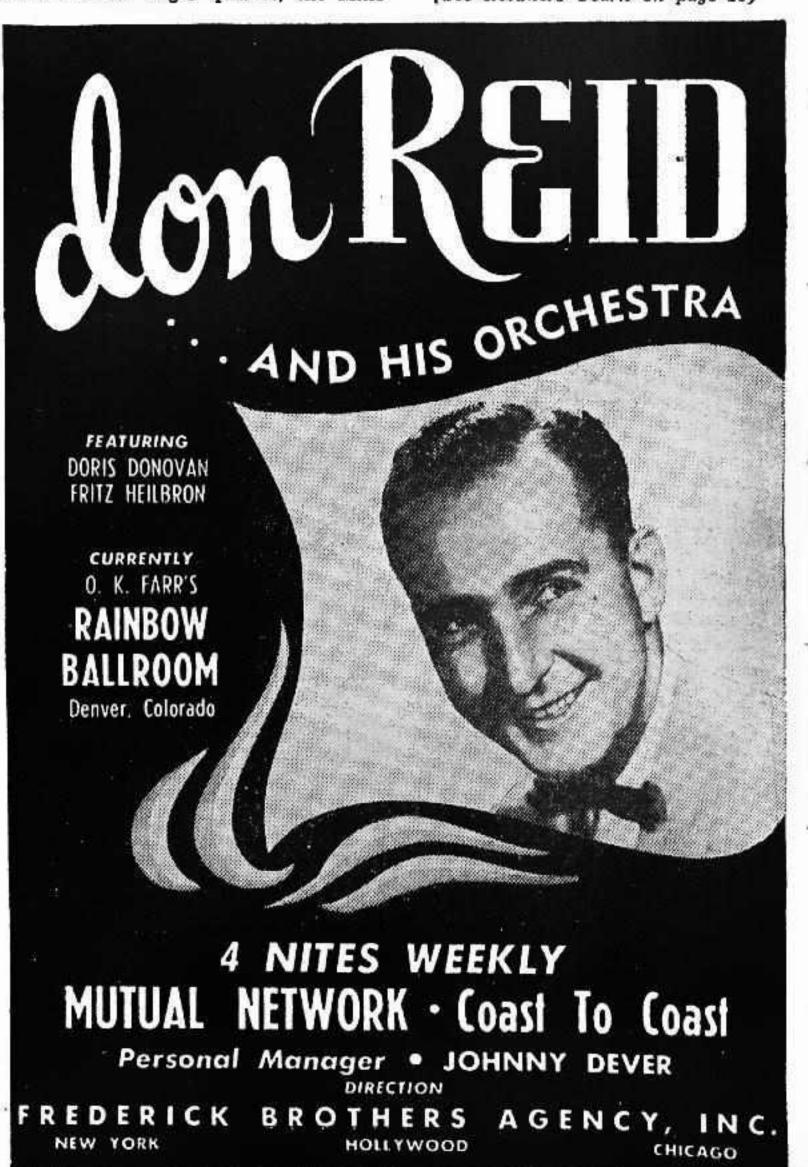
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Columbia Distribs Prepare Dealer Franchises To Tab What's Expected of Both

Move To Hold Prices, Stop Trans-Shipping, Etc.

between Columbia record distributors with sales promotion material. and dealers, company's distribs are now preparing franchise certificates which will put down in black and white just what the distrib will do, and just what is expected of a Columbia dealer. Move is compared, in the trade, to the old Victor franchise, in which that company's distribs demanded and gave many things

to a dealer.

Difference in opinion seems to emerge as to whether this is a Columbia move. or whether it's a distrib-motivated action. Columbia execs say it's strictly a distrib thing, while a couple of the big distribs say that motivation for the move comes strictly from Columbia. However, general over-all idea behind the certificate. which incidentally is not aimed at a dealer handling Columbia records exclusively or his cutting out other record lines, is to bring out into the open any and all cut-price tactics now going on. Besides this, such practices as transshipping, in which one dealer buys from another dealer for resale, is frowned upon in the certificate.

Certificate, which is said to be the first ever issued by any Columbia affiliated distrib, contains the following: "In consideration, dealer agrees he will not sell any Columbia product at less than retail price announced by Columbia and will refrain from cut-price advertising and selling, and from other practices detrimental to the good will which has been the longhair albums as well as pop tunes lumbia products to any other dealer or make sure that permanent businesses merchant without securing permission that deal in records today and that will from his distributor." (Latter is trans- be around tomorrow will be given prefshipping.)

will also provide displays, outlines and rif demand for pop disks.

NEW YORK, April 23.-In what is co-operation between distributor and aimed at a tightening of relationship dealer. Dealer will also be provided

Continuing Agreement

Understood that this will be a continuing agreement to maintain prices, prevent cut prices and help do away with trans-shipping. Reasons for the latter practice is seen in situation where one album is especially salable in one section of the country, and proves a dud elsewhere. Case in point is the Danny Kaye Album which was sensash in New York. Dealers here, when they found out that the album wasn't moving so hot elsewhere, agreed to buy from other dealers at 10 per cent less than the selling price, and sold it here at regular retail price.

Columbia has some 54 distributors located thruout the country. Victor operates the same way, while Decca has its own distribs. Understood that Victor was planning to do the same thing that Columbia is now doing between its distribs and dealers. When questioned, Victor sales execs said that nothing was being contemplated now but that after the war distribs would probably set up their own qualifications for a dealer. At that time, there probably will be a tight franchise given to certain dealers who meet certain requirements, including a basic inventory stock, etc.

According to Columbia distribs, one of the main ideas behind the franchise is that only those dealers that stock established for Columbia products. The will be allowed to sign with the comdealer also agrees he will not resell Co- pany. Reason for that obviously is to erence over those shops that have opened Certificate mentions that distributor today just to take advantage of the ter-

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Immerman Resigns MPHC; Heads Up New Rack Op; Returns, Costs Questioned

No Music Pub Tie-Ups Despite Gale Dough in Biz

nation of Saul Immerman, effective June same now conducted by the MDS-rack, 1, for last eight years assistant treasurer in which pubs take back any and all of Music Publishers' Holding Corporation, the Warner Bros. music group, to head new rack organization, Song Distributing Corporation, the rack situation in the alley is coming to a head. Immerman's move, in dropping out of the Warner set-up, takes with it most of the question of whether Moe Gale, another partner in the enterprise, and his interest in Advance Music wouldn't be misconstrued by the trade.

Immerman To Boss Operation

However, according to Immerman, Gale is an interest holder, but he (Immerman) will pick the tunes and run the business. The Advance Music tie-up. thru Gale, will not affect the new racks in any way. Trade, however, has posed several questions and directed answers, most of them at what they call the rather delicate relationship of Gale and Advance, or, in other words, the factor that music publisher actually competing with other firms, may have a hand in what seems to be a formidable opponent to the now hugely successful rack being run by Music Dealers' Service, distribbed thru International Magazine Company.

No Co-Op for Pub Racks

One of the obvious discrepancies is the fact a couple of big pubs have made clear in no uncertain terms, that they will not give their tunes to any rack connected with a publishing house. Whether Gale's interest in Advance, and rack. his partnership in the new rack order, will be construed as this, remains to be that pubs now sell copies at 20 cents seen. Again, according to Immerman,

NEW YORK, April 21-With the resig- the return privilege sought will be the copies returned by the rack.

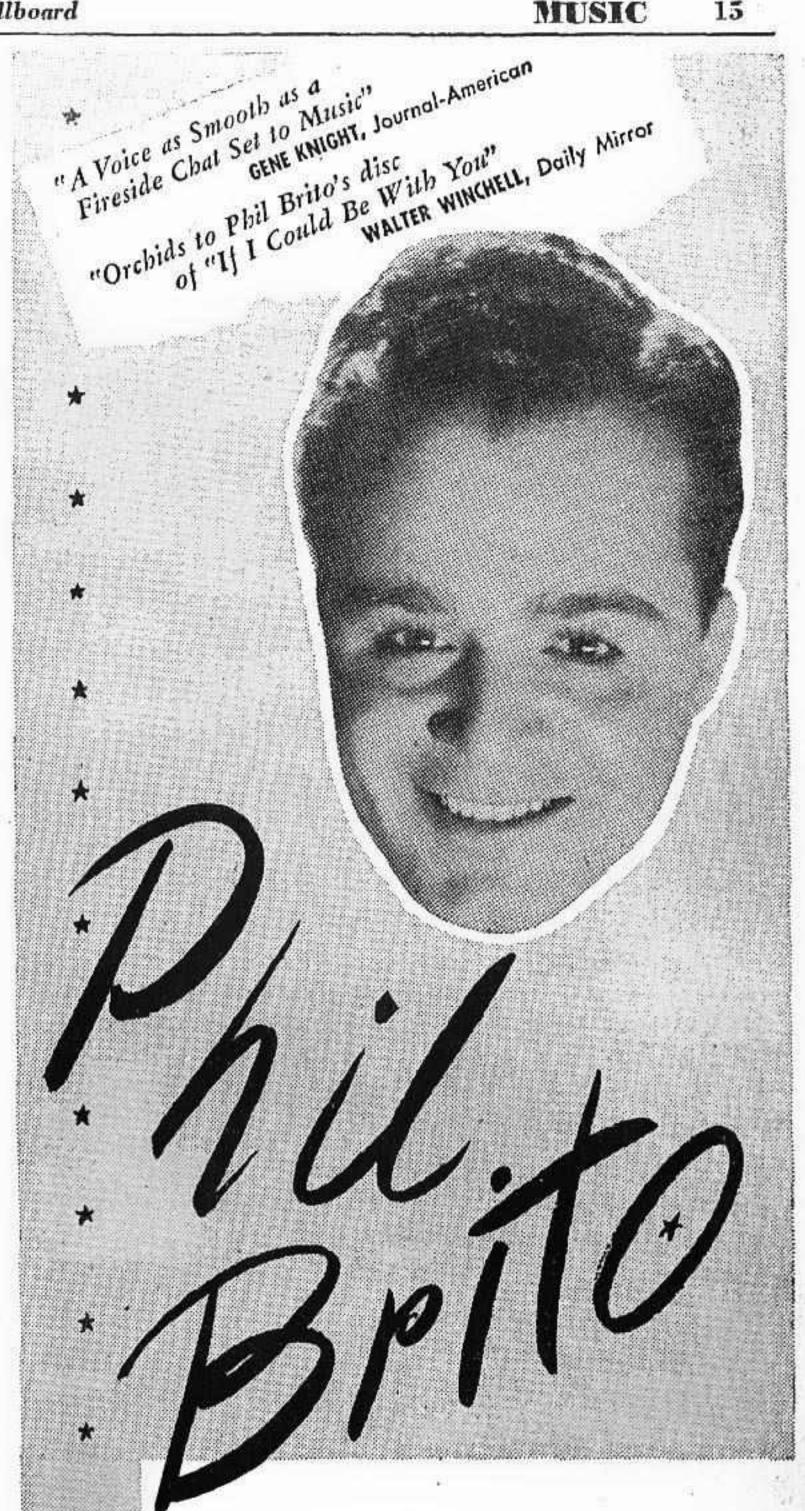
Returns Must Be Minimum

According to pubs, because of the paper shortage, they will put their foot down, but hard on any rack so far as taking back unlimited returns. At best, one pub put it, they'll take an average of half a dozen MDS-rack returns, and, for cases of example if it's 10 per cent, they'll attempt to limit the new rack order to a 10 per cent return. Along the same line, couple of big pubs have said that they may try and put a limitation on the number of returns they'll take from any rack order, including MDS, and as pointed out in The Billboard last week, they may insist on splitting returns with MDS 50-50. In this way, MDS, in their opinion, would probably be forced to set up a system with rack distributors, in which they (the location spots) could not have a full 100 per cent return privilege.

Young Minority Stockholder

New rack set-up, run by Immerman. who'll be president, has Barney Young holding a small minority interest. Young's attorney Andrew Weinberger, also has a small interest. Understood that first racks will be out around June 15, with some 15,000 racks anticipated early in the set-up. New company will distrib thru American News Company, and expect to distrib and sell some 50,000 to 60,000 of some 12 songs per

Another pointed problem is the fact (See Immerman Resigns on page 16)



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Retailers Yearn Survey Reveals

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only five artists were named by five or more retailers. Wayne King was asked for by seven, the Milt Herth Trio by six, and Boyd Raeburn, Frank Munn and Hoagy Carmichael by five each. (Here again similarity between retailer and operator faves is apparent, since King and the Herth group both hit high scores in the ops' study). For the rest, the requests were for 263 different performers, with some 254 of them named by only one dealer each.

Tunes, High, Wide and Handsome

When it came to naming tunes they'd like to see recorded, the boys were almost as far apart as they were on the foregoing category, and named 189 different songs, with only eight getting five or more calls. How Little We Know topped them all, with 13 dealers agreeing they'd like to see disks of this ballad. (Tune is a little difficult to do, particularly for vocalists, because of wide range, but platter or two on it will probably pop soon.) Ten retailers tabbed The Story of Two Cigarettes as a tune they could use on wax. Eight mentioned Waiting (with several requesting a disk of the ditty by Carl Ravazza specifically), and eight more called for Rodger Young. Seven stores requested waxings of Bell-Bottom Trousers, seven more After A While, six Good, Good, Good and five wanted Fuzzy Wuzzy. (Some of above have been or are skedded to be waxed in the near future, since dealers' dope came in several weeks ago and had to be tabulated, analyzed, etc., before publication. Texas Jim Lewis, for instance. did Rodger Young for Victor, Al Trace did Fuzzy Wuzzy for National, etc.)

L. A. Okay

In their expressions on the types of music they'd like to see on wax more frequently than at present, the dealers got together again. Latin American music was the type most dealers want more of, with 59 of them calling for rumbas, 33 tangos, 11 congas, and the rest splitting it up as marimba, Mexican, Latin American, South American, etc. Eightyone dealers in all feel that what they can push across those counters most easily is the stuff from our good neigh-

Lots on Names for Folk Stuff

Folk music winds up a strong Number 2, with 61 dealers agreed that it's what they want more of. Here, too, the retailers call the rose by several names: cowboy, hillbilly, Western, mountain, etc., but it all adds up to the folk demand. Next, in music types, comes novelties, with 58 across-thecountermen giving the novelty pitch and many specifically pointing out they want Spike Jones's Cocktail for Two kind of platter, or tunes of the Mairzy Doates genre. Fourth most-in-demand music type (and many dealers were violent about the need for this kind of tra-la-la) was waltzes, with 49 dealers yowling for a greater output of 3/4-time pressings.

It all adds up to a liberal cuffo education for the waxeries and their musicmakers, who might make a lot of their customers and their customers' customers happy by following these recommendations by the men who push their disks across the counter.

IMMERMAN RESIGNS

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wholesale to the MDS rack, by virtue of fact that that rack and others now in circulation have an initial order of somewhere around 120,000. They say (pubs) that any new rack, until it's proven a big seller, will have to pay full wholesale price of 22 cents per copy.

In a recent issue of The Billboard, story related that MPPA sent out letters asking for exclusive rack order on individual songs. According to a couple of pubs, they received such a letter but it did not come from MPPA, but from another factor associated with the MDS

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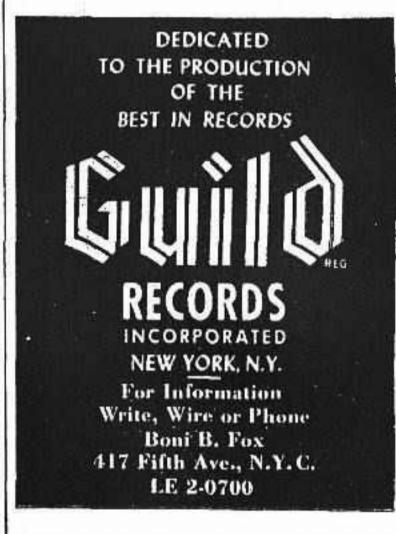
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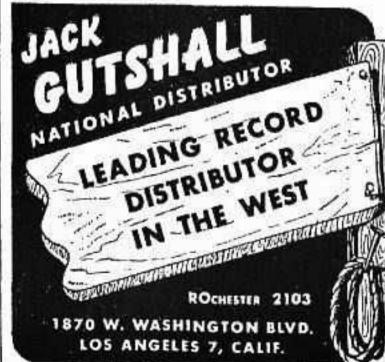
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Shep Fields Set To Go Overseas June for USO

NEW YORK, April 23.—Latest of name bands skedded to go overseas for USO-CSI is Shep Fields, who is said by USO execs as having a tentative sailing date sometime in June. Besides Fields, Benny Carter's ork has now evinced an interest in going, but there are no details as yet. Fields, at present, is playing at the Carnival Room, Hotel Capitol, New York.

Funny situation has arisen in Hal Mc-Intyre set-up, with his arranger being turned down by draft board, but USO is keeping him on pay roll for six-month period while band is overseas. That's probably first time USO has laid out dough for a performer to stay at home. McIntyre is all set to go in May, with Hudson also tentatively slated for overseas performance.

Following is a letter received by The Billboard from Al Donahue. "In the past few weeks there has been much discussion in the trade papers regarding the efforts to get name bands to go overseas.

"Here is what happened to me. In December, 1943, I contracted USO-Camp Shows in New York and requested permission to go overseas. I received a letter stating it would take about six weeks preparation. I wrote USO informing them that my next location would be ab the Palace Hotel in San Francisco and asked for more information. We stayed at the Palace six months. We are now at the Aragon Ballroom in Hollywood where we have been for the past seven months and to this day I have not heard from them and did not get an answer to my letter. I was one of the first to request permission to go overseas and that was a year and a half ago. I am still waiting for the answer to the letter I wrote USO in December, 1943.

Int'l Sweethearts Okayed

CHICAGO, April 21.—The International sweetnearts of Rhythm, currently at the junket.

To Head Decca's West Coast Disking

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Altho it's not official as yet, it's said that Leonard Joy is set to be head of disking for Decca on the Coast. He'll take the late Dick Voynow's place.

Joy has made three trips out there in the last few months, and is on the Coast right now. It's said that the next trip there after he returns will probably be his permanent one.

MCA's Chi Meeting **Arouses Much Talk**

NEW YORK, April 21,-Music Corporation of America's band meeting in Chicago last week, altho said to be a routine confab, had trade speculating plenty as to what went on. Recent moves in the organization, such as the Heyward merger, and post-war plans for bands are said to have been given the big talk.

According to MCA execs, it was strictly routine. Annual affair, last year's was held in New York, year before that in California. The big boys are all back in New York now.

Rhumboogie here, have been okayed for a USO overseas tour, starting sometime in June, according to Dan Gary, road manager with the all-girl ork. Gary said that the band was submitted to USO execs in New York last month and were okayed for the trip last week.

The 18 girls who are figured to make the trip are presently being processed for the foreign junket. Altho the band is booked up until October, Gary said that the ork will cancel all engagements whenever USO execs start their overseas

Leonard Joy Slated Palladium Prexy Vows He'll Battle ASCAP to Courts

Cohen, Palladium prexy, it was revealed that the Palladium management thru its attorney, Ray Sandler, expects to press the ASCAP trouble the spot is having thru the courts to the limit if necessary. It is to be expected that ASCAP, thru its local supervisor, Richard J. Powers, will demand the three months' back music rental payment Cohen has held up. If unpaid on April 25, as the terms of the contract read, permit for usage of ASCAP music at the ballroom will be suspended. A 30-day extension period is provided in the contract in case there is a default of payment.

his license, he will go to the courts to ask for a restraining injunction to remain in effect until his point of issue,

Hot Record Society, New E. T. Org, Puts Fleagles Out First

NEW YORK, April 21 .- A new company has entered the electrical transcription field with first releases of The Hot Record Society music library. The new e.t. firm, which is utilizing the WOR studies until a set-up of their own is completed, makes its headquarters at 303 Fifth Avenue.

First H.R.S. releases, which were distributed to stations last week, were also the first 10 tunes cut by Brick Fleagle's unique rehearsal ork which is made up of sidemen all working in other combos who congregate weekly at Nola studios to practice. The group is unique in that the sidemen receive no pay for the sessions and kick in for the studio out of their own pockets.

HOLLYWOOD, April 23.—During a spe- that the Palladium is paying a discrimicial press conference called by Maurie natory music license fee to ASCAP in comparison to ballroom operations of similar nature, is legally proven right or wrong. Cohen has one other out in case ASCAP uses the suspension clause. He may temporarily take up ASCAP's arrangement of a per piece contract which is said to cost a location \$1 per playing of a tune. If this should happen, probably both ASCAP and the Palladium would need someone to check the ASCAP plays each evening.

Cohen insists that he is fighting ASCAP primarily on the principle that he and perhaps many other location owners are paying a discriminatory mu-Cohen stated that if ASCAP suspends sic license fee and that the money he would save in the reduction compared to the Aragon-Trianon rate in Chicago is meager in comparison to the money attorney fees, etc., will eat up if it should be necessary to take matter to the courts. He added that actually he feels the \$3,000 fee he pays ASCAP yearly is well worth the music furnished his spot but that this figure should proportionately apply to each and every ballroom thruout the country according to ASCAP's rate standardization schedule under the terms of a consent decree.

Coney Island Skatery Turns Dancery With Name Bands

NEW YORK, April 23.—Coney Island's largest roller skating rink has been taken over by new owners and will operate this year as Million-Dollar Ballroom with a regular week-end schedule of name bands, opening May 12 and 13 with Les Brown's ork.

Two of the dancery's new owners, Meyer Hamburg and Morris Posner, are former ops of a Luna Park Freak Show while the third partner, David Rosen, ran a similar concession on Surf Avenue. Their new venture is located on 21st and the Boardwalk.





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Decca "Orders" Originals and Then Works'Em

NEW YORK, April 21.-With Decca heavily on originals—latest is Mills Brothers disking of I Wish, which is slated for heavy production—unusual angle anent artist and selection of tunes is cropping up. In this particular case it's the actual writing of a tune for disking, something akin to writing special material for a performer. In the case of the Ink Spots, it's understood that Into Each Life Some Rain Must Fall was written a couple of days prior to disking and written specifically for the Spots.

Difference here is that Decca is said to have gone out into the field and requested originals to be written for its artists, and consequently team of Roberts and Fisher, who wrote Rain and also Wish, were, in a manner of speaking, commissioned to write tune, altho no advance for the composition was forthcoming. Unusual twist is the fact that a disking company, with so many pop tunes around, requests special material for an individual artist for a recording session, realizing the value of the right

And it's paid off. Decca has done okay with its pub house, Sun Music, and its original compos. Sun has no pluggers, but firm does okay just on strength of phono records.

Romberg \$4,300 In Cedar Rapids; Cancels Des Moines

DES MOINES, April 23. - Sigmund Romberg played only one date in Iowa, a socko \$4,300 at Cedar Rapids, but canceled out at Des Moines due to a low advance sale and inability to obtain the Shrine Auditorium. Both the Cedar Rapids one-nighter and the proposed Des Moines date were booked thru Irving Grossman, Des Moines, after a turn-down from the Shrine Auditorium when the manager, Mrs. George Clark, refused to sign a Form B contract.

As a result of the turn-down, Romberg was booked thru Grossman who handled the deal on a 70-30 percentage and obtained the Memorial Coliseum at Cedar Rapids and the Coliseum at Des Moines. The Des Moines date was canceled two nights before, with the explanation advanced sales were too low.

The Shrine manager, Mrs. Clark, is reported to have refused to sign the Form B contract claiming she had never done so before and would not be bothered with doing so now. The Cedar Rapids date also hit the local newspaper there, with a story claiming Romberg took out \$4,300 while the city got only \$75 for use of the Coliscum. The newspaper story pointed out that Grossman received \$1,290 and paid for the Coliseum rental while the Romberg organization took the remaining \$3,010. The article pointed out that instead of a flat rental fee, sport shows paid \$50 plus a percentage of the gross.

S-B, B-VH Acquire Tunes

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Most recently acquired tunes from scores include Shapiro-Bernstein's Tars and Spars songs, pic produced by Columbia. There are four songs. Burke-Van Heusen is going to work on I'll Buy That Dream from RKO's Sing Your Way Home, also Hoagy Carmichael's Memphis in June from another RKO-er.

NewWhistlerLyrics

NEW YORK, April 23.—Silly Symphonist Al Trace has completed modernized lyrics for The Whistler and His Dog, by the late Arthur Pryor. The tunesmith's widow had Trace submit 10 sets of lyrics before she finally selected the one which will go into his books and a coming record session.

Decision Requiring Batooners To Pay S.S. Tax Appealed

DES MOINES, April 23.—The Federal singing groups definitely laying it on Court decision holding that band leaders are independent contractors and must pay the Federal Unemployment and Social Security taxes on musicians has been appealed by both the government and the AFM. The decision has been appealed to the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals in the Eighth District and probably will be argued at St. Paul this fall.

> Federal Judge Charles A. Dewey handed down the original decision on January 6 after a prolonged trial which was hailed as a test case for the entire dance band industry. However, decisions in some of the other federal courts have ruled otherwise. The suit was brought by the Crystal Ballroom of Dubuque, Ia., and by Larry V. Geer, operator of ballrooms at Fort Dodge and Storm Lake, Ia.

Ray Eberle Joins Dave Matthews in **New Band Set-Up**

HOLLYWOOD, April 23.—Negotiations are going on which will probably bring together Ray Eberle, ex-Glenn Miller vocalist; Dave Matthews, arranger and sax man formerly with Harry James, and Hal McIntyre, in a partnership big band arrangement. Working out of the William Morris office, outfit is expected to be known as the Ray Eberle-Dave Matthews orchestra.

Matthews organized the band several weeks ago and Eberle, who has been working as a single for some time now, is being brought in to give name appeal. Band originally set as package show with Eberle, Kay Starr and Mead Lux Lewis, the boogie-woogie pianist, to play dates in the San Francisco area. Several weekend dates at Pacific Square Ballroom, San Diego, Calif., are being worked out now by Charlie Wick at the Morris firm.

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"Fatha" Administers Louisville U. Lesson On Race Prejudice

NEW YORK, April 23.—Additional incident, focusing attention on the attempts of Negro entertainers to combat racial prejudice, occured last month when Earl "Fatha" Hines refused to lecture on jazz before a University of Louisville audience because colored students were not admitted to the assembly. Hines, after nixing the talk, later appeared before a non-segregated audience in the University's School of Music.

Other recent instances of similar reactions from Negro entertainers include
Lena Horne's recent walk-out at Camp
Robinson, Ark., in protest against treatment of Negro soldiers at the camp, and
Paul Robeson's stepping out of his role
in Othello in Kansas City, Mo., to lecture
the audience on segregation. It has been
rumored that the National Association
for the Advancement of Colored People
(NAACP) may inaugurate a campaign
among entertainers to help their "Jim
Crow must go" campaign.



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Parallel Bars

NEW YORK, April 23.—Song pluggers' dream comes true this week for BMI when org's two top plug tunes are done by both Eddie Cantor and Frank Sinatra at the same time, same day on different networks. Cantor does their Don't Let It Happen Again, dedicated to the San Francisco Conference, Wednesday (25) at 9 p.m. over NBC, while Sinatra plugs their ballad, Lonely Love, at the same time on his CBS show.

Former Semi-Name Summer Buyers Angle for Top Orks

NEW YORK, April 23.—For the first time many summer band location spots that formerly went in for semi-name, and other comparatively lower-priced orks are angling for bands in the Goodman and Dorsey brackets. While no contracts have been signed the places, mostly suburban danceries and amusement parks, are definitely in the market for big names and are doing all they can to lure them to the dotted line.

Palisades Amusement Park, which up until this year played strictly inexpensive orks, tried to sign Tommy Dorsey to play a three-day date some time in May to inaugurate a new name band policy for week-ends this summer but Dorsey nixed the deal because of the lack of dough involved. According to park execs, however, they are still negotiating with other leaders and bookers to put thru the name policy with Shep Fields opening May 12. As the park operates its ballroom on a free basis with the dancing tariff included in a blanket admission it is probable that the money angle will have to be adjusted by boosting the ante on the admish to make up the difference in ork prices.

B. G. for Armonk Spot

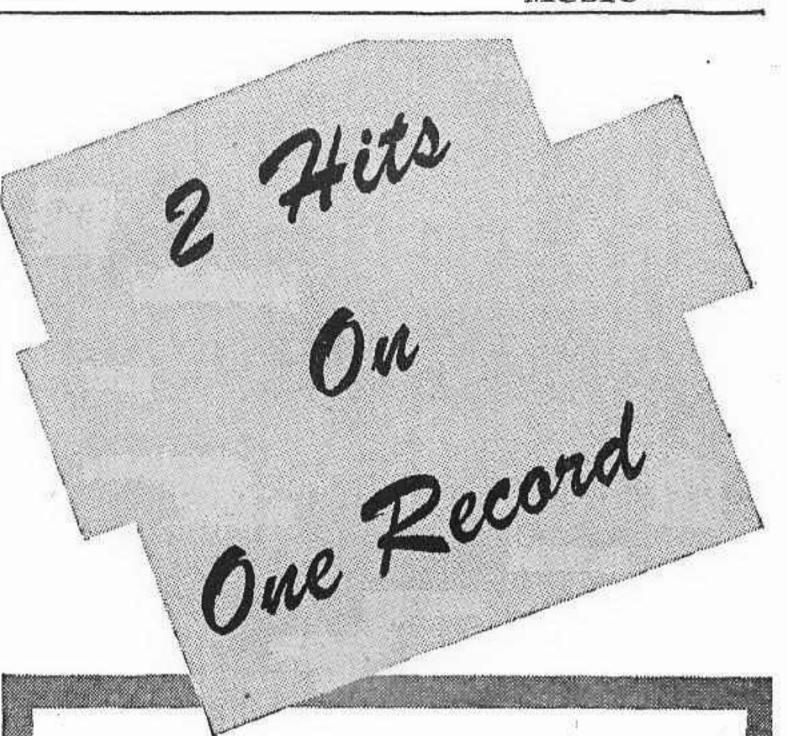
Another suburban spot, Log Cabin Farms in Armonk, has a deal in the works with Benny Goodman to play an extended date sometime early in the season but so far manpower is holding things up as the spot has only enough waiters, etc., to run their main dining room. While Log Cabin Farms used orks of nearly name calibre several years ago, spot has switched to using a local combo on week-ends since the gas, help and tire shortage.

Middle West Setting Bands

CHICAGO, April 23.—With the lucrative summer dance season approaching, Middle Western ops are lining up orks thru Chi bookers for the outdoor location season. Only location spot not definitely heard from thus far is Lakelawn at Delevan, Wis., but rumor is that spot intends to open for the season.

Eastwood Park, Detroit, starts its terp fare May 25 with Jerry Wald. Ballroom has definitely set top names to follow for the remainder of the four-month season, Forest Park Highlands, St. Louis, begins with Benny Strong's ork May 6 and has set a number of semi-name crows to follow. Lakeside Park, Denver, is already operating and has slated the top names for the remainder of the dancing season. Coney Island, Cincinnati, has set Clyde Lucas for a week starting July 13, but begins its season earlier in May with band as yet unnamed. Elitch's Gardens, Denver, leads off May 10 with Bobby Sherwood and a number of names to come in later. Dutch Mill, Delevan, Wis., opens with Johnny Gilbert May 24 and will use semi-names the remainder of the dancing period.

On the summer one-night ballroom side, Tom Archer is opening the doors of his summer ballrooms in Sioux City, In.; Sioux Falls, S. D., and Des Moines soon. Peony Park, Omaha, is set to open June 15 but hasn't definitely set any attractions. Modernistic in State Fair Park, Milwaukee, plans to open but also hasn't slated any dates yet. Detroit Lakes (Minn.) Pavilion intends to hold a regular dancing season and is looking for a location band plus one-nighter dates to fill in.



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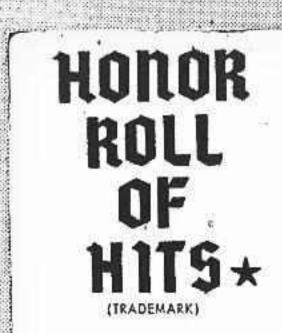
PART 1—The Billboard

"The nation's 10 top tunes, THE HONOR ROLL OF HITS, is determined by a weighting of the leading tunes and records in the individual features of the two sections of The Billboard's Music Popularity Chart which represents both passive and active indications of song popularity. Passive indications of popularity are the Songs With Most Radio Plugs, Records Most Played on Disk Programs and Film Plugs features.

Active indications of popularity are the Best Selling Sheet Music, Best Selling Retail Records and Most Played Juke Box Records features.

The weighting structure was arrived at by The Billboard after consultation with leading research authorities as well as leaders in the music and record industries.

Sales and juke box leaders in specialized types of music in Part Two. and the advance song and record feature in Part Three of the Chart, of course, hear no influence on the determination of the HONOR ROLL OF HITS.



THE NATION'S 10 TOP TUNES

RADIO AND

SONGS WITH MOST RADIO PLUGS

(Beginning Friday, April 13, and ending Thursday, April 19)

Tunes listed here received the greatest | the top 25 (more in case of ties) tunes number of plugs on programs emanating from network stations WABC (Columbia), WEAF (NBC), WOR (Mutual) and WJZ (Blue. This is purely a numerical program plug compilation and does not estimate number of listeners who heard pro-

alphabetically. The total number of times a song has appeared in the Chart is in the "Weeks to Date" column.

(F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legitimate musical; (R) indicates tune is available on records. In each instance, the licensing List is based on Accurate Reporting agency controlling performance rights on

Wks. to date TITLE	PUBLISHER BY
1. A Friend of Yours (F) (R)	
20. A Little on the Lonely Side (R)	Advanced—ASCAP
8. All of My Life (R)	Berlin—ASCAP
0. Army Air Corps	Fischer—ASCAP
6. Baia (F) (R)	
9. Candy (R)	Feist—ASCAP
5. Close As Pages in a Book (M) (R)	
2. Everytime (R)	ABC—ASCAP
1. Home on the Range	
11. I Should Care (F) (R)	E:
1. I Wish I Knew (F) (R)	
3. I'm Beginning To See the Light (F) (R)Grand—ASCAP
2. Just a Prayer Away (R)	Shapiro-Bernstein-ASCAP
5. Laura (F) (R)	Robbins—ASCAP
7. Let's Take the Long Way Home (F) (R	OMorris—ASCAP
6. Saturday Night (Is the Loneliest Night	in the Week) (R) Barton-ASCAP
6. Someday, Somewhere (R)	
7. (I Love You, I Love You, I Love You) (F) (R)	1위 4 / 4대 [1] [1 [1] [1 [1] [1 [1] [1 [1] [1 [1] [1 [1] [1 [1] [1]
3. The More I See You (F) (R)	BEALON 2014 보기 : [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1986] [1
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Tunes listed alphabetically are in films currently showing or to be shown soon. Only tunes which have won a position in one or more of the other features of the

6. There Must Be a Way (R)Stevens-MBI

Song & Publisher	Film & Producer	Performed by	Reloase Date
A Friend of Yours (Burke-Van Heusen)	"The Great John L." (Bing Crosby	Lee Sullivan	5-1-45
Anywhere (Bourne)	Productions) "Tonight and Every Night"	Janet Blair	2-22-45
19-55	(Columbia)		2-3-45
Baia (Peer)	"The Three Caballeros" (Walt Disney)	Nestor Amaral	Not Set
[Should Care (Dorsey)	"Thrill a of Romance" (MGM)		Not Set
I Wish I Knew (Triangle)	"Billy Rose's Diamond Horseshoe" (20th Century)		1929201193
I'm Beginning To See the Light (Grand)	"The Man From Oklahoma" (Republic)		Not Set
Laura (Robbins)	"Laura" (20th Century-Fox)		Nov. 44

(Continued in opposite column)

Music Popularity Chart

Week Ending April 19, 1945

- My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time
- Candy
- I'm Beginning To See the Light
- A Little on the Lonely Side
- Just a Prayer Away
- Laura
- Dream
- There! I've Said It Again
- Sentimental Journey
- I Should Care

FILM PLUGS

are those played over the greatest number

Records listed here in numerical order | dicated in this chart, other available records of tunes listed here will be found in of record shows. List is based on reports | Most-Played Juke Box Records chart. received by The Billboard from disk (F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) jockeys thruout the country. Unless in- | indicates tune is from a legit musical.

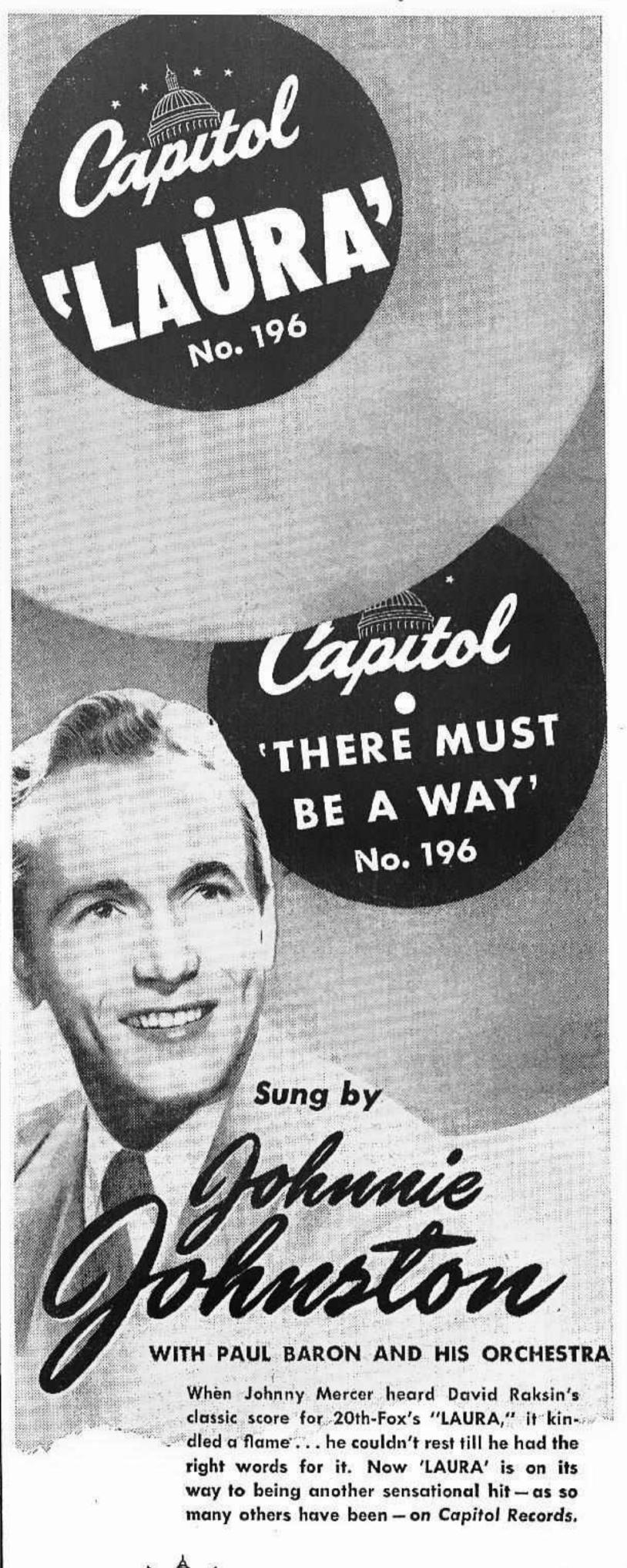
***		TION	Going Strong
Weeks to date	Week	This	Lic. By
14	3	1.	I'M BEGINNING TO
W09 P55		00/13	SEE THE LIGHT (F). Harry James Columbia 36758-ASCAP
9	2	2.	CANDY Johnny Mercer-Jo Stafford
6	1	3.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER
- 1			ALL THE TIME (F) Les Brown Columbia 36779-ASCAP
7	4	4.	DREAM The Pied Pipers Capitol 185-ASCAP
12	6	5.	A LITTLE ON THE
393395		94,545	LONELY SIDE Frankie Carle Columbia 36760—ASCAP
5	7	5.	THERE! I'VE SAID IT
190049		88E	AGAIN Vaughn Monroe Victor 20-1637-BMI
8	5	6.	SENTIMENTAL
20		1525	JOURNEY Les BrownColumbia 36769—ASCAP
2	1000	6.	JUST A PRAYER Bing Crosby-Ken Darby Singers
2	-	7.	AWAY
			(Johnny Johnston, Capitol 196; Freddy Martin, Victor 20-1655; Jerry Wald, Majestic 7129; Dick Haymes, Decca 18666)
2	10	8.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER Johnny Long-Dick Robertson
3	6		ALL THE TIME (F)Decca 18661—ASCAP
240000	0	S.	STUFF LIKE THAT THERE
1		9.	THERE Betty Hutton Capitol 188—ASCAP DREAM Freddy Martin Victor 20-1645—ASCAP
î		10.	ALL OF MY LIFE The Three SunsHit 7126-ASCAP
		7,003-0	(Bing Crosby, Decca 18658; Herman Chittison Trio, Musicraft 320; Harry James, Columbia 36788; Sammy Kaye, Victor 20-1642; Kate Smith, Columbia 36783)
1	-	11.	I'M BEGINNING TO Ink Spots-Ella Fitzgerald
1	-	11.	SENTIMENTAL
		7162590	JOURNEY Hal McIntyre Victor 20-1643-ASCAP
1	_	11.	I SHOULD CARE Tommy Dorsey. Victor 20-1625—ASCAP (Jimmy Dorsey, Decca 18656; Frank Sinatra, Columbia 36791; Martha Tilton, Capitol 184; Gene Krupa, Columbia 36784)

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JUST A PRAYER AWAY Sammy Kaye Victor 20-1	642
LAURA (F)Victor 20-10	655
1 SHOULD CARE (F)	656
EVERYTIMEVictor 20-1	645
SWEETHEART OF ALL MY DREAMS	
(F)	646
CHLOE (F) Spike Jones Victor 20-1	BEA

WITH LEADING SONGS

Song & Publisher	Film & Producer	Performed by	Release Date
Let's Take the Long Way Home (Morris)	"Here Come the Waves" (Paramount)	Bing Crosby	1-26-45
My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time (Santly-Joy) (All of a Sudden) My	"In Society" (Universal)	Marion Hutton	8-18-44
Heart Sings) (Leeds)	"Anchors Aweigh" (MGM)		Not Set
Sweet Dreams, Sweet- heart (Remick)	"Hollywood Canteen"		169 SETUD
Sweetheart of All My Dreams (Shapiro-Bernstein)	(Warner Bros.) "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo" (MGM)	Joan Leslie	12-30-44
This Heart of Mine (Triangle)	"Ziegfeld Follies"	2.	Not Set
The More I See You (Bregman-Vocco- Conn)	"Billy Rose's Diamond Horseshoe" (20th Century)	*	Not Set
Whatcha Say (Harms, Inc.)	"Pillow to Post" (Warner Bros.)		Not Set
You Belong to My Heart (Chas. K. Harris)	"The Three Caballeros" (Walt Disney)	Dora Luz	2-3-45







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PART 2—The Billboard

RETAIL SALES AND

BEST-SELLING SHEET MUSIC

Tunes listed are the national best sheet | according to greatest number of sales. sections of the country. Songs are listed | tune is available on records.

music sellers. List is based on reports (F) Indicates tune is in a film; (M) indireceived from more than 20 jobbers in all cates tune is in legit musical; (R) indicates

Weeks		This Week	
12	1 1	1.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME
44.500.000	1.0	100	(F) (R)Santly-Joy
5	3	2.	CANDY (R)Feist
8	2	3.	I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT (F) (R)Grand
5 8 13	3 2 4 5 8	4.	A LITTLE ON THE LONELY SIDE (R)Advanced
3 4 10	5	5.	LAURA (F) (R)Robbins
3	8	6.	DREAM (R)Capitol
4	6	7.	JUST A PRAYER AWAY (R) Shapiro-Bernstein
10	6	8.	SATURDAY NIGHT (IS THE LONELIEST NIGHT IN THE
		JR	WEEK) (R)Barton
1.		9.	THERE! I'VE SAID IT AGAIN (R)
3	7	10.	ALL OF MY LIFE (R)Berlin

BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL RECORDS

more than 700 dealers in all sections of is listed in italic. the country. Records are listed numerically

Records listed are those selling best in | according to greatest sales. (F) Indicates the nation's retail record stores (dealers). | tune is in a film; (M) indicates tune is in List is based on reports received from a legit musical. The B side of each record

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Weeks to date			
6	1	1.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F) Les BrownColumbia 36779 He's Home for a Little While
9	2	2.	Ganna See My Baby (Pied Pipers-Paul Weston) Capitol 183
3	1	Э.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING Johnny Long-Dick Robertson BETTER ALL THE TIME (F) Decca 18661 Candy
3	7	27552	JUST A PRAYER AWAY Bing Crosby-Ethel Smith My Mother's Waltz Decca 23392
11	5	5.	I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT
15	3	6.	RUM AND COCA-COLA Andrews Sisters Decca 18636 One Meat Ball
3	7	7.	THERE! I'VE SAID IT AGAIN Vaughn Monroe. Victor 20-1637 Rum and Coca-Cola
6	6	10.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING Pied Pipers Capitol 185 BETTER ALL THE TIME (F) A Little on the Lonely Side Les Brown Columbia 36769
			(Continued on page 66)

Albums listed are those selling best in | than 200 dealers in all sections of the the nation's retail record stores (dealers). | the country. Albums are listed numerically List is based on reports received from more | according to greatest sales.

Weeks		This	
to date	Week	Week	
6	1	1.	King Cole Trio Collection of Favorites
5	2	2.	Song of Norway Featuring Members of the Original New York Cast
з	4	3.	After Dark Morton Gould and Ork
4	-	3.	Glenn Miller Glenn Miller and Ork
2	4	4.	Eight to the Bar Pete Johnson-Albert Ammons
	0 30	Ni.	The second secon

semi-classical records selling best in the country. Records are listed according to nation's retail record stores (dealers). List greatest sales. is based on reports received from more

Weeks	Last	1 This	(Q 30K 40
to date	Week	Week	
6	1	1.	Ave Maria (Schubert) Marian Anderson
5	2	2.	The Lord's Prayer
6	4	3.	John Charles Thomas
4	-	4.	Wallenstein, Los Angeles Philharmonic Ork Decca 29150 Tchaikovsky Waltz (from String Serenade)
3	- 1	5.	Serge Koussevitzky, Boston Symphony Ork Victor 11-8727 Ave Marie
2	-	5.	Kostelanetz and Ork
ļ		9	PaderewskiVictor 6234

BEST-SELLING RECORD ALBUMS BY CLASSI

Albums listed are those classical and | more than 200 dealers in all sections of the semi-classical albums selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers).

List is based on reports received from

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Weeks to date	Last Week	This Week	Se Contential Content
2	1	1.	Music to Remember (From the Life of Chopin) Jose Iturbi
6	2	2.	Grieg Piano Concerto in A Minor
4		3.	Rubinstein-Ormandy, PhiladelphiaVictor M-900 Beethoven Symphony No. 7 in A Minor
5	3	4.	Eugene Ormandy, Philadelphia Ork Columbia M-557 Grieg Piano Concerto in A Minor
4	4	4.	Rhapsody in Blue (Gershwin) Andre Kostelanetz & Ork (Alec Templeton, pianist)
	3	6	Columbia X-196

POSITION

Music Popularity Chart

Week Ending April 19, 1945

JUKE BOX PLAYS

MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RECORDS

Records listed are those receiving the greatest play in the nation's juke boxes. List is based on more than 500 reports received direct from operators in all sections of the country. Listed under the title of each of the most played records are other available recordings of the same tune.

Weeks		This	Going Strong
6	1	1.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F)—Les Brown (Doris Day)Columbia 36779 (The Phil Moore Four, Victor 20-1641; Louis Prima, Hit 7128; Johnny Long-Dick Robertson, Decca 18661)
8	3	2.	CANDY—Johnny Mercer-Jo Stafford (The Pied Pipers-Paul Weston Ork)
16	2	3.	RUM AND COCA-COLA—Andrews Sisters (Vic Schoen Ork)
13	4	4.	I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT (F)—Harry James (Kitty Kallen)
3	8	5.	MY DREAMS ARE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME (F)—Johnny Long-Dick Robertson (Dick Robertson-Francess Lane)
13	5	6.	A LITTLE ON THE LONELY SIDE—Frankie Carle (Paul Allen)
a	7	7.	Brooks, Musicraft 15022; the Phil Moore Four, Victor 20-1641) THERE! I'VE SAID IT AGAIN—Vaughn Monroe (Vaughn Monroe-The Norton Sisters)
4	10	В.	STUFF LIKE THAT THERE-Betty Hutton (Paul Weston
7	9	9.	Ork)
2	14	10.	(See No. 1) JUST A PRAYER AWAY—Bing Crosby-Ken Darby Singers (Ethel Smith-Victor Young Ork)
б	12	11.	DREAM—The Pied Pipers (Paul Weston Ork)Capitol 185 (Freddy Martin, Victor 20-1645; the Three Suns, Majestic 7133; Frank Sinatra, Columbia 36797; Jimmy Dorsey, Decca 18670; Lee Castle, Musicraft 15031)
10	6	12,	A LITTLE ON THE LONELY SIDE—Guy Lombardo (Jimmy Brown)
.7	12	13.	(See No. 6) I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT (F)—Duke Ellington (Joya Sherrill)
5	1 -	14.	CANDY-Dinah Shore (Albert Sack Ork)Victor 20-1632 (See No. 2)
5	11	15.	SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY-Les Brown (Doris Day)
1	-	16.	(Hal McIntyre, Victor 20-1643) I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT—Ink Spots-Ella Fitzgerald

Coming Up

(See No. 4)

MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX FOLK RECORDS

Records listed are folk records most more than 500 reports received direct from played in juke boxes. List is based on operators all over the country.

Weeks	POSI Last	TION This	
to date			
6 9 6	2	1.	SMOKE ON THE WATER Bob WillsOkeh 6736
9	1	2.	SHAME ON YOU Spade CooleyOkeh 6731
6	4	3.	HANG YOUR HEAD IN
		16500	SHAMEOkeh 6736
11	3	4.	THERE'S A NEW MOON
	240	257	OVER MY SHOULDER Jimmie Davis Decca 6105
4	4	5.	TOMORROW NEVER
	8 7	15,955(1)	COMES Ernest Tubb Decca 6106
1	-	6.	AT MAIL CALL TODAY Gene Autry Okeh 6737
20	-	7.	THERE'S A NEW MOON
		10.00	OVER MY SHOULDER Tex Ritter Capitol 174
18	4	8.	JEALOUS HEART Tex Ritter Capitol 179
1	-	8.	PLL BE BACK Gene AutryOkeh 6737
-1	-	8.	A PAIR OF BROKEN
	1		HEARTSOkeh 6731

MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RACE RECORDS

Records lised as race-type disks most | based on more than 500 reports received played in the nation's juke boxes. List is | direct from operators all over the country.

POSITION

Weeks | Last | This

MANAGEMENT OF STREET		TION	· ·
Weeks	Lust	This	
to date			
5	2	1.	TIPPIN' IN Erskine Hawkins Victor 20-1639
11	1	2.	I WONDER Roosevelt Sykes Bluebird 34-0721
11 5	-	3.	S. K. BLUES Pete Johnson All-Star Ork (Joe
1	- 1	3.	STRANGE THINGS HAP-
28 12 8	5	4.	PENING EVERY DAY Sister Rosetta Tharpe Decca 8669 I WONDER
12	1	4.	MOP! MOP! Pvt. Cecil Gant Giltedge 500 CG1
8		4.	I'M BEGINNING TO SEE
13	-	4.	THE LIGHT Duke EllingtonVictor 20-1618 SOMEBODY'S GOTTA
- 1	1		GOHit 7119



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PART 3—The Billboard

ADVANCE SONG-RECORD

PUBLISHERS' PLUG TUNES

ers are currently working or on which they plan to work in the near future. This, of course, means publisher will have his contact men make special concentrated effort to have band leaders, singers, disk companies, disk jockeys, program producers and other users of music use song begin-

Songs listed are those on which publish- | ning on date listed, and extending anywhere from two weeks to three months from that date, depending on circumstances. List is based on information supplied direct from publishers themselves. Only tunes of publishers voluntarily supplying information are listed.

Current Plugs

A THE HAVE	- Company
Publisher	Publisher
A Blue Poke Bonnet and a Stovepipe	J'Attendrai Harris
Hat Arraw	Jo-Anne
A Friend of YoursBurke-Van Heusen	Just a Prayer Away, Shapiro-Bernstein
A Dream (That Won't Come True) . Midwest	Keep Your Hands Up, Stranger Kelly
I Hope to Die If I Told a Lie,Advanced	Laura Robbins
A Kiss Goodnight Miller	Leave the Dishes in the Sink, Ma Pyramid
A Little On the Lonely Side Advanced	Like Someone In Love. Burke-Van Heusen
A Story of Two CigarettesMartin Block	Lonesome Cherlo
All at OnceChappell	Lucky To Be Me
All of My LifeBerlin	Ma-Ma, I Wanna Hawaiian Guitar Kanes
Am I a Passing Dream?Dave Ringle	More and More
Anywhere Bourne	My Baby Said YesLecds
Baia Peer	My Dreams Are Getting Better All the
Bell Bottom Trousers Santly-Joy	TimeSantly-Joy
Bounce-y Bounce-y Ball-y	My Rainbow of Dreams
Singer, Reese, Patrick	(All of a Sudden) My Heart Sings Leeds
Caldonia	Negra Consontida (My Pet Brunette)
Candy Feist	
Captain Kidd	On Basic StreetStarlight
Carry On, Brother, Carry On Martin Block	Once Upon a Song
Close as Pages in a BookWilliamson	One Meat BallLeeds
Cool WaterAmerican	Otto, Make That Riff Staccato Tempo
Counting the Days Santly-Joy	Please, Don't Say NoFelst
Don't Be Telling Me Your Troubles Bell	Poor Lenore
Don't You Know I Care Paramount	Promises
Don't You Notice Anything New? Pyramid	Right as the RainCrawford
Down in Chi Chi Hotcha Watchee. Broadway	Send This Purple Heart to My Sweet-
Dream	heart
Everybody's Seen Him. But His Daddy.	Sentimental Journey
Marks	Small WorldSouthern
Everytime We Say Goodbye Chappell	Soldier's Last Letter American
Fuzzy WuzzyDrake-Livingston-Hoffman	Some Other Time Witmark
Fuzzy Wuzzy Wuzn't Fuzzy Wuzzy?	Stars in Your EyesMelody Lane Stuff Like That ThereCapitol
Harmony House	Sugar Foot
Garland of Old-Fashioned RosesO'Kay Good, Good, GoodBerlin	Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart, Remick
Green, Green Hills of Home Starlight	Sweet You
Guess I'll Hang My Tears Out To	Sweetheart of All My DreamsShapiro-Bornstein
Hail to AmericaNewart	The Betty Grable Pelka Holly-York
He's Home for a Little WhileFamous	The Blonde Sailor
He Was a Perfect Gentleman	The Kid With the GuitarKelly
Burke-Van Heusen	Bregman-Vocco-Conn
I Begged HerFeist I Can't Believe ItClaremont	The Sunset Reminds Me of YouNewart
I Can't Believe That You're in Love With	The Three Caballeros Chas. K. Harris There! I've Said It Again Valiant
MeMills	There Must Be a WayStevens
I Don't Care Who Knows ItRobbins I Didn't Know About YouRobbins	There's a New Moon Over My Shoulder . Peer
I'll Follow You	There's a New Star in My Window Hanna
I Had a Little Talk With the Lord	There's No You
I Miss Your Kiss	Thru Your Eyes, Thru Your Heart Mills
I Remember Easter Sunday. Whitney Blake	Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo-Ral Witmark
I Walked In	Upa UpaMelody Lane Watcha SayHarms
I Wish I KnewTriangle	Who? It's Not You Charles Gunther
If I Loved YouT. B. Harms If You Are But a DreamBarton	What Makes the SunsetMiller
I'll Always Be With YouBroadway	When You Walk in the Room . Williamson While You're Away
I'll Remember Suzanne	Whistle for a WindSinger-Reese-Patrick
I'm Gonna Love That GuyBourne I'm Lonely for YouWise	Winding Kelly
I'm Only Teasin'	Yes, Honey, I'se Yo Baby Hall's Hit Songs
In AcanulcoTriangle	You Belong to My HeartChas. K. Harris Yay-DitFox Maya
In a Shower of StarsMills I've Got a Locket in My Pocket	You're Not Foolin' Anyone But Your-
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Plugs Scheduled	for Near Future
Publisher	Publisher
A Two-Scated Saddle and a One-Galted Horse	Oh, My Achin' Back. Feist Once Again Hanna Out of Nowhere Paramount Out of This World Morris Please, No Squeeza the Banana Leeds Rose-Mary Famous Santa Marta Marks Seventh Avenue Robbins Tampleo Capitol Tennessee Arrow That's Why I'm Lonely for You Relly The Last Time I Saw You Barton The Worry Song Miller Then, Now and Forever Charles Gunther This Day and Age Franko-American When It's Down, Down in Australia When the Old Gang's Back on the Corner (Singin' Sweet Adeline' Again) Arrow Why Shouldn't I Dream Hanna Yah Ta Ta, Yah Ta Ta (Talk, Talk,
Let's Dance AgainO'Kay	Talk)Burke-Van Heusen

Music Popularity Chart

Week Ending April 19, 1945

DATA AND REVIEWS

ADVANCE RECORD RELEASES

Records listed are generally approxi- supplied in advance by record companies, mately two weeks in advance of actual Only records of those manufacturers volvelesse date. List is based on information untarily supplying information are listed.

A STORY OF TWO CIGARETTES.... Lee Castle (Tony Dexter) Musicraft 15031

BAIA Bing Crosby-Xavier Cugat . Decca 23413

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This tune, plus Johnston's pleasant pipes, adds up to big returns. It's the first
top disk out on the song, and Johnston will capitalize on that, as the song is
going places. Reverse is "There Must Be a Way." Fair plus.

RECORD REVIEWS

By M. H. Orodenker

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ELLA FITZGERALD-INK SPOTS (Decca)

I'm Beginning To See the Light-FT; V. That's the Way It Is-FT; V.

The combination of Ella Fitzgerald and the Ink Spots brings together the best of the ballad song sellers. And when it comes to Joan Whitney and Alex Kramer's "That's the Way It Is," a "my man" song tailor-made for Miss Ella's talents, the gal once again shows her capabilities as one of the best lyric projectionists in the business. Shares the side with the Spotters' Bill Kenny. And while it is a grand song, you don't become really enthusiastic until Miss Ella takes over. The same pattern is applied to "I'm Beginning To See the Light," with Miss Ella adding an original lilt to the lyric for her stanza.

Both sides from big for the music boxes, with a major machine sensation likely to be scored by "That's the Way It Is."

TONY PASTOR (Victor)

Bell Bottom Trousers-FT; VC. Five Salted Peanuts-FT; V.

Two more song novelties are introduced here by Tony Pastor, and both are suited fine for the maestro's plaintive and wistful song selling. And for both, the band sets forth a bright rhythmic setting. It's lively syncos styled for "Bell Bottom Trousers," a public domain sailor doggerel for which Moe Jaffe has fashioned a modern set of lyrics. Ruth McCullough and the ensemble join in with the maestro in telling the whimsical tale of the sailor man and his lady love. "Five Salted Peanuts" is a refreshing novelty which picks up where "One Meat Ball" left off. It's a fanciful ditty for which Pastor gets in a Milquetoast singing groove as he tells of his search for a penny vending machine that will bring him more than five salted peanuts.

Two timely and topical novelty niceties, they make for effective needling in the music boxes, with "Bell Bottom Trousers" holding forth much promise to pile up staggering amounts of nickel.

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Lounge Industry in Squeeze By Combine of Bad Breaks

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Lounge ops ever, were out of town and New York ing it.

Trade attributes the down-trend to various influences, the most apparently are due to a letdown in hopes. When the curfew first went into effect, cocktail biz got a solid wallop on the chops. Lofs of them began talking about doing a fold, claiming they couldn't exist with the best three hours of biz lopped off. But shuttering, generally, never got beyond the talk stage. Apparently the customers didn't stay away in such droves as first feared. So the bar and grill boys took another look at their pocketbooks and began spending for talent again.

Rumor Shoots Works

Two weeks ago a rumor, started by a columnist, that the curiew would be out within 10 days, gave them another shot in the arm and the lounge ops started to call offices for available trios, teams and singles. Things sarted to pick up and the cocktail act sellers were going around telling each other that all they needed was units. Most of the jobs, how-

are now beginning to feel the combina- tootlers were not interested. But an intion of pinches which first hit them flux of out-of-town musicians into New with the curfew. The Eastern territory York eased the situation. If the New is probably the hardest hit, the other Yorkers wouldn't go out of town, the sections of the country also are feel- large offices felt they could always talk an out-of-town group into going back into a home town joint at more dough provided the big office sold them.

> But in the last 10 days everything has changed. The sudden death of President Roosevelt, the one or two-day closings, followed by a 30-day period of mourning spread a pall over the entire trade. To add to their miseries came the statement of President Truman that there would be no lifting of the curfew in the "foresecable future."

Ops Retrench

Right away ops began pulling back into their shells. Where talent was already in, the spots held on, providing they had a good buy. But as far as replacements or additions go, it was strictly no dice. Instead, ops felt prices were out of line and began talking pay cuts. If a group refused to take a slice it was let out and replaced by a local unit. This meant that local-boy-gets-job was the policy foljoints. The Main Stem lads were and are just out of luck.

The Local 802 boys aren't listening to talk of less dough. A group which got a shot at \$350 or so isn't interested in a figure of \$275 for an out-of-town job. So they're hanging around the union waiting for the breaks. The cocktail agents GROSSES meanwhile are sitting around biting their nails and calling them ungrateful so-and-sos.

But spots with big salaries are cutting down and nobody is satisfied. A sudden V-E Day may change the complexion of the entire picture. But neither the ops or the agencies are optimistic.

WM Burning Over Consequences of **Shelley Purchase**

NEW YORK, April 21.-The William Morris office is doing a mild burn at some of the ramifications that developed from the Phil Shelley deal which was made a couple of months ago. Headaches which developed are apparently accidental, Nevertheless, WM doesn't like accidents that cut into its take.

When the Phil Shelley deal was made, the Morris office took over the Chicago agent's acts with the exception of Arthur Lee Simpkins, Maurice Rocco, Joy Page, Three Bits of Rhythm and Martha Davis. These five remained with Shelley under an exclusive management contract. However, there was a stipulation that if any of these five acts were booked thru any other agent than Shelley, the Morris office would do the selling. For this deal the office put up a reported \$5,000.

Latest blow-off came when Stan Zucker office booked Martha Davis into a Baltimore spot. The Morris agency stepped in and screamed blue murder. Zucker, who was innocent in the whole matter, produced an authorization from Shelley okaying the deal. Now the Morris office is burning up the wires to Shelley on the Coast demanding to know what goes. It charges it's the only agency outside of Shelley authorized to sell Shelley acts while, at the same time, other offices also have authorizations.

Off the Cuff

East:

BOB, of Bob and Roslyn, who layed off because of appendicitis, out of the hospital. . . . CLEON AND JOE draw holdover at Twin Keys, Newark. . . . JULIE WINTZ, of MCA, now in Chi confabbing with other MCA moguls. . . . HERMAN AND GLORIA at the London Terrace, New London, Conn. . . . ALLI-SON SISTERS current at Union Hotel, Brownsville, Pa. . . . TONE MARLOWE just closed a 56-week stand at Savage's (See OFF THE CUFF on page 33)

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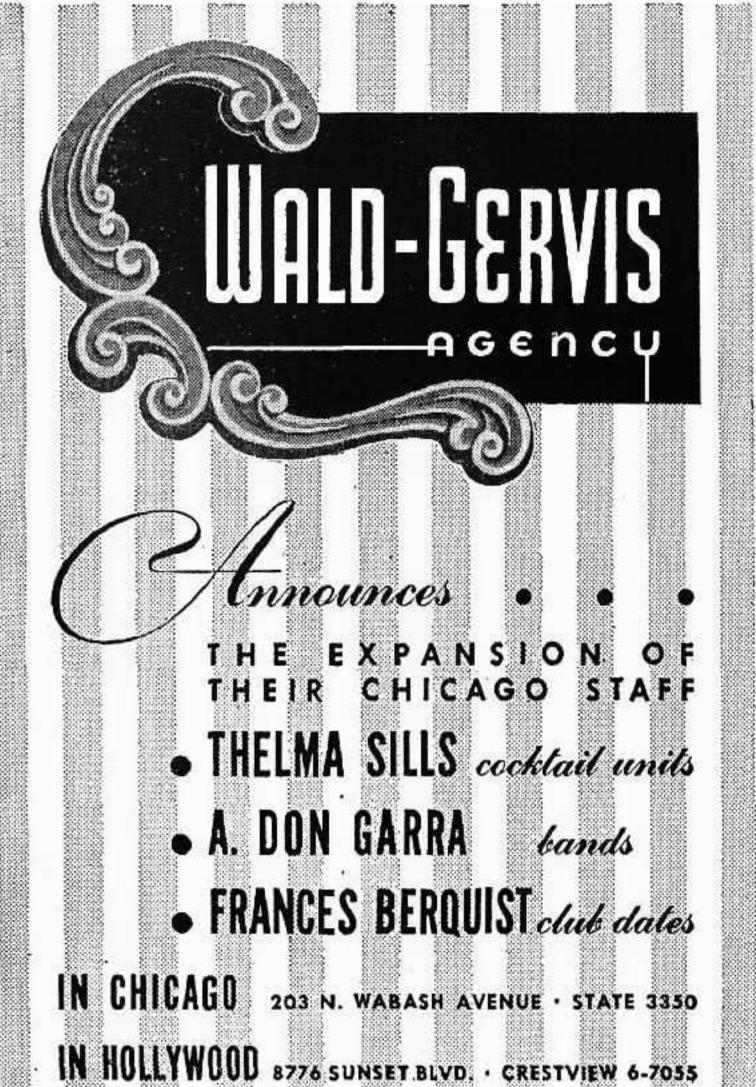
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Flesh Going Well In Buff; Another New Club Opening

BUFFALO, April 21. — Another new night spot is about to make its debut here despite curfew and other difficulties now confronting nitery ops. In fact, things generally are perking quite lively in the flesh field in this section.

The new Club Alhambra on the Lake, fust a few miles outside town, on the shores of Lake Erie, is preeming April 27. Owners are Joseph Di Maria and Jane Kowalczyk. Spot has been shuttered for some time, but has a colorful, successful background.

It will seat 600 people, and represents an investment of \$50,000 on Di Maria's part for building, property and various improvements. Talent budget (band and show) is set at \$2,250 weekly. Wally Gluck, Buffalo, is exclusive agent for spot, and set first show in affiliation with Stan Zucker office, New York, Band is Dell Forrest (seven men) with Elinor Thomas, featured vocalist, and booked for four weeks with option. Opening show features Tubby Rives, LolaAndre Dancers, Terry Lynn, Silver Cyclone and Valerie Lee. Spot will have a large dance floor, and an ample parking lot. There will be two shows nightly. Dinners are a la carte. Minimums are \$1.50 to \$2.50.

The Bon-Ton nitery in South Buffalo has a new owner, Edward Seitz. Spot runs six days (omitting Mondays) with fourpiece band and four acts.

The Cataract House Hotel, Niagara Falls, is using the Continental Room now, featuring Shirley Tobin, Teddy Richards, Melodie Lane, and Ernie Whistler's ork, and is doing good biz. Manager G. Norman Smith expects to re-open the large River Boat Room nitery in summer, and meanwhile uses it for special affairs.

Biz is reported fair at Cafe Aloha, Havana Casino and Frank's Casa Nova, which run on full policy, despite curfew drop. Week-end spots, including The Barn, East Aurora, N. Y., Cocoanut Grove and Larry's Grill, Buffalo, seem less hard hit. Banquet bookings around here are up to par. Basil's Genesee Theater, Buffalo, is using four acts on Wednesday nights, and there are occasional spot bookings at the Palace Theater, Buffalo: Casino Theater, Toronto, Canada; Palace Theater, St. Catherines, Ontario; Emery Hotel, Bradford, Pa., is buying musical strolling acts.

N. Y. Niteries To Pitch for 3 Mill. Sale of War Bonds

NEW YORK, April 21 .- New York niteries plan to get into the Seventh War Loan Drive with both feet. A committee headed by Joe Howard, Zanzibar op, will start punching May 14. Program is to buy a fleet of B-29's. It is estimated that each \$3,000,000 together to hand over the price of six bombers to Uncle Sam.

Ten flying squadrons will be formed to work in local niteries. Howard figures that each spot on the Stem will have a full dress bond drive for one week. In addition there will be a girl stationed at each club thruout the campaign to sell bonds.

Another gimmick to make the shekel hoarders shell out will be cigarette auctions in the after-dark spots. A rep of the National Tobacco Association has agreed to furnish all the free butts Howard's ings. committee can sell, the proceeds to go towards the \$3,000,000 quota.

Friedlander Buys Mocambo

MIAMI, April 21. - Jack Friedlander, former operator of the Clover Club here, has taken over the Mocambo from Max Lashnick. Purchase price is undisclosed. Spot will run all summer and, on May 9, brings in the ice show current at the Hotel New Yorker in Gotham.

WM Claims Can Sell Anybody's Acts Sans %age

NEW YORK, April 21.—Tangle growing out of the relations of Andy Russell with GAC and William Morris offices has caused WM to enunciate the theory that it-or any agent-has a perfectly legal right to represent any act, no matter to whom it is contracted, providing WM-or any agent-collects no commission for the

This theory has been given AGVA as WM's reply to the fact that AGVA insists Russell has a fully-operative exclusive agency pact with GAC. Russell, now managed by Sam Stiefel, recently fired GAC and switched to WM. Latter office stoutly maintains it is lining up vaude dates for him. One such deal, at the Paramount, already has been set and WM says it is proceeding with others. WM is taking the position that the only damage accruing to any agent who proves a breach-of-contract case is the customary commission he would have received. In the matter of the Paramount deal, WM is not claiming 10 per cent, thus allowing GAC to collect.

If William Morris's novel theory proves correct it could easily alter the entire exclusive agency structure, for then any agent could represent any act at any time providing he was willing to work for nothing. There might be situations in which he was willing to do this.

WM Ousts MCA; Gets Booking Privileges at Chanticleer

NEW YORK, April 21,-William Morris office has scored a win in its perennial battle with MCA by snatching the exclusive booking privilege at the Chanticleer, Baltimore. Spot formerly was serviced by MCA. Dick Henry, of WM, has put his second show in there. It includes Billy Vine, Joanne Whitney, Alfredo Seville and a Boots McKenna

D. C. Hears End Of Nazis Means Curfew Lifting

WASHINGTON, April 21.—White House sources predict a relaxation of the curfew and brown-out shortly after the final collapse of the Nazis. While President Truman, in his first press conference last Tuesday (17), declined to discuss post-V-E Day plans for the curfew and brownout, there seems little doubt among his intimates that both of these regulations will be moderated.

Municipalities in all parts of the nation have intensified pressure on Washington in recent weeks for lifting of the brownout which, cities claim, is serving no useful purpose. The brown-out, claim city officials, is dimming night life morale, contributing to nighttime accidents and saving little electricity.

Federal authorities have insisted on the brown-out up to now in order to discourage any notion that the war effort can be relaxed. Official Washington attitude is that the brown-out ought to be continued until a few weeks after V-E Day. Military pressure for ending of the midnight curfew persists and will be strong factor in final abandonment of that regulation as reported in The Billboard last week.

La Gypsy Starting Nitery Career at Latin Ortr., Det.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Gypsy Rose Lce will make her nitery debut at the Latin Quarter, Detroit, May 23. She is currently working in theaters. Price is understood to be close to \$3,500.

L. A. Club Resumes Tag

HOLLYWOOD, April 21.-Clover Club, which blossomed briefly as Jerry's Joynt, reverts to its old title this week. Management felt that there was too much confusion among nitery patrons with the new handle.

MCA Rumored Ready to Slant Whole Operation Toward Pix

meeting of practically the entire MCA tion, and made him a bid for the Atlas staff in Chicago last week has the trade holdings in RKO. Price offered or asked buzzing with rumors. Agency officials was never disclosed, but authoritative who returned to New York explain the Wall Street sources say that the deal trip as "just a routine business meeting which cooled off is back on the front to discuss and arrange band bookings." But that explanation hardly holds water 000. when it is realized that the office cleaned out its entire staff and brought them to ship costs \$600,000 and plan is to get Chicago for the Big Talk. That theater and band bookers would go is understandable, but that the entire night club and cocktail combo departments would go along is another matter.

> circles will speak for publication, has to do with Jules Stein's movie ambitions. In the past year he has signed a batch of Hollywood names. These include not only performers but directors, writers, cameramen and at least one costume designer. It seems doubtful that any of these would have any part in band book-

That Stein is out to get in pictures is no longer a secret. On two different occasions in the past The Billboard has reported such developments. Each time these were denied. Yet recently MCA bought the Leland Hayward office with its stable of movie names.

MCA-RKO?

The basic major possibility that even the bookers meeting in Chicago probably weren't told about is that MCA may short-

NEW YORK, April 21. - The unusual Floyd Odlum, chief of the Atlas Corporaburner again and involves about \$10,000,-

It seems logical that any new outfit going into the picture biz would be stymied if it didn't have a distributing outlet. And acquisition even of a part interest in RKO would be a solution. According to Hollywood circles, if RKO talks fall thru, Republic Pictures may go to The big hush-hush, for nobody in MCA MCA. But whatever pic outfit is bought the chances are that developments have passed the talking stage.

Hollywood-Chi-New York

The first meeting of MCA staff was held on the Coast. The next one was in Chicago. It was for the latter that the entire New York office was cleaned out, something that never happened before, Most of the confabbing in Chicago was to see which had movie potentials. Staff was told that all properties acquired in the future should have pic possibilities. Bookers were also given a broad hint that MCA wanted future planning geared to that way had better start or else. . . .

It is probable that part of the talks were devoted to band bookings. But despite the denials of Jules Stein and other Some time ago the MCA head approached sist that the agency is no longer vitally seen on movie screens.

In Catskill Mt. Music OK

Even talent looks set to collect a little extra in "having a wonderful time" area

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they can do enough business (at nonceiling prices, because the OPA doesn't put any chains on resorts) or because they feel the curfew will be lifted in time for the season to get under way.

It is only the cocktail lounge departments of large agencies that declare summer resort business may not be up to last year's standards.

No Like "Borsht" Label

The mountain places this year have developed a sensitivity toward being tagged with the "Borsht" label, says the trade. Reported reason is that they feel they are now out of the herring class and are actually part of big-time showbiz. Estimates provided by various trade sources would bear out this contention.

Those most actively engaged in selling stuff to the mountain resorts estimate that there are some 20 "Class AA" hostelries, country clubs and fancy camps which spend anywhere from \$400 to \$1,000 weekly for vaude acts alone. These places are no longer fly-specked farm hotels but have become heavily invested establishments with large room capacity. swimming pools, fancy casinos, fullfledge stages, dance floors and, in two or three casinos, actual nitery rooms as differentiated from casinos.

Striking an average of trade estimates would leave the common figure of some \$700 being spent every week for acts alone over a period of 10 weeks by about 20 top-flight mountain resorts. Added up, this comes close to \$150,000, which certainly is not chicken-feed. If the cost of music is thrown in, the mean figure spent weekly in these places reaches \$1,000 and the total approaches \$250,000.

Trade says that in the act realm it buys the same type of talent for the mountains as is used by top niteries and vaude houses and when the major bookers for these places run their rosters of dates they sound like they're reading a Who's Who of the nitery-vaude field. These lads claim that it is nothing unusual for a big-name act to pick up \$8,000-\$10,000 working in the so-called Borsht Circuit over a summer on what would be a club date basis.

In addition to the "Class AA" places, says the trade, there are some 50 or so resorts where the average stipend for week-end vaude shows is close to \$400. Multiplied, this gives a total expenditure for the summer of some \$200,000 for acts alone, which again ain't buttons.

Fancy Pants Facts

The above statistics cover only the fancy-pants spots in the Catskill area, those east of the Hudson and around the Berkshires. They do not include the more rustic type of camp where managements hire whole companies of dramatic and musical comedy stock players, nor

(See Beaucoup Gelt on page 30

Interested in bands as such. On at least two occasions Stein has told intimates that bands have become such a headache that he plans to shed them, even tho he given over to a search of MCA properties made a lot of money out of them in the past. The picture biz, on the other hand, he is reported to have said, has no such headaches. The only union troubles films are likely to encounter can be handled if employees are paid well. And he plans movies. And that anybody not geared to pay them well, he is reported to have said.

In any case plans have already been laid and insiders feel sure that before another year passes the handle "Produced by ly buy a large interest in RKO Pictures. MCA reps, people close to the situation in- Music Corporation of America" will be

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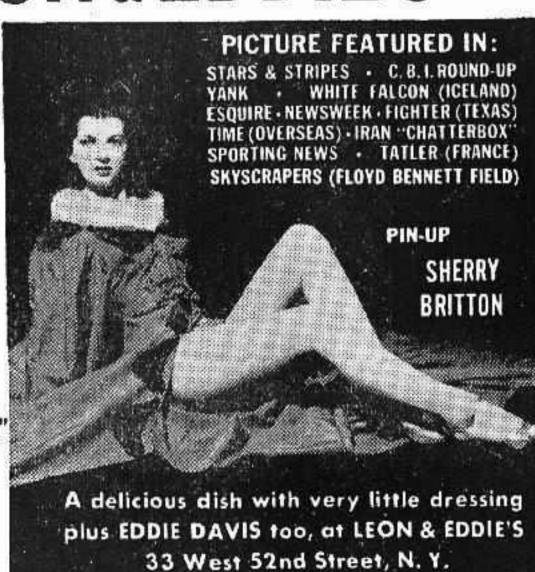
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NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

Copacabana, New York

Talent policy: Floorshows at 7 and 10, continuous dancing. Operator, Monte Proser; manager, Jack Enteratter; producer, Al Siegel; costumes, Ted Shore; publicity, Joe Russell. Prices: \$2.50-\$3.50 minimums.

Considering that new show is a lowbudget affair, with exception of Xavier Cugat, it has possibilities of developing into a neat cafe package, Some of the stuff needs a lot of working on, some sound.

Best hands went to Louis Del Campo and the Garcias. Del Campo displayed good pair of pipes when he gave out with Bahia and Babalu. Cugat, working behind the boy, handled his crew with showmanship and skill.

The Garcias, a couple of good-looking kids, got a top reception for their opening rumba, particularly the girl. Followed with a hip-swiveling Latin number, with boy doing the customary glassof-water-on-the-head bit. But, unlike others, he really moves around. Kids came back later for another shot, a fast terp in mixed Latin tempo, and customers yelled for more.

Show opener is Jacqueline Fontaine, a cute brunette. Gal can tap authoritatively. Moves fast and delivers a lot of quick, sharp breaks, But singing is not up her alley. She tried hard with See Copacabana, New York on page 30

Zanzibar, New York

Talent policy: Floorshows at 7:30 and 10:30. Continuous dancing. Owner, Joe Howard; publicity, Carl Erbe. Prices: \$3.50 minimum.

The club's latest edition of Zanzibarian Nights packs plenty of show, but needs a little tightening to get into the groove. Top plaudit-winners are Son and Sonny. The two good-looking lads have improved tremendously since last caught. Their sharp splits, soft-shoe and toeterps pulled generous mitts. But it is in the chatter department that boys have really climbed. Gab is clever and sold well. Best number was If I Didn't Care, a rapier-like satire on Bill Kenny. Ink Spot maestro, in which boys flutter hands to belly-laugh returns.

The Three Peppers—guitar, bass, plano and one and three-part voices—sell their novelty-blue stuff smoothly. Best returns came from Get Her Another Drink and Yes, Yes, Yes.

Otto Eason opens with a well-constructed production number. His roller skating, hoofing-on-platform steps got good hands.

Line (8) also does time-steps on See Zanzibar, New York on page 30)

Hotel Netherland Plaza, Restaurant Continentale, Cincinnati

Talent policy: Dance band and floorshows at 1:30, 7:30 and 10:45. Management: Max Schulman, hotel manager; Richard Elsner, catering manager; A. Bratfisch, headwaiter; Toni Lamare, summulier; James Mason, captain, and Amy V. Pace, publicity. Prices: Dinners from \$2; drinks from 40 cents.

This swank chamber, which cracked with tank icers five years ago, continues to pack 'em in thrice daily with the same policy. New opus which opened Wednesday (18) is a little more cumbersome in production and slower-paced than some of its predecessors, but it's nothing that a few cuts and a shot in the arm won't cure. It's slated to hold eight weeks. Like the previous shows here, formula is three numbers embellished with tasty wardrobe. good lighting, quality music and solid song-selling by Norman Ruvell and Mildred Stanley, who weave the show's continuity with their vocalistics. Producer Truly McGee can take another bow for this one once the hitches are weeded out.

Adele Inge, featured, and the crackerjack mixed team of Bissell and Farley, turn in their usual excellent performance which has made them prime favorites here. Johnny Casper, a personable lad, is a replacement for Jack Roach, and shows

(See Netherland Plaza on page 30)

Lou Walters' Latin Quarter, Detroit

Talent policy: Dance band and floorshows at 7:15 and 10. Management, Arthur Rozen; publicity, Harold C. Berg; production, Wally Wanger. Prices: \$1-\$1.50 cover.

Show: Well-balanced variety; sumptously costumed and produced; audience friendly and strongly responsive.

Best Jobs: 1. DR. GIOVANNI, supercan be eliminated, but basic frame is clever "pickpocket," working with half a dozen well-selected men from audience; skill in extracting possessions and even clothes from victims is absolute tops; also uses clever card manipulation; patter, in marked dialect, extraordinarily sensitive to audience reactions; sure-fire, 2, FRANCES FAYE, marked versatility in piano and vocals. from boogle to near-sweet lyric; frequent suggestiveness handled subtle; establishes intimate relationship with house; working position a handicap in that piano partly hides face from audi-

Rest of Bill: THE STADLERS, ball-(See Walters' Latin Quarter on page 30)



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Loew's State, New York

(Reviewed Thursday Evening, April 19) State this week has its best show in a long time. Every act contributes its share of entertainment and bill moves at a lively pace under the emsee-ship of Walter O'Keefe. Only flaw is a booking condition which has put two comics on the same program.

Three Kings open with their bang-up balancing act. Turn starts rather con- show caught, program drew top mitt ventionally with prostrate lifts but from there builds to some really sensational pyramids and balances. If act sold a little better it could easily get into the top category.

O'Keefe, appearing between acts and in his own spot with his line of chatter is a little too smart for a vaude-film mob. The laughs don't start pouring in (See Loew's State, New York, on page 31)





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VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

Strand, New York

(Reviewed Friday evening, April 20)

Vaughn Monroe's ork and three acts-Ben Berl; Jean, Jack and Judy, and Steve Evans-opened here today and at after top mitt. Contributing factor was a capacity mob, trigger-itchy to applaud.

Ork delivers itself of three straight band numbers, none outstanding, altho marked by a nice sax solo by Andy Bagni in the second and skillful planistics by Mike Shelby in the third. Straightaway band stuff is weakest part of the proceedings.

Rosemary Calvin, ork thrush, has a brass-edged voice and style, the latter more advantageous to her than the former. Gal looks good and knows how to sell and does nifty job on Jumping at Carnegie Hall, to good results.

Monroe, in his gravel-voiced, listless manner, knocks off a couple of tunes, the second touched up with a listenable five-trombone lick, and gets good reactions, Segues into the Norton Sisters (4) joining Monroe for I've Said It Again and, later, All of a Sudden, Last is the combo's best effort. Sisters are an ordinary outfit doing competent job but sell nicely.

Ziggy Talent steps out of the band to deliver Pants Too Long and Vitamins. His selling and style are both hyperthyroid and somewhat reminiscent of home theatricals. Numbers would be twice as effective if half as long.

Ork winds up its chores on the bill with various of its elements split among three mikes on Good, Good, Good. Number is very well done and makes solid

Jean, Jack and Judy do very well with their combination of skillful gag and daredevil acrobatics and corny patter. Patrons tossed plenty hands and guffaws.

Ben Beri's dumb juggling act is the best thing on the bill. Guy's off-beat manipulations, plus wonderful timing and incidental bits of biz keep the crowd laughing straight thru and earn him top palming.

Steve Evans, comedy impressionist, opens with series of quick personality sketches and draws fair results. Second number, a "drunk" bit, is sour stuff and overdone. However, on third routine, a laughing stint, guy positively rocks the house. Picture is Horn Blows.

Paul Ross.

Chicago, Chicago

(Reviewed Friday Afternoon, April 20)

It's Jerry Lester who takes the stageshow here and lifts it into the average bracket. As usual, Lester was getting steady laughs from the house musicians after they'd seen three shows of him already opening day, and the audience, catching him the first time, was reacting in an even more responsive manner. Does his Scottish bit, a chorus or two of Old Man River, and the rest of his zany routine. Closed to big hand with his nonsensical skit in which he does a little boy and a bartender. Changes costume for each bit of the skit, and tho it's long, pulls yocks all the way.

Lou Breese's stage band fills in nicely, with a trumpet solo and vocal on Basin Street Blues by Mario Seritello, and two pop vocals by Jean Williams.

Manuel Viera drew a heavy hand, especially from the moppets, with his trained Shepherd dog and Great Dane. The Lone Ranger bit, with the monkey playing the cowboy hero atop the Great Dane, is socko material.

Handsome Tommy Wonder draws a fair hand, and it's mostly from fem paims. Needs to strengthen his routine as there are too many lulls between his John Sippel. splits and twirls.

Palace, Cleveland

(Reviewed Friday, April 20)

Tommy Dorsey is back in town with a 40-minute layout that is designed strictly for the Dorsey fans. Lacking in personality as always, Dorsey offers some stunning arrangements of standards. Summertime featured some excellent trumpet work by Charlie Shaffer.

Jess Stacey, the vet specialist of the ivories, is brought to the center of attention with some fancy licks on the Dorsey stand-by, Boogie Woogie. It isn't till the tail end of the show that Tommy

(See Falace, Cleveland, on page 31)

Oriental, Chicago

(Reviewed Friday Afternoon, April 20)

Youthful Jimmy Vey's friendly emseeing plus five strong acts make this the best show seen at this house in three months. Stage presentations here have suffered recently because acts were introed haphazardly, and Vey's bring-ons help to fuse the acts into a revue.

pic, Mr. Big, capitalizes on his film experience by doing just about the same big hands at various times during his turn, especially on the closer, where he taps while playing xylophone.

Burton and Blake keep the Hollywood the oldsters. atmosphere alive with their impressions of the stars. Bit is top performance. Their mimicking is realistic and their the illusion.

Ross Wyse Jr. and June Mann rate the same hefty mitt with their zany attempts at adagio and terping as they did when seen across the way at the Chi about five months ago.

Sid Blake and the Milkmaids must scissor their act. It drags badly. Gals, on alone at first, sing four songs and then Blake comes on with an audience-

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Orpheum, Los Angeles

(Reviewed Tuesday Afternoon, April 17) Making his first theater appearance in this city, Carlos Molina and his orchestra share marquee space with Miguelito Valdez in an all-Latin program. Town is hot for L.-A. music, and the show gets lusty applause thruout. The show-stops go to Bobby Riviera, an 18-year-old with Molina, and naturally to Valdez. Pic is The Cisco Kid Returns.

Molina emsees and gets the band (14) off on an ail-outer, Rhumba Tcia. Following is Mano Lopez who jive-sings to Vey, who got a bit of celluloid in the fair returns. His guitar turn is much better received, especially when the instrument is held behind his head. A routine here as he did in the film. Rated little corny but outstanding on the L.-A. rhythms is Molina's musical tribute, Musical Americas. Maestro's violin solo. La Golondrina, is slow but appealing to

Molina's vocal assignees do fine work. Jerry Wand, fem singer, is fair on My Heart Sings but plenty okay on Siboney. sharp costuming helps greatly to build Maestro's maracca handler, Bobby Riviera, stands the payees on their heads with Si, Si, Si and a show-stopping medley of pops and standards. Voice is strong and tone is fine.

> Augmenting acts are Don and Beverly, who offer two ballroom turns. Dancing request numbers, their interpretation of a jitterbug is the best.

Maldo, Mexican magician, offers good comedy along with sleight-of-hand. His (See Orpheum, Los Angeles, on page 31)



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DETROIT, April 23.—New ruling of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission will drive fems away from night spots thruout the State. Order bans all women without male escorts from any type of bar. Preliminary checkup of night club operators indicates that most of them are accepting ruling without much squawking as "just another of those things."

The ruling, which may be considered as temporary for the duration, is the result chiefly of the local drive by military authorities against spread of venereal disease among servicemen. Nine spots, including several among the best known nationally in town, were named as special gathering spots for unescorted women, presumably on the prowl for soldiers. Ruling, however, hits every type of spot and every class of fem patronage.

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Beaucoup Gelt In Borsht Belt

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the exclusive Pennsylvania and New England resorts where classical musicians and singers, dramatic troupes, class acts and similar stuff frequently work. Nor "Borsht" hotels in the Catskill area which use smallie three to five-act weekend vaude shows, nor the hard-to-estimate shore resorts. It would not be out of line to say that this summer over \$1,000,000 will be spent in various kinds of resorts for talent.

Prices this year are expected to meet last year's levels, if not go up somewhat. Last summer the cost of talent jumped some 20 to 33 per cent over the previous year. Advance prices being asked by acts so far, says the trade, are no lower than last year and, if anything, are a little higher, especially for the smaller acts. The boys who handle talent for the mountain resorts say that club acts which work in the city for \$25 to \$50 a night want \$100 to \$200 for a week-end job in the mountains which requires four to six performances but includes room and board. The bigger acts, says the trade, are staying at about last year's levels which ranged anywhere from \$400 to \$1,000 for a week-end assignment. In many cases, where a very special attraction was bought, say the boys, the cost of this was in addition to the regular weekly budget.

Tooters Tight

Musicians are going to be at least as expensive and as hard to get this year as they were last year. Trade says that not so long ago-three-four years at mostit was customary to pay a good tootlet about \$25 weekly. Now the gut-scrapers and horn-blowers are asking from \$50 kid-or kids.

Advance prices being quoted by shore resorts are good, say the band offices. So far, of course, only bands are being sought. The acts will be bought later. But the dough being offered for musical outfits (except lounge acts) is quite healthy, and the curfew doesn't seem to be doing anything to make it otherwise. The volume of inquiries also is healthy, say the offices.

About the only ones who are likely to suffer as a result of the curfew are the concessionaires in the mountains. These gents contract for the casinos in the Borsht Belt and make a killing from stay-ups by selling them booze (over or under the counter) set-ups, food and so on. If the places have to close at midnight there will be no gravy for the concession boys this year.

Otherwise, forecasts indicate that everybody else will be getting his in summer resorts this year-acts, musicians, owners, agents and even dishwashers. It used to be that plate-pilots worked the whole season for \$100. Now they are asking and getting \$50 weekly.

It looks like a big season. About all that can stop it is the weatherman.

Actors Burn Over AGVA Out For Ops on F. D. R. Closings

NEW YORK, April 21 .- Performers are considerably burned up about the AGVA ruling which permitted shuttered niteries and theaters, closed on account of President Roosevelt's death, to deduct pro rata from their salaries. They point out that AGVA was apparently the only showbiz union that passed such a rule. Musicians, waiters and other help represented by unions received no such cuts, room team, graceful in standard work; they say.

However, a check of theaters and local niteries by The Billboard brought to light that no theater took advantage of the rule, and only one nitery grabbed the chance to slice actor's pay checks. 'The one exception covered itself, according printed notice in pay envelopes calling attention to AGVA permission.

AGVA is supposed to represent-performers or ops? They have no objection to paying homage to the late President Roosevelt but they can't see why AGVA had to give owners an out even the lent work on shows and dancing. said owners did not avail themselves of

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smaller platform steps they lug around. Number makes a fine opener.

Lionel Hampton needs a couple of solid jumpers to really get moving. He comes out for his one spot next to closing to front his ork (21) and allows a couple of sax boys and the trumpet to take rides. Both were solld, Hampton then goes to work on his vibes. First was a semi-jump and second ballad. do they include the smaller, typically Adding another jump, Flying Home, for example, should help get better returns.

Buell Thomas has good pipes but choice of material could be better. Best thing was Vesti la Guibba, which showed off his operatic tenor nicely.

Maurice Rocco and Peters Sisters, both holdovers, do their standard stuff

to good applause. Finale is Hamp's Boogle-Woogle with line in can-can costumes. Number should have Hampton on the vibes. Customers come to see him work the instrument and not watch him horseing Bill Smith.

COPACABANA, NEW YORK (Continued from page 28)

three tunes, as a single and in a duet with Don Dennis but each one fluffed. Show has enough singing and her foot-

work is good enough to stand by itself. Don Dennis is the lead voice in all the productions. His Where or When got a good reception. Three more numbers, all Slegel tunes, were okay but weren't sold as well.

Cugat's ork (fully reviewed in next week's music section) presents one novelty, Rum and Coke, which has possibilities. Practically every sideman comes down to sing a chorus but stage warts were awkward. Besides, few of them can sing. Best was the one who did a Donald Duck version. He got laughs and hands. The others got little of either.

On production numbers Joel Herron to \$75 weekly per man and frequently fronts the Cugat crew, latter coming put the arm on owners for free board forward only when his acts work. Ar-(for the whole summer) for the wife and rangement seems to work okay. Production numbers (3) themselves are right in the Copa groove. Line is costumed smartly and full of lookers. Costumes are from the last show but still the smartest in town. Bill Smith.

NETHERLAND PLAZA

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up average in his initial appearance here. Dorothy McClusker, who was brought in to inject a bit of comedy into the offering, didn't fare too well in that department. Has a good kisser for comedy, but her pratt falls are too obviously done. Needs a stronger routine.

Six Lovely De-Icers, as a whole not too strong on looks, are a big asset with their skating. Femmes are Betty Muller, captain; Virginia Walter, Marge Mahne, Betty Jane Courtright, Mary Anne Cartright and Bonnie Jean Weaver. Three last named are new. Lovely Miss Walter again showed as potential principal material in a brief specialty bit.

Burt Farber and his band lads turn in their usual excellent job on the show and dance music, Farber netting no little attention with his piano work on Kitten on the Keys.

Present at the Wednesday opening were W. Carl Snyder, unit's manager and head of the Frederick Bros. Chicago office, and Ann Elliot and her assistant, Ella De Lacey, of New York. Miss Elliot created and executed the show's attractive ward-Bill Sachs.

LOU WALTERS' L. O. (Continued from page 28)

reception fair; return in novelty limber rag-doll number, definitely TOMMY RYAN, lyric tenor, especially good in higher register; young and pleasing appearance, appeals strongly to femmes, notably in Begin the Beguine; two encores. LATIN QUARTER LOVEto acts on the bill, by inserting a neatly LIES (12) open in blue and rose costumes delightfully, returning in a nice clockwork Babes in Toyland bit. MADE-Actors are wondering aloud whom LON BAKER, blonde thrush, does the vocals on last number beautifully, as well as dance set vocals; a favorite personality here.

Band: SAMMY DIBERT (10), excel-

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Hotel Sherman, College Inn. Chicago

Talent policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8 and 10. Management, Joe Spieler: publicity, Howard Mayer; production, Marty Bloom, Prices: \$1.59-\$2.50 minimums.

New show, paced by Tony Pastor's ork and supported by Robert Crum's piano. and the holdover, Mardoni and Louise's magic, stacks up to just average bistro fare.

Fronter Pastor leads off the floorshow with his familiar vocals on Let's Do It and Makin' Whoopee. Brother Stubby Pastor contributes driving trumpet versions of I Can't Get Started and After You've Gone, done at a fire-truck tempo. Selection of these two tunes is bad, because both are already associated with the late Bunny Berigan and Roy Eldridge, respectively. Kid should select new tunes and build them as his very own. Tubman Jimmy Vincent does the usual drum specialty, which is getting pretty loud and monotonous, but the crowd loved it.

Singers Ruth McCullough and Dick Dyer offer capable vocals. These two cute. diminutive vocalists could be built into a stronger attraction if they teamed upon some tunes. They'd make for a coosome twosome a la Jimmy Dorsey's attempt with Helen O'Connell and Bob Eberle.

Bob Crum, working under three mirrors which project his flying fingers, never gets started. His symphonic jazz interpretations are too intricate for the average hearer. Crum plays half a chorus straight and then goes into a wild malange of introductions and arpeggios that don't mean much. Crum has affected weird mannerisms and grimaces to accompany his 88-pounding (and the word is used literally), but the old Crum who played at Elmer's two years ago without these new additions was far more preferable. John Sippel.

Slapsy Maxie's, Los Angeles

Talent policy: Dance band and floorshows at 8:15 and 10:30 p.m. Management, Sammy Lewis; headwaiter, Lawrence Arbor; publicity, Pessis & Ettinger. Prices: From \$3.50.

The return of Ben Blue and Jerry Bergen to the show here reminds of the days when Slapsy's was on Beverly Boulevard. With Blue and Bergen, anything can happen, and does.

On a stage over the bandstand, on the dance floor and on a balcony, the show is "continuous" entertainment for an hour. The best blackout "upstairs" is where comic Sammy Lewis, Patti Moore and Blue are trying to outdo one another on principles. Miss Moore even does a strip to show her principles—and —what principles. The "audience at a newsreel theater" is laugh - provoking, too. It involves Blue, Bergen, Benny Lessy, Miss Moore and Lewis, chiefly.

Bergen has his own act. Working with Doris Ellis, who warbles a Spanish aria, half-pint Bergen, in toreador outfit, mugs to perfection. His Swiss bell-ringing with shining bells that have no clappers is a side-breaker.

Pancho and Deauville, tap dancers, offer routines that net good applause. Ella Logan, featured and just back from overseas, sings You Can't Have Everything, I'll Be Seeing You, a medley

on Give My Regards to Broadway, and of course, Loch Lomond. Pert Miss Logan has a dynamic personality, which, fortunately, she is able to transpose into her songs.

Leighton Noble and orchestra (12) do an okay job for the show and dancing. Sam Abbott.

Harry Howard Goes Legit

NEW YORK, April 21 .- Harry Howard, veteran producer of vaude units, has turned legit producer as a partner of Jules Leventhal, operator of "subway circuit" legit shows. Howard-Leventhal preem an operetta called Marinka in Boston on April 30 for a subsequent New York showing. Showing has several nitery-vaude acts including Luba Malina, Romo Vincent and Jerry Wayne.

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Death of F. D. R. Drapes Pall On Takes; MH Down 20G

death of President Roosevelt threw a pall week's take was \$64,000, second one over everything and box office takes were brought in \$63,000 and third inning count no exception. Thursday and Friday biz, last week, was down anywhere from 15 to 25 per cent. Saturday was another gloomy day when all Stem houses shuttered until 6 p. m. The only exception was the Strand which remained dark all day.

Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average, \$100,000) fell back to \$107,000 for its fourth week with the Easter show, Gil Maison and Without Love. Third week's figure was \$127,000, second week showed \$133,500 and first stanza was \$123,500.

Roxy (6,000 seats; average, \$75,000) came thru with an okay \$75,000 for its tee-off with the Hartmans, Jackie Miles, Hazel Scott and Royal Scandal. Under ordinary conditions, preem would bring in close to \$90,000.

Para, Capitol

Paramount (3,664 seats; average, \$75,-000) took it on the chin with a drop to \$50,000 for its third week of Benny Goodman, Condos Brothers and Practically Yours. Previous frame brought in \$75,-000 while opener registered with \$88,000.

Capitol (4,627 seats; average, \$55,000) got \$63,000 for its second stanza with Sammy Kaye's ork, Rosario and Antonio, Paul Winchell and I'll Be Seeing You. Its kickoff brought in a wow \$89,000.

Strand, State

Strand (2,779 seats; average, \$45,000) tallied \$39,000 for its fourth and final week with Cab Calloway ork, Sister

Mills Bros. Good 28G in Det. Downtown Despite Competish

DETROIT, April 21.—Business at the Hughes-Downtown Theater (2,800 seats; average, \$23,000) drew \$28,000 with the Mills Brothers on the stage this last week. As heavy opposition, there was the Lucky Millinder playing at the Paradise Theater, which draws virtually an all-colored trade. Picture at the Downtown was Strange Illusion.

Currently, the Jerks Berserk show, with Marty May, is playing to very modest business that is likely to drop considerably below house average. From biz standpoint, show got off to a poor start with the naturally serious Friday slump and Saturday closing caused by the President's death. Show was further handicapped by the lack of top star names for drawing power. Picture is Identity Unknown.

Gloria Jean and Hudson Ork Big 16½G for Five-Day Wk.

BALTIMORE, April 21. - A doublebarreled bill featuring Gloria Jean and Dean Hudson orchestra with Frances Colwell, Frankie Lester and George Nowlan scored an unusual five-day gross of \$16,-500 at the Hippodrome Theater (seating capacity, 2,100; average, \$14,000; prices, 35 to 65 cents) here for short week ending Wednesday (18).

Sharing the bill were the Chords and Joe Arena. Program, planned originally for a six-day run, was cut by the death of President Roosevelt. The screen had Pan-Americana.

Okay 17G for Allan Jones' Third Week in Golden Gate

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—Held over Gate (2,850 seats; average, \$27,000; prices, 45 to 95 cents) grossed a satisfactory \$17,bill were Allan Jones, Jean Parker, Chris several encores. Cross, West and Lexing, and Ciro Rimac

Marcus Unit Big in V'couver

VANCOUVER, April 21. - The A. B. Marcus La Vie Paree Revue closed at the Beacon Theater tonight with a week's record-breaking business on the books. The revue this season boasted 12 scenes, 11 acts and the Marcus line of 10 steppers. Featured acts included Aaron and Brod-House was scaled from 30 to 60 cents top. Pic is Earl Carroll's Vanities. Babes on Swing Street was on the screen.

V3:350-12

NEW YORK, April 21 .- The sudden Tharpe and God Is My Co-Pilot. First was \$55,000. Total for run was \$221,000. New bill opening Friday (20) has Vaughn Monroe ork, Steve Evans, Jean, Jack and Judy, Ben Berl and The Horn Blows.

Loew's State (3,500 seats; average, \$25,-000) slipped to \$24,000 for Jay Jostyn, Murtah Sisters, Watson Sisters, Gus Van and Patrick the Great. New bill, opened Thursday (19), has Walter O'Keefe, Evelyn Knight, Pat Rooney, Coley Worth and Picture of Dorian Gray.

Spike Jones Draw Dimmed By FDR Death; Hit 28½G

PHILADELPHIA, April 21.—Only the ill-timed tragedy that hung heavy over the nation last week kept Spike Jones and His City Slickers, making their first personal in town, from moving into the record class for the week ended Thursday (19) at the Earle Theater (seating capacity, 3,000; average, \$20,000; prices, 45 to 95 cents). With the house closed entirely on Saturday and putting in six shows a day to fill the gap, the corn music of Jones, heavy juke box fave here, paid off to the tune of \$28,500. The City Slickers carried the marquee alone, with added acts in Judie Manners, Black Brothers and Mavis Mims. Screen filled in with Destiny.

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participation stunt in which gals act as mothers and feed milk to four guys from the crowd. After all this the four couples go into bumpsy-daisy routine. Closer is in poor taste, as participants are blindfolded and left standing in front of the screen as the movie begins. Poor close for any vaude revue.

Glamorous Carol Landis gets the biggest hand any klieg character has received here in a long time. Gal knows the limits of her ability and confines herself to singing, which is done well. She doesn't have much of a vocal range but wisely chooses tunes like It Had To Be You and the current Candy to draw beg-off hand, Her encore parody on We'll Meet Again will make the customers want to do just that when she makes return p. a. John Sippel.

ORPHEUM, LOS ANGELES

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stories are pretty long, but his English with Spanish accent helps put them over. Has to beg off after he tears paper sheet into facsimile of a delicate hand-worked tablecloth.

Miguelito Valdez lost none of his punch because of the vocalist who preceded him. Sock from start to finish, with his Babalu doing up brown the turn of four numbers. Sam Abbott.

Olympia, Miami

(Reviewed Wednesday, April 18)

This is a let-down from the tempo of fast-moving bills here recently. Customers are lukewarm until a pair of acrobats brings them to life.

Joey Dean, a worker at night spots here all winter, opens with his fastmoving hoofing specialty. Finishes with a half-dozen handsprings that get a

Phyllis Willis, a fem ventriloquist in a third week, stage bill at the Golden the deuce spot, tries hard, using a sailorclad dummy called "Gabby" to fair results. For encore, has a colored dummy 000 for week ended Tuesday (17). On the called "Sugar", with a song. Act draws

Lou Brown and Barbara is a talking and Alzira Camargo. Pic is It's a Pleasure. comedy act, with some peppy gags. Fem is a good stooge and a swell looker. Act just fails to click, the pair work hard.

McFarland and Brown do acro and contortion bits. Male imitates a dog and a monkey for some laughs. Nothing sensational, but pair sure warm up the customers for a heav mitt.

Radio Aces, fresh from the Clover Club, offer rapid-fire songs and imitations of which that of Ted Lewis stands out. Boys harmonize well, and, with winerick, Leon Miller, Estelle and Julio, the ning personalities, have the folks crying Four Laverns and Florence Hin Low. for more. Beg-off talk ends the show.

Larry Berliner.

In Short

New York:

The Billboard

JAMES PAYSEE (James and Beverly Paysee) currently at Leon and Eddie's, set for screen test. . . . JOEY ADAMS into the Capitol Theater about May 24. . . . BEN DOVA set for Skating Vanities on a run-of-the-play paper, to start in September. . . ANN SOLLOWAY bows into the Ruban Bleu. . . . CARL RA-VAZZA to go into an operetta if 20th-Fox says okay. . . . TONY CRAIG back at One Fifth Avenue. . . . FREDDIE STEWART heads for the Coast to do four weeks at Orpheum, L. A., starting May 29. . . . SHIRLEY WEINSTEIN, Harry Kalcheim's secretary, just had a nose-bobbing. . . . TOY SISTERS starting USO hospital tour. . . . MARTHA KING signed for the season at Scaroon Lake Manor. . . . ADELE PARRISH and Loretta Shere in start at Scaroon Manor for 10 days beginning June 16.

NANCY DONOVAN, new at the Glass Hat. . . . BEATRICE KRAFT back to Cafe Society Uptown. . . . JOSH WHITE back to Cafe Society Downtown.

CAROL BRUCE, current at Waldorf-Astoria, goes to the Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, May 11. . . . JOHNNY JOHNSTON due back at the Capitol after May 16.

Chicago:

Hundred Club.

CONDOS BROTHERS, Jan Murray, Alyce Strickland, and holdover, Viola Layne, set to follow Willie Howard into 5100 Club. . . . WILLIE SHORE makes his first vaude appearance, following two years for USO in Europe, at the Chicago Theater May 4, with Louis Jordan and the Manhattan Debs. . . . ARTHUR LEE SIMPKINS goes into the Chez Paree May 4 with Sophie Tucker. . . . CALLA-HAN SISTERS into the Cotton Club, Houston, April 23. . . GENE BAYLOS coming back to Rio Cobana in the fall.

JOHN ZERBY and Ingabord into the Cotton Club, Houston, May 14. . . . DONALD NOVIS and Columbus and Carroll into Bellerive Hotel, Kansas City, Mo., May 4. . . . MARY RAYE AND NALDI, Lenny Kent, Toni Lane and Barbara Blaine current at the Rio Cabana, Chicago. . . . BILLY WHITE, new-act booker at GAC, continues his silvervoiced tenoring in addition to his agent activities and is currently at the 51

LOEW'S STATE, N. Y.

(Continued from page 29) until he is well into his routine but, in the end, he nets good reactions.

Eddy Manson, with Margie Wells assisting on piano and Ruby Zwerling's crew (on stage) backing him, bats himself across handsomely with a harmonica stint. Kid is a gee-whizzer on the puff stick and proves it with a truly first-rate rendition of Rumanian Rhapsody and his encore, St. Louis Blues.

Pat Rooney follows. Aged trouper is plenty nimble and if his terps are a trifle corny that only adds charm to the act. Mob loved him.

On, next-to-closing, is Evelyn Knight, making her Broadway vaude house debut. For the occasion, Herman Chittison's excellent trio has come down from the Blue Angel and adds much to Miss Knight's sock singing. Chirper's poise, phrasing, enunciation and savvy put her across solidly. Especially fine was her encore, Saloon, which she undersold to a fare-thee-well.

Coley Worth, assisted by a statuesque fem, closes. Worth is even funnier than when he worked here last year, having added numerous bits and dropped some of the blue stuff. Yocks and hands piled

Biz fair. Picture is Dorian Gray. Paul Ross.

PALACE, CLEVELAND

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takes his trombone in hand to solo on Smokes Gets in Your Eyes. The payees really ate it up. Bonnie Lou Williams, a tall eyeful, is the fem chirper. Handicapped at the first show by a faulty p. a., she had difficulty selling Candy. Her second number, Beginning To See the Light, was n. s. g., and the backing by the Four Sentimentalists offered little aid. Buddy Rich is spotted in a loud drum solo of Quiet, Please, which drove the jive portion of the house out of this world. He encored with Not So Quiet, Please. It wasn't.

Stuart Foster is the band's ballad specialist and fares well.

In the variety portion of the bill, Lane and Claire offer a neat acro dance

Dorsey failed to face the audience. Except for his solo and his theme he gave little accounting of his talents and failed to warm the house which was one-fourth filled. At last year's opening standees were in evidence.

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Broadway Opening

CAROUSEL (Opened Thursday, April 19, 1945)

MAJESTIC THEATER A musical play, based on Ferenc Molnar's "Liliom." Music by Richard Rodgers, Book and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II. Directed by Rouben Mamoulian. Dances by Agnes de Mille. Settings by Jo Mielziner. Costumes by Miles White. Musical director, Joseph Littau. Orchestrations by Don Walker. Company manager, John H. Potter. Singe manager, John Fearnley. Press representatives, Alfred Tamarin and Dick Weaver. Presented by the Theater Guild.

Carrie Pipperidge.....Jean Darling Julie Jordan.....Jan Clayton Mrs. Mullin.....Jean Casto Billy BigelowJohn Raitt BessieMimi Strongin JessieJimsie Somers JugglerLew Foldes First PolicemanRobert Byrn David Bascombe......Franklyn Fox Nettie Fowler......Christine Johnson June Girl Pearl Lang Enoch Snow...... Eric Mattson Jigger Craigin Murvyn Vye HannahAnnabelle Lyon BoatswainPeter Birch JennieJoan Keenan VirginiaGinna Moise Second Policeman Larry Evers First Heavenly Friend (Brother Joshua)Jay Velle

Second Heavenly Friend Tom McDuffie StarkeeperRussell Collins LouiseBambi Linn Carnival BoyRobert Pagcant PrincipalLester Freedman Songs: You're a Queer One, Julie Jordon; When I Marry Mr. Snow. If I Loved

You. June Is Bustin' Out All Over, When the Children Are Asleep, Blow High Blow Low, Soliloquy, This Was a Real Nice Clambake, Geraniums in the Window, There's Nothin' So Bad for a Woman, You'll Never Walk Alone, The Highest Judge of All.

The Theater Guild has rung the success bell again-and this time but loud. There will be the usual comparisons with its other stand-by, Oklahoma, which is still turning 'em away just across the street, but from this pew Carousel has everything that Oke has—and just a little bit more. There is nothing at which

to point the finger in any department.

Carousel is a tender, thoughtful, beauti-

fully comparisoned job from curtain to curtain-and a smash hit.

It is amazing that Oscar Hammerstein II could manage a book that sticks as closely as this to the tragic satire of Lilion and mold it to the requirements of a musical. Somehow, however, he has accomplished the switch from a European to a New England background and turned Liliom into Billy Bigelow, Salem carnival barker of the 1870s, without losing any of the flavor of the Molnar original. It is a top job of musical scripting.

Of course, the fact that his partner, Richard Rodgers, has contribbed one of his best scores does the effort no harm, and the Hammerstein lyrics as well are off the latter's top rhyming shelf. Rouben Mamoulian's staging is brilliant thruout. Agnes de Mille has added some of her best terping designs, and Jo Miel-

ziner's simply effective sets and Miles

White's costumes round out an almost perfect picture.

There is plenty that is hummable in the newest Rodger's score. June Is Bustin' Out All Over listens like a topper for the pops list. But there are beautiful melodies like If I Loved You and You'll Never Walk Alone which should be high in the running, too. Hammerstein's smartest lyrics crop out in sequences like Soliloguy, When I Marry Mr. Snow and There's Nothin' So Bad for a Woman.

Agnes de Mille has designed two major ballets. A hornpipe, in the first act, is delightful, with principal toe slots filled

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Margo will be featured on the benefit program of China Institute Child Care Conference on May 10.

Dark of the Moon 3-14, '45 43 (46th Street)

Dear Ruth 12-13, '44 (Henry Miller's)

Howard Smith was air-interviewed by Martha Dean on Wednesday (18). Whole troupe goes to Halloran General Hospital on Sunday (29) to put on complete show for G.I.'s. Cast call for second overseas troupe went out on Friday (20) from office of Maurice McRae at the USO Workshop.

Deep Mrs. Sykes, The ... 3-19, '45

(Booth) Margaret Bannerman air-guested (WINS) on Friday (20). Brandon Rhodes appeared in telied "Abe Lincoln" (NBC) on Sunday (15). He is skedded to play Jefferson in "The Patriots" on Sunday (22) on the same hook-up.

Foolish Notion...... 3-13, '45 (Martin Beck)

Donald Cook will be guest speaker at the Music Box Canteen on May 2.

Glass Menagerie, The ... 3-31, '45 (Playhouse) Eddie Dowling and Laurette Taylor will be honor guests at Dutch Treat

Club luncheon on Tuesday (24). Harvey 11- 1, '44

(48th Street) Stage manager Brad Hatton is readying a second overseas troupe of "Junior Miss." Brock Pemberton has outfitted troupe soft-ball team with uniforms-suits. Each have a rabbit sewn on the shoulder.

Hasty Heart, The 1- 3, '45 (Hudson)

Hope for the Best 2- 1, '45 (Fulton)

Moves to Royale on Sunday (22). Jane Wyatt was air-guest of Maggie McNellis (Blue) on Wednesday (18). Producer Jean Dalrymple has bought John Cecil Holm's comedy, "Brighten the Corner." May possibly precede revival of Marc Connelly's "Green Pastures" already announced for fall production.

I Remember Mama.... 10-19, '44 (Music Box)

Full cast to St. Albans Hospital on Sunday (22) to put on G.I. perform-

It's a Gift..... 3-12, '45 (National)

Closes on Saturday (21). Kiss and Tell 3-17, '43

Management has served notice to quit the Bijou on May 5. Bijou is not air-conditioned. No idea of closing play, however. Manager Charles Harris is scouting for another house.

Kiss Them for Me 3-20, '45 (Belasco)

Richard Davis and Dennis King Jr. will be guested on "Ladies Be Seated" (WJZ) seg on Tuesday (24). King

Out-of-Town Opening

RHAPSODY IN RHYTHM

(Opened Thursday, April 5, 1945)

MAYAN THEATER, LOS ANGELES

A musical revue. Presented by Paul Small.

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CAST: Ethel Waters, Timmie Rogers, Saxle

Rhapsody in Rhythm is billed as a

Williams, Ben Carter and Mantan Moreland,

the Savage Dancers, Dusty Fletcher, Four

revue, but is far from it. Small's eight

attractions add up to no more than a

glorified vaudeville show. Performance

is greatly padded, lacks continuity and

moves slowly except when individual

Outstanding in comedy groove are

Days, and Dusty Fletcher, whose drunk

act draws laughs. In chanting sector

Ethel Waters gets strong competition

from the Jubilee Kids, 15 moppets di-

rected and accompanied at the piano by

Step Brothers and the Jubilce Kids.

stars shine.

MAIN STEM GOES USO

Little change in the Stem theater bulletin board this week-one new arrival, the Guild's "Carousel," which has earmarks of a sock-and two departures, "It's a Gift" and "The Tempest."

Major event of stanza were pleas by Army Special Service and USO-Camp Shows to League of New York Theaters for assist for more legit shows overseas. At emergency meeting held by the latter at the Booth Theater, Friday (20), Lieut. Col. Marvin Young explained the post-V-E DAY entertainment needs for the

services on all fronts. Troops have developed a taste for legit shows and many more are urgently needed. Lawrence Phillips, exec v.-p. of Camp Shows, added details. Within the next 90 days CSI needs from 20 to 36 straight plays and from 6 to 8 musicals to be sent offshore. List of some 40 plays acceptable for offshore production has been made up and Phillips asked that each producer volunteer to undertake the supervision of at least one production. There was an immediate enthusiastic response from league members. John Golden was elected chairman for the project. Producers volunteering their services will contact Frank Heller who is in charge of the program for Camp Shows.

Opened Perfs.

will also be air-guest on Allen Prescott (WNEW) show on Wednesday (25). Davis skeds another guest shot with "Letters To Servicemen" (WJZ) on Friday (27).

Late George Apley, The. 11-21, '44 177 (Lyceum)

Life With Father 11- 8, '39 2,295 (Empire)

Howard Lindsay and Buck Crouse are currently at work on a new comedy which aims for Helen Hayes to have the lead. She has not committed herself definitely on it as yet, according to Crouse. Lindsay will not be in it. Both he and Dorothy Stickney are holding themselves ready for top slots in "Life With Mother," which is tops on the Lindsay-Crouse list for Fall production.

Overtons, The 2-6, '45 (Forrest)

Jack Whiting-via the Lambs Clubinvited 50 wounded airmen from Mitchel Field to the Wednesday (18) mat. The group left Paris on Tuesday (17) and arrived here on time to see the Wednesday show.

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

Soldier's Wife 10- 4, '44 230 (Golden)

In its last stanzas. Cross-country road trek begins on May 14 with original cast held intact.

Tempest, The 1-25, '45 101 (Broadway)

Closes on Saturday (21). Philip Huston headed troupe which put on three G.I. performances of "Man Who Came To Dinner" at Camp Meade, Md., on Monday (16).

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

Voice of the Turtle, The. 12- 3, '43

(Morosco) Sammy Schwartz, general manager, has been in Chi all week checking on Middle Western troupe. Returned on Thursday (19).

Musicals

Bloomer Girl 10- 5, '44 (Shubert)

Margaret Douglass out ill Tuesday (17) thru Wednesday (18). Olive Reeves Smith filled in for her. Eleanor Jones has been out for past week. Claire Stevens is subbing for her. Florence Berline was added to the ballet troupe on Monday (16). Terper Jack Nagle left and John Duane replaced him same date. Nagle has organized a USO-Camp Shows revue called "Come and Get It."

Carousel 4-19, '45 (Majestic)

Only one of the aisle experts turned thumbs down. Score, 89 per cent. Yes: Ward Morchouse (Sun), Robert Garland (Journal-American), Lewis Nichols

Opened Perfs.

(Times), Robert Coleman (Mirror), Otis Guernsey (Herald-Tribune), Louis Kronenberger (PM), John Chapman (News), unsigned (World-Telegram), No: Wilelia Waldorf (Post).

Firebrand of Florence, 3-22, '45 (Alvin)

Follow the Girls 4- 8, '44 (44th St. Theater)

Laffing Room Only.... 12-23, '44 (Winter Garden)

Thirteen-year-old Catherine Johnson. daughter of Chic, made her Stem debut on Sunday (15). Sunday was her birthday and Pop let her go on for two dance numbers with Kathryn Lee as a present.

Oklahoma! 3-31, '43 (St. James) On the Town 12-28, '44 132

(Adelphia) Oliver Smith has been bedded with grippe all this week. Jerome Robbins guested with Ballet Theater in his own "Fancy Free" on Wednesday (18) at the Met. "Free" had its 162d performance in one year-which is supposed to be some sort of record for a terp design. Likely that "Town" will be looking for a new home shortly. Adelphi is not air-cooled.

Seven Lively Arts 12- 7, '44 (Ziegfeld)

Lewis H. Harris replaced Clara Geffinger behind Ziegfeld b .- o. wicket as of Monday (16). Bert Lahr and Alan Lerner have completed book for new musical, "Mr. Van Winkle of Flatbush." Former wants to star in it next

Song of Norway 8-21, '44 (Imperial)

Up In Central Park 1-27, '45 (Century)

Helen Tamiris air-guested with Adrienne Ames (WHN) on Wednesday (18). Imogene Coca has been signed for comedy slot in overseas troupe, Mike Todd is also looking for male ballet dancers who can speak lines for the offshore edition. "Park" plays benefit for Actors Fund on Sunday (22).

ICE SHOWS

Hats Off to Ice 6-22, '44 (Center)

Will recess middle of next month for two or three weeks to permit Fortune Gallo's San Carlo chirpers to hold forth at the Center. Will reopen in June with added features.

BALLETS

Ballet Theater 4- 1, '45 (Metropolitan)

REVIVALS

Barretts of Wimpole Street, The 3-26, '45 (Barrymore)

Routes **Dramatic** and Musical

(Routes are for current week when no date are given)

Able's Irish Rose (Lyric) Bridgeport, Conn. 23-25; (Shubert) New Haven 26-28.

Ballet Russe (Boston O. H.) Boston. Blackstone (Shubert-Lafayette) Detroit. Blithe Spirit (Erlanger) Buffalo, N. Y., 23-26

(Auditorium) Rochester 26-28, Blossom Time (Shubert) Phila.

Dear Ruth (Harris) Chi. Doll's House (Wilbur) Boston. Gilbert & Sullivan Operas (Playhouse) Winni

peg, Man., Can. Good Night, Ladies (Shubert) Boston. Hayes, Helen (Curran) San Francisco. Jacobowsky and the Colonel (Cass) Detroit. Kiss and Tell (Plymouth) Boston. Life With Father (Metropolitan) Seattle.

Lugosi, Bela, Co. (Garrick) Fargo, N. D., 23 26; (Garrick) Duluth, Minn., 28-May 4. Oklahoma (Nixon) Pittsburgh. One Touch of Venus (Civic O. H.) Chi.

Othello (Erlanger) Chi. Over 21 (Colonial) Boston. Pitts, Zasu (Hanna) Cleveland.

San Carlo Opera Co. (Hartman) Columbus, O 27-28. Searching Wind (National) Washington. Sing Out Sweet Land (Great Northern) Chi.

(See Dramatic Routes on page 60)

Dorfman Mag's 3d Issue Hopes 100,000

NEW YORK, April 23.—Advance copy of third issue of Drumbeater Nat Dorfman's Stage Pictorial, which hits newsstands Friday (27), looks to cop another popularity gain with its spring edition.

Dorfman bowed in his mag some nine months ago with an initial sale of 65,000 copies. Circulation went up to 85,000 on the second printing and expects this one to top the last figure. However, current paper priority limits him to a quarterly publication at a maximum of 100,000. Post-war, with restrictions off. he aims to build it to a monthly at a quarter of a million.

Mag is essentially angled at legit fans but is shrewdly put together with showbiz savvy and can carry plenty of appeal to the trade. Field is well covered with special articles, personality portraits, as Timmie Rogers who highlights with his well as coverage of current plays. song, Bring Enough Clothes for Three

14 and a toddler about six win the house over in good fashion. Miss Waters offers her usual song line-up, getting Ben Carter. Solos taken by a girl about (See Rhapsody in Rhythm on page 33)

Magic

By Bill Sachs

ACK GWYNNE shoots from India under date of April 4: "Have the clipping from your column about my offering 15,000 rupees to see the Hindu rope trick performed. I made the offer on the level and did a lot of research with the papers. It seems that no American magician has ever made such a cash offer while in India, hence my ad. I know that several American magi claimed they had made such an offer after they had returned to the States, but there is no evidence to that effect over here. I have seen some amazing things and covered more of the interior of India than any other American magician ever dreamed of, The places where one can play are very limited but we covered it like a blanket. Went hunting last week for tiger, but no luck. However, we shot a deer and with the same bullet wounded a black panther, and we had a merry game of hide and seek to get out uninjured. Have added a Hindu trick to the show and it's a big success with the G.I. audience. After winding up here we will stop at Teheran and then head for the States." . . . BERT ALLERTON leaves the Pump Room of Ambassador East Hotel, Chicago, April 26 to open in the Cotillion Room of Hotel Pierre, New York, May 1. He returns to the Ambassador East June DR. HARLAN TARBELL presents his Seeing With the Fingertips at Chicago's Civic Opera House April 29. . . . MYRUS, mentalist, handed a holdover at Hotel Statler Terrace Room, Detroit. . . . FRED BECKMAN, Montreal trixster, still en tour for USO, Wednesday (25) winds up a 17-day stay in the San Francisco sector. . . . THINK-A-DRINK DORN-FIELD held over a fourth week at Nebiolo's, Melvindale, Mich., where he doubles as emsee. . . . G. RAY TERRELL is current at Hotel Statler, Boston. . . . CHAR-MAINE has taken her bag of nifties into Cocoanut Grove, Buffalo. . . . DELMAR is at the Barn, East Aurora, N. Y. . . . JOHN PAUL, comedy magician, is currently featuring his wares in the LaSalle Hotel's Gay '90s, Chicago. . . . MIL-BOURNE CHRISTOPHER, in an envelope crammed with German Marks, shoots the info that he's still moving thru Naziland with Broadway in Khaki, which recently passed the 420-performance mark.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES C. SHERMAN are back in Chicago after an eightweek tour of camps and hospitals with the Edgar Bergen show, doing the candy pitch and magic. The aftershow, says Jim Sherman, followed each Bergen broadcast, the stopovers including March Field, Calif.; Marine Air Base, Goleta, Calif.; Corono Hospital, Palm Springs, Calif.; Army Air Base, Victorville, Calif.; U.S.M.A.A.S., Twentynine Palms, Calif.; Williams Field, Phoenix, Ariz.; Davis Monthan Field, Tucson, Ariz., and Luke Field, Phoenix. Audiences ranged from 3,500 to 6,800 people. At Phoenix, Bergen and Sherman did a benefit for the Tecn-Age Canteen, the event netting \$1,700. If present plans mature, they will resume with army camps right after Bergen's last broadcast in May. . . . CHARLES RUBEN postals from the nation's capital: "Had the pleasure recently of entertaining my associates of the Navy's Identification Division at a picnic held at Mount Vernon, Va. I suffered a bereavement recently with the loss of my father." . . . MIACO is in the midst of a two-weeker at Jimmy Brink's Lookout House, Covington, Ky. . . . A. J. CANTU is working out a like engagement at Glenn Rendezvous, Newport, Ky. . . . is the villain. FRANK COLE II, husband of Peggy Gwynne, is overseas with a USO unit. . . . CAPT. R. K. ALLEN (Kirk Allan) writes from the Philippines: "Since writing you last, my address and rank have been changed. Saw Arnold Furst in New Guinea. He's on his second tour of that area. Since coming up here I've seen Gordon Alexander, who's also on his second tour. 'This time he's doing a comedy magic routine in the USO version of

HOTEL HAVLIN "Home of Showfolk"

Hellzapoppin. Hear that Prince Mendez

has spent some time in the hospital with

jaundice since This Is the Army left New Guinea." Captain Allen's address

is Hqrs. Base R. APO 72, San Francisco.

SKETCH ACT REVIVED

(Continued from page 3) in pencil of the battle-wounded most needing a lift. Each picture takes from one-half to three-quarters of an hour to complete. In their usual stay at a hospital, which is generally a week, they average 40 pictures. Afterward, the boy designates someone, usually his family, to receive the portrait. The original, a photographic negative, and a positive are sent to his choice from the New York ernor Ed J. Thye Thursday (19) signed headquarters of the USO.

To parents receiving these sketches of a loved one far away, perhaps for years, the pictures are priceless. Thus by being appreciated on the home front they do the double morale-building job. Sometimes the portrait is the last thing folks receive from their boy.

Stage Managers To Speed Votes in Donaldson Award

(Continued from page 3) a bang and his proposal was given com- face of opposition by the State's five plete support. The Billboard, therefore, largest communities. next month will supply each stage manager of a Stem show with his required number of ballots, together with booklets listing the casts and credits of all productions which have opened on the Stem between the first of last May and April 30, 1945—eligibles to be voted upon. The plan is a decided step forward and will add speed while avoiding mistakes.

It was explained that this plan naturally only applies to shows which are currently on the Stem. Other eligible voters will be reached individually via Equity and the various other union lists,

Aside from emsee, Eddle Dimond, those attending the get-together were: Walter Ash, Anna Lucasta; Ward Bishop, Bloomer Girl; John Christ, Laffing Room Only; John Holden, Ten Little Indians; Robert Champlain, Soldier's Wife; Edward Mendelsohn, I Remember Mama; Bradford Hatton, Harvey: Barbara Adams, Late George Apley; Rudy Brooks, Seven Lively Arts; Sterling Mace. Dear Ruth; Peggy Clark, On the Town; Moe Hack, The Tempest: Victor Sutherland, The Overtons; Ross Hertz, Dark of the Moon; William McFadden, Firebrand of Florence; Freeman Hammond, Deep Mrs. Sykes; Randolph Echols, Glass Menagerie; Teddy Hammerstein, Oklahoma; William Richardson, Voice of the Turtle, and Cecil Clovelly, Life With Father. The Billboard was represented by Bob Francis, drama editor, and Joe Koehler

CAROUSEL

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by Annabelle Lyon and Peter Birch, Duo register a smash sock with the customers. Ditto goes for Bambi Linn in a terp sequence in second stanza. Latter is in the familiar de Mille dream-ballet design, and choregraphy is a little heavy handed and over-contrived. However, the Linn saves the day by sheer superior stepping.

Guild and Mamoulian have picked an excellent cast. John Raitt in the lead not only has a fine voice but shows up as an actor as well. Jan Clayton, making her Stem debut, crowds him as Julie. Jean Darling also scores effectively as Julie's gal friend who marries the lug. Jean Casto adds another good musical chore to her list-her first since Pal Jocy -as the lady who owns the carnival. Eric Mattson is the lug and Murvyn Vye

Carousel is naturally short on broad comedy sequences. Following original as it does, it couldn't be otherwise. But this is a musical for once, where it isn't missed. It is alternately gay, tender and polgnant, the sort of combo which would make the addition of heavy-handed comedy out of place. The team of Rodger and Hammerstein — plus Mamoulian — have handled it wisely and well. Carousel skeds to be one of the most talked-about additions to the season. Bob Francis.

Minn. Says "Nuts" To War Time; Goes Back to Standard

MINNEAPOLIS, April 23.—In the face of pleas by government War Mobilization officials and public utility, transportation and communications interests, Govthe measure returning Minnesota to Standard Time effective Sunday, July 8. Previous to affixing his signature, the governor attempted unsuccessfully to have the State Legislature withdraw the

After apparently being buried in committee the legislation was resurrected in the dying days of the Legislature, passed by the House and the Senate and sent Wednesday (18) to the governor. When questioned by radio execs who complained that the change would disrupt programing, Thye explained that he had no alternative but to sign the bill because it had passed by such a large majority of the Legislature. Thye stems from the farm and, off the record, he's accused of going along with the farmers who supported the bill in the

Minnesota radio stations and other interests were up in arms after the bill was signed. Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth, St. Cloud, Winona and Hibbing authorities declared that measures will be introduced in their communities authorizing them to continue on War Time.

In Minneapolis, Alderman Harry Burgum instructed the city attorney to draw War Time ordinance which Burgum claims will be introduced in city council with the names of 26 aldermen-unanimous consent.

Burgum who maintains that the Legislature is an illegally constituted body because it has not reapportioned the State in accordance with the State constitution, said he would urge Minneapolis to fight to the highest court any action taken by the State to block War Time.

Paul, taking the same attitude, said: "They (State officials) can't arrest the whole city if we choose to stay on War Time." In Winona, the question of War Time versus Standard Time was put up to the populace at the last election and results were 3,671 to stay on War Time against 652 to change. Hibbing, Duluth and St. Cloud officialdom said Standard Time would tie up important war set-ups in their areas and steps will be taken to remain on War Time.

Radio's complaint is that Standard Time would disrupt programing because net commitments are on War Time sked. Thus, pop noontime and 10 p.m. local newscasts, for example, would be forced to go ahead one hour, endangering size of audiences...

RHAPSODY IN RHYTHM

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the hand on those with which she has been associated.

The Savage Dancers could have been better presented. As they are, turn is a rhythmic jumping bout. The Step Brothers do some real rhythm tapping that goes well.

All acts stay on too long.

Sam Abbott.

OFF THE CUFF

(Continued from page 26)

Club Como, Buffalo. . . . AVIS KENT into the Music Box, Copley Square Hotel, Boston, . . . BUNTY PENDLETON now at Town House, Albany. . . . LYDIA EHRENS current at Four Hills, Newark.

VINCE MARRA current at Brook Club, Summit, N. J. . . . PEGGY JEANE WATTS from Chicago now in New York. . . . FESS WILLIAMS started at the Clover Club, Philly. . . . TONY GALLANT starting third year at 20th Century, Philly. . . . JOHNNY COOK preemed at Aloma Club, Perth Amboy, N. J.

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VIRGINIA KINN is featured in the white half of the new Black and White unit launched to wind up the season for Hirst Circuit houses. Show opens April 2 in Newark, N. J. Other white principals are George Murray, Irving Selig, Lew Denny and Eileen Hubert, Dusty Freeman and company of 13 make up the colored half. . . . GRAND, St. Louis, called it a season April 7, six weeks earlier than in previous years. Elimination of midnighters, because of the curfew, the cause. Manager Dick Zeisler vacationing for five months at home in Villas, N. J. . . . BOBBY MORRIS, comic, started April 23 on a tour of USO hospitals, thru Charles Allen, who also has Morris set for the principal comedian berth in a new Shubert musical due to open in September. . . . PHIL ROSEN-BERG has booked Artic Lloyd, Fay Neal and Lilli Dawn at the Republic, Ocean View, Va., to open April 27. . . . MLLE. MICHELLE and Red Dulin have left the Hirst Circuit to operate a posing show on a carnival. . . . RUBE BERNSTEIN now managing Firebrand of Florence at the Alvin. . . . JACK CURTIS will be Bozo Snyder's new straight man on the latter's second USO overseas tour.

MARY ELLIS, stripper-dancer, is being featured in burly houses and niterles thru the Midwest under the billing of Sweet Mary. . . . TONY DeMARCO, tapster, moved from the Hudson, Union City, N. J., to the Primrose Country Club, Newport, Ky., and thence to the 5100 Club, Chicago, where he rejoins Condos Brothers, . . . IDA ROSE, producer, birthday-partied at the Edison Hotel, Pittsburgh, last week by Percy Kline and Milton Jaffe. Guests were Grace Gordon, Wilbur Rance, Joe Freed. Benny Moore and Frances McCrorey. . . . SMYTHE AND DOLORES have split, with Joe Smythe joining Uncle Sam, and Mayor John J. McDonough, of St. Dolores Dennis embarking on a tour of solo strip bookings. Duo has been working Midwest and Eastern burly houses out of the Milt Schuster office. . . . JACK HOWARD, who left burly and legit for ship engineering, has returned to the stage via Up in Central Park at the Century. . . . FRANCINE McCROREY and her accordion exited from the Hirst wheel April 14 and opened April 20 in Ocean View, Va., for Moe Costello. . . . GLOBE, Boston, closed for the season April 21, and Gayety, Baltimore, follows suit May 3, with the Freed-Moore unit officiating in both.

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COLE PLEASES THE OPTICS

Larger Tent Helps Talent

"Caliph of Bagdad" starts it okay and it's circus all thru—Loyal has new act

LOUISVILLE, April 21.—Zack Terrell's Cole Bros. Circus, the nation's second largest railroad show and the largest on tour under canvas until the Ringling-Barnum org sets sail in June, unfolded its 1945 edition here Thursday (19) with enough pomp, circumstance and circus to please the ardent fan as well as the casual observer.

Possibly the trend toward ballet in the circus tends to make a reviewer costume-conscious, and there is sufficient of the colorful garb in the spec, The Caliph of Bagdad, to satisfy such a yearning. And yet it isn't overdone to the extent that good, old-fashioned circus is pushed into the background.

weren't around long enough for one Fitch is legal adjuster. to tire of them, but they were there long enough to prove they will need a lot of rehearing before they can be turned loose in front of a critical ballet audience, or even one slightly hep to the better approved Oriental style. Evidently J. D. Newman, the general agent who routes Mr. Terrell's circus, isn't planning to show this one to the more effete audiences, anyway, and the Caliph and his illusion that makes two girls appear where two weren't a moment before sends the show away to a good start.

Eddie Woeckener was allowed to handle all his own arrangements for his band (19), so there was plenty of brass during the spec and the setting was just right for those old-time circus fans, (See A Feast for the Glims on page 58)

Barnes Topping 1944 Gate Pace

CHICAGO, April 21.—They were putting the oil to the turnstiles at the Chicago Stadium today in anticipation of a record final last two weeks of business for the Barnes Bros.' Circus, the advance sale indicating the sizzling pace of 1944 will be topped when it is all out and over.

Thru the first eight days of the run. the box-office count showed a healthy increase over the same period as of a year ago, and this despite the loss of a big Saturday matinee while the nation mourned the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Show proved popular with Chicago's newspaper critics, some of the notices being along rave lines, especially when it came to reporting its version of the Alice in Wonderland spec.

Some change in the routine after the opening night enabled the management to tighten the running time to 2 hours and 41 minutes. Hermine's Lilliputians were moved from way down on the bill to much nearer the opening, a move that figured to nail kid interest before the tots started squirming in their seats.

Clowns were given the promised jab and they have been getting some chuckles. Return of the old firehouse gag to the program gave it a real list.

Mills Okay in Youngstown

YOUNGSTOWN, O., April 21. - Jack Mills reports that business was satisfactory for the indoor opening of Mills Bros.' Circus here, and promotion reports indicate the stand at Springfield, O., April 24-26, will be okay. Show opens under canvas at Ashland, O., April 28. Featured in the performance are Robert Stanley, wire act; Aerial Lakes, Kenneth Waite and seven clowns, and a 10-piece

Bud Anderson Starts '45 Trek

EMPORIA, Kan., April 21.-Not even the rain could dampen the spirits of Bud E. Anderson as the 1945 edition of his Bud E. Anderson Victory Circus opened here Friday (13).

Show has bright new dress, with all wagons painted yellow and lettered with red and all side show banners newly painted.

Program offers the Dekhols, Frazer Family, Wilkins Family, Chief Keys and wife, and Anderson's stock. Lee Hinckley has seven men in the band. Joe B. Webb is equestrian director.

On the midway, Harry (Specs) Cautin and W. Hunt have the candy floss, pit show and cookhouse; Frank Zingaro, novelties; Verne Crawford, snow cone, and Mrs. Lee Hinckley, peanuts and popcorn. Leon Bennett manages the Side Show, which has eight displays and animals, including a large cage of monkeys, three camels (one a baby born Easter morning), two sacred cows, a llama and three black goats.

Si Rubens, secretary, has a new The Caliph and his dancing girls trailer office and ticket wagon. Harry

Bond Bros. Moves **Into New Quarters**

WEST CHESTER, Pa., April 21.-George E. Barton has moved his Bond Bros.' Circus into new quarters on the farm he bought recently on Route 100, Pottstown Pike, two miles from West Chester. It has a large stone home, spacious barn, smaller buildings and plenty of land.

Barton plans construction of a ring barn, canvas loft and remodeling of several buildings during the summer while his show is on the road. Moving has held up work on the show, which opens at Kennett Square, Pa., next Saturday (28), and to Broomall, Pa., April 30.

The Barton brothers broke in some green stock during the winter, turning out a Liberty act, menage number and two pony drills, in addition to the Riding Bartons, bareback turn, riding mechanic and performing Alaskan hus-

Zeke La Mont, producing clown, has his department ready. Show will carry a Wild West concert, side show, pit show and a midway.

Polack Grosses **40G** in **10** Days In Sacramento

SACRAMENTO, April 21.—Polack Bros.' Circus observed its 10th anniversary show for the Ben All chapter of the Shrine here, April 6-15, by breaking all gross and attendance records. Gross for the 10 days was \$40,000, and total attendance for 20 performances was approximately 50,000. This compared with the highest previous gross of \$32,000 set

Except for opening night, when 4,800 persons saw the inaugural in Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, the indoor show played to a capacity crowd of 5,500 every one of the 10 nights. Last Saturday (15) the matinee was canceled in deference to President Roosevelt's death, but it was made up for Sunday when two matinees and an evening show were staged, each playing to capacity.

Show's acts jumped here from Dayton, O. Two acts, the Antaleks, balance act, and Saxons, roly-boly, were held up in a Wyoming storm, as was a truck load of equipment. They missed the Friday opener but were here for the second day.

Program and advertising banner revenue doubled last year's. Schools cooperated in good style, distributing children's tickets and working a time schedule so that various schools released the kids early for the circus on different days, thus making for excellent matinees.

Promotion, under Jimmy Rison, was tops, town being well papered in advance (See POLACK HITS 40G on page 58)

John L. Andrew To Produce For Fort Worth, Houston

CHICAGO, April 21 .- John L. Andrew, manager of the Sam Houston Coliseum, Houston, has signed to produce the indoor circuses next fall for Arabia Temple of Houston and Moslah Temple of Fort Worth, he announced today.

Andrew has been here several days looking over Barnes Bros., along with Jerry L. Fite and J. M. (Star) Williams of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Parker, Willard W. Glaze and Harry Richards of Houston. They will visit the Ringling-Barnum show in New York and the Police Circus in St. Louis before returning home.

Jim Wood Buys **SpartonEquipment**

LOS ANGELES, April 21.—Jimmy Wood has purchased the equipment of Sparton Bros.' Circus and plans to take the show on the road in about five weeks. Wood, legal adjuster with the Russell Bros. Pan-Pacific Circus, had planned to leave at the termination of the Pan-Pacific engagement Sunday (15) but is still out with it.

While it is not known exactly what the equipment included, Wood has five trucks, including semis and a trailer with a two-horse capacity, in Venice. One of the trucks is for a calliope, which, it is said, will be used for bill posting, Also included in the sale were canvas, some animals and cages.

Wood operated the Yankee-Patterson Circus in this area about four years ago,

Wirth St. Louis Copper Show in Record Opening

ST. LOUIS, April 23.—They flew, leaped, twisted, rode and hopped all over the spacious St. Louis Arena for three hours in presenting the premier of the 1945 St. Louis Police Circus here Sunday afternoon before a record-opening crowd, 2,300 more than has ever seen a first showing of this fixture.

Produced under the direction of Frank Wirth, the act bill, according to Sam Hastings of the police committee, will run close to \$50,000, and there is no worry over meeting the bills, as the police advance sale was called off Saturday and the annual program looks like a Manhattan telephone directory.

Wirth dug deep into the bag of circus tricks in organizing this one, and with three rings and two stages filled virtually all the way, it will be necessary to increase the already emphasized production theme in order to cut 30 minutes from the running time.

Eddie Peabody, naval commander until April 15, had the featured spot on the varied bill with his banjo, and Commander Eddie, as he is now known, had 'em jumpin' and jivin' in their seats. As usual, the Police Quartet warbled and the applause was solid.

These two features were the only departures from straight whamdoodle-

It opened with a spec that filled the huge hippodrome, and four well-built and attractively decorated floats carrying out the victory theme were featured.

An outstanding innovation was the use of Stroblite in the Bob Fisher Fear-(See St. Louis Police Show on page 61)

Kelly-Miller Bows In Hugo April 30

HUGO, Okla., April 21.—Al G. Kelly and Miller Bros.' Circus open here Monday (30), with all equipment freshly painted and the trucks in good condi-

A leopard, purchased from the Dallas zoo, has been added to the menagerie. A new bull semi and a calliope trailer have been built.

Staff includes H. V. Darr, agent; Frank Dungan, office and front door; Mr. and Mrs. Buck Reger, banners; Bob Stevens, candy stands; Frank Beebe, bill truck, with Johnny Grady and Charles Thompson, lithographers.

Evalina Rossi, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Pyle, Gus Kanerva, William J. Keen, the Snyders, the Klines, the Johnsons and Tom King will be back with it.

Obert Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stevens visited the openings of Austin Bros. and Dailey Bros.' shows in Texas. ards, head usher. He went to Russell into Bell to play his first tour date. Co-Owner D. R. Miller is with Gen. George Patton's Third Army in Germany.

Tom Gorman Leaves Cronin; Russell Winds Up in L. A.

LOS ANGELES, April 21.—Russell sellers with him. Bros. and Cronin Bros. bowed out of here Sunday (15) night after playing 18 and 23 days respectively. Russell gave three shows closing day, with the early matinee at 1 p.m., to take care of the tickets sold for the matinee Saturday which was passed up in tribute to the late Franklin Delano Roosevelt. While it was previously planned to have two shows Saturday, the Pan-Pacific Auditorium management later changed its decision. Cronin gave two Saturday.

Tom Gorman, who was reported one of the bigwigs with the Cronin show, bowed out after the engagement in Bell, near here, Monday night. No explanation was given for his leaving. Also quitting the show were Poodles Hanneford and Company, the Winston Trained Seals and Cal and Ruth Thompson's White Horse Troupe. No reason was given for any of the acts leaving, except that the tent was too small to allow them to play. In the quarter-poleless tent used at Washington and Hill the troupe had plenty of space on the turns. Pedro April 26. Also leaving the show was Buddy Rich-

Russell, moving by rail, went to Riverside for Monday and followed with oneday stands in San Bernardino, Pomona, Santa Ana and Pasadena, playing the last-named town yesterday and today. Santa Ana was to have been a day-anddate. Cronin switched his route, after announcing weeks ago that he would play Santa Ana April 19, and played San Pedro. This show had untouched territory in Bell, Inglewood and Redondo Beach. After playing Thursday in San Pedro, Cronin moved into Long Beach for three days, closing tomorrow. Russell plays the same dates next week.

Chances are that Cronin will continue on south to San Diego, which hasn't had a circus this year. Both Arthur and Russell are unable to play the town because the Santa Fe Railroad will not take a circus train into the area. With Russell heading north after the Thompson troupe. It was explained the Long Beach date and playing Oxnard (30) and Ventura May 1, Cronin will have some spots in the adjacent territory to himself. Russell plays San

Despite labor trouble, Cronin moved Bros. and took 12 ushers and ticket (See Gorman Leaves Cronin on page 36)

James Edgar New RB Director

Barnes Bros.' Program Comment

(Reviewed at Chicago Stadium, Night Performance, April 18)

CHICAGO, April 21. - Several minor changes in the routine of Barnes Bros. have been made since the opening April 13, and performance was clocked in 2 hours, 41 minutes, with the tempo hot all the way.

The Program

1.-Alice In Wonderland. Well-costumed spec, with attractive floats, that moves to a narration with musical background on a sound track. Staged and devised by Marian MacDonald.

2.—Donahue and LaSalle, table rock; Bozo Harrell and Company, ladder rock. 3.—Terrell Jacobs, with lions and tigers, feature King, tight-rope walking lion.

4.—Paroff Troupe in fast action on lofty ladders,

Clowns.

6.—Trampoline display, featuring Larry Griswold, Russell and Rence, and Nifty Walter Guice and Company. bounding all over the arena.

7.-Clowns.

8.—Hermine's Lilliputians, featuring iron-jaw strip-tease and high single trap olimaxed by muscle grinds. Great kid stuff.

9.—Aerial ballet, featuring the Great Blondin, Winifred Colleano and Miss Estralita. On ladders were the Misses Albanis, Devine, Hamilton, Miller, Blake, Conchita, Wallace, Waters, Direen, Frank, Boswell and Stroth.

Clowns.

11.—Perfection in balance featuring Jim Wong Troupe, with the Rollys and Wilfred and Company.

12.—Greer's Liberty Horses worked by Bill Bushbaum. Try to top this one. 13.—The Sensational Marion with

breakaway pole.

14.—Three Valentine Flying Acts with Freddy Valentine and Company and the Romas Troupe flanking across the building with George Valentine and Company working lengthways in the center. Great

15.—Intermission and a rush for Jacobs

Bros. wares.

16.—Pony display featuring Mann's Liberty Ponies and Monkeys, Marie's Dogs and Ponies, and Gautier's Dog and Ponies. Socko for the kids.

17.—Greer's High-Jumping Horses. 18.-Malikova. Lots of action on the high wire. She makes it looks too easy. 19.-Perch display. Bonta and Company, Francisco and Dolores, with Pape

and Conchita spotted in center ring. 20 .- George Hanneford and Company, featuring Kay Frances Hanneford. Georgie can still step around.

21.—Clowns.

22.-Eugene Troupe. Fun on the bars. (See Barnes Bros. Program on page 36)

Roy Rogers Donates Pay To Boost Paralysis Fund

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Because of the large advance sale, the matinee performance of the rodeo at Uline Stadium was held Saturday (14), despite President Roosevelt's funeral, so Roy Rogers donated his day's pay to the Infantile Paralysis Fund. The sum was matched by the Uline management. Business started strong, but the President's death crimped it.

Ernie Wiswell's Funny Ford, Stevens Brothers and Big Boy, and Higgins Brothers, comedy acrobats, were sandwiched in between Jim Eskew's Rodeo.

Show moved to Cleveland Arena for April 21-28 run, with Pittsburgh, Toronto and Providence to follow.

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Bradley-Benson Hot in Alabama

THOMASTON, Ga., April 21.—Bradley & Benson Circus and Rodeo reports strong business on Alabama dates chiefly because of the management's success in Bros.' Circus thru the building of the arranging for early closing of schools for kid matinees.

canopy arena, with blue and white canvas. The 25 trucks and trailers are white with blue lettering and show has two new light plants.

and Jimmy Bagwell, owners; Bennie Fowler, general agent; Charles R. Dor- man. man, contracting agent; George Bridgemond, advertising brigade; Charles R. Wood, billposter; Clarence Walters, secretary-treasurer; Sally Bagwell, front door; Happy Simpson, legal adjuster; Tommy Arenz, side show manager with six platform attractions; Slim Griffin, ticket seller; Happy Simpson, tax box; Bill Dimsdale, concessions with six candy butchers; Joe Kewon, pit show; Doc Burns, boss canvasman; Slim Biggerstaff. seat man; Dave Frederickson, music.

Featured are Adolph and Mary Delbosq; Johnny King, who has just returned to civilian life after serving 15 months overseas in Army Air Corps; Peaches Nelson King, Mrs. Tom Mix and Company, and Captain Engerer's Fighting Lions.

Program: 1-Clowns. 2-Clown contortion. 3-Lulu Belle and Scotty in comedy bareback riding, presented by Captain Engerer. 4—Clowns. 5—Contortionistic trapeze. 6—Mrs. Tom Mix and Company. 7-Trained army dog, Flash. 8-Trapeze act. 9-Mary Delbosq, foot juggling. 10—Clowns. 11— Fate, Kentucky bred horse worked by Adolph Delbosq. 12—Captain Engerer's Fighting Lions, presented by Gladys Gillen. 13-Mrs. Peaches King, Johnny King, Mrs. Tom Mix, Hunky Johnson and Swede Johnson in roping and spinning acts. 14-Peaches King, rope act. 15-Bronk riding by Johnny King, Swede Johnson and Peaches King.

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Bill Judd and Harry Hatsing, New Britain, Conn. were the guests of Attorney Edward Rogin, who is the receiver of the Big Show, at the opening night's performance in New York. Many of the fans of the Bluch Landolf Tent, Hartford, Conn., are going to New York to see the Big Show. Among the members recently seen at the Garden were Bill Montague, Robert Brown, Bryan and Norman Bigelow, Dr. Martin, Bill Day and Jim Hoye. All reported a great show.

Charles H. Elwell, S. 1/C, CFA, stationed at Corpus Christi, Tex. writes: "Last week-end (April 7-10) I was in San Antonio where I visited the public library and viewed the Harry Hertzberg circus collection. It's a masterpiece. I met Fans Tom Scaperlanda and Frank Pahlmann. Had lunch with them and then they showed me the city. Later I met our national historian, Col. C. G. Sturtevant."

Claude Elder, Missoula, Mont., caught the opening of both the Russell Bros.' and Cronin Bros.' circuses at Los Angeles.

Hazel L. Gable, CFA, Charlotte, N. C., saw the opening of the Clyde Beatty Circus in her home town.

Jacksonville Promotion On

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 21.—Edwin N. Williams is here in personal charge of promotion for the Second Annual Jacksonville Junior Chamber of Commerce Hippodrome Thrill Circus April 30

O'Brien for Hinkle On Austin's Staff

CHICAGO, April 21,-Milt Hinkle, who served as general manager of Austin new railroad show, has left and has been replaced by Mickey O'Brien, ac-Show is presented in a Wild West cording to R. M. Harvey, general agent of the show, who was in Chicago early this week on business.

it is known that several men have left Staff: Ernie White, Clarence Walters the Austin fold, including Art Powell, who started the season as boss canvas-

> Harvey reports that business has been uniformly good for both Austin Bros. and Dailey Bros. circuses thru Texas, and now in Louisiana, where the latter show is playing.

Gene Autry and Champion In Dublin, Tex., Rodeo

DUBLIN, Tex., April 21.—Gene Autry, a flight officer in the air corps, will perform with his trained horse, Champion, at the contest rodeo here April 27-29 in an outdoor arena scating 7,000. Attendance has increased annually since the first rodeo six years ago.

Everett Colborn will be arena director. The bucking horses used at Madison Square Garden have been engaged.

Midland Rodeo June 7-10

MIDLAND, Tex., April 21.—Dates for

North Sues To Oust Managem't

Plans continue for annual tour under canvas-resolution for sentenced men

NEW YORK, April 21.-James Edgar, No reason was given for the shift, but of the Detroit sugar family, was named a member of the board of directors of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus at the annual meeting here Wednesday (18) and papers were served on the circus management on behalf of John Ringling North charging mismanagement and bringing suit to oust the present management.

> Edgar will represent James A. Haley, vice-president of the corporation, who is now serving a prison sentence as a result of the fire in Hartford, Conn., last July. Haley will retain his title.

> Robert Ringling was re-elected president, and Mrs. Charles Ringling one of the vice-presidents. William P. Dunn continues as secretary-treasurer. Other board members are Mrs. Aubrey Haley, John Ringling North and Col. George D.

> Edgar, recently discharged from the army after having attained the rank of major, has long been identified with circus and carnival organizations. His latest direct connection was the operation of a skating attraction on the Royal American Shows midway.

A resolution was voted commending the six circus officials and employees who were sentenced to prison as an aftermath of the Hartford fire. The resolution the Midland Rodeo have been set for quoted from an editorial in The Hartford June 7-10. Everett Colborn will furnish Times of April 9: "They are in a sense stock, Roy Parks, rodeo president, an- the victims of circumstances and they nounces. There will be a matinee Sun- may be sure that they will be so regarded. (See Edgar RB Director on page 36)

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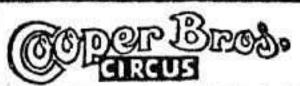
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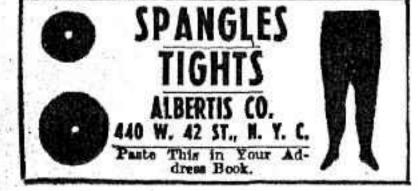
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CUTTING program time?

HUBERT CASTLE and Tommy J. O'Brien, publicist, were feted at a surprise birthday party April 8 at the Senator Hotel, Sacramento, Calif., guests being the personnel of Polack Bros.' Circus and Shriners.

SOME RETIRED circus men can stay put until "Last Call" ads appear.

CORP. EUGENE F. LEE, son of Frank J. Lee, publicist for Austin Bros., has completed 40 missions with the 748th Bomber Squadron and has been assigned to painting insignia on new ships. . . . WARREN WOOD'S collection of old calliope and parade pictures, displayed in the lobby of Madison Square Garden, has caused considerable comment. . . . AL HUMKE, Anderson, Ind., flash, was in Chicago last week looking over rodeo stock.

CIRCUS ROUTES, to assure publication, must be in the Cincinnati office of The Billboard by Saturday.

P. S. KINGMAN, Stanley F. Dawson, Kid Clark, Charles A. Jones and H. A. (Kid) Morrison, all former circus billers, enjoyed a great fishing trip out of Miami recently. . . . TED DEPPISH, official photographer for the Charles Siegrist Showmen's Club, Canton, O., got some excellent movie shots at Bailey Bros. quarters. . . . COLE BROS. will pass up Canton, O., this season, Rex McConnell reports.

MANY CARNIVALS bill themselves as circuses. We have yet to see a circus retaliate by billing itself as a carnival.

LOS ANGELES NOTES - JOHNNY STRONG and Dr. Bill Pallas, the latter of Queen of the Angels Hospital staff, visited both shows while they were in the vicinity. Strong, well known in show business, is under contract to RKO Pictures. . . . CLOWNS ON the Russell show include George Lu Salee, Si Otis, Hubert Dyer, Gus Lind, Hughie Curtis Kyle, Alva Evans, Charlie Bathe, Art LaRuc, Brownie Gudath, Ray Johnson, Bernie Griggs, Dick Lewis, Walt Matthie and John Doe Davis. . . . MRS. DICK LEWIS left Rus-

Dressing Room Gossip

Ringling-Barnum

NEW YORK, April 21. - The third week in the Garden finds the show running along at a fast pace. Johnny Tripp, on the sick list last week, is back. Charley Bell is still in the hospital. Old Man Sickness is striking down showfolk right and left. The Garden is a drafty building. Most everyone on

the show has a cold or is getting one. With so many visitors around this week, it seems like Old Home Week. Visitors included Dude Rhodus, Joe Simon, former member of the band; Dolly Gargan, Marie Grudy, Doris Clair, Margle Markle, Michelle Cuff, Doris Helms, Ann Simpson's mother and Mary and Sammy Crowell. The Ramdoodle Club will start its annual membership drive next week. The Dirty Dozen Club will hold an election to find a successor to Willie Moser, judge last season, who is not with the show now.

Back Door Scenes: Barney Alkonis, head chef in the backyard grease stand, puts out a good sandwich. Paul Jerome, clown and The Billboard agent with the show, in one of the crazy numbers, walks around the arena dressed as a duck hunter, carrying some 15 or 20 packs of cigarettes and holding aloft a sign saying "The End of a Perfect Day." He takes his life in his hands at every performance, as the cigarette packs are full of the real thing. All the ballet girls are donating used clothing to the rummage sale gag, which now looks like Macy's basement. Bobbie Steele, injured last week, is now walking around with the aid of a cane. Joe McCarthy and his wardrobe crew really keep the show moving. Harry Dann and his beer-barrel gag garner plenty

of laughs .- DICK MILLER.

sell when it pulled out of Los Angeles. . . . CLOWN CANNON ACT, one of the featured turns in the Russell show, is owned and presented by George Lu Salee, . . HENRY KYES is being publicized as the "Paul Whiteman of the Big Tops" by Roland Butler and Bill Antes. Charlie Post and his men closed with the Kyes band following the Pan-Pacific engagement. . . . AL MOSS has joined the Russell show as big show ticket seller. . . . DUTCHESS WILSON went from Russell to the Arthur Bros. . . . GEORGE EMER-SON, Everett Hart and his niece, Betty; Charlie Lewis, Phil Bailey and Hughie McGill were nightly visitors to the Russell show. McGill was the guest of Henry Kyes one night and viewed the performance from the bandstand, . . MARGUERITE POLEY is recuperating at Golden State Hospital, Los Angeles, following a serious accident in a war plant. While regaining her health, she is at work on an oil painting of circus life to be hung in The Billboard's Hollywood office. . . . BEN BENO, who was on the door at the Cronin show, is staying in the city, preferring his hotel room to

CIRCUSES ARE again moving but, as usual, it's a secret as to which way they will move.

BARNES BROS. PROGRAM

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23.-LeBrac and Bernice, unicycle, and how! 24.—Clowns.

25.-Wire display, with Maximo, Freddy Crouch and LeVols.

26.—Acrobats: Ambassadorettes, Brucettes and Three Sisters. Real flash. 27.—The Great Bruffee. Hanging him-

self in a different manner. 28.—The Albanis, motorcycling on a

high pole. 29.—Miss Victory. Zacchini's human

projectile.

trouping.

Staff: Chicago Stadium Corporation and Barnes-Carruthers, associate producers and directors; Arthur M. Wirtz, executive director; William H. Burke, production director; Sam J. Levy, production manager; Leo Hamilton, arena director; Fred H. Kressman, personnel director; Billy Senior, rigging and spec; Whitey Wilbur, boss props; Lee Barton Evans, announcer; Lew Diamond, press; Isadore Cervone, band; Dana Drake, vocalist; Al Melgard, organist; Andy Frain, ushers; Dr. Mitchell S. Corbett, physi-

Clowns: Earl Shipley, production clown; Bozo Harrell, Charles Baker and wife, F. Little, Billy Potter, Lindsay Wilson, Bill Donohue, Joe Coyle, Chester Sherman, Joe Vani, Hop Green, Van Wells, Red Carter, Charley DeMillio, Rube Liebman, Joe Ambrose, Whitey Harris and Otto Schlack.

GORMAN LEAVES CRONIN

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Passing up the matinee, show gave two performances to packed houses Monday night, with people turned away. Straw houses are not permitted. Inglewood had a late afternoon show and a good night house.

Russell had a sellout for Saturday afternoon. Putting on the first matinee Sunday at 1 p.m., children were admitted half-price and tickets from Saturday's performance honored. This and the following show were sellouts. Night show was above average for a closing performance.

Show had some slight union trouble Sunday when the American Guild of Variety Artists would not permit Art LaRue, cop clown, to work the closing show. The auditorium is union and AGVA, under the direction of Florine Bale, succeeded in unionizing more than 50 per cent of the show. LaRue later paid his membership, a union representative said.

Ortons Join Cronin

INGLEWOOD, Calif., April 21.—Alice and Tex Orton, who left the Arthur Bros.' Circus when it played Glendale, Calif., April 6, have joined Cronin Bros. The Ortons do a perch act and impalement in the after-show.

Bernie Griggs, who was in clown alley with the Russell Bros. in Los Angeles, is now with the Cronin circus.

Hunt Opens 53d Jaunt April

BORDENTOWN, N. J., April 21 .- Hunt Bros.' Circus inaugurates its 53d annual tour April 26 with a three-day stand at Burlington, N. J., under auspices of the Kiwanis Club.

Staff includes C. T. Hunt, owner and general manager; Harry T. Hunt, assistant manager and legal adjuster; Charles Hunt, equestrian director; Mrs. Harry Hunt, secretary-treasurer; Jim Stutz, contracting agent and press; Edward Bohn, tickets; John Worinski, big-top canvas boss; Lee Bradley, novelties; John McNeil, grab; Mrs. Roy Bush, popcorn: Ben Holmes, agent; G. J. Hunt, brigade agent: Al Qualmon, litho boss.

Show will feature Hunt's elephants (3), under Roy Bush; Pearl's T/M Ranch Rodeo; DeRiske Acrobats; Marvin and Hazel Case, wire and rolling globe; Harry and Charlotte LeVine, high perch; Marion Drew, juggler; Miss Francene, aerialist: Small Sisters, Roman rings; Mildretti, Brazilian rollo-rollo; Hunt's Indian and Shetland pony drills; Marion's cats and dogs; Phil Wirth and Jimmy Stutz, bareback riding.

Mrs. Estella Wirth will augment the band with a Hammond organ.

An 80-foot round top, seating 2,000, will house two rings and one stage. Menagerie will be a new 50 with two 30s, with a new marquee.

Dan and Bobby Stewart have the dining department.

Edward Hunt, Manager Hunt's youngest son, is overseas with an ambulance division.

Hunt Bros, was denied a permit to show Cranford, N. J., May 4-5 because of the manpower shortage in the township police and fire departments, and the circus abandoned plans to play Newburgh, N. Y., May 30-31 because of the high city license.

The Corral

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ECORSE, MICH., Junior Chamber of Commerce is readying plans for its second annual rodeo in June. Final decision on the event has been deferred until May 8, as a suitable site has not yet been found.

DEARBORN, MICH., Junior Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a rodeo June 29-July 8 at Michigan and Wyoming roads. William Budny is co-chairman and director of concessions. Program will include circus acts, with the Rudynoffs, riding act, tentatively booked. Bookings are being made thru Bob Shaw of the Gus Sun office.

Mansfield Vs. Troy Fort

BIG SPRING, Tex., April 21.—Toots Mansfield, world champ calf roper, will meet Troy Fort in a roping contest here May 6, Charlie Creighton, contest manager, reports. Each will rope 12 calves.

EDGAR RB DIRECTOR

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No stigma will attach to their names as

a result of their sentences."

The management is going ahead with plans to make the annual tour under canvas, which will start in Washington, after the engagement is completed in Boston Garden. The show has applied for a permit to show Irvington, N. J., June 25-27, and it was tabled pending a conference between city dads and circus officials over regulations stipulated by the police chief. These stipulations ask that the circus conform in every way to the standards of safety recently handed down by the Insurance Underwriters' Bureau of Standards.

Business at Madison Square Garden is running on par with the record-breaking pace of 1944 and the advance sale continues strong, indicating that a new gross record may be established in the present 47-day run

1945 RINGLING CIRCUS PARADE

18 Clear Post Card Size Views of the First Circus Parade in downtown New York City in the past 25 years, taken on W. 49th Street, 8th Avenue and Times Square, on Monday, April 9, 1945. Views show Bandwagons, Tableaus, Charlots, Elephants and all features in parade opening 7th War Bond Drive. Price, \$3.50 per set.

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CLOSE OR OPEN V-E DAY?

RAS Preems In Evansville This Weekend

Fronts Whip Labor Shortage

LARGO, Fla., April 21.-Royal American Shows loaded out of temporary quarters here today, and tomorrow will begin its long northward move to Evansville, Ind., where it is scheduled to open Friday 27. For the first time in its long history the show is under one-man ownership, that of Carl J. Sedlmayr.

The Evansville opening, to be followed by an extended run at Grand and LaClede, St. Louis, will find many midway innovations, among them two unusual fronts, one for the girl show, which Bob and Joy Purvis will operate, and the other for Leon Claxton's Cuban Rum-Boogie.

Beat Manpower Shortage

"The new fronts meet the manpower shortage in a big way," Sedimayr told The Billboard. Bally platforms fold into wagon walls on four sides. Extending wings on each side are equipped with trackways top and bottom of panelways. The panels, on rollers, are run in from opposite ends of the structure, erection: of the entire fronts being accomplished with a minimum of help in one third the time usually required for set-ups.

Each of the fronts are decorated in stainless corrugated steel and illuminated with colored neon.

Also featured will be two flashy Merry-Go-Rounds; one is a child ride which has been given unusual treatment in decorating. The larger ride is decorated with goldleaf and silverleaf over which transparent paints have been applied.

Among producers set for the season are Bill and Leta Kemp, Motordrome; Charlie and Cloe Fogle, snake and Funhouse; Cortez and Skeeter Lorow, 10in-1 producers, and Hal Hall, whose new attraction has not yet been named. Max Kimmerer has his Funhouse ready and will also front the Mrs. Ike Rose midget show.

Tommy Thomas Prepares Lot

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 21.-J. C. (Tommy) Thomas, general agent for the Royal American Shows, has been here for a week supervising the preparation of a new lot for the shows' opening here next Friday.

Blue Ribbon Heads North; Biz Hefty

MARIETTA, Ga., April 21.—Blue Ribbon Shows are in their 12th week of operation since being leased from Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Roth by E. L. Young, who reports that the org has enjoyed exceptional business to date. After one more stand in Georgia, shows move into Ohio Indiana and Michigan for street fairs and celebrations until Labor Day week.

The staff has remained the same since opening: E. L. Young, manager; J. B. Hendershot, secretary - treasurer; Dolly I was a bit disappointed when you didn't ways in Demand. We Have August, Sep-Young, business manager; Sherman write to the bosses about it and tell 'em tember and October Open. No Gaming Nordman, special agent; Joe Jernigan, mechanic; Pat Brady, electrician; Charles Perhaps you failed to see it. When I Under that was, "Want Legal Adjuster Gordon, lot man; Mrs. Joseph Jernigan, refresh your memory you'll recall it. It and Flagolet Player for All-American mail and The Billboard.

The show has a fleet of 18 trucks,

of Life, and a wild life exhibit.



MAYOR JEROME FLORA cut a ribbon on the entrance arch to officially open the new Endy Bros.' railroad show April 12 at Elizabeth City, N. C. There were many floral offerings. From left to right are Secretary Vernon F. Korhn, Assistant Manager George Korestes, Special Agent Joe Rowan, Superintendent Arky Bradford, Concession Secretary Milton Paer, Committee Chairman Bill Dawson, Legal Adjuster Louis A. Rice, Mayor Flora and General Manager David B. Endy. In the foreground is Harry Lee Riddle, the mayor's grandson.

Cetlin & Wilson Staff and Line-Up

Staff

John W. Wilson, general manager; I. Cetlin, assistant manager; R. C. Mc-Carter, general agent; William Hartzman, treasurer; Whitey Walker, secretary; William Cowen, business manager; William R. Hicks, lot superintendent; E. K. Johnson, special agent; Whitey Hewitt, general superintendent; Fred Utter, chief electrician; Neal Hunter, trainmaster; Doc Norman, superintendent of transportation; Sim Gibson, director of construction with Bert Miller, assistant: Tony Lewis, mail and The Billboard; Henry Roeller, sound; Eugene Hughes, press agent.

Concessions

William Cowen's concessions: razzle dazzle, with William Helman, Frenchy Paquin and Nick Magar; radios, Lulu Wagner; bears, Ray Kelly; blower, Jackie Shore, John Miller and Larry Cheetem; groceries, Mickey Goldberg; roll-down, Ben Cohen, Murray Levett and H. Washburn; bonds, Jackie Owens; gifts, Jackie Fields; quilts, Sam Taylor; clothespins, Billie Hammond, Ruby Klein and Smokey Scrubbs.

Dorothy Miller, three ball games and shooting gallery-agents, Bertha Cohen, Jeanette Pacquin and Mary Smith;

Cavalcade Scores; **New Fronts Ready**

TULSA, Okla., April 21.-Al Wagner's Cavalcade of Amusements finally got a break in the weather and business has started to roll. Sunday afternoon was big but rain spoiled the night, with a big crowd on the lot. The weather cleared Tuesday.

Bob Lohmar announces that two new fronts have been completed and will operate in Wichita, Kan. Show closes here Sunday and opens at Wichita Wednesday (25). Wagner's private car was moved from the fairgrounds Wednesday and the flats brought from the sidings near Sapulpa, Okla., where they were

Outstanding new shows are Duncan's Harlem Swing Revue, with 26 performers, and Vanities of 1945, with a flashy front and 12-girl line. Neither the Midget Show nor the posing unit opened here. The midget company closes its tour of picture houses in the East tonight and joins in Wichita. Posing Show has a new front and canvas, and the stage is expected to be completed to permit opening here tonight.

The new front gate has neon sunbursts and the mammoth organ, in a new wagon, has drawn plenty of attention. Bill Salisbury has a new front and banners for the Illusion Show and (See Cettin & Wilson Lineup on page 60) opened to better-than-average business.

Officials Aim To Co-Operate

Most ops to be guided by local conditions, while others will shut 'em up

CHICAGO, April 21.—As the noose tightens around the Nazi neck, operators of the tented world generally are making plans to close 'em down tight when V-E Day comes, especially if that is the wish of local authorities, a survey conducted this week! by The Billboard indicates.

There is some question as to whether there will be a V-E Day. General Eisenhower and other military experts have expressed the opinion that there will be no formal surrender and it will be a matter of complete occupation before the defeat of Germany will be considered accomplished. These are the fellows in the know, but operators are dealing their hands so as to be prepared for the bestor the worst.

Public officials in all metropolitan cities are making plans to prevent a re-occurence of the riotous celebration which marked the signing of the Armistice November 11, 1918. There was considerable property damage by celebrants, and officials fear such a spontaneous celebration in these days of much-easierto-get fire water might result in serious repercussions.

For that reason the grog dispensaries will be shut on V-E Day and the majority of business houses, amusements included, either will close voluntarily or will be told to "shut 'em up" by city officials.

When in Rome-

Skipping from Coast to Coast in the carnival world, operators generally expressed the opinion they would gladly follow the example set by the community in which they happen to be showing at that time. Others said they would close 'em tight and join in the celebration, while others asked to be excused from making a statement as they hadn't given the matter much thought.

Naomi Bantly, of Bantly's All-American Shows, at Reynoldsville, Pa., wired: "Would suggest that we abide by the ruling of the locality we are playing. However, want to do as the majority wishes."

Harry W. Hennies, of Hennies Bros. Shows, at Anniston, Ala., said: "We plan to suspend operations on V-E Day. However, we will adjust our plans in accordance with the community in which we are exhibiting at that time."

Pete Kortez and Mel H. Vaught, of the (See About V-E Day? on page 48)

Smith's Greater Resumes May 5 After 2-Year Rest

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., April 21 .-Smith's Greater Shows, off the road two seasons, spring to life again on a lot near here May 5, it was announced today by Owner-Manager K. F. (Brownie) Smith, who has operated a park here since quitting the road.

Contracted so far are Ralf Anderson, general agent; Herb Abshire, lot man and electrician; Jaggers McMillan, assistant manager; Tommy Coran, ride foreman; Ted Morgan, corn game; Mrs. H. H. McMillan, popcorn and snowballs; Mrs. Ralf Anderson, cookhouse; Gyp Darlin, Merry - Go - Round foreman; Blacky Sheet, Ell foreman; Joe Drazy, Loop-o-Plane; H. H. McMillan, Tilt.

Al and Nat Mercy are figuring with Smith for five shows for the back end. Beck Wilson will handle the office, mail and The Billboard.

Fire Delays Lewis Start

BARSTOW, Calif., April 21.—Opening of the R. C. Lewis Shows here was delayed two weeks when a truck burned and all concessions were destroyed. Lewis estimated the damage at \$3,000.

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BALLYHOO BROS.' CIRCULATING EXPO

A Century of Profit Show

-By Starr De Belle-

Short Con, Ark. April 21, 1945.

Dear Editor: several weeks ago? Original, wasn't it? Get in Touch with a Show That Is Alwhat a go-getter I was as an ad writer. Concessions or Girl Shows Carried."

stood out like a sore thumb. Under the shows' title was, "The Uni-7 major rides, 2 kiddie rides and 6 verse's Mastodonic Combine of Diversishows, as follows: Kay Weiss's girl revue fied Amusements." That led showmen and posing show; Mr. and Mrs. Karl Fritz to believe that this was the mightiest with the Fritz Exposition, life show and midway of all time. I'm sure that showsnake show; J. B. Hendershot's Bouquet men don't know the sizes of carnivals. The third line read, "First in." We didn't Concessions are as follows: Mr. Mackey, say first in what. Then came a catchy cookhouse; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Delph, line reading, "Playing Smokestack Cities popcorn, candy apples and snow cones; Where Money Is Plentiful." Reason why Mr. and Mrs. Blackie Steinfeldt, bingo, I consider it catchy is we caught six fish pond and hoopla; H. H. Archer, concessionaires with it. We followed (See Blue Ribbon North on page 60) with, "Playing Northing But Proven Ter-

ritory." Our dates always prove to be one way or other.

Did you notice the boxed item read-How did you like the ad we sent in ing, "Fair Secretaries and Committees Band." When a guy quit last fall, Manager Upp told him that he would fix it so he couldn't land on any other carnival. Heard he was with another show so we put in the sacks with, "Wheelwright Dayton, Blacksmith, Is No Longer Connected With This Show."

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(See BALLYHOO BROS, on page 50)



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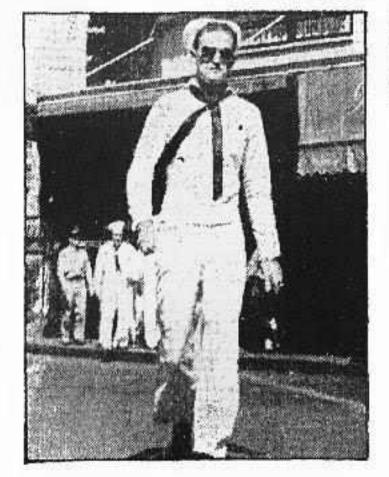
FRANK GRIMES, former concessionaire with the Continental Shows, will have several concessions on the Lawrence Carr Shows, opening at Lynn, Mass., May

MAYOR EDWARD J. KELLY, of Chicago, recently upped with \$25 for his dues and War Bond tickets for the Chicago Chapter of Show Folks of America. Inc.

"THE SEATTLE SUNDAY TIMES" gave the Greater Douglas Shows a front-page puff March 25, . . . FRANK J. CHORMAN, former light plant operator and electrician for circuses and carnivals, is now a lineman for the Staten Island (N. Y.) Edison Corporation.

GONE WITH the curfew are the gal shows' midnight specials.

Samuel Eddy and a brother of Earl Meyer Jr., was wounded in Germany April 6. . . . JIMMIE HILYARD has arrived at West Reading, Pa., to manage George S. West's concessions on the A.M.P. midway, while West handles the Oriental Villa, featuring Tommie Layton,



RICHARD O. (SCHOONIE) SCHOONOVER, S 1/c, ankles down a Honolulu boulevard on shore leave after action in the Gilberts, Marshalls, Palaus and Siapan. He is well known in Pacific Coast carnival circles.

NEXT WEEK comes the first of May with a shortage of First of May's.

PVT. HENRY C. LANDERS writes that his heart is with the carnivals even tho he is in the Philippines, . . . LOUIS-LOUISE LOGSDON is back as the annex attraction with Korle's Side Show on the Great Sutton Shows. . . . FRANK R. CONKLIN spent a day in Chicago last week en route to Winnipeg, "strictly on business."

TO BE a worth-while route critic one must be able to give shows better ones.

MR. AND MRS. SAM GORDON spent several days in St. Louis visiting friends. They came up from Mrs. Gordon's Charleston, Mo., home, leaving here Thursday (19) for Evansville, Ind., where the Royal American Shows opens. . . . E. S. (TED) WEBB, frozen custard operator, left his home in Wichita, Kan., Monday (16) for Louisville to join Cole Bros.' Circus.

Gotta Match?

Old Kid Confab has at hand a story of a game operator who, on a day off, went against another fellow's pan game and lost heavily. He hollered copper, had the show attached and had the people working the game arrested. Tsk! Tsk! Tsk! Such goings on!

CAPT, LUCKY JACOBS, cannon ball in the Fearless Gregg act, booked to open on the East Coast with the Morris Hannum Shows, and Doc Walt Dalley, mechanle and gunner, are in practice at Plymouth Concentration Camp, Plymouth, Wis. . . . WALKER AND COZY will spend the season at the Broadway Museum in downtown St. Louis, instead of trouping. Walker is managing the museum for Dee Lang, former carnival owner.

AT THIS time o' the year yes-men become executives-but fail to have solutions for midway problems,

CAPT. L. B. MOSES JR., at Halloran General Hospital Exchange, Staten Island, N. Y., is interested in booking a carnival. . . . PAUL EBERSOLE, Fort Dodge, Ia., owner of the Ebersole Shows. was in Chicago last week on a buying trip. He will open about June 1 with six rides and four shows. . . . BERT GEYER, scenic artist, is painting the JACK C. MEYER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Happy Attractions equipment at Coshocton, O. He will have the Creation Exhibit on the midway.

> LEE-LESTRA is the annex attraction for Wendell (Pops) Klentz on Endy Bros.' Shows. . . . LEO LIPPA is in the printing business in Detroit and says that he expects to make it permanent. . . . DORAL DESHON has his Temptation on the J. J. Page Shows, with Don Wilkes, manager; Jimmie Johnson, tickets; Cleo Renee and Martha Williams, dancers. and Margie Flynn, annex. . . . HARRY FINK'S Roxana annex attraction is with



PFC. JOHN GARRISON and his bride, the former Evelyn Brewington, of Jonesboro, Ark. They were married April 7 and have taken a residence at Pensacola, Fla., where Private Garrison is receiving treatment for wounds suffered fighting with the marine corps in the South Pacific.

Munroe Bros.' Side Show on the Regal Exposition midway, and Ted Comfort is working concessions.

WHEN A MANAGER said that his midway would be in the black at fair time, he was referring to his route of colored annuals.

TOM W. ALLEN, sage of Waynesville, Mo., has recovered from his recent sick spell and is able to be on hand daily at his recreation areade. His wife, Nell L., returned to their home in Waynesville Tuesday (17) after attending funeral services in Abilene, Tex., for Mrs. Ellen Foye Cramer. Mrs. Cramer and Mrs. Allen were playmates at Abilene during the days of the Parker Shows. . . . J. F. MURPHY, general agent of the Lake State Shows, has returned to St. Louis after an extended booking trip thru Illinois and Indiana.

DETROIT NOTES .- OSCAR MAR-GOLIS has returned from Miami. . . . JOE FREDERICK is joining the W. G. Wade Shows with his new arcade. . . . HARRY LEWISTON, who had the Side Show at Edgewater Park last year, returned to his home in Detroit last week after closing his winter store show. He

is shipping his equipment to Carlin's Park, Baltimore, where he is set for the summer. . . . PROFESSOR RUHTRA (Arthur St. Amour), graphologist, who died here last week, was well known hereabouts with his unique garb of professorial cap and gown.

REMEMBER THOSE days when we recited, "Little keister, don't you fret; you'll be a carnival company yet?" Well, the day has arrived.

LARRY NOLAN is handling advance on the M. A. Srader Shows, with Mrs. Nolan working concessions, and Red Hughes hanging paper. . . . GEORGE BANKS has joined the Sunflower State Shows at Lib. eral, Kan. . . HARRY SEIFER has

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opened his show in Utah and reports biz good. . . . GEORGE WIEDERIAN, new owner of the Happy Day Rides, opens at Grand Junction, Colo., April 28, . . . CHARLEY BROCK has joined the Seifer Shows, . . . C. F. (DOC) Zeiger was a recent Denver visitor, . . . JACK WILLIAMS, owner of the Capital Music and Sales Company, Denver, will not troupe this season to tend his string of machines.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE for Herb Tisdale, who died in Charlotte, N. C., in 1937, was conducted April 5 by personnel of the R & S Amusement Company at the old New Bern (N. C.) Cemetery. Carter Tisdale, now a New Bern business man, a brother of the deceased, and his wife attended. R & S personnel at the services included James M. and Carrie Raftery, Percy and Nellie Sink, George V. Minden, Teddy and Tilly Betz, Eddie Lewis, Walter D. Nealand, Leonard Garrett, Mrs. Lera Hedgecock, Eliza Bone, Bobby Johnson, Babe Babel, Lois Mc-Donald and A. E. Selden, Several floral pieces, including a wreath from Jean Tisdale, daughter of Herb, were placed on the grave. Jean is a member of the WAVES stationed at Sampson, N. Y.

CARNIVAL ROUTES, to assure publication, must be in the Cincinnati office of The Billboard by Saturday.

REX HOWE, cookhouse operator on the Virginia Rose Shows on location in downtown Louisville, was given a surprise party on his birthday, March 31. A steak dinner was featured and he was showered with many gifts, one being a check for a complete outfit of clothing presented by M. F. Kaufman, show owner. . . MRS. ESTHER SPERONI, owner and manager of the Midway of Mirth Shows, pulled stakes from St. Louis lots Sunday (15) for Highland, Ill., to be followed by Carlinville and other spots in Illinois. Midway of Mirth Shows played four different Mound City lots since opening March 9. . . . MR. AND MRS. RILEY HICKMAN, of Dallas, entertained Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Quigley at their home last week. . . . BETTY CLARK, daughter of Eddie and Ollie Clark, concessionaires, visited over the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Denny Pugh at Dallas.

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HARRY W. HENNIES introduced his bride, the former Hilda Lamb, of Chicago, at a dinner party in the Molton Hotel, Birmingham, April 8. Guests from Hennies Bros.' Shows included Mr. and Mrs. Fitzie Brown, Jimmie Sutero, Mrs. Maxine Ingram, Mrs. Elsie Calvert Bouzendine, Ronnie Everton, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Weinkle, Mr. and Mrs. John Shelley, Mrs. Eleanor Spears, Marcelyn Ortague, Leo Lusson, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Miller, C. Lutz, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Darpel, Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ansher, Jack Platt, A. Stein, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reed, Joe Lewis, Joe Sciortino, Mrs. Martha Gentile, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fratello, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Miller, L. O. Willows, H. J. Mallman, Mr. and Mrs. George Powell, Rufus Huck, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greene, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. McGreen, Mrs. Billy Garber, Mrs. Emmett Borfield, Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Baker, Louis J. Berger, William Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Clint Shuford, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kunz, Mrs. Daisy Hennies, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Lamkin, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Williams, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Schmyal, William S. Schneyal, Harry Aventeur, James Clare, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rinaldi, Gus Bethume and Mike Conti.

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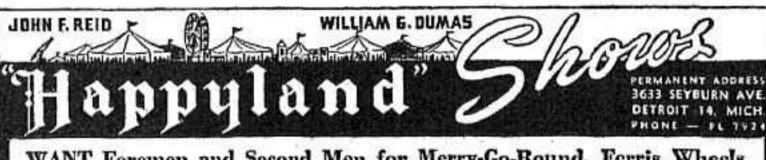


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FROM THE LOTS

Dodson's World's Fair Shows North American Exposition

GADSDEN, Ala., April 21.—Following two smaller shows, Gadsden gave the show a good week's business despite the fact that the lot was such as to make a "showable" appearance impossible. Visitors here were Manager Frank Peppers, of the show of the same title, and W. W. Bridges, representing State Revenue Department of Montgomery. Newspapers and radio station were generous with space and time, and the publicity helped greatly.

William B. Starr, legal adjuster, was assisted by George Golden. Concessions enjoyed a satisfactory week's work. In charge of police detail was Capt. Jack Fisher. Nightly co-operation was had from the sheriff's office, as well as Alabama State patrol. Mayor J. Herbert Meighan gave the show every possible co-operation, as did Municipal Inspector Powell and the chief of police. All were nightly visitors to the white office wagon

The show lost Saturday due to the (See DODSON'S SHOWS on page 48)

Hampton, Virginia

ATLANTA, April 21 .- After a successful 10-day stand at Panama City, Fla., notwithstanding the decrease of some 8,000 working men in the shipyards there in the past six months, the show moved into Hapeville, Ga., suburb of Atlanta, for a week's stand under the Greater Atlanta Post No. 390 of the VFW, which also will sponsor the show the following week in Atlanta, on the Highland Avenue circus grounds.

The trip from Panama City to Hapeville necessitated a two-road movement, causing a late arrival. The 30-car special was spotted at East Point, Ga., for unloading, and the haul to the showgrounds, just opposite the municipal airport, was two miles. Show missed Monday night but was ready Tuesday for a fair opening night's attendance.

Thursday the news of President Roosevelt's death hurt attendance and cast a pall over the entire midway. The Saturday matince was canceled.

Red Marcus has taken over the management of Gay Ole New Orleans, following Eddie Jameson's sudden departure Saturday night at Panama City. The girl show revue, Red Hot and Blue, is being revamped.

A new five-and-one pit show was framed last week by Cash Wiltsee for Pete Kortes and is featuring a flea circus.

Al Stone, of Tampa, a CPA, is now auditor for the show. His former show connection was with the Rubin & Cherry Shows in 1942.

General Representative George T. Mc-Carthy has informed Messrs. Kortes and Vaught that he has been awarded the Urbana-Champaign (III.) Fair early in July.

Mrs. Jack Neal has joined to take over the management of two sets of diggers, and Mrs. A. J. Weiss, who has been under the weather for some weeks, showed signs of improvement since arriving here.—JOE SCHOLIBO.

Marks Shows

RICHMOND, Va., April 21.-Week ended Saturday, April 14, on Roseneath Road, opposite ball park, brought spotty weather but good business. Move from Newport News, Va., was made in good time and entire midway was ready Monday, Bancroft's Side Show, Jimmy Simpson's Jump and Jive, Madge and Clarence Thames's Gay New Yorkers; Dot Carlson, fat girl, and War Show are doing big business.

Owner-Manager and Mrs. John H. Marks were hosts to wounded men and nurses from Maguire General Hospital. This was arranged by Joe Brown, of WRVA. Harvey Hudson, WRVA, gave show daily plugs and presented passes to winners of quiz contests.

Paul Lane has left to join another show. Clyde Warbritton has left for Tampa. Smiling Billy Breese, general agent, still away on business. Art Spencer out of hospital and will be back on the job next week with his Wall of Death. Harry Basil was laid up for several days but is back on the job. Nick Stepp had visitors from Asheville, N. C. The writer still trying to wear his false teeth. Week April 23, Hampton, Va. HARRY E. WILSON.

Peppers All-State

FORT PAYNE, Ala., April 21 .- Show arrived here in plenty of time to open Monday night to a poor crowd. All concessions and shows reported mediocre business. Tuesday the crowd was a little larger, but still money was scarce compared with last year. Wednesday was fair. Thursday the show was closed in respect to President Roosevelt. Friday night business was better; Saturday was good.

Mrs. Sam Weiner joined at this spot to help her husband handle his two concessions. The writer was confined in the hospital in Gadsden, Ala., last

Buddy and Jerry Mitchell, Funhouse operators, left the show to visit friends and relatives in Pensacola, Fla. Frank and Millie Chase, bowling alley operators, are leaving for Kingston, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Eddle Wheeler joined with one concession. JayDee the Great, is a favorite with his high-pole act. Bill Allen has built a new cookhouse. The old one burned en route to Gadsden. Cleveland, Tenn., next spot.

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NAPA, Calif., April 21.—Mike Krekos's shows moved in here Tuesday (17) after a successful 12-day stand at San Jose, despite two cold Sundays. Canvas passed rigid inspection by the State fire marshal and San Jose's fire chief.

Rudy Muller's trained animal circus, with ponies, dogs and camels, and featuring Rosie, elephant, led the midway.

Staff includes Mike Krekos, general manager; W. T. Jessup, general agent; Louie Leos, secretary; Marie Jessup, assistant secretary; Harry Myers, concession manager; Edward Kemp, special agent; Swede Wilson, master mechanic; Harry Baker, electrician; Virgil Latiker. lot foreman; Nick Krekos, night watchman; Johnny Miller, commissary; Isabelle Myers, front gate; Bill Stathos and Charlie Dutton, ticket takers.

A. J. Budd's Side Show: Walter Paul and C. G. Cox Jr., openings; Jake Plant and William Hall, tickets; Ramon Lopez, inside talker and magic; Alzora, turtle girl; Zimba, pinhead; Saide (H. Paige), fire eater; Raeye Nelson, sword box; Leon Polinisky, midget; Bessie Bessette, annex; Dolores, magnetic girl; Trouper, tight-wire dog.

Girlesque Revue: Marie LeDoux, talker; James Udseth, tickets; Torchy Roberts, Electra, Evelyn and Jewel Hermon, Lavonne Garcia and Gayle Davis, dancers; John T. Lonces, featured.

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North American Exposition

ATLANTA, April 21-This marks the second week for the North American Exposition in Atlanta and its suburb, Hapesville. Week at Hapesville was a winner for shows, rides, gate and concessions. First part of the week at Hapesville was on the light side, but the last three days brought record crowds and good spenders.

Opening Monday night (16) on the Highland Avenue circus grounds, the show hasn't been setting the world on fire this week as to attendance or business, partly due to some chilly weather and the location.

Tex Webb joined this week to take over the operation of the Twin Ferris Wheels, bringing along a full wheel crew from New Orleans, where Tex has been making his home. George T. McCarthy, general representative, is expected in for a visit, the first since the show opened its 1945 season. Mel H. Vaught has been under the weather and a doctor's care for a week, but the past two days he has been around the lot getting lots of building under way.

Pete Kortes hired Larry Bedwell this week to take over the train and also entered into a contract with Eddie Breckinridge to take over the Red, Hot and Blue girl show.

Regal Exposition Shows

NASHVILLE, April 21.—Ideal weather marked the April 9-14 stand at Dalton, Ga., with biz good. The show, which now has 6 rides, 6 shows and 35 concessions, moved to Nashville from Dalton .-E. SYLVESTER.

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Mechanical Farm Show, Illusion Show, Midget Show (Little George, write), Monkey Show or Animal Show, All Concessions open except Ball Games, Popcorn, Photo Gallery, Devil's Bowling Alley, String Game, Cigarette Shooting Gallery, Bumper Joint, Jewelry Wheel. Tilt-n-Whirl Foreman, must be reliable and sober, \$75.00 a week to start and more if you can get it up quick enough. Second Men on all Rides, \$60.00 a week to start. Sleep every night, with best of working conditions. We play the cream of North Dakota, South Dakota and Montana, with from 6 to 7 days' work every week. Have B Circuit of fairs in Montana (8 in all), besides other celebrations contracted for before and after Montana fairs. If interested in making some money for a change come on. Man and Wife to take over Cookhouse, or would consider booking medium size Cookhouse (Curtis Edwards, get in touch with me, have good proposition for you). Medium size Penny Arcade and Candy Floss wanted.

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CLUB ACTIVITIES

Showmen's League of America

Sherman Hotel, Chicago

CHICAGO, April 21 .- Just one more meeting for the season. In the absence of regular chair officers, Treasurer Mike Wright presided at meeting Thursday. Members welcomed an invitation to be guests of Barnes Bros, Circus at the Stadium Monday night. Directory committee reports the book out and will go in the mail this week. Application of Mike Ruback was presented and he was elected to membership, Welfare committee reports Jack Arenz in Mt. Sinai Hospital for an operation; William J. Coultry, Louis Rosen and E. W. Weaver are still confined, Norman Thorne, Joe Archer, H. H. McClellan and Sam Menchin are out and doing nicely. Counsel and Mrs. Morris A. Haft off on a West Coast trip. Virgil Sells was in for a visit.

J. C. Donahue stopped over en route to Detroit. Adolph Treusch is back from the Coast. Ben Braunstein in for short call. Nat D. Rodgers is still with us. Frank Conklin was in town for a day. Al Rossman and Lou Leonard off for the Royal American Shows, Bob Klein will enter hospital for attention.

Mustering-Out Fund Committee reports checks sent during the week went to Joseph Eule, J. J. Rosenheim, F. B. Steinberg, John J. O'Connell, Nate Lewis, Julius Oakley and James Edgar, Total amount being \$1,030. Full report of working of this committee will be published in a short time, Thirty-four brothers who have been discharged from service have received checks, and others will be mailed as fast as discharge papers are sent us.

Late reports advise that E. W. Weaver is in a serious condition at White Cross Hospital, Columbus, O.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Annual card and bunco party on the 13th proved an outstanding affair. Mrs. Edward A. Hock was in charge, assisted by L. Brumleve, Nan Rankine, Alice Hill, Mrs. Filograsso and Mae Sopenar. President Ann Doolan gave the guests a warm welcome and explained the charitable uses for which proceeds of this affair are used. Major awards of the evening went to Claire Sopenar and R. Zirzow. Final meeting of the spring is to be held Thursday (26); meetings to resume October 4. Nan Rankine and Mae Sopenar were in charge of the social on the 19. Sick list report includes Mrs. Ralph Glick, Cleora M. Helmer and Maude Geiler.

Rocky Mountain Showmen's Club

Milner Hotel, Denver

DENVER, April 21.-The blanket raffle was held Friday (20), as the last regularly scheduled meeting of the séason, April 13, was called off because of a

At an unofficial meeting of the directors it was decided to purchase amusement equipment, with the coin chutes removed, for the clubrooms, and there was some discussion about new and improved quarters.

The War Bond raffle is set, with tickets to go at five for \$1. Winner will receive a \$100 bond, and the top salesman a \$25 bond.

Lone Star Show Women's Club

19281/2 Elm, Dallas, Tex.

DALLAS, April 21.-Attorney Frank Holaday returned from Austin with the charter for the club. Local showmen presented the club with a silk American flag. The first \$50 mustering-out check was presented to Dupre Ayres, son of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Ayres, who received his medical discharge several weeks ago after three years service in the South Pacific. Mrs. Sally Murphy was hostess at the last meeting. Another check for \$50 was sent to the Hope Cottage Crippled Children's Hospital, the regular monthly donation by the club. Sympathies were extended to Jack Lindsey who lost his father last week. A walrus brief case was presented to the secretary. President Helen Rees presided, assisted by Myrtle Potter.

National Showmen's Association

1564 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, April 21.—Peejay Ringens. en route to Belmont Park, Montreal, visited the club. Other visitors included Dr. Joseph Heffernan, Stanley Szurek, of Coleman Bros., Danny Krassne, scale man, back from Norfolk; George Garnett, Whitey Adams, Al Keating and Mike Zenter, recent arrivals from Miami, and Harry Witt, long-time carnival impresario in South America, who has just returned to New York, His brother, Mark, also flew in.

Lon B. Ramsdell is back with Oscar Buck as press representative and legal adjuster. Sid Goodwalt in fron Troy, N. Y., where he is getting his equipment in shape to join the Oscar C. Buck Shows, Harry Schwartz will have the custard concesh with Buck. Harry Agne, of the King Reid Shows, in town on a buying trip, Joe Gold, in from an engagement in Kingston, will join Coleman Bros. John Lane is also joining Coleman, Louie Ulrich, formerly with George Traver, has bought into a taxi biz, Frank Miller, back from a visit to his various enterprises, will take charge of the R-B concession department with brothers, Paul and Max, at the Boston Garden stand, Pvt. Al Dorso, former caterer with Cetlin & Wilson, is now in Greenland. Whitey Merrill is back from Baltimore after a short stay with Cetlin & Wilson.

Bligh Dodds, president of the New York State Association of Agricultural Fair Societies, who has been ailing for some time, letters that he is almost entirely recovered and is actively engaged in the affairs of his organization. Letter from Pvt. Anthony Baress, stationed at Pinecastle, Fla. Bro. George Nichols, ill for some time, is convalescing and expects to cover his usual spring territory. Frank Schillizi is back in Veterans Hospital in the Bronx for his 12th throat operation. The father of Bill Moore is seriously ill. Bill paid a visit to brother Mack Harris at his home in Asbury Park, N. J., where Mack has been ill for the last month.

Ladies' Auxiliary

President Edna Lasures greeted Mrs. Metcalf, of the Pacific Coast Ladies' Auxiliary, at the last meeting, Ella Wilson, member, died April 4. Bess Hamid, one of the hostesses of the Hamid "Sisters" card party, made an astonishing report of the success of same, both financially and socially. Proceeds went to the Bess Hamid Sunshine Fund.

Last card party, April 14, proved a success. Hostesses were Edna Lasures, Ruth Gottlieb and Flora Elk. Proceeds collected go to the Bess Hamid Sunshine Fund.

Midge Cohen, chairman of USO work unit project, is pleased at its progress, Urges members to contact her for articles to be made. Delivery of several aighans, bed pockets, wash rags, card pillow cases and cross-word puzzle boards has already been made to the USO in New York, Bess Hamid made donation of yards of muslin and Julia Taffet, hanks of wool.

Correspondence received from Caravans, Chicago.

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Man to take full charge of Arcade; salary and percentage. Also Man or Man and Wife preferred to take charge of Pitch-Till-You-Win and center Hoop-La. Wire

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JOHN McKEE, Mgr., Anna, Ill., this week.

Pacific Coast Showmen's Association

6231/2 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, April 21.-Members of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association paid tribute to the late Franklin Delano Roosevelt at the regular Monday night meeting with a silent prayer. A tribute was also offered for Mrs. James Dunn, wife of Jimmy Dunn, member of the sick and relief committee. Mrs. Dunn died April 14 after an illness of several weeks.

Many of the club's members are out with the shows or at the beaches. However, the meeting was well attended. In the absence of Roy Ludington, president, Ted LeFors was in charge. On the rostrum with him were Ed Walsh, Harry Hargraves and Ed Mann.

It was announced that improvements for the front office of the club had been ordered. The section will be enclosed in glass.

Meeting of the board of governors was headed by Joe Glacy. J. Ed Brown, who has a string of attendances to his credit, was absent, due to illness,

Ladies' Auxiliary

A tribute was paid to the late President Roosevelt Monday (16) by having his picture draped and the flag at half mast. Red roses contributed by Vivian Gorman and Jenny Rawlings were placed in front of his picture. Mother Minnie Fisher, chaplain, led a prayer.

Donna Day, sick chairman, announced that Tilly Palmateer is better and at home, also Gertrude Desanti. Lucille Dolman, injured in an auto accident in Chicago, was reported better. Missouri Bell Phillips was on the sick list.

Bank award went to Wilma White, and door prizes, donated by Gertrude Mathews and Ann Stewart, were won by Florence Lusby and Helen B. Smith. Edith Bullock announced that the bulletins had been sent out. Betty Coe sent in several aprons for the bazaar. Letters were read from Tilly Palmateer, Gertrude Desanti, Lucille Dolman and Emily Bailey. Those called on by President Marie Tait were Florence Lusby, Ora and Mary Ernst, Perle Jones, Martha Reilly, Fretz. Lucille King and Leta Johns.

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PVT. JOHN J. ANDERSON, secretary and general sales manager of the Enquirer Job Printing Company, Cincinnati, is stationed at Camp Atterbury, Ind., awaiting reassignment after a year in the Aleutians, Anderson, who boasts a host of friends in outdoor showbiz, has just concluded a month's furlough at his home in Cincy. He says he's still a private (j. g.).

International Showmen's Association Maryland Hotel, St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, April 21 .- The drive for new members continues strong with a total of 134 elected since February 1. Inducted recently were Peter Byrnes Sr., Wesley Schumacher, George (Red) Heller, John Bale, John Gross, F. B. King, Millard Martin, Dr. Joseph Bay, Fred Bolis, Harry S. Clark, Samuel Lapp, Wesley Schumacher, Ernest Morohl and Charles

Cemetery Fund is firmly established, with a balance in the bank and all graves in the ISA plot in Memorial Park Cemetery paid for. Contributors to the fund were Al Baysinger, Jack Vinson, William A. (Harry) Moore, Charles F. Stuart, Euby L. Cobb, Sid Sidenberg, Pat Purcell, John Francis, Orville Williams, Frank Hanasaki, Leo C. Lang, P. E. Waughn, Gus Forster, Green Downing, William (Red) McCoy, Ralph Hatton, Rex Howe, W. H. (Bill) Allen, Joe Mackey, R. Walkup, John K. Maher, Joe Maher, Dee Lang, Pete Rust, Cy Horwitz, Tom Casey, Frank B. Joerling, Sid Belmont, Charles Henry Bell, James Thomas Flanagan, Fred Proper, Ray Swanner, George and Daisy Davis, Morris Lipsky, Earl H. Bunting, Harry Lewis, Floyd Hesse, J. P. Murphy, Buif Hottle, L. M. (Pete) Brophy, Robert Poignant, Earl Palmer, Frank Barry, Joe Sorenson, Pete Byrnes Sr., Charlie Chaney, Harry Coulson and the Missouri Show Women's Club. At the head table were President John K. Maher, Secretary Euby L. Cobb and Treasurer Leo Lang.

Caravans

155 N. Clark St., Chicago

CHICAGO, April 21.-Regular biweekly meeting was held in the club rooms April 10, with President Jeanette Wall presiding. Officers at the table were Vice Presidents Edna Stanson, Lucille Hirsch and Mae Taylor: Treasurer Claire Sopenar, Secretary Clara Polich, Bessie Mossman gave the invocation. Two Ball Game Agents for Cat Racks. Long Committee on by-laws are in final stages of their work and will soon have copy of their work and will soon have copy ready for the printer. Lucille Hirsch has been appointed corresponding secretary to help ease the ever-increasing duties of Secretary Polich.

> Bessie Mossman made a suggestion of a registration book for the clubrooms. Awards of the evening were a white silk scarf donated by President Wall, and a corsage, donated by Mae Taylor, These went to Joycle Williams Gray and Lillian Lawrence. Billy Lou Bunyard and Pat Seery furnished lunch for the meeting April 10 and were hostesses at a party on the 17. Ann Lynch and Betty Shay were welcomed after a long absence. All are looking forward to the second annual birthday party to be held next Wednesday (24).

American Carnivals Association, Inc.

By Max Cohen-

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 21 .- Considerable progress is being made by the association in connection with the hearings being conducted by the American Standards Association relative to the issuance of a safety code for the outdoor amusement industry to be applied nationwide. A final meeting is scheduled for Monday (23) in New York.

Applications for membership have been received from Old Forge Novelty Statuary Company, filed by John Laurenzi, and from Philadelphia Toboggan Company, by H. P. Schmeck, general manager, bringing the membership roll

Since the membership has grown to its present size, it has become impossible to visit every show, but we shall endeavor to take in as many as possible. Members interested in the program are asked to communicate with the association's offices. The visitation program will open in the Detroit area May 3. A visitation has also been scheduled to Valley Shows at Newark, N. J., May 19.

Regular Associated Troupers 730 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, April 21. - Clarence Pounds, U.S.N.R., was a surprise visitor at the meeting April 12. A report on the party March 29, sponsored by Jerome and Maito Haifley, indicates that it was

a success financially. Jennie Reigel's son, Robert D., an amphibian engineer, has returned from

President Joe Krug has issued an invitation to all visiting show people to attend the next meeting.

Rain Hits Crescent Shows

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 21.—Rain and cold weather handlcapped the Crescent Shows on the Cambie Grounds here, with the Rollo Funhouse getting top money on two kld matinees. Shows opened Monday (16) in the West Point Grey District for a week.

ROSCOE T. WADE'S JOYLAND MIDWAY **ATTRACTIONS**

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LAST CALL SHOW OPENS MAY 4

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Martin, Texas, until April 28: Corsicana, Texas, May 2 to 12.

WANT BINGO HELP

JACK E. VINSON ST. LOUIS 14, MO. (Phone: Cabany 7947)

JOHN R. WARD SHOWS

WANT-Electrician for G. M. Diesel Light Plants, Tilt-a-Whirl, Octopus and Rolloplane Foremen and other capable Help on Rides. Top salaries, long season and bonus. Want Shows and Concessions. Need Agents for Grind Store and Ball Game. Jack Gallupo wants Waiters for Cook House. Sailor Katzy wants Snake Show People. Texarkana, Ark., April 23-28.

Want-SOUTHERN EXPOSITION SHOWS-Want

Opening Bainbridge, Ga., April 26 to May 5. Now booking Ball Games, Devil's Bowling Alley, Coca-Cola Bottles, High Striker, String Game, Cork Shooting Gallery, Cigarette Pitch, Duck Pond. All correspondence, care Manager, M. A. JASON, P. O. Box 153. P.S.—Chick Beaver, come home.

GARDEN STATE SHOWS

Opening April 30 under the Ladies' Auxiliary of Coplay Fire Co., Coplay, Pa., with a route of 26 weeks of proven spots to follow, including the initial engagement in the best spots in New Jersey. ★Want Concessions★ Working for 10¢ ★ Free Acts ★ One More Outstand-* Want Rides * | * Want Shows * 10-In-1 Grind Shows Roll-o-Plane Octopus not conflicting. ing Act.

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What have you?

Get with the organization that can really produce and give you courteous treatment and playing spots that are tried and proven. Can place Talker for a beautifully framed Snake Show; J. Edwards, contact. Have complete outfit for same and any other Shows that can produce. Can place Second Man on No. 2 Wheel. This show will carry 6 Rides, 4 Shows and 30 Concessions, Free Acts & War Bonds. All address: R. H. MINER JR., New Holland, Pa., until April 25; then Coplay, Pa.

BEAM'S ATTRACTIONS

Full Season Celebrations and Fairs. Open May 3, Johnstown, Pa. Want Foreman for #5 Eli Wheel; salary and bonus. Good job for sober, reliable man. Have experienced men come every week-end to help take down, put up. Start immediately. Can book Cookhouse or Grab, Candy Apples, Floss. Agent for Ball Game, 25%. Operator for 10-in-1. WRITE OR WIRE M. A. BEAM, WINDBER, PA.

WANTED NORTH AMERICAN EXPOSITION Chattanooga, Tenn., week April 23

Knoxville, Tenn., Apr. 30-May 5

Neon Man-One more Attraction of merit that does not conflict.

Ride Men and Train Help and one more Poler. Address LARRY BEDWELL, Trainmaster.

Can use Penny Arcade, Custard Machine.

Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill.

Salt Lake Resorts War Casualties

Face Closing This Season

Saltair Beach and Lagoon definitely will not openother resorts uncertain

SALT LAKE CITY, April 21.-Two of Utah's largest amusement resorts, Saltair Beach, on the shores of Great Salt Lake, and Lagoon, which receives much of Salt Lake City's and Ogden's picnic play and located midway between the two largest Utah cities, will be dark for the third successive year. As in previous years both resorts will stay closed for lack of replacements for their many rides, as well as because of labor shortages.

Because Salt Lake City and Ogden are "acute" areas in the manpower shortage, ceiling is zero in WMC allotments to the pleasure resorts.

Black Rock Beach and Sunset Beach, bathing resorts on Great Salt Lake, altho they have remained open during the war at the request of army service officers, face possible closing during the summer.

Utah on beach strips expired in 1944, les scheduled for last Saturday were A zoning and planning commission is postponed because of the death of Presiopposing the renewal of the leases on dent Roosevelt. Playland was closed more than the basis of one year, seeking 'Thursday night, and the Saturday matithe instalaltion of State parks after the close of the war. Because of gasoline rationing, neither beach made much more than the nut during the 13-week season for the last two years but stayed open for the convenience of thousands of enlisted personnel of the army and navy. Faced with a possible loss in 1945, and with no assurance of a chance to make it up in the future, the operators, Mrs. James Latses, for Black Rock, and Ira Dern, for Sunset, are hesitant about opening.

Both beach companies own the land upon which are located their bathing houses, cafes, taprooms and concessions, but not the beach strips. Neither has any permanent rides.

Coney Enjoying Juicy Pickin's; Luna Fogged Up

NEW YORK, April 21.—While Coney Island does not go into fulltime operation until mid-May, the big New York fun spot has been doing boom business the last five week-ends because weather has been unseasonably warm. Ride operators and concessionaires have been cleaning up on Sundays to midsummer

crowds.

In spite of the blanket of somberness enveloping most of New York's fun centers the last week-end as a result of the shock of F. D. R.'s sudden death, Coney Island drew the largest crowd of the season Sunday (15), with the Boardwalk, Surf Avenue and the Bowery jammed with fun-seekers. Practically all rides, excepting those under roof in Steeplechase Park and the few undamaged in Luna Park, operated, as did the majority of the Penny Arcades, bingo parlors and refreshment stands. Only big show operating was the World Circus Side Show on Surf Avenue, which offered its regular midseason galaxy of freaks, several weeks ahead of sked.

Apparently Coney Island is looking for a big year, as many stands which were vacant until the season was in full swing last summer are already occupied and doing brisk pre-season business. Optimism also is indicated in preseason operation of the big parachute

Honk! Honk!

NEW YORK, April 21.-Two New York cops in a radio car last Monday (16) rubbed their eyes in amazement when they overtook a pair of kids chugging along Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, in a tiny, one-cylinder Bug Car which the police immediately surmised was a.w.o.l. from Coney Island. Investigation proved they were right. The car belonged to William Minsch, of Bug Rides, Inc., Coney Island. In view of their age, the would-be globe-trotters were turned over to the Children's Shelter.

Macon Playland Opens Early to Okay Business

MACON, Ga., April 21.—Playland Park's new season, which started four weeks earlier than usual, is chalking up about W. E. Franks says.

The funspot previewed March 17, with rides and attractions about 90 per cent Ten-year leases from the State of in operation. Formal opening ceremonnee was canceled in respect to the memory of FDR. The park is now in full operation to satisfactory business, with (See Macon Playland Opens on page 47)

Atlanta Lakewood Opening With Fireworks, Bond Rally

ATLANTA, April 21.—Lakewood Park opens the season next Saturday and Sunday (28-29). Mike Benton, manager, is co-operating with State officials of the Seventh War Loan drive and on opening night is staging an impressive fireworks spectacle, titled the Bombing of Berlin, Bombing of Tokyo and Capture of Iwo Jima. Patriotic program will be free to the public at both gate and grandstand. Big spec will be preceded by a military band concert and short addresses by War Bond speakers, together with appearance of heroes from the Pacific and European

Lakewood, operated by the Southeastfor the new season and presents an attractive appearance. Joe Redding, vetbringing in two rides, the Boomerang fair association this year. He arrived early this week from his Sun-Up Ranch, Lake Worth, Fla., to set up his rides.

Jantzen's Biz Ackley Advises Okay Despite Lengthy Rains

Features Name Bands

 PORTLAND, Ore., April 21.—Jantzen Beach Park, Portland, owned and operated by the Hayden Island Amusement Company, opened the season Saturday, April 7, the early opening being a continuation of the policy successfully adopted several years ago by Paul Huedepohl, Jantzen managing director. Huedepohl is president of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches.

It rained on opening day. In fact, it had rained consistently for 43 days prior to the all important date, and it has rained every day, at some time, since. Business is slightly behind last year at this time, but encouraging in view of weather, Sunday (15) had near capacity crowd despite the weather.

Jack Teagarden's band played opening the same grosses as last year, Owner night in the ballroom, which has been in operation the past two months on week-ends and now operates full week. (Sec Jantzen's Biz Okay opposite page)

New Palisades Bows in May 12

NEW YORK, April 21. — Palisades (N. J.) Park is preparing a gala opening for Saturday, May 12. Shep Fields' band will provide music for the free attractions and the dancing in the open-air casino. Several special features are being arranged for the premiere, as Jack and Irving Rosenthal are determined to inaugurate their rebuilt park with a bang. Spot will operate week-ends until swim pool goes into commission early in

Palisades, which was practically wiped out by a disastrous fire last summer, has been rebuilt from scratch. Entire layout has been altered to provide better placing of buildings, rides and stands. All electrical cables, water pipes and sanitary installations have been placed underground and grounds have been at-

tractively landscaped.

New buildings are of modernistic deern Fair Association, has been renovated sign, with walls of brick or concrete. Fronts are all equipped with ornate marquees which will give the Palisades the eran carnival and circus showman, is flashlest midway in the country. Special attention has been given to color and the Dangler. Redding also will serve schemes and lighting. Joe McKee, superas superintendent of concessions for the intendent, supervised the reconstruction and personally designed several of the park structures, including a novel domeshaped Merry-Go-Round building.

Eastern Resort Men To Confer On Building Post-War Business

City will be host in June to a conference of resort officials and promotion directors from New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland, it was this week. Purpose of the conference is to map plans to hold over the resorts' post-war years.

Fred Jackson, managing director of the New Jersey council, reported the result of a recent resort survey, showing that the resort business in New Jersey reached \$370,000,000 in 1944 and declared that the resort business was the largest single industry in the State.

ATLANTIC CITY, April 21.—Atlantic preservation and erosion control and said that for the first time it appears likely that resorts stand a good chance of obtaining federal aid.

A. Paul King, director of the Ocean announced at a meeting of the New Jer- County Board of Freeholders and presisey Resort Association at Asbury Park dent of the State association, mapped out a three-point program which called for federal aid for erosion control, a present booming business during the State parkway and highway system which would make for more convenient travel to and from populous areas and the seashore, and an attack against the diversion of highway moneys.

King said that the New Jersey Resort Association is arranging delegations from the four "key seashore counties-Monmouth, Ocean, Atlantic and Cape May-(See Coney Clicking on opposite page) bills now before Congress for beach Congress named by Auchincloss."

On Brown-Outs

CHICAGO, April 21.—Harry A. Ackley, consultant for the recreation section of the Service Trades Division, Office of Civilian Requirements, WPB, has issued a statement designed to guide park operators and others affected by the brown-out as to the proper procedure to follow. In order to more intelligently explain the order (Paragraph 73 of Order U-9) to amusement park people, Ackley recently attended the inspection and certification of lighting in a typical amusement park.

The nominal procedure, Ackley states, is as follows:

Request the representative of your electric power company to inspect the premises and advise you what general (See Ackley on Brown-Outs on page 47)

Promotion Draws Record Crowds to Agawam Riverside

AGAWAM, Mass., April 21.—Opening of Ed Carroll's Riverside Park last weekend brought new attendance records. Newspaper reports estimated the Saturday night (14) figure at 7,000 and the Sunday (15) crowd at 25,000. All units set individual receipts records, according to Carroll.

Rides were especially strong the opening days, and food and drink stands were out of stock before closing hour Sunday.

The two regular inaugural promotions, a spring fashion parade and kids' egg hunt, in which prizes of \$325 in War Bonds and Stamps were awarded, went over big. Opening campaign was marked with upped budget by Carroll. Special teaser copy was started well in advance of opening and 10 dailies were on schedule for large layouts just ahead of the bow-in. Campaign was handled by Harry Storin, publicity and promotional chief. Amusement editors from Springfield, Mass., and Hartford, Conn., papers covered the opening.

Riverside Ballroom will start nameband policy April 28, with Tommy Dorsey as inaugural attraction.

Willow Grove Starts Golden Jubilee Year

PHILADELPHIA, April 21. - Willow Grove Park here begins its Golden Jubilee season tonight (21). Funspot will be open Saturdays and Sundays only until May 26; then every day.

Chuck Gordon and his orchestra will provide music for dancing in Casino Ballroom Saturday evenings. Frankie Schluth has been engaged as master of ceremonies for the three Sunday shows. Many acts have been booked for this 50th season, the shows changing weekly.

There now is roller skating every night and Saturday and Sunday afternoons at Willow Grove. Picnic facilities are available at six big groves.

Woodside Park, which began its 15th year last Sunday (15), will operate evenings and week-ends until May 18 and daily thereafter.

St. L. Forest Park Highlands Cracks 49th Season May 6

ST. LOUIS. April 21.—Forest Park Highlands, St. Louis's leading amusement park, inaugurates its 49th season May 6. Many improvements have been made during the winter under direction of Adrian W. Ketchum, general manager.

Irving John Scully will again be publicity director, and Harry Buchanan, manager of the dance pavilion. Same concessionaires as last year will again be on deck. Benny Srtong's orchestra will sound the opening gong in the dance hall opening night. He's booked in for Rep. James C. Auchincloss spoke on the to attend the hearings on the bills in two weeks. Frank Miller, local ork, will play concerts in the park daily ned material Office

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American Recreational Equipment Association NAAPPB Risk Plan Allows

By R. S. Uzzell

April into the Northern States reached fore have there been so many organizainto Eastern Canada with almost the tions which are willing to help. Numersame temperatures. The last of March ous bands and speakers are always on saw 83 degrees and several days early call for patriotic services. One man in April hit near 80. The deep snow in Montreal, which we feared in February would not melt until June, has all gone. The 20 feet in front of the dance hall at Belmont Park, Montreal, and the 30 feet piled on the parking lot as it was removed from the streets is all gone. The drifts on the north side of park buildings are now so small as to be writer last week in Springfield, Mass. negligible.

Last spring considerable snow was carted out of the park so that opening work could proceed. No such work will be required this year unless more snow falls, which is unlikely. What a difference this makes in painting can only be fully appreciated by those who have had to brush snow away before applying the brush. The best results cannot be had when outside temperatures are 45 degrees or lower.

For the first time this writer saw men working outside in Montreal without a shirt. All work at Belmont is well advanced and will be completed for the preview May 5. The only new ride this year will be a Moon Rocket, which displaces the Tilt-A-Whirl beside the Scooter ride. The big Coaster has been repaired since last fall and looks good for many seasons yet. There will be a reduced rate for all service people in uniform and, following a wise policy of experience, the zoot suits are taboo again this year.

Spectacular free acts will be the order of the day to satisfy the public expectation now well established. They are free to the public, but the park company surely does have to pay for them in Canada.

At present rate of war progress we may have an easier time this year than was at all expected.

New One for Baltimore

There is a new park on the boards for Baltimore. It is slated to open this year. Just how far plans have developed are not yet clear. Promoters, however, seem determined and sure of themselves.

Virginia Beach, Va., owners are going to check rides and attractions, with \$1,500 worth of turnstiles recently purchased.

Our friend, Sam Knickerbocker, with Harry Illions at Montreal for several seasons, had a long go the past winter at a Jamestown (N. Y.) hospital. He hopes to reach Belmont for the preview.

Our member, Norman Bartlett, of bobsled fame, goes to the hospital for a minor operation. His wife is in Florida with him and will see him well cared for. He has always been a go-getter and had to be persuaded to stop a while for repairs. He has some well-matured plans that will be ready when material is available again.

Those windstorms are uncertain but can do the damage when they get loose. Storm insurance is your only safe bet. Like a fire, you can not get insurance after the storm hits. June and September usually are the months when big storm damage can come any time.

Big Decoration Day

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The beautiful weather which ushered early to get plans under way. Never berounded up 15 high school bands last year which played marches and war tunes that kept the rapt attention of park patrons for one and a half hours.

Present indications make our swim pool friends smile with the expectation of a long season this year. A straw hat and a bathing suit were seen by the

That Gulf Stream is surely moving in on us and is likely to bring earlier springs than Northeastern States have been enjoying. See what this will mean to Old Orchard Beach and Portland, Me.

Make 'Em Comfy, Is A. C.'s Slogan

ATLANTIC CITY, April 21.—"Make 'em comfy" is the motto of the A. C. City Commission and the Chamber of Commerce. A recent survey of Boardwalk bench seating capacities showed a total of 867 benches with 2,601 seats. either in pavilions, on comfort station roofs or at street ends, and it has been recommended that 438 additional benches be installed. This would give a total seating capacity of 4,095 persons.

The Chamber of Commerce opposed the placing of benches along the outer walls of the Boardwalk as constituting an unsightly obstruction to the ocean view.

Harold Faunce, chairman of the Boardwalk committee, said the needs of visitors could be more adequately met by the erection of more pavilions and also suggested that the city place benches on the beach and charge for their use.

Eastwood's Early Opening Brings Satisfactory Biz

DETROIT, April 21.—Business at Eastwood Park has been very satisfactory to date, according to M. B. Kerner, of the park management. Last week-end businees was excellent, altho hampered by the Saturday closing at the time of President Roosevelt's obsequies,

Comparison with volume of business for a year ago is meaningless, inasmuch as the park opened some weeks earlier this year.

Compounce in 100th Season

BRISTOL, Conn., April 21. - Amusement area of Lake Compounce began its 100th season Sunday (15). It will operate week-ends until May 30, when it swings into daily operation. Organized in 1846, it is claimed to be the oldest amusement park in America.

Galveston Pier Idle

GALVESTON, Tex., April 21.-Galveston's \$1,500,000 Pleasure Pier probably will remain closed until wartime restrictions are lifted, according to its board of managers, which declares it has no authority for permitting free use of the pier.

Salisbury Beach Bows May 30

SALISBURY BEACH, Mass., April 21.— Season here open officially May 30, but thousands have visited here every Sunday since the middle of March. At least a dozen stores and concessions have opened a month earlier than usual. Bus service opens May 30.

ATLANTIC CITY.—Determined to get rid of unsightly and noisy conditions on the Boardwalk before the season begins, Public Safety Director William S. Cuthbert said check-up operations by police would start Sunday (22). Cuthbert said that Detective Wilbur Band would be in charge of the activity and gave ample warning to amusement interests and merchants that bally-hooing, barking, obstructing the Boardwalk with merchandise and other annoying conditions would not be tolerated this year.

Former-Experience Credits

CHICAGO, April 21.—Secretary A. R. Hodge, of the NAAPPB, calls attention to the fact that, contrary to former custom, operators who now wish to join and participate under the public liability insurance plan sponsored by the association will enjoy the same experience credit ratings as they had previously with other carriers, as long as the former carriers were reputable and recognized concerns.

Previously, an operator coming under the plan had to more or less establish his own experience-credit rating thru participation. The present plan gives new policy holders a tremendous advantage because they start right where they stopped off with their old carrier and, in addition, enjoy the special reduction made possible to members of the association both on primary and excess coverage wherever State laws will permit.

Secretary Hodge reports that the 1944 premium volume exceeded the 1943 by approximately 20 per cent and, from present indications, an equally substantial increase will occur for the 1945 operating season.

President Paul H. Huedepohl, general manager of Jantzen Beach Park, Portland, Ore., who is an enthusiastic operator under the plan, has launched a campaign to bring many more operators under the plan in order that benefits may be more widely enjoyed.

Gravatt Sells A. C. Hotel

ATLANTIC CITY, April 21.-Frank P. Gravatt, president of Steel Pier, has sold his Chelsea Hotel, one of the foremost Boardwalk hotels here, to Alfred R. Glancy Sr., Detroit, for \$1,000,000. Glancy is a vice-president of General Motors Corporation. It was one of the largest straight cash deals in resort realty history.

JANTZEN'S BIZ OKAY

(Continued from opposite page) Only name bands are engaged.

Gladys Patrick is back on with her eating and drinking concession, and several side shows, Red Patrick has Hey-Day and several concessions. Al Hamilton has four rides, and the park operates 13 additional rides and the Fun House, Bill Widenmann owns and operates the giant Roller Coaster, and Sam Partipilo, the miniature railroad.

There are several new concessionaires, but most of the old reliables are back. Plans are already under way for new rides and other buildings when equipment and materials are available, During the summer a rodeo, circus and midget auto races will be featured.

Jantzen Beach is on the CBS national hook-up five night a week for one half hour each night, 11 to 11:30, Pacific War Time.

Present plans are to continue park operation until about October 15, the ballroom to close the season later.

CONEY CLICKING

(Continued from opposite page) tower at Steeplechase which has a heavy operating nut but which beat the gun by starting last Sunday (15), at least a month ahead of schedule.

Status of Luna Park still is in a muddle, with nothing being done to clear debris from burnt-out section of the grounds nor any preparations being made to open undamaged section of the park. Work on rebuilding the Thompson Scenic Railway, adjoining Luna Park, is practically terminated.

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War Plant on Ala. State Grounds

Annual Won't Be Hampered

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of the interior section of the main. grandstand at Fair Park into a manufacturing plant for 42-inch chemical mortar shells for the, army, announced by the office of Col. C. W. Crowell, commanding officer of the Dallas Chemical Warfare Procurement District, of which Birmingham is a part, will not affect the annual Alabama State Fair.

Plans for the 1945 State Fair in October are now under way, according to Joe McDavid, fair official, who points out that the assembly lines are to be set up under the grandstand at the fairgrounds in space where Alabama farm products and school exhibits are usually displayed, and that the seats on top of the grandstand will remain intact. Other buildings on the fairgrounds will provide ample facilities for these exhibits.

Officials of the Dixle Metal Products Company, to which the War Department has awarded the shell manufacturing contract, established offices on the fairgrounds and prepared to begin converslon of the grandstand interior immediately so that production may get under way in July. Offices of the fair officials were busy, too mapping plans for the 1945 Alabama State Fair.

A Barnes-Carruthers revue already has been booked for a return engagement for night shows in front of the grandstand, and altho no contracts have been signed yet, it is assumed that Hennies Bros.' Shows will again have the midway. Return of the Grand Ole Opry, of Station WSM, Nashville, also was expected.

Last October's Alabama State Fair topped all previous takes at a net of \$50,000, according to fair officials, who point out that this amount was rolled up despite wartime transportation restrictions and cancellation of the annual State School Children's Day.

Livestock and farm entries were hauled to the fairgrounds in everything from mule-drawn wagons to ox carts. Old Dobbin came back into his own, along with the bicycle as means of transportation for visitors to the fair.

War production beneath the grandstand, according to Joe McDavid, will affect the Alabama State Fair only in contributing a substantial increase in revenue to the fair owners thru the property rental by the Dixie Metal Products Company, and by adding an atmosphere of all-out war production to the fairgrounds as the assembly lines turn out shells for the army while crowds gather for the shows, armed force exhibits and displays of Alabama farm-

Tidewater To Lean Heavily On Educational Features

SUFFOLK, Va., April 21.-H. C. Holman, secretary-manager of the Tidewater Fair Association, Inc., states that this year's event will lean heavily on educational features, tho the entertainment end will not be neglected.

The educational program will be built around speeding the country to victory and planning for the post-war era. There will be large exhibits of agricultural products, livestock, poultry, canning, art work and needle work, as well as exhibits from the city and county schools. Each day there will be public speakers covering topics of the day.

In the event racing is not possible, there will be a program of free acts, football and band concerts. George Clyde Smith Shows will be on the mid- amount of premiums paid by the fairs. canvas for all outdoor circuses or tent



LIEUT. NEAL (LUCKY) LOTT, who used to thrill fair audiences with his auto stunts, has completed 11 combat missions and is now adjutant at a repair depot somewhere in England.

Red Deer Spending Norrick. 9G on Improvements Sherbrooke, Que., Adds

RED DEER, Alta., April 21.—The sum of \$9,000 will be spent on renovations at the Red Deer Fairgrounds this summer. The fair board will contribute \$3,000, and city council, \$6,000.

Painting, fencing, repairs to buildings and installation of rest rooms will be done. The grandstand will be altered so that it can also be used as a stock ring.

In the future, 50 per cent of the fair board's surplus will be turned over to the city to make whatever renovations are deemed necessary.

Muncie To Feature Community Show & Boone Co. Jamboree

MUNCIE, Ind., April 21.-Muncie Fair, which annually features harness racing, will be held this year even the racing is still under the ban, it is announced by A. G. Norrick, secretary.

Johnny J. Jones Exposition has been booked for the midway, The WLW Boone County Jamboree will show in front of the grandstand Sunday afternoon and evening, and for Monday night a large community show will be staged, including a memorial service for Delaware County boys killed in the service. There the rest of the week.

Considerable emphasis will be placed on livestock. There will be two State swine shows and two State dairy cattle shows, as well as large exhibits in the various classes.

The grounds are being improved as far as government restrictions on materials will permit.

Officers of this year's fair are: president, E. Arthur Ball; vice-president, Herman Guthrie; secretary-treasurer, A. G.

5 Years to Conklin Run

SHER/BROOKE, Que., April 21. -Conklin Shows have been signed to furnish all midway attractions for the Sherbrooke Exhibition for an additional five years, giving the org a run thru the season of 1954. A five-year contract was signed a year ago. Announcement was made by Norrie Price, manager, and Alex Ross, president.

Conklin also holds a 10-year midway contract at Quebec City.

California Legislature Mulls Bill to Protect Dark Plants In Divvying Up of State \$\$\$

Leasing to Amusements Being Considered, Too

SACRAMENTO, April 21.-Legislation have been unable to operate. Others to provide that California fairs shall not suffer in their apportionments of State money because they are closed during the war has been introduced in the State Legislature by Assemblyman Jacob Leonard, Hollister, and stands a good chance of passing.

Half of the program has passed the Assembly and been approved by the Senate Committee on Agriculture and the rest of it is being pushed by Leonard, an old fair man himself and often called the watchdog of fair legislation at Sacramento.

Leonard points out, fortified with figures from A. E. Snider, chief of the fairs and exposition fund, that \$16,668,336 has been allocated to fairs from the State's share of pari-mutuel race-track wagering between July 1, 1933, and January 31, 1945. This is the largest amount given fairs of any State in the nation, says the assemblyman.

Because most of the big fairs are closed and racing in California has stopped, many complications are likely to arise as the apportionments of money which have piled up in the fairs and exposition fund and Leonard's legislation seeks to make these apportionments equitable.

along this line is as follows:

"In normal times, when all fairs are being conducted, the apportionment is since the Hartford circus fire, a bill has made annually on the basis of the been introduced requiring flameproof Since the outbreak of the war, many fairs shows. It will probably become law.

have run, however.

"In order that no fair shall have an advantage over any other fair, Section 92.1 of this bill provides that the annual apportionment of funds be based on the amount of premiums paid by fairs in 1941, the last year in which all fairs operated."

Another Leonard bill provides that district agricultural associations may lease or let their real property for park and

playground purposes.

"Since the State has many thousands of dollars invested in improvements on these properties, it would appear reasonable that these facilities be used thruout the year as much as possible instead of just during the time of the fair. This would in no way interfere with the operation of the fair."

Sen. Herbert W. Slater, Santa Rosa, is author of a bill to allow governing bodies of county fairs to rent or lease the grounds to rodeos, exhibitions and other events. This right is now restricted to State and district fairs. The bill has passed the Senate and been approved by the assembly agriculture committee.

One bill introduced, but which doesn't seem to have a ghost of a chance of passing, would put a 10 per cent State tax on all amusements, which would in-His explanation of the principal bill clude theater, circus, dance and other amusement admissions.

In common with other legislatures

Regional Meeting Of Wisconsin Assn. Well Attended

MILWAUKEE, April 21.—A Regional meeting of the Wisconsin Association of Fairs was held recently, with 43 representatives of 15 fair associations, including the State Fair, attending.

W. H. Eldridge, Plymouth, secretary of the Sheboygan County Fair Association, presided. James Malone, secretary of the State association, talked on midway regulations and future prospects regarding horse racing. A. W. Kalbus, Madison, will be other entertainment features for State supervisor of county fairs, presented a picture of operation of 1945 fairs. Prof. James Moore, chairman of the State Department of Horticulture, discussed suggested changes in the premium list and judging regulations.

Prof. A. O. Collentine, of the State College of Agriculture, spoke on Dairy Cattle Classification. Russell Frost, manager of the junior department of the State Fair, discussed junior fair participation. Henry Marcks, Seymour, spoke on horse-pulling contests in the absence of W. T. Marriott, manager of the State Fair, who was unable to attend. Charles B. Drewry, Wausaukee, vice-president of the association, talked on formation of circuits. A discussion of the election of directors of the Wisconsin Association of Fairs closed the program.

Regional meetings are being held at Madison, Merrill and Chippewa Falls,

Fairs represented at the Seymour meeting were Sheboygan, Manitowoc, Outagamie County, Gillett, De Pere, Kewaunee, Chilton, Shawano, Fond du Lac, Baraboo and Beaver Dam.

Brandon To Feature Ag and Livestock

BRANDON, Man., April 21.-Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba, first of the Canadian Class A fairs to be held, is making preparations to feature agricultural, horticultural and livestock production on a large scale in line with the efforts of all fairs to increase production of much-needed food supplies. Total prize money has been boosted to more than \$12,000.

Mindful of the important part played by entertainment in building morale, the exhibition management also has arranged to provide plenty of first-class entertainment, with Barnes-Carruthers furnishing the grandstand shows, and the Conklin Shows on the midway.

Beatrice M. Benson, secretary-manager, states that changes have been made in keeping with the times, and in a number of livestock classes extra prizes have been added. Special emphasis will be placed on boys' and girls' livestock exhibits.

Eight Georgia Fairs For Playland Shows

MACON, Ga., April 21.—Eight Georgia fairs have contracted for the Playland Shows, it was announced by Shan Wilcox, owner, visiting here this week en route to Athens, Ga. Fairs booked are Bartow County, Carterville; Rockdale County, Conyers; Walton County, Monroe; Dodge County, Eastman; Sumter County, Americus; Albany, Legion Fair; Ben Hill County, Fitzgerald, and Lowndes County, Valdosta.

Wilcox says he plans to play several fairs in Virginia and Tennessee before returning to Georgia in September.

Windstorm Damages Okla. State Livestock Building

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 21. - Livestock pavilion of the Oklahoma State Fair was damaged by the windstorm which hit the city last week. Ralph T. Hemphill, secretary of the fair, estimated damage at close to \$7,000.

Hemphill said the damage will be repaired as soon as materials become avail-

ADDITIONAL FAIR DATES



The following corrections and additions to the List of Fair Dates were received during week ended April 20.

The complete List of Fair Dates was published in Spring Special Number dated March 31. The next complete list will be published in issue to be dated May 26. See each issue of The Billboard for corrections and additions.

Georgia

Albany-American Legion Fair. Oct. 22-27. Conyers-Rockdale Co. Fair. Sept. 24-29. Fitzgerald-Ben Hill Co. Fair. Oct. 29-Nov. : . Homer Waters. Valdosta—Lowndes Co. Fair. Nov. 5-10.

Indiana

Frankfort-Clinton Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 19-24. Franklin—Johnson Co. Free Fair. July 8-13. Wm. H. Clark. O. M. Ricks, R. R. 3.

Iowa

Bedford-Taylor Co. Fair Assn. July 25-28. Sid P. Webb.

Michigan

Milford-Milford Fair. Aug. 8-12. M. Moore, 2533 Waverly Ave., Detroit 6.

Minnesota

Little Falls--- Morrison Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 3-5. D. T. Sargeant.

Missouri

Prairie Home-Prairie Home Fair Assn. Aug. 8-9. Dr. A. L. Meredith.

Nebraska

Arthur-Arthur Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 30-Sept. 1. Loyal F. Simon. Concord-Dixon Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 29-31. Roy E. Johnson.

Pennsylvania

Beaver Springs-Beaver Community Fair. Sept. 19-22 (if held). Ira Kline. West Alexander—West Alexander Fair. Sept. 13-15. Paul Rogers.

South Dakota

Clear Lake-Deuel Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 20-22. Ed Kreger.



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Jacksonville-Junior Chamber of Commerce Circus, Stadium. April 30-May 5. W. F. Farley, C. of C. Bldg. Miami-Junior Chamber of Commerce Circus. May 7-12. Edwin N. Williams.

Georgia

Savannah-Junior Chamber of Commerce Circus. May 14-19. Edwin N. Williams.

Chicago-Olympia Circus at Stadium, April

Illinois

13-May 6. Barnes & Carruthers. Kansas

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Washington

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MACON PLAYLAND OPENS (Continued from page 44)

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Charles Drill has booked his Ferris Wheel and Chairplane, his fourth year with Franks. Willie Earl Cooper is foreman of the Chairplane, and Ralph (Specks) Salters, foreman of the Ferris Wheel. C. N. (Doc) Myers has his Tilt--a-Whirl in the second year at the park, with J. M. Allison foreman. Robert Glen Argo is foreman of Mrs. Muriel Evitt's Whip.

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Meigs Quits Southeastern To Enter Private Business

ATLANTA, April 21 .- Virgil J. Meigs, secretary of the Southeastern Fair Association, resigned last week to enter private business.

Meigs has been connected with the fair 18 years and is known to thousands of exhibitors and showmen. In addition to serving as secretary of the fair, he has managed Lakewood Park's summer entertainment.

Meigs became office manager for the association upon the death of Oscar Mills in 1927. When Mike Benton was elected head of the association in 1933, Meigs was appointed secretary.

Proposal for New Ohio State Grounds Killed

COLUMBUS, O., April 21. - Proposed purchase of a new 1,000-acre site for the State fairgrounds was killed last week when the Senate Agricultural Committee voted to "indefinitely postpone" the bill authorizing the relocation and appropriating \$500,000 for the purchase.

Proponents of the new site indicate they will transfer their efforts to the House, where a similar bill is pending.

Post-War Plans Get a Mulling

CHICAGO, April 21,-Post-war planning has been one of the important topics of discussion at regional fair meetings this spring. It also has been discussed by various State promotional bodies. Consensus is that there will be a considerable expansion of fairs following the termination of the war, and that the county annuals can become even greater educational factors than they have been in the past.

The views of the proponents of fairs is admirably expressed in the following editorial, titled "Planning for Post-War Fairs," which appeared in a recent issue

"Impatience has been expressed because several States are including in post-war plans programs for the enlargement of agricultural fairs and industrial expositions. To many, no doubt, it seems out of place to be taking up blueprints for such future activities when so much immediately pressing war work needs attention.

"We are reminded, however, that relaxation from the strain of war will be the first must in the first year of reaction from war's shocks. This relaxation can well take form in exhibits with an educational value. There will be plenty of inventions awaiting the era of rehabilitation and it will not be necessary to invent excuses for reverting to our old popular 'get-together' in the harvest season.

"England has not forgotten that national expositions are coming back one of these days when peace is re-established. Its Royal Commission, estab-Amherst, N. S.—Cumberland Motor Show, May lished in 1851, from funds raised by the great exposition of that year, is still Winnipeg, Man.—Shrine Circus. May 12-19. functioning as an educational agency. It is even prepared to present plans for an international show."

ACKLEY ON BROWN-OUTS (Continued from page 44)

with the order. He would be obliged to advise you that anything over a 60-watt lamp at the entrance of each attraction is all the general outside illumination you are permitted.

This being insufficient for public health, public safety and the conduct of your business, you then take the next step, which is an appeal from the

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The whole procedure is outlined in WPB Form 4113, which may be obtained from any district WPB office.

"The actual procedure," says Ackley, "I found to be much more direct and satisfactory is to request all of the interested officials and your own super-

intendent to be in your park at the same time and thereby settle all questions at once and on the spot. You are entitled to continue 'necessary' lighting and there is no reason for you to try to do business in a dark midway which would not be regarded as safe for the public. It is necessary to turn off your neon lighting and some of the outline and purely ornamental illumination. A co-operative and firm attitude is a correct one for you to assume in this matter, as you and the police officers of your district are responsible for the safety of the public."







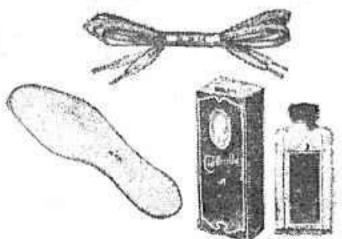


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447 Sanctions Set Near Record for RSROA Events

DETROIT, April 21.-Fred A. Martin, RSROA national secretary-treasurer, announced that 447 RSROA sanctions have been issued, which is nearly a record high for the organization.

These meets are sponsored:

Southgate Rollerdrome, Seattle, 1945 State of Washington amateur roller dance championships, April 9. Redondo (Wash.) Roller Rink, 1945 State of Washington Figure Skating Championships, April 10. George Otto's Rollerbowl, S. Tacoma, Wash., 1945 State of Washington Speed Skating Championships, April 16. Skateland Rink, Denver, 1945 Colorado-Wyoming District Amateur Roller Skating Championships, May 29-30. Skateland Rink, Denver, 1945 Colorado-Wyoming District amateur Roller Dance and figure skating championships, May 29-30.

Illinois Meet

Arcadia Roller Rink, Chicago, 1945 State of Illinois dance and figure skating championships, May 2-4. Armory Roller Rink, Chicago, 1945 State of Illinois Speed Championships, May 9-11. Coliseum Rink, Mansfield, O., 1945 State of Ohio dance and figure, speed championships, week of June 3. Woolley's Roller Rink, Salt Lake City, 1945 Utah State dance and figure championships, early June-date uncertain as yet. Lexington Roller Skating Palace, Pittsburgh, 1945 Penna.-W. Va. district dance and figure championships, May 13-14.

Spring Programs

Empire Rollerdrome, Brooklyn, 1945 State of New York dance figure pairs figures pairs championships. No definite 7:30 Saturday morning. date as yet. Wonderland Skating Rink, St. Louis, 1945 dance figure pairs championships. Early June. Crosstown Roller Rink, Omaha, 1945 Iowa-Nebraska dance figure pairs championships. No date set. Imperial Roller Rink, Portland, Ore., 1945 Oregon figure skating champion- four kiddle rides and 15 shows. ships, April 11. Oaks Park Rink, Portland, Ore., 1945 Oregon dance, pairs championship, April 12.

GOTTLIEB KEENER, owner of Shore Palace, Madison, O., has installed a Hammond organ.

RIVER RINK, Richmond, Is set for its summer operation. Lack of supplies is a handicap, according to L. M. Kidd, operator.

A. O. JOHNSTON presented the Roller Club of his 12th Street Rink, Erie, Pa., in its first revue April 19-22. Ten acts with 75 skaters comprised the program.

GLADYS MacKAY is new organist at Strachona Rollerdrome, Toronto. She fills the spot of the late Ernest Hawkhisstone, who was there for six years.

ARENA GARDENS, Huntington, W. Va., was recently destroyed by fire with an estimated loss of \$100,000. It was operated by Dick Deutsch, former Cleveland sports promoter.

BUSTER ODLE, recently out of the army with a medical discharge, is in the mountains near San Bernardino, Calif., awaiting the opening of the trout season. He plans a roller revue to tour army camps. He promoted one last year, with revenue going to the Red Cross.

Toronto Take Okay For Annual Revue

TORONTO, April 21.-Roller Revue of 1945, held recently in Canada's largest rink, Mutual Arena here, drew a nightly average of 4,500 customers. Attendance was a bit higher than last year's figure. Admission 75 cents and \$1.

Guest artists from London, Ont., and Winnipeg participated in the sixth annual revue presented by the Toronto Roller Skating Club. Over 200 skaters appeared in the 32 numbers.

Costumes and routines were a product of the club members. Acts from this year's revue are appearing at various military camps thruout Ontario. Sidney J. Shaw, manager of Mutual Arena, directed the show.

BETTY LANE expects to attend an RSROA contest soon. She is one of the outstanding skaters at Skateland, Chattanooga, participating in acrobatics, spins and flying turns.

ROLLER SKATING CLUB, Chicago, with Dave Ray, president, will meet at the Rollerbowl there April 22. To date there are 103 male and female members of the organization in the armed service.

DODSON'S SHOWS

(Continued from page 40)

death of President Roosevelt. A proclamation declaring a day of mourning on Saturday by Mayor Melghan necessitated the show's cancellation of its matinee and night performances.

Show loaded out following its closing Friday night and by early Saturday morning was ready for its movement to Nashville, where it was scheduled to open Wednesday (18) for a 10-day engagement on the Lucas showgrounds, auspices of the American Legion. Trainchampionships, June 6-7. Paterson master William Harvey, with co-opera-(N. J.) Recreation Center, 1945 State of tion of Henry Gamble, show's superin-New Jersey dance figures pairs cham- tendent, and Jess Warren, superintendpionship, May 27-28. Rollerland, In- ent of show's motive power, had the dianapolis, 1945 State of Indiana dance show off the lot and on the train by

> Continued work on various rides and attractions is making the midway more attractive than originally planned, and with operation of Hug Harbor, show's new ride, to take place in Nashville, it will give the midway 14 major rides,

> The sudden death of Scotty Floyd, show's master painter, brought grief to the personnel. He was killed by an L. & N. train carrying troops while alighting from the show's coaches at the yards in Gadsden. Body was shipped to his home in Huntington, W. Va., and interment made there with floral pieces from both show's personnel and individuals .- PAUL BARRON.

HOW ABOUT V'E DAY?

(Continued from page 37)

North American Exposition, now in Atlanta, are thinking along the same lines. saying: "We will comply with whatever local or national plans or wishes for keeping open or closing on V-E Day."

It is obvious that should V-E Day hit like a bolt out of the blue there will be many carnivals in localities where there would be little or no danger of trouble with hoodlums turned loose under the guise of a victory celebration, and their remaining open would furnish people with an opportunity for relaxation. No doubt that is why the tendency of some owners is to be guided entirely by local conditions and regulations.

On the other hand there are those who plan to close down and take the day off with the populace. Among those are L. C. (Curley) Reynolds, of the World of Today Shows, now in Fort Smith, Ark., and Oscar Bloom, of the Gold Medal Shows, at Jackson, Tenn.

Al Wagner, of the Cavalcade of Amusements, and his lieutenants, Robert L. Lohmar and William B. Naylor, are anticipating being so "deliriously happy that we will close the shows and celebrate victory."

M. G. Dodson, Dodson's World's Fair Shows, says: "It is my intention to close the show on V-E Day and, along with employees, celebrate the occasion."

Circus Ops Silent

Most circus operators either were too busy solving manpower problems and other headaches to talk or they just haven't made up their minds. I. J. Polack, head of Polack Bros. Circus, said:

"Show will abide by all rules and regulations of local business or the State of California. Look forward to Governor Warren issuing a proclamation closing all business, by which we will abide."

Zack Terrell, Cole Bros.' Circus, now at Louisville, admitted he hadn't made any plans, and it looks as the this branch of outdoor show business will take a watchful waiting role and handle it as best it sees fit if and when the V-E Day situation arises.

A public relations officer of the Sixth Service Command in Chicago said that V-E Day will be merely another working day as far as the army is concerned, because "After Germany we still have a pretty tough war to win," and the milltary generally is urging those engaged in essential industry to be at work as



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Dixie Hayriders Open in Georgia

newest tent show, the Dixie Hayride, opened its doors here April 16, where the owner, Eddie Mellon, has been operating the Alamo Theater the past two years. Threatening weather failed to

hold down the crowd.

Stageshow is a hillbilly unit, which is heard each Saturday over WNOX, Knoxville, on the Tennessee Barn Dance. Line-up includes Sonny Loden, 16-yearold trick fiddler; Buddy Bain, 16, accordion and singer; Little Ruby Palmer, bull fiddle and yodeler; Thelma, Sonny's sister, songs, dances and guitar; Ma Loden, songs and guitar; Pop Loden, emsee and banjo.

Top is a 60 with three 35-foot middles and seats 1,400. Admission 25 cents and 50 cents, plus tax; reserves, 20 cents; no concert. Show moves on a large semi-trailer and two trucks with trailers.

Mrs. Eddie Mellon is secretary and treasurer; Ray Ewing, general agent and contractor; Dell Ewing, in charge of billing; Charles R. Ewing, press agent and special tie-ups; Sue Mellon, front door; K. E. Mellon, lot superintendent and sign painter; Marjorie Riles, reserves; H. L. Cason, cook; Robert Young, electrician; Robert Hare, boss canvasman, with a crew of six.

Among the showfolk visitors here opening night were Mr. and Mrs. George Wall, whose tent show was playing 14 miles away; Chet and Dot Morris and Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Holland.

Mrs. Jimmie Hull Goes Under Knife

BEAUMONT, Tex., April 21.—Mrs. Jimmie Hull underwent a major kidney operation at St. Therese Hospital here Wednesday (18). Her condition has been serious but the crisis is past and she is slowly improving.

Jimmie Hull Players tent show closed when war started, it being the first time in 26 years that it did not tour. Hull has been in business at Orange, Tex., the past three years. He recently sold his interests there and as soon as his wife has recovered he will again take to the road with his show.

Did You Know?

-By E. L. Paul

AS THERE is a dearth of theatrical news in Kansas City, Mo., at the moment, news that would be of interest to the old-time repster, I figure a few reminiscences might fill in.

I wonder how many of the folks know that Egbert Van Alastyne, who wrote the song, In the Good Old Summer Time, and many other national hits, once played the piano for a season on the Dorothy Reeves Dramatic Show; that Vincent Lopez, ork leader and planist, once played piano for the Karl Simpson Comedians, or that Ann Nichols, who wrote Abie's Irish Rose, played piano for my Wolford Stock Company in the old Airdome days?

I suppose most people know that Jennifer Jones, who has made such a success in Hollywood, is a sure-enough rep-

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Rep Ripples

THE PERRENS, man and wife, have a vaude-pic show in the Needles, ALIAMO, Ga., April 21 .- The South's Calif., area. . . . GILE'S PLAYERS, colored, have finished their season of auspice dates in Colbert County, Alabama, and plan to launch a small plantation show soon. . . . VICTOR ROBERTS, oldtime repster and 10-20-30 performer, will have charge of dramatics at a Rockland, Me., kids' camp this summer. . . . DAVIE'S SHOW, colored, inactive for a year, will take up slack this year in Shreveport, La., area. . . . LET'S HEAR from managers and performers with notes for the columns. . . . NORTHAM-TON PLAYERS will play six weeks under tent in the White Mountain sector of New Hampshire, starting July 1. Five people will be in the cast. . . . F. J. BURNHAM will again take E. F. Hannan's The Old South on fairs and celebrations, with some outside dates in between, in Louisiana and Mississippi. . . . SAM CARLE, former rep manager and agent, will take his vaude-pic show into territory around Gonzales, Tex., for the summer. . . . CLARENCE D. AUSKINGS, veteran agent, closed with the L. Verne Slout tenter at Coleman, Tex., April 16 and left for Fremont, O., where he will again clerk at the Jackson Hotel, He reports biz very good for Slout. . . . EDGAR J. CARTER has purchased a tent outfit from Chester Cobb, New England showman, and will operate it in the Atlanta sector with vaude and films. . . . JIMMIE WILSON will again operate in his established Iowa territory after a winter at Clearwater, Fla., where he was connected with a dramatic group.

Old-Time Minstrels

By E. F. Hannan

NOT LONG ago I met Bert Dorsey, trombonist with various minstrel shows in the past, and he remarked: "I like those rep tales in The Billboard but now and then get in a note on minstrelsy." Then Bert ran on about the old-time bass singer, Jim Daly, and about Jim's gregarious appetite.

He followed on relating tales of the Higgins brothers and how they were often stopped at dining room doors and told, "You've been in here once." It was hard for strangers to tell them apart, and hotels in those days were mostly American plan.

Bert said: "Once, with Leon Washburn's show someone stole the sheet music and score between afternoon and night shows and it jammed the band up badly. With Fields & Hanson's Minstrels, the show's baggage got adrift and for three days they were looking for

Bert also asks: "Who are still alive and going of the old Diamond Bros.' Show?"

ster, born and brought up in the business, playing leads in her father's show, the Isley Dramatic Players, as well as with Harley Sadler's and many other shows, but how many know that Maude Adams, the Frohman star, got her first theatrical experience on the old John S. Lindsey Dramatic Company? Or that Chet Keyes, city auditor of Kansas City, Mo., and well known for having broken up the bootleg ring in Philadelphia during prohibition days, is an ex-repster, having been leading man of the Keyes Sisters Dramatic Company?

And did you know that Larry Peyton, rep actor, was the first motion picture player to be killed in France during World War I? Universal Pictures Company erected a statue to his memory in Universal City. And did you know that the first motion picture camera ever in California was brought there by Francis Boggs, old-time repster, husband of the then popular stock leading woman, May Hosmer?

Jeanne Eagels, Blanche Bates, Amelia Bingham and scores of other famous actresses got their first experience in the repertoire business. It has a background that any repster may be proud of. Why Shakespeare himself was a stock actor

Army Building Huge Reserve Of Post-War Picture Fans

building up a great reserve of enthusiastic fans and a greatly enlarged pool of skilled distribution manpower for the American motion picture industry, according to Phil Reisman, vice-president and foreign sales manager of RKO-Radio Pictures.

Reisman, who returned recently from a tour of inspection in Great Britain and France, reported to the War Activities Committee of the motion picture industry:

"Everywhere I went I saw men who told me that before they entered the army they had gone to movies only occasionally. They told me that they had gotten into the movie habit now and army. would never again be satisfied with only an occasional film.

"I saw tired combat troops walk great distances just to spend their free time at the movies. I was told by highranking officers that without the movies disciplinary and morale problems would have been grave indeed.

"And I saw the way the industry's gift films are handled. I cannot speak too highly in praise of the uniformed personnel who see that our 16mm, prints of the latest Hollywood features reach the fighting men of the army and navy. We who are engaged in the commercial exhibition and dstribution of films can have no real conception of the difficulties

U. S. Asks Separation Of Movie Producing, Distribing, Showing

CHICAGO, April 21. - The business practices of several large motion picture companies particularly in relation to their activities in the distribution field, are under fire by the government.

The Senate's Small Business Committee this week began an investigation of charges that major motion picture theater chains are attempting to force small independent movie houses out of busi-

Sen. James E. Murray of Montana said in a statement announcing the investigation, "Independent film theater owners, those who are not affiliated with any of the major motion picture producing companies, have represented to the committee that they are being subjected to a relentless 'squeeze,' forcing them to close their theaters or else suffer absorption by the major producing companies and the large theater chains."

The senator further declared that complaints reaching the committee claim that five theater-owning producing companies give unfair preference to the theaters affiliated with them in regard to choice of films, playing time and price.

In the second action, the Department of Justice will ask a complete separation of the producing and distributingexhibiting branches of the movie industry when an anti-trust action is brought against eight major movie organizations in October.

The trial set for next fall involves the same issues that were to have been decided five years ago when another scheduled trial was called off because five of the defendants consented to the entry of a court decree embodying some of the reforms sought by the government. The separation of producing and exhibiting was not achieved by means of the decree, it is now held.

New and Recent Releases

KING OF THE TURF, released by Commonwealth Pictures Corporation. Adolph Menjou and Dolores Costello star in this story of the loving comradeship and loyalty between a father and his son. Race track setting, with all the color and excitement of the sport of kings. Running time, 90 minutes.

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NEW YORK, April 21 .- The army is which confront the film handlers of the Army Pictorial Service.

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"Some of the men working for the overseas exchanges of the Army Pictorial Service are former members of the motion picture industry. Many others, probably a majority, were not in the film business before they entered the

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WEBER-Lee B., carnival man for 20

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June 13, 1944. Buried in the American

Cemetery in England. Survived by his

mother, Mrs. Vida Williamson; two half-

sisters and a half-brother at Mokane, Mo.

and actors' agent, in Los Angeles April

WILLIS-Richard, 68, actor, writer

tery.

BACON-Trevor, vocalist and ork leader, recently in auto crash in South Carolina. Formerly a vocalist with Lucky Millinder, he left last year to form his own band. He became popular because of several disks he had cut with Millinder.

BAKER-Pascal George, 56, formerly with the Ringling show, following a heart attack in Bradford, Pa., April 7. He served with an ambulance corps in World War I and was past commander of American Legion Post 108, Bradford. Masonic services at Bradford, with interment in McKean Memorial Park there.

BENNETT-Jules J., veteran legit, vaude and burly performer, April 9 in New York. He started his career in 1899 and had appeared with the William West Minstrels and in Tiger Lillies Revue. From 1906-1915 he was part of an act originally known as Bennett and Darling and later Bennett and McIntyre. His first appearance in legit was in Welcome Stranger in 1920. Among other plays he appeared in were Melody Man, with Lou Fields; Humoresque, with Laurette Taylor; Rio Rita; We, the Pcople, and in American Landscape, the last-named in 1938. Services under the auspices of Actors' Fund of America from Walter B. Cooke's Funeral Chapel, New York, with interment in the Actors' Fund plot.

BRANCH-Earle C., 48, former bandsman with Ringling, Hagenbeck-Wallace and 101 Ranch shows and leader of Electric Boat Company Band, New London, Conn., since 1938, in Lawrence Memorial Hospital, that city, April 7. Survived by his widow, Edith. Masonic services in New London April 10.

CONDON—Frank, 58, concessionaire at Sunset Beach, Crystal, Mich., recently. He was a member of the Showmen's League of America. Interment in Crystal Cemetery.

CRAMER-Ellen Foye, widow of Roy M. Cramer, carnival manager of early show days, at Kansas City, Mo., April 13. She was a member of the Heart of 1906 earthquake and owned the old cir-America Showmen's Club Ladies' Aux- cus lot at Eighth and Market streets iliary and the Missouri Show Women's there. He was a founder of the Actors' Club. Survived by a daughter, Lucille Fund, belonged to the Thespians, PCSA, Cramer. Interment at Abilene, Kan.

CRAWN-Matthew (Mat), 58, show- of America. man, while visiting his friend, Jack Huffines at Fairmount, N. C., April 10. Last year he was with Cash Miller on Endy Bros. & Prell Combined Shows. Prior to that he had been with Mighty Sheesley Midway, Prell and Ideal Exposition shows. Survived by his widow, Viola, known to showfolk as Arleene, the Tattooed Girl; a daughter, Marjorie; a son, Donald, and two grandchildren, Services and interment at Hamburg, N. J., April 14.

Charles Evan Evans

Charles Evan Evans, 88, dean of American comedians, died at his home near Santa Monica, Calif., April 16. His death closed a theatrical career of 75 years. A manager as well as an actor, Evans brought Anna Held to America for the first time in 1896. He also produced the first Bernard Shaw play in the United States, with Richard Mansfield appearing in Arms and the Man, later known as The Chocolate Soldier.

Evans was well known for his record of never missing a performance in 3,600 showings of Charles H. Hoyt's A Parlor Match. The farce opened September 5, 1884, in Asbury Park, N. J., and in 10 years completed the longest consecutive run recorded.

Evans worked with Bill (Old Hoss) Hoey and together they introduced such songs as The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo, A Bicycle Built for Two and others. Born in Rochester, N. Y., Evans played in Frank Mayo's Streets of New York when only 13 years old. He also played the part of the judge in Lightnin' on the stage and portrayed character parts in motion pictures starring George Arliss.

Evans was a member of several clubs, including the Lambs and Masquers. He was a Mason. His widow, the former Helena Phillips, with whom he toured the Orpheum Circuit, survives.

THE FINAL CURTAIN

mercial artist, for the past six months with the Dodson Shows, instantly killed when a train ran over him recently near the show's quarters at Gadsden, Ala. He began his carnival career with Ruben Gruberg in 1906-'07. Remains were sent to the Hall Funeral Home, Proctorville, O., by Mel Dodson. Survived by his widow, Helen, Huntington, W. Va.; two sons, Sidney Allen, with the army in England, and Bobby Joe, Huntington; two stepdaughters, a stepson, three brothers and three sisters. Interment in Rome (O.) Cemetery.

GERKE-Jack, 46, radio executive, at Calgary, Alta., April 8. From 1938 to 1943 he managed Station CJCJ, Calgary, and some years previous he was a member of the team Ham 'n' Eggs, featured on CFCN, that city.

GOODMAN - August (Eldora), 77, at one time billed as "the world's greatest heavyweight juggler," in Hamden, Conn. He appeared in vaude and with circuses until his retirement in 1923. He started as a tight-rope walker and juggler with a circus at 17 and became a headline performer with Barnum & Bailey. Surviving are three daughters.

HADFIELD-Charles, 74, former oarsman and racing cyclist, in Tarrytown, N. Y., April 4. About 1910 he started a circus-vaude act called the Golden Globe or Globe of Death, with his wife, Agnes Theodore, who used the name Ce Dora. The act appeared in South America, Japan, Philippines, Java, Mexico and other countries. They also played the Hippodrome, New York, about 1930. Surviving are his widow, four brothers and five sisters.

HOWELL-Ernest E., operator of the Grand Hotel, San Francisco, in that city April 12 of a heart attack. He was associated with the Graumans in theater operation in San Francisco following the and San Francisco Chapter, Show Folks

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MAGNUSON-Mrs. Effie, former wife of Joseph Beris, animal trainer, at Cleveland recently. She was with the Walter L. Main Circus 20 years.

MALLORY-Clyde, 52, formerly agent for Ringling circus, John Cort, Joseph Gaites and other attractions, at his home in Williamsport, Pa., April 5. Survived by his mother, Mrs. Viola Yeagle. Interment at Williamsport.

MARION — Sidney R., concessionaire, following an operation in Tampa April 16. He operated the orange juice stand at the Tampa Fair and had been with Zeidman & Pollie, Rubin & Cherry and Johnny J. Jones shows. His remains was sent to his mother's home in Ithaca, N. Y., for interment.

MOORE—Percy, 67, veteran actor and executive secretary of the Episcopal Actors' Guild since 1927, of a heart attack at the Guild's headquarters in New York April 8. His stage debut was made in 1900 with the road company of Richard Carvel. Subsequent appearances were in The Man Who Came to Dinner, A Slight Case of Murder and The Cat and the Canary. He was a member of the Lambs, Actors' Equity and chairman of the John Drew Fund. Services at the Church of the Transfiguration, with burial in the Actors' plot at Kensico Cemetery. Surviving are his widow and sister.

MURPHY-John, 80, stage carpenter and oldest RKO employee in point of service in Cincinnati, in General Hospital there April 17 following a twomonth illness. He had been with RKO 51 years. Survived by his daughter, Mrs. Estelle Brennan; four sons, Norman, William, Edwin and Corp. John L.; three sisters, Mrs. Molly Laseke, Mrs. Kathryn Dugan and Lillie Murphy, and a brother, Bernard, Cincinnati, Interment in New St. Joseph Cemetery, Cincinnati.

O'NEILL-Peggy, 21, apparently from an overdose of sleeping tablets, in Beverly Hills, Calif., April 13. She had just completed a minor role as a showgirl in

FLOYD-E. B. (Scottie), 62, com- a picture and, according to her agent, Al Orsatti, was to have signed a long-term contract with Paramount Pictures the day of her death. Her mother, Helen O'Neill, survives.

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RICHARDS - Harry Jr. (Doc), 66, drummer with Sparks and Downie Bros.' circuses as well as various minstrels, at his home in Boston recently.

RITCHEY-William M., of the Billy Ritchey's Water Show, April 3. Survived by his widow, Marie.

ROLLSTON-Guy, 69, veteran newspaperman and an editor for the Foreign Broadcasting Intelligence Service of the Federal Communications Commission, in Washington April 6.

ST. AMOUR-Arthur H., 56, known professionally as Professor Ruhtra, mentalist, April 12 in Receiving Hospital, Detroit, following a heart attack March 30. He was a familiar figure at fairs, shows, parks, carnivals and store shows thruout the country for 30 years. Survived by three brothers. Interment in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Detroit.

SANFORD—Joseph A., 58, mentalist, who worked with his wife as the Sanfords, following a brief illness at his home in San Francisco March 17, The act toured the country for many years, including engagements at the Chicago and New York World's Fairs and the Great Lakes Exposition, Cleveland. He was a member of Showfolks of America, San Francisco. Survived by his widow.

SCHUMACHER - Arthur, 74, former balloonist at fairs and parks, at his home in Reading, O., April 13. Survived by his daughters, Mrs. Anthony Kiefler, Reading, and Mrs. Anna Van, Lexington, Ky.; two brothers and two sisters.

THOMAS - Harry M., former circus billposter, of heart trouble, at his home in West Mansfield, O., April 5. Survived by his widow.

WADE-Joan Suzan, 7, daughter of Russell Wade, RKO contract player and featured in Sundown Riders, a 16mm. production, drowned in Studio City, Calif., April 10 when she fell into a swim pool while trying to reach a rubber ball. Her parents survive.

WALKER-Granville M., 57, motion picture artists' agent, suddenly at his home in Beverly Hills, Calif., April 14. He

Sir Ambrose Fleming

Sir Ambrose Fleming, 95, pi-

oneer radio and telegraph scien-

tist, died April 19 at his home in

Sidmouth, Devon, England. He

was born at Lancaster, England,

in 1849, the son of the Rev. James

the Royal College of Chemistry

and St. John's College, Cambridge,

England, he was associated with

the introduction to Britain of the

telephone, electric lighting and

wireless telegraphy, and designed

the wireless signal apparatus of

Marconi station in Cornwall, Eng-

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9. He was co-owner of Willis-Inglis Artists Agency, Services in Hollywood of my husband April 11.

Marriages

SEMENOFF - MALLINSON - Simone Semenoff, choregrapher and ballet dancer, to Linda Beau Mallinson in New York, April 15.

TAYLOR - WATSON - LITTLE - Deems Taylow, music critic and composer, to Lucille Watson-Little, circus costume designer, in Arlington. Va., April 17.

TAYLOR - WATSON - LITTLE — Deems Taylor, composer and cirtic, to Lucille Watson-Little, costume designer, in Arlington, Va., February 17.

WRIGHT-NEWELL-William F. Wright, ride foreman with Turner Bros.' Shows, to Frieda E. Newell, nonpro, in Peorla, Ill., February 14.

Births

A son, Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. Tony Pastor April 13 in East Hartford, Conn. Father is an ork leader.

A daughter, Cynthia Deella, to Mr. and Mrs. Ray C. Grant Jr. April 15 in Chicago. Father is hass and guitarist with the Vagabonds, sepia harmony foursome featured on Blue airings.

A son, Joseph Bradford, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reichman at California Hospital, Los Angeles, April 5. Father is orchestra leader, currently at the Biltmore Bowl, Los Angeles.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Iso Briselli April 14 in Philadelphia. Father is former concert violinist.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Kelley L. Driggers at Mountain Hospital, Denver, April 10. Father is known as James M. Kelley.

A daughter, Wendy, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Condon at Harkness Pavilion, New York, April 15. Father is president of Richard Condon, Inc., public relations, and mother is the former Evelyn Hunt, Powers' model.

Divorces

Ella Mae Morse, Capitol Records' torch singer, from Richard Showalter, orchestra leader known as Dick Walters, now in navy, in Los Angeles April 13.

Miriam Turner, known as Miriam Stovall, actress, from George Preston Turner Jr., motion picture director, in New York April 19.

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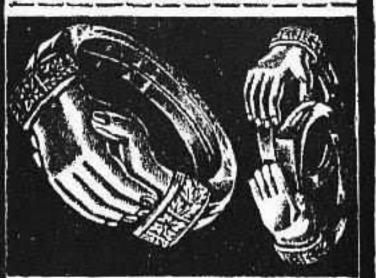
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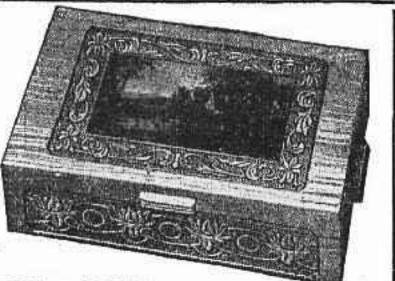
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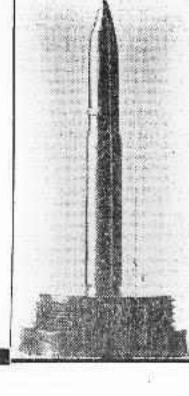
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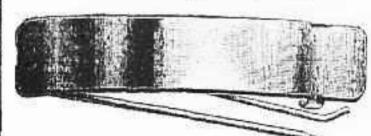
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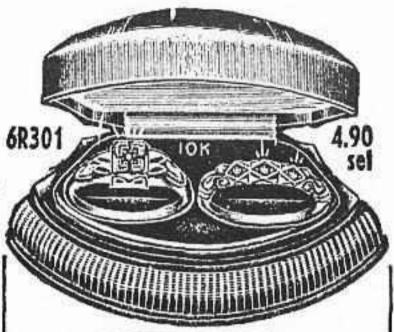
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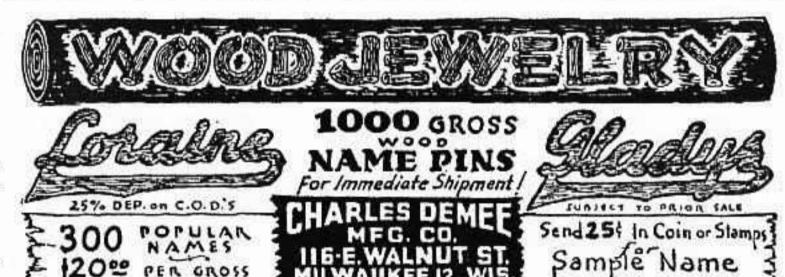
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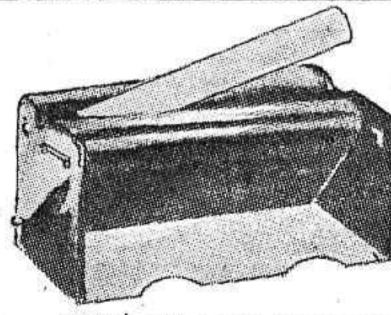
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even if they were six-year-olds when the dancing girls gave way to the circus.

This spec was the last flourish that smacked of super-production, but the three rings were pretty well filled all the way, and it took a little of the unusual to get a spot alone in the center circle.

Biz Tops Last Year

Business here has been better than last year despite the fact the first three performances were given to slightly larger. Liberty horses in the center ring. They than half houses. Friday night the customers came out in droves and the red and white ticket wagons were closed five minutes after the start of the show. The "Sold Out" sign was dragged out for the first time this season. The advance for the two shows today and the Sunday matinee indicates they also will be packed and jammed.

This is considered remarkable with seven performances being played in a city which ordinarily would have been a two-day location for even the most optimistic agent. And it is serving a three-fold purpose. The long stand will g've Noyelles Burkhart, Harry J. Mc-Farlan, Paul Nelson and Col. Harry Thomas the time needed to iron out the kinks before the first move Sunday night. It also has made it possible for the cashiers to rehearse along with the performers, and this type of a rehearsal definitely figures to trim a chunk off the season's nut.

The big top-a 150 with three 50sgives the performance a much better opportunity than it had a year ago when the hippodrome track was so narrow a menage horse had to pick its way carefully between the quarter poles and the customers. All canvas is flame-proofed according to government specifications, and there are enough "No Smoking" and "Exit" signs around to almost compete with Dick Scatterday's banners, and this energetic fellow must have tapped everyone in this fair city. In fact, the banner line in the big top and the menagerie top was quite an attraction in itself.

The running time after the bow Thursday afternoon has been within two minutes either way of two hours and 15 minutes, and Burkhart says it will be clicking with "everything in" in two hours by the matinee tomorrow.

It is customary to report that everything is spick and span and fresh with new paint. It is!

Program Is Varied

The program ran the gamut of circus tradition, with the spots being focused on Cyse O'Dell's one-armed planges, Capt. John Smith's boxing horses, Gee-Gee Engesser's Roman drive of a 16-horse hitch, Cole Bros. menage horses, Con Colleano's wire turn Ruth Nelson's rearing Palomino, Giustino Loyal's new riding act and Harold Voise's flying

Loyal's new act proved a show-stopper even the members of the troupe, gathered from hither and yon, still haven't completely memorized their routines. In this group are Giustino and his wife, Freddy and Ethel Freeman, Jim Reiffenach, Norma Adams, Patricia Logan, Gee-Gee Engesser and Corrine Dearo. Giustino has lost none of his agility and the pyramid numbers on two and four horses are effective. Giustino isn't doing his somersault from one horse to another because he hasn't been able to find a trailing galloper suitable for the act. He is still looking for one.

Gonzalo Esquedas, a youngster, proved a valuable addition to the wire display, which included Ester Cardenas and the Caudillo Sisters. The Great Orantos had the center spot with their high perch, while Bert Dearo and Virginia Tiffany flanking them with contortions. The Freemans, Gustins and Reiffenachs cavorted on bareback, but this one was stopped amidships for a clown turn and then resumed without any apparent

Helen Scott, Marion Knowlton and Dorothy Lewis handled the 10 working elephants effectively, and ballet girls were perched on the pachyderms' noggins for two effective track line-ups. with the customary ups.

Three seal acts produced by Capt. Spencer Huntley featured Harry, the horseback-riding fish-snatcher, Twenty girls swung on ladders, Spanish webs,

anchors and traps, with Ruth Nelson and Corrinne Dearo topping it off with muscle grinds.

Some time was lost in the Living Art Creations number and the wardrobe department might put a few tucks here and there in the costumes to improve this one. Slayman Ali's Arabs tumbled all over the center ring and finished with one man holding seven others, while the Caudillo Sisters and Bonnattis Troupes acrobated in the other rings.

Paul Nelson handled a group of 12 were well trained and responded to command with alacrity. Capt. John Smith and Milt Herriott worked eight-horse groups. Four races completed the hippodrome, and a tab, America, closed, with Florence Tennyson singing the national anthem. Miss Tennyson vocalized effectively several times during the program and was well spotted.

Otto Griebling's clowning was tops, as usual, and his boxing match with Freddy Freeman brought out real artistry. Clown alley is a little short in personnel but the numbers were well produced, even tho the cannon gag didn't gag when caught (matinee Fri-

.By the time the circus rolls out of here it promises to be a better show than the 1944 edition, which enabled Zack Terrell to roll into winter quarters last November with a healthy bank balance.

POLACK HITS 40G

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and newspapers spreading themselves on space and features during the show's

Iry J. Polack arrived April 15, while Louis Stern, business manager, was here for the April 6 opener.

Show opened in Stockton, 50 miles from here, April 16, to capacity house.

San Francisco dates have been set back due to World Security Conference opening there April 25, but circus goes into Oakland following Stockton.

Altho expenses were considerably up over last year, Polack Bros. gave Ben All Shrine chapter \$23,000, as its cut for the Sacramento appearance, largest share 10cal chapter has ever received.

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Lake State: Brooklyn. Ill. Lake State: Brooklyn, Ill. Lawrence Greater: Harrisonburg, Va.; Win-chester 30-May 5. Lone Star: Homer, La. Lucky Royal: Marlin, Tex.; Corsicana May 2-12.

McKee, John: Cape Girardeau, Mo. Maher's Midway: (800 S. Broadway) St. Louis,

Majestic Greater: Port Huron, Mich., May 4-12, Marion Greater: Chester, S. C. Marks: Hampton, Va. Midway of Mirth: Carlinville, Ill.

Midwest: Inyokern, Calif., 24-May 4. Mighty Monarch: Winter Garden, Fla. Moore's Modern: West Frankfort, Ill.; Herrin 30-May 5. Mound City: (18th & Ann) St. Louis, Mo. North American Expo.: Chattanooga, Tenn.; Knoxville 30-May 5.

Ozark: Russellville, Ark.; Clarksville 30-May 5. Page, J. J.: Johnson City, Tenn., 28-May 5. Pan-American: Anderson, Ind., 28-May 5. Parada: Osawatomie, Kan. Peppers All-State: Clinton, Tenn. Pike Am.: Hope, Ark. Playland: Copperhill, Tenn.

Playtime: Manchester, N. H. R. & S. Am.: Cherry Point (Marine Base), N. C.

Regal Expo.: Nashville, Tenn. Rogers & Powell: Bay St. Louis, Miss. Rogers Greater: Salem, Ill.; Mattoon 30-May 5. Royal American: Evansville, Ind., 26-May 5. Royal Expo.: (Fair) Belle Glade, Fla. Siebrand Bros.: El Paso, Tex. Smith, George Clyde: Duncansville, Pa.: May

Southern Expo.: Bainbridge, Ga., 26-May 5. Southern Valley: Spring Hill, La. Sparks Bros.: Paris, Tenn.; Fulton, Ky., 30-May 5. Sparks, J. F.: Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Birmingham

30-May 5. Srader, M. A.: Junction City, Kan., 25-May 5.

Standard: Douglas, Wyo., May 1-5. Star Am. Co.: Jacksonville, Ark. Strates, James E.: Chester, Pa.; Bridgeton, N. J., 30-May 5.

Sunflower State: Liberal, Kan., 28-May 5. Sunset Am. Co.: Excelsior Springs, Mo. Sunshine: Bushnell, Fla. Surber: Walnut Grove, Miss, Tassell, Barney: Keysville, Va.; Alexandria

30-May 12. Tidwell: McCamey, Texas; Odessa 30-May 5; Kermit 7-12. Turner Bros.: Springfield, Ill.

United Expo.: Port Arthur, Tex. Victory: Franklin Square, L. I., N. Y.; Hunt-ington Station 30-May 5.

World of Mirth: Richmond, Va., 30-May 5.
World of Pleasure: Ecorse, Mich., 26-May 5.
World of Today: Fort Smith, Ark.
Young's Blue Ribbon: Rome, Ga. Circus Routes

Send to 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, O.

Anderson, Bud E.; Kingman, Kan., 24; Anthony 25; Medicine Lodge 26; Coldwater 27; Ash-land 28; Meade 29; Dodge City 30. Arthur Bros.: Palo Alto, Calif., 24; Redwood City 25; San Mateo 26; Martinez 27; Vallejo

Bailey Bros.: Parkersburg, W. Va., 26.
Barnes Bros.: (Stadium) Chicago, until May 6.
Beatty. Clyde: Lynchburg, Va., 23; Roanoke 24; Pulaski 25; Bluefield, W. Va., 26; Beckley 27; Charleston 28-29.
Bradley & Benson: Albany, Ga., 24; Tifton 25; Moultric 26; Thomasville 27; Bainbridge 28.
Cole Bros.: Evansville, Ind., 24; Decatur, Ill., 25: Springfield 26; Peoria 27; Champaign 28; Danville 29; Lafayette, Ind., 30; Fort Wayne, May 1; Muncie 2; Indianapolis 3-6.
Dailey Bros.: Alexandria, La., 24; Monroe 25; Bastrop 26; McGehee, Ark., 27; Helena 28.
Dickman, Bob: Lancaster, Pa., 26-27.
Hamid-Morton: New Haven, Conn., 26-May 2, Hunt Bros.: Burlington, N. J., 26-28.
Mills Bros.: Springfield, O., 24-26; en route 27; Ashland 28.
Monroe Bros.: Winchester, Ill., 24; White Hall 25; Carroliton 26; Jerseyville 27; Gillesple 28; Staunton 30; Worden May 1, Polack Bros.: (Ice Palace) Santa Rosa, Calif., 26-29; (Auditorium) Fresno, May 2-8.
Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey: (Madison Square Garden) New York, until May 20, Rock Bros.' Wild West: Rockdale, Tex., 28; Cameron 30; Hearne May 1, Russell Bros.: Long Beach, Calif., 27-29; Oxnard 30; Ventura, May 1.
Russell Bros.: Long Beach, Calif., 27-29; Oxnard 30; Ventura, May 1.

Wirth, Frank: St. Louis, Mo., 22-May 6.

Misc. Routes Send to 25 Opera Place, Cincinnati 1, O.

Barrett, Roy (Police Circus) St. Louis 22-May 6.

Basile, Joe, Band (Arena) New Haven, Conn., Campbell, Loring: Flint, Mich., 25; Saginaw 26; Alma 27; Big Rapids 30; Grand Rapids

May 1; Kalamazoo 2; Marshall 3. Couden, Doug & Lola: School assemblies, Del Rio, Tex. Fayssoux: Claremore, Okla., 25; Tulsa 26-28. Francis, Leo (Grotto Home) Indianapolis, Ind.,

Geyer's, Bert, Exhibit: Coshocton, O., 23-28; Mansfield 30-May 5.

Hutchens Museum: Webb City, Mo., 23-28;
Carthage 30-May 5.

Leckvold: Issaquah, Wash., 25; Auburn 26; Scattle 27-May 3.

Long, Leon (Liberty City Park) Miami, Fla., 23-May 5. Marquis (Roanoke) Roanoke, Va., 25; (State) Salisbury, N. C., 26; (Carolina) Charlotte 27-28; (Paramount) High Point 30. Rome, Great: Clear Brook, Va., 25; Winches-

ter 26. Slout Players Stage Show: Ballinger, Tex., 23-28; Eden 30-May 2,

Ice Shows

Carnival on Ice (Netherland Plaza Hotel) Cin-

cinnati.
Francy's, Dorothy, Ice Fantasia (Benjamin Franklin Hotel) Phila.
Francy's, Dorothy, Ice Time (Adolphus Hotel) Dallas.

Hats Off to Ice (Center Theater) NYC. Ice-Capades of 1945 (Pan Pacific Auditorium) Los Angeles, April 26-June 3.

Ziegfield, Dolories, Fantasy on Ice (The Boule-vard) Elmhurst, L. I., N. Y.

DRAMATIC ROUTES

(Continued from page 32) Student Prince (Capitol) Binghamton, N. Y., 25; (Avon) Utica 26; (Erie) Schenectady

Ten Little Indians (Studebaker) Chi. Too Hot for Maneuvers (Walnut St.) Phila. Two Mrs. Carrolls (Forrest) Phila. Voice of the Turtle (Selwyn) Chi. West, Mae (American) St. Louis.

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Three in Richmond With a 4th Booked

RICHMOND, April 21.—Three carnivals are in operation here, with a fourth preparing for a bow.

Marks is on Petersburg Pike, South Richmond, while Prell has 3300 Broad Street, both being well billed. Harrison Greater Shows popped in Sunday (15) for a week on Mechanicsburg Pike without billing.

World of Mirth tilts its lid here April

Marks's opening was rained out, while Prell was a day late when two tires blew on the gas truck on the 450-mile hop from Charleston, S. C.

Harrison missed its opening because the Ferris Wheel wasn't in the air.

Greater Rainbow Contracts Marion Fete; Bows April 28

DES MOINES, April 21.—Greater Rainbow Shows have contracted Marion, Ia., for July 4, showing on the streets under auspices of the Lions Club, according to Frank Ward, secretary.

Rides have been overhauled for the opening here April 28, and the midway feature will be Ed Ray's Congoland, with Susie, the gorilla.

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Texarkana, Ark., this week; Pine Bluff, next week.

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St. Louis Lot Business Satisfies John Francis

ST. LOUIS, April 21.-John Francis Shows, which opened at 22d and Franklin streets here March 21, have been en-Joying good business and will remain at the location thru April 22 when the show moves to Granite City, Ill., for a two-week engagement.

According to Owner John Francis, the show will play industrial cities in Illinois, to be followed by a route of fairs in Illinois and Wisconsin, then south thru Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee and Georgia. Show has 7 rides and 15 concessions.

Among those operating concessions are Mr. and Mrs. Jelly Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. W. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Stratton, Eugene Franklin Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hatfield, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Patterson, Pat Patterson, Hazel Allen, Ilda Coddington, Mrs. John Francis and Alice LaRue. Jack LaRue is rides superintendent, with in the office reading The Billboard. Nathan Carl, chief mechanic.

World of Today Ladies Form War Workers' Club

FORT SMITH, Ark., April 21.-Shortly before the World of Today Shows left winter quarters at Muskogee, Okla., 22 women members of the organization met and reorganized the shows' War Workers' Club for 1945 and pledged to make 50 afghans to donate to the O'Reilly General Hospital at Springfield, Mo. A letter was read from Brig. Gen. George B. Foster Jr., thanking the club for the 55 afghans donated last year and explaining that they have been a great comfort to many returned veterans,

In making 55 afghans last year, \$428 worth of yarn was used. Three hundred fifty dollars was raised for the Mustering-Out Fund, and \$500 for the Red Cross, thru the Showmen's League of America; \$75 to the Kansas City Blood Bank, and \$50 to the Camp and Hospital Division of the Red Cross at Wichita, Kan.

Virginia Rose Shows Score In Downtown Louisville

LOUISVILLE, April 21.-Virginia Rose Shows, owned by M. F. Kaufman, have had solid business on a downtown lot here the past three weeks. Show probably will remain here until late summer. Week-ends, since the opening March 17, have been just like a "big fair date," according to the management,

Show has five rides and 30 concessions.

George Davis and Dick Scatterday, of the Cole show, have been nightly visitors. Rex Howe has enlarged his cookhouse and installed a floor, sewerage system, running water, gas and a tele-phone at a cost of approximately \$1,000.

Majestic Greater Breaks In

DETROIT. April 21.—Majestic Greater Shows, originally Bodart's Greater Shows, is breaking in on lots around Detroit with half a dozen rides. No concessions will be carried until May 4, when the shows will expand to full strength and go on the road in up-State Michigan. Concessions are virtually banned under Detroit ordinance.

Wilkens on N. A. Press

ATLANTA, April 21-William L. Wilkens, well-known circus and theatrical press agent, has been engaged to handle publicity for the North American Exposition, it is announced this week by Pete Kortes and Mel Vaught, owners. Wilkens takes over the job next week at Chattanooga.

Two for Dixieland Shows

MOUNT PLEASANT, Tenn, April 21 .--Dixieland Shows have been contracted for the American Legion celebration here May 7-12, and will play Henderson, Tenn., May 14-19.

Bill's Rides Open Strong

SPARKS, Ga., April 21.—Bill's Novelty Rides opened here April 8 to favorable weather conditions and strong biz. A free gate proved popular. Ferris Wheel topped the rides, with Jack Orr's big snake leading the shows.

With the Ladies

By Virginia Kline

SALEM, Ore., April 21,-Just received an invitation to visit the new Miami home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weer. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cuddy, former Salemites, also reside in Florida and have lots of showfolks for company in the winter.

Mrs. V. J. Yearout, who with her husband now resides in Portland, Ore., is recovering from a sprained ankle. Elizabeth shook too vigorously a rug and fell, spraining her ankle.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Hamilton, of Jantzen Beach Park, spent a day at the Eyerly factory recently. Al was out in the shop, but it was one of those heavy-mist days, so Mrs. Hamilton spent the time.

S. W. Shepherd, formerly of the Johnny J. Jones and Foley & Burk Shows, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Eyerly recently. He is residing on a small ranch near Hayward, Calif.

Johnny Bennett stopped over in Salem recently en route to Spokane and Natatorium Park where he will locate for the summer. Johnny is Lee Eyerly's uncle and is interested in horses.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Davis are with the Ferris Shows in California.

Viola Shaffer, my sister, has just returned from a two-week visit in California, She visited our other sister, Helen Brainerd Smith, and took in several of the popular radio broadcasts in Hollywood. I got in a 10-day vacation on the Eyerly yacht, the Sea Rest. Governor and Mrs. Earl Snell were also on the cruise with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cassell, of Portland, Ore.

Clara Zeiger and Rosemary Loomis are back in Rocky Ford.

James Patterson Jr., is still a flight officer in China, where he has been for five months. He flys the Hump and is now historical and public relations officer with his group.

Lawrence Greater Shows Fayetteville Tilt Okay

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., April 21 .--Lawrence Greater Shows opened on the Lumberton Road circus grounds here recently, sponsored by the FILI, whose chairman, Leon Gibson, gave excellent co-operation. Weather was ideal, with the exception of Thursday and Friday when it turned cold. Business was the best the show has had in the three engagements here under the same auspices. It opened with 8 shows, 8 rides and 35 concessions. War Bonds were given away nightly, and attendance was about 18,000 for the week.

Louis (Dada) King, recently married, has returned as show secretary, and Mrs. King will join this week.

Among the visitors for the opening were Mr. and Mrs. Dave Endy, Louis (Stretch) Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kaus, Roxey Gatto, Mrs. Jim Braden and Mrs. Buck Denby.

Staff is Sam Lawrence, general manager; Mrs. Shirley Lawrence, treasurer; P. J. Finnerty, business manager; Bob Hallock, general agent; Louis King, special agent, and Phil Cook, press.

ST. L. POLICE SHOW

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less Fliers number. It was sock at night when the black light took hold.

The Riding Duttons, the Zavatta Riding Family, Bernice's slide for life and Fishers were the only presentations rating the spotlight alone. Six sets of spinners were presented on rollers; Hill's Elephants and Haag's Pachyderm; horses by Hoagland, Van Leer and Rudynoff; wild animals by Dick Clemens and Frank Phillips, working on Alfred Court group. Carl Randel offered 36 well-trained ballet girls in a number to introduce the Duttons, and they worked admirably in a patriotic tableau to close the show. (A complete review will be published in The Billboard next week.)

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Communications to 155 N. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill. Conducted by WALTER W. HURD.

Two Bills Reported in Florida

Newspapers Give Publicity

Governor looks for revenue-State by State review of bills

CHICAGO, April 21 .- The trade has been awaiting definite reports on the Florida Legislature since that body convened April 3. It seems that on April 19 two bills relating to coin machines were introduced in the Legislature. No definite reports have been received here yet, but it is anticipated that the bills introduced are probably proposals to carry out the administration idea of repealing the present State license law.

The only information available here, at this writing, is that Senator Ausley introduced two bills known as No. 211 and 212.

Favorable Bills Also

It has been reported that favorable bills will be introduced in the Florida Legislature as well as bills to carry out the governor's request that the present State license for amusement games be repealed. A recent trade report said that probably as many as five bills, relating to coin machines, would be introduced in the Florida session. This would definitely put the Florida Legislature in the spotlight insofar as coin machine legis-

Florida newspapers have also broken the general trend this year by giving build-up publicity to probable coin machine legislation. In fact, when the governor made mention of repealing the present amusement games license in Florida, that made news and appeared in papers over the State. A similar condition happened in Wisconsin where the governor brought the subject into the spotlight by proposing or by requesting anti-slot legislation.

While the total volume of coin machine legislation continues downward at the present time, it seems that the States of Florida, Texas, Wisconsin and Missouri are the only ones that are giving any concern to the trade or getting any mention in newspapers.

Not so many Legislatures adjourned during the past week but the trend is still in that direction and this will automatically decrease the volume of coin machine legislation. The trade is beginning to study more carefully the general trend of various types of legislation proposed and that which has already passed this year.

Governor Looks for Revenue

As each State Legislature meets and adjourns, it becomes increasingly evident that a majority of the State Treasuries this year had ample funds and the Legislatures were not called upon to look for new sources of revenue. That accounts for the small volume of coin machine proposals this year. In the case of Florida, however, it is different this year. The national ban on racing has cut down the Florida revenue very considerably and hence the governor had to ask the Legislature to begin to look for new revenue to replace that which was lost. That was his reason for asking for an increase in the tax on cigarettes, tax on soft drinks, etc.

A very favorable, and at the same time interesting trend, this year, has already been mentioned in these columns many times up to the present. That was the April 25. trend that started off in January in which Legislatures began to propose the licensing of gaming devices in clubs. Already two State Legislatures have passed into law, proposals to that effect, which makes the definite trend in that direc-

In checking over the various legislative proposals this year it is also apparent by this time that most Legislatures are well aware of vending machines and the place idle. With the war peak of 1,300,000 jobs they occupy in selling goods. It appears, in industry it is now predicted that no new industries to the Detroit area will

-Editorial-

Curfew Policy

By Walter W. Hurd

THE national curfew policy and the ban on racing will stick until V-E Day, according to a statement by President Truman this week. This obligates the coin machine industry to observe the principle of the curfew regulations, insofar as possible, until definite official relief is given.

Only recently two reports were published which indicated a relaxation of some of the restrictions on juke boxes with respect to the midnight curfew. (The Billboard April 21. Page 65). These two reports were in general terms and only suggested minor relaxation of the curfew policy. Since the majority of locations that stay open all night sell liquor in one form or another, the curfew policy must still be observed.

Long experience has shown that the best policy for the coin machine industry is to observe the strict principles of federal regulations. It would be a rare instance in which anything could be gained by fighting the federal government. Federal regulations are issued to apply to much broader problems than the coin machine industry itself.

This does not bar the right of the industry, or any member of the industry, to ask for its special rights in any situation, however. The idea is that the industry should not start an organized fight against federal regulations or federal policies as applied to the industry. Organized fights always run the chance of getting into the newspapers, stirring up a nationwide publicity drive against the business.

Until the federal government removes the curfew ban, it apparently will still have strict limitations on locations that sell liquor or have dancing,

The real application of the national curfew policy to all lines of business affected by it is still in the hands of the regional directors of the War Manpower Commission. Most of these regional offices applied the idea to the letter and set up very strict standards because they wanted to carry out the idea to the fullest extent. This policy still holds true among the majority of regional offices.

There is nothing to prevent coin machine operators from approaching these regional offices for adjustments that can be made quietly and without upsetting the general plans for the curfew. In all cases operators should have due regard for the responsibilities which are placed upon regional WMC offices and give them full co-operation.

If the regional WMC offices relax some of the restrictions on coin machines, then it should be understood among operators that they will be perfectly willing to go back to the strict letter of the plan if there is any public reaction

against the trade.

On the whole, the coin machine trade should carefully watch the development of the curfew idea. As is well known in the trade, curfew laws and regulations have been developing in cities and States for a number of years and the subject has been a matter of careful study by important organizations, who have issued reports on the subject to city and State officials. The whole curfew idea is likely to gain momentum by the present national problem.

Dallas Firm Plans Extended Import Business

DALLAS, April 21.—The distributing firm of S. H. Lynch & Company, Inc., here, is getting big publicity in financial journals because of its part in promoting trade with Great Britain. Cy Lynch. one of the principals in the firm here is well known to the coin machine industry nationally. He expects to be very active in the coin machine industry when new machines can be made again, but at the same time his organization will play a big part in importing special lines of merchandise from Britain,

Last year The Billboard and other coin machine trade publications told the industry of the enterprising plans of the Lynch firm. According to the plan, important bank entries in England have organized a chain of wholesale outlets in the United States, including about 9 or 10 regional offices. Dallas was selected for the first outlet to be opened and the Lynch firm was chosen to represent the British interest here.

The plan calls for importing British merchandise, including woolens, gifts, chinaware and other articles of British manufacture which will sell to American customers and the 9 or 10 wholesale outlets will distribute the goods to U.S. markets. The Lynch firm here is already handling all the goods than can be sent across the Atlantic at the present time, which is chiefly chinaware. The firm has a large downtown building with imposing display space for its line of British goods which will, of course, expand rapidly when wartime controls are lifted.

This close linking of a coin machine firm with British merchandising interests is expected to be very helpful to the coin machine industry as a whole when the war is over. It is well understood, in British circles, that in order to buy American goods Britain must be able to sell more goods to the U.S. The Lynch firm is leading the way here to help Americans buy certain kinds of British goods, knowing that after the war England will be in the markets buying new coin machines.

Mich. Supreme Court | Decision Brings Close-Down in Flint

FLINT, Mich., April 21.-The city is regretting the loss of about \$10,000 in revenue, per year, when amusement games will cease to be operated here May 1.

Operators have been given official notice that they must remove certain types of amusement games by that date, following an unfavorable decision on free plays earlier in the year. The unfavorable court decision was handed down by the Michigan Supreme Court and has adversely affected the game business in a number of towns that licensed the

According to official reports here, there are about 700 licensed pinball games operating in the city.

A State-wide meeting of operators of the pinball games and similar types of machines is scheduled to meet here

Detroit To Have P-W Job Headache

that following the war, jobs will decline by a quarter of a million in this area. This will leave 150,000 to 300,000 persons

Truman's Policy To Benefit Coin Machine Trade

WASHINGTON, April 21.—At least two of the acts of President Truman, during the first week of his term in the Presidential office, attracted the attention of the coin machine industry.

President Truman announced his support of the ban on horse racing and also of the national curfew plan. It is understood that the national curiew affects amusement machines and juke

boxes directly.

President Truman also announced his support of the broad electrical expansion program which had been pushed so enthusiastically by the late President Roosevelt. The electrical expansion program includes many other, projects, such as the T. V. A. Electrical development and the wider use of electricity. especially bringing it into the small towns and villages and rural areas, has meant increased business for operators. It has also meant new locations that have electricity and can thus take the most modern types of coin machines.

Other nations are already planning DETROIT, April 21 .- It is estimated to copy the electrical expansion program of the U.S., and this may eventually open up many new markets for coin machines in other parts of the world.

also, that Legislatures are showing an more than 1,000,000 to 1,200,000 are an- increase manufacturing jobs alone but licensed pinball games and about 900 (See FLORIDA BILLS on page 64) ticipated in peacetime. Attraction of this transformation will require years. console payout type machines in Miami.

16mm. Film Industry Organizes Assn. and Reviewing Board

LOS ANGELES, April 21.-Movie machine operators will evidence better films in the future what with the organizing of all the film producers in the 16mm. field. The name of the new setup will be "The 16mm. Producers Association of America."

This organization will prevent duping and eliminate smut from their motion pictures. Officers of the new association plan to set up their activities similar to the association of Motion Picture Producers, Inc., which governs the 35mm. film industry.

A reviewing board has been set up with a priest and a Protestant minister volunteering to serve on the board.

Miami Operators Get Heat Treatment

MIAMI, April 21.—The police department here has been torn asunder by the publication of a letter issued by one group within the police force. At the present time there is a crusade on with the purpose of closing the city's wellknown gambling spots. Payout coin machines will be included in the drive, it is said.

Newspaper reports say there are 1,400

COINMEN YOU KNOW

New York:

METRO DISTRIBUTORS, coin machine row's newest addition, opened this last Monday, with CHARLIE KATZ, well known to the trade, and LEON BER-MAN, formerly with New York Supply Company, as the head men. Metro will specialize in factory revamps. . . . JEVING EDWARDS, of Edwards Cigarette Company, Beacon, N. Y., visited the Great White Way this week. . . . JOSEPH A. HANNA, of Hanna Distributing Company of Central New York, down Utica way, was seen on the coin row this week talking to this one and that one. . . . SAM YOLEN, Portchester Squire, is still considered one of the top-notch operators for venders all over New York and Connecticut as well.

IRWIN BELL, of Hartford, Conn., and Meadow Lane, Mass., visited New York this week and took in several of the leading shows during his stay. . . . It has been reported that the officers of the North Carolina Cigarette Association are expected to visit New York very, very soon. . . . (BIP) GLASSGOLD, of Dugrenier, Inc., in New York for just a day on his way to North Carolina and West Virginia. . . . MANNIE KLUIG, energetic operator of Hyanis. Mass., visited with friends in New York the other day and tells of life on the Cape. It seems Mannie is developing into a real New Englander. . . . S. MOSKOWITZ, of Supreme Vending & Amusement Company, Bridgeport, Conn., on coinrow this week to do a little buying.

MORRIS ZIMMERMAN, of Self-Service Sales Corporation, Hartford, Conn., flew in for a short visit and then on to Massachusetts. . . . E. A. PEYTON JR., of Larus Bros. & Company, recently toured New York and was particularly gratified at the consumer acceptance of Chelsea Cigarettes, especially the progress made by the venders.

Chicago:

More than one coin machine operator and distributor made his appearance here this week under conditions that were akin to a secret service agent. . . . One distrib from Detroit when queried why he was in town said that he heard so and so left for Chicago, so he came down to find out what was going on. And, as is often the case, no one in the business seems to want his name mentioned that he was here on business.

HARRY WILLIAMS, manufacturer, garnered considerable publicity this week, what with one of his employees having a War Bond tattooed on his chest at the Colony Club where a group of columnists, newspaper and magazine photographers, treasury officials and Jim Mangan were in attend-

HAROLD PINCUS, local coinman, joined the U. S. Coast Guard Reserve Detroit: and hopes to be assigned to platoon headed by the old sea dog, JACK KEL-NER. . . . HARVEY CARR is also a member of the Coast Guard.

WILLIAM (BUD) PARR and CHARLIE ROBINSON, of Los Angeles, in town and running into each other unexpectedly. . . . CHARLIE ROBINSON, well known on the Coast and local coin circles, really comes to town in style, what with a sulte of six rooms at the Sherman Hotel and two bellhops taking down phone messages most all the time. . . . He bought over two carloads of coin machines in Chicago and after entertain-Ing several local coinmen trained out for Los Angeles the 18th.

HARRY BROWN, American Amusement Company executive; MIKE SPEC-TOR, Philadelphia coinman. . . . JIM ASHLEY, Detroit distributor. . . . PAT BUCKLEY, manufacturer. . . . JOHN (MIDGE) RYAN, of Mills Novelty Company. . . . JACK SLOAN, The Billboard advertising manager. . . . CHARLIE ROB-INSON and BUD PARR, both Los Angeles distributors, were seen together this week imbibling a few and discussing business.

SOL SILVERSTEIN and ART O'MELIA, owners of Hub Enterprises of Baltimore, were seen in town this week. . . . D. V. KENNEDY, sales manager for Packard Manufacturing Company, slipping into town quietly twice the past month and back to his baliwick where preparations are being made to handle increased post-

war trade. . . . FRANCES WAYNE, vocalist with the Woody Herman band, has a new recording set for release May 2 in New York. . . . Out of This World will be the tune backed by an original by Woody Herman. The band is now on an extended one-nighter tour thru the Midwest and will vacation for a month starting May 19.

New Orleans:

PREXY JULIUS PACE, of the N. O. Coin Vending Machine Op Association; PETER NASTASI, formerly head of the Automatic Amusement Company, and CARLOS MARCELLO, of the Jefferson Music Company, have formed a partnership and taken over operations of the distribution and operating businesses of the Dixie Coin Machine Company on Poydras Street. All have been well known in coin circles of New Orleans for many years. Pace has been head of the local association for about 25 years.

O. D. MARSHALL has taken over operation of the New Orleans Coin Machine Exchange. Marshall, long one of the best servicemen in this section, has been in the coin machine business in other areas of the South. . . . HARRY BATT is ready to start his 15th season at Pontchartrain Beach. The resort lost its big Penny Arcade in a disastrous fire last year but it has been rebuilt and is as big as ever. POPS LEVAN, of the Flying Levans, circus aerialist, will be in charge of that department. . . . W. PAMPE is new area manager for Columbia and Okeh Records here, adding New Orleans to his Southeastern territory. He has worked in this territory before.

CHARLIE WICKER, manager of the J. H. Peres Amusement Company, doing double duty as a sports writer on The Times-Picayune, largest local daily paper. Wicker has been an experienced writer for several years and is widely known in prep school circles. . . . DAN COHEN, of the Pleasure Music Company and Crescent Cigarette Service, and an active noncom officer in the U.S. Army, home long enough this past week to announce further expansions in the coin machine biz. He has taken over operations of the Morris Music House, retail record store and phonograph operations at 168 South Rampart Street and also the phonograph route of the A. M. Amusement Company.

R. N. McCORMICK, Southern sales manager for Decca, just back from a business trip in the Lone Star State, where he called on branch managers at Dallas, Houston, San Antonio and also Oklahoma City. Mac is doing a fine job in face of the disk shortage. . . . BILL SHULER, of Shuler Supply Company, is rapidly bringing his new spot around to one of the most attractive looking business shops in town. He promises the coin machine men one of the biggest "house warmings" seen in downtown New Orleans in years when the job is com-

FRANK'S MUSIC COMPANY, operated by Frank Alluvot, is now located at 1545 East McNichols Road-former offices were on Davison Avenue. . . . His daughter is acting as secretary for the firm. . . . CARLO DI LIBERTO, game operator, has left the city on another trip for parts unknown. . . . BRYAN KAMHOUT, head of the Sanitex Company, national distributors of sanitary products venders, has returned from Florida and is currently visiting at Grand Haven, Mich. He is planning to erect a new building to house office and storerooms of the company as soon as war conditions permit. Business remains at a high level, with demand far in excess of supply for sanitary venders, especially in war plants.

JOSEPH BRILLIANT, president of the Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association, reported a meeting of the board of directors recently to consider reactions to the new city license. . . . LOIS LUNN, supervisor of the wired music department of the Modern Music Company, reports a strong lingering demand for older numbers on the direct requests in distinction to the newer numbers which are usual favorites on juke boxes.

MORRIS GOLDMAN, of the Motor City Music Company, is making a business trip to New York this coming week. . . . HENRY C. LEMKE, of the Lemke Coin Machine Company, has moved to his new building at 135 West Vernor Highway

near-by structures for additional storage capacity to house his stock. . . HUMPHREY SAUVE, who is managing the A. P. Sauve Company business here, reports his brother, ARTHUR, head of the company, is expected back from a long stay in Florida sometimes this coming week. . . . WILLIAM RHEAUME, of the Monarch Music Company, is on a three weeks' vacation in Florida. . . DAVID YAMSHIN, who has disposed of his entire route of ray guns, is now operating skee balls exclusively. . . MICHAEL A. ANGOTT JR., a veteran of the Detroit trade, is back from a business trip to California, where he bought some machines, and was a visitor at the S. & W. Coin Machine Exchange, Man-

ager Michael Weinberger reports. HARRY WEINBERGER, now head of the Reliance Jewelry and Merchandise Company, was a visitor at the S. and W. store, managed by his father, Michael Weinberger. . . . MARTIN EDELMAN of the Grand Amusement Company was another local coin machine figure reported enjoying a late vacation in Florida. . . MARTIN BALENSIEFER, manager of the Martin Distributing Company, local Wurlitzer representatives, was out of town on a business trip this week. . . . GEORGE SCHOEN, manager of Martin's service department, reported business in excellent shape, with much demand for service and parts curerntly.

Buffalo:

MR. AND MRS. LEW WOLF (of Lew Wolf Enterprises, distributors) are going to New York shortly to see Mrs. Wolf's son, Cpl. Carl Swiderski, who arrived from overseas and is at Halloran Hospital, Staten Island, recovering from severe injuries in both legs. He was with General Patton's army as a tank driver, was injured several times and received the Purple Heart medal with oak leaf clusters. Wolf expects to see JACK FITZGIBBONS, of Jafco, Inc., an old friend, while there, and some of the coin machine gang. In the near future Wolf and Fitzglbbons plan to go to Chicago together on a business trip.

Several out-of-town visitors who stopped along coin machine row here were JOHN BILOTTO and FRED IVERSON, of Easter Sales Company, Rochester, N. Y.; CHARLIE KATZ, from New York, looking for reconversion games, and LEON TAK-SEN, from Philadelphia.

S/Sgt. BOB MILLER, formerly of Iroquois Amusement here, is still in India with army. His port battalion (the 508th) celebrated its second anniversary together in service and the boys set a new record in unloading a ship in jig time. . . . JIM BLAKESLEE, of the company, is still facing the record shortage problem without flinching and buys very little retail. He had about 40,000 rec- 🗲 ords set up in a special library when the Petrillo ban started and that has helped him a lot during the critical shortage of disks.

Operators claim that juvenile delinquency has declined since early curfew went into effect. Most of the youngsters have gotten used to the 12 midnight closing and business is holding up okay but with about a 25-30 per cent drop.

The J. H. WINFIELD COMPANY, wellknown distributors, report a good Canadian business, despite red tape of forms, duty, etc. Summer locations are already opening up here, earliest ever. STEDE-FORD, of the org, reports 10 good spots going pretty well now, all within fivemile radius of Angola, N. Y., on U. S. Lake Erie side.

Long Beach, Calif.

HOMER GELLESPIE has bought the building at 1200 Gaviota Avenue and will make this location his new headquarters, having lost the lease on the building he now occupies. . . . Another operator that was dispossessed this week

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and has already had to rent a number of was the Tillitson Amusement Company. . . . Their lease expired at 872 E. Sixth Street and are temporarily at 1209 Gaviota Avenue. . . . Rumors going around here this week are that a route of phonographs sold for \$45,000 to one of the oldest established operators lo-

Cincinnati:

The Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association here held a stag party recently at the Sunset Club in honor of 35 servicemen stationed at the Convalescent Hospital at Fort Thomas, Ky. There was entertainment, luncheon and refreshments. RAY BIGNER was the chairman of this committee, assisted by OHARLES Mckinney and SAM BUT-LER. The party was a big success. Other members of the association present were Sam Chester, Charles McKinney, Charles Kanter, Howard Males, Louis Foltzer Abe Villinsky, Morry Goret. Nate Bartfield, Al Lieberman, Morris Kleinman, Phil Ostand, Harry Hester and William Fitzpatrick. . . . The Miami Valley Coin Operators' Association, of Dayton, O., was represented by RAY VOTAW, secretary and treasurer; VIR-GIL WEBSTER, FRED LITSEY, BOB FAUST and TOM HOPKINS. . . . The record distributors in Cincinnati were represented by PAUL COHEN, JO BOTTS, LLOYD BRAMLAGE, SAM KLAYMAN and STEVE PENNOCK. . . . A committee from the Buckeye Liquor Dealers' Association, BERNIE SIMMS. (See Coinmen You Know on page 64)

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RUSSELL SMITH, TOMMIE ROSSER, BEN RUEVE and JIMMIE DONOVAN, also attended. . . . Also present were Judge Joseph Woeste, Judge Clarence Spraul, Sheriff Taylor Handman, Gus Beall, Joseph Weinberger, Al Salupo; dollar-a-year member, Morris Berman. . . . Each serviceman present received a case filled with eigarettes. . . . The Fort Thomas Hospital also has a welfare fund and at this party a spontaneous collection was taken up for the boys in amount of \$356.50.

Maritime Provinces:

A group of naval sailors was responsible for the smashing of a large plateglass window in the street floor showroom of the Coney Island Amusement Company, coin machine distributors, Halifax, N. S. The sailors were seen around the window at about midnight and then the crash of glass was heard. DONALD DUFF, head of the firm, has been using the street floor showroom for display in connection with his use of local dailles in promoting public interest in juke boxes particularly. No arrest was made for the broken window. No damage was inflicted on the machines. There has been an epidemic of show window smashing in Halifax by sailors and civilians. . . . FRANK HANLON, Halifax, a veteran coin machine operator and dealer, will hit the road with the Lynch Shows as a concessionaire.

Pinballs have made a reappearance in St. John at some locations. . . . Amherst, N. S., which has now gone in for licensing pinballs and juke boxes, is the base for several coin machine distributors, and several years ago was the scene of police raids and court actions based on pinball operations. Decision of the town council is now that licensing will provide extra revenue for the town and also regulate the operation of the machines. There is a possibility of the annual fees for both pinballs and jukes being increased by the town council of Dartmouth, N. S.

Twin Cities:

CARLO DI LIBERTO has sold out his operating route, the Carlos Music Company, under the management of Max Marston. Di Liberto, who was formerly in the distributing business on the East Side here and operated a retail record sey. . . . MARK CURTIS, collector for the Brilliant Music Company, announced the birth of his third son, Garry, March JAMES GIORDANO, another collector for Brilliant Music Company, postponed his anticipated trip to the Tigers baseball training camp at Evansville, Ind., because of increased business. . . WILLIAM K. PALMER, partner in the same company, reports that his son, Sgt. Edward Palmer, now serving in Germany, has been promoted to staff sergeant. . . .

CLARE SPOONER, mechanic for Brilliant, has been elected president of the Music Maintenance union.

Distributors were well represented at the two-day meeting of the South Dakota Phonograph Operators' Association April 10-11 at Sioux Falls, S. D. In attendance were JONAS BESSLER, of Hy-G Amusement Company; WILLIAM COHEN, Silent Sales Company; KEN WILLIS, Bush Distributing Company; KENNETH GLENN, LaBeau Novelty Company; NAT ENGEL, Mayflower Novelty Company; MR. NELSON, Automatic Amusement Company. . . . JACK LOWRIE, Wabasha, Minn., operator, an amateur airplane pilot who just bought his fifth plane, has returned from an extensive air trip thru the Southland.

Arcade equipment is putting in an appearance in ever-increasing numbers at steadily reducing prices, due to the fact that numerous arcade operators around the country are shutting up shop as army camps are abandoned. Distributors report that with the war news what it is, there is the possibility other coin machine equipment will hit the skids, too.

Los Angeles:

RALPH ORKIN has joined BILL WOLF at California Amusement Company. A native of Boston, Orkin will have charge of the sales floor. Wolf is keeping nine mechanics, a sales manager and a floor salesman busy at his local branch. . . . BASTROP, LA. pany in Milwaukee, in the city and mit free plays in games.

visiting BILL HAPPEL, of Badger Sales Company, who also operates a Milwaukee branch, with CARL HAPPEL in charge.

. . WILLIAM CARTENS, formerly a Milwaukee operator, has sold his route in Wisconsin and is now in Los Angeles. He is reported scouting and will either set up an operation here or enter some other business here. . . . JOHNNY ROGERS, of Badger,

FRANK SHOWALTER, of Santa Ana, making the usual visits here. . . . FRANK ROOT is operating a liquor store on Eighth Street in Los Angeles. . . . JACK BAHLER, of Inglewood, in the city. . . . Visiting from the North this week was PAUL A. TOMLINSON, of Visalia. It will be remembered that he sold his music route to FRANK ROOT some time ago. Root sold it later. . . . ART STERNALL, of Palm City, buying. . . . ALLEN C. AN-DERSON, of Shafter, making the usual rounds.

CHARLIE A. ROBINSON in the East on a buying trip. AL BETTELMAN handling the business in his absence. ... GLADYS WASHBURN reports that AL RUSSELL'S recordings will be available in two weeks. . . . A. M. KEENE has set up an office in Los Angeles. It is known as the Kenomatic, the same as his Taft (Calif.) business. ... SENOR EDUARDO BAPTISTA and his daughter, Rosita, the guests of GLADYS AND CHARLIE WASHBURN. . . . Senor Baptista is the manufacturer ' of Peerless Discos, represented here by the Washburn's. OLLIE AND FRED TREVILLIAN entertained the Washburns in Santa Barbara. The scene of a gay party was Restaurante Del Paseo, which the Trevillians recently purchased. (This column will be written partly from Santa Barbara next week. And it is hoped from the El Pasco.) . . . GEORGE CULVER here from Calexico. . . . CLYDE BARLIE in the city from Alaska. . . . E. L. WILLARD, who recently took over the Mitchell' Goff routes in Paso Robles, making the rounds and getting acquainted with the jobbers here. . . . LIEUT. HER-MAN DICTER, of Muroc Lake Base, gathering up equipment.

FLORIDA BILLS

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pany, to the Miami Distributing Com- inclination to put vending machines on the same footing with other retail outlets. In the long run, this may be the best way to offset or prevent opposition which retail trade associations have been showshop as well, plans to move to New Jer- ing in some States to vending machines. during many years past.

Unions Favor Venders

Recent reports from the West Coast also indicate that the opposition of labor unions to vending machines and other types of coin machines has changed and in some cases labor organizations now really favor vending machines. This will be a great victory for the industry if it holds thru nationally.

A summary of new cigarette State taxes and also proposals to tax soft drinks has not been made here yet. When the various Legislatures have completed their work it is expected that vending machines will be concerned about new cigarette taxes, and probably taxes on soft drinks in a few States.

State Review

A State by State review of legislative reports received here this week includes the following:

CONNECTICUT— One of those typical liquor reform bills, which would ban music and dancing in licensed liquor places, is still in the legislative hopper.

DELAWARE The Legislature adjourned April 17. A proposal to license coin machines, in this small State, was killed in the Senate, and was revived again this week.

FLORIDA—Comments on legislation in this State have already been made. The bills, showing up the Legislature, are rather long and one proposing an increase in cigarette taxes is already in the hopper. Apparently, vending machines are not mentioned by name in the cigarette bill.

IOWA___ The Legislature adjourned April 13 instead of April 10, as reported in this column last week.

KENTUCKY—The third special session of the Kentucky Legislature is scheduled to convene April 23 for call purposes.

MAINE. The governor signed, into law, the bill relating to personal property taxes which mentions coin machines.

MICHIGAN-Plans are being made HAROLD KLEIN, of Klein Novelty Com- to amend the State law in order to per-

MISSOURI The House has a bill which would require county court to license the operators of juke boxes and pinball games, to be proposed, as law.

NEW YORK The governor signed, into law, a bill which provides for the disposition of money taken from destroyed slot machines.

SOUTH CAROLINA The new Redondo Beach, in town for buying at 1945 general revenue bill contains a section on coin-operated devices which is about the same as the previous law but will be interesting to the trade.

TEXAS ... A new House bill would assess an occupation tax on operators and also a gross receipts tax on machines.

VERMONT The Legislature adjourned April 18. Apparently no coin machine legislation was passed.

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New Recording Company Starts In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, April 21 .- A new recording firm, Modern Music Company, has launched activities here with the first of 25 masters being released. The initial release includes Swingin' the Boogie and Just a Little Blusie. Both tunes feature Hadda Brooks, plano; Jimmie Black, alto sax; Al Witchard, drums, and Basie Day, bass.

Heading the firm is Jules BiHari, who for a number of years was associated in the juke box business with Jay Bullock. Bullock is still in the music box business and he and BiHari are still associated in other activities.

According to BiHari, Modern will release records from time to time. On the first release Hadda Brooks is given credit. On the subsequent releases Miss Brooks and the others will share billing.

BiHari said that the releases he has made up to this time allow the musicians full range of interpretation. "They play what they want and how they want," he said. "In the future it is possible that written tunes will be used." The records are instrumental and no vocal choruses are featured.

Officers Elected at South Dakota Phono Operators'Assn.Meet

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., April 21.—Verling Geib, Deadwood, is the new president of the South Dakota Phonograph Operators' Association, which convened in Sioux Falls April 10 and 11. Other officers, chosen at the closing session Wednesday night, are Mildred Stuck, Sioux Falls, vice-president, and Harold Scott, Mobridge, secretary-treasurer. Scott was reelected to his position.

Elected to the board of directors were Roy Foster and Bill Powers, Sloux Falls: I. Pierson, Bridgewater; H. C. Carey, Watertown; Gordon Stout, Plerre; J. Koers, Rapid City, and Tony Trucano,

Guest speaker at a banquet at the Carpenter Hotel, attended by 45 persons, was Thomas H. Crosby, president of the Minnesota Coin Machine Operators' Association.

Jobbers and distributors present were M. L. Nelson, Matt Engel and Kenneth Glenn, St. Paul, and Joe Cohn, J. Bessler and Ken Willers, Minneapolis.

Mape Signs Up World Music

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.-E. T. Mape Music Company is entering the restaurant and industrial syndicated music field and has signed with World Music, a subsidiary of the World Broadcasing Company, which is in turn a part of Decca Records. Mape will now service war plants and restaurants with music the same as another well-known

With contracts signed about 15 days ago, Mape has already started lining up his contacts. Included in the deal is the z territory embraced by San Francisco, San Mateo, Alameda County and several other counties.

Mape, as part of the music operation in this section, is now operating juke boxes as well as wired music. Both the music box and wired music operations will be continued.

This is believed to be the first operation World has signed on the Pacific

New Hampshire Kills Coin Machine License Bill

CONCORD, N. H., April 21 .- A controversial bill to license juke boxes, as well as other slot machines and pinball games, has been killed by a vote of 180 to 81 in the House of Representatives in the State Legislature here.

Tested Exploitation Service For Operators Makes Its Bow

look over a promotion service specifically 103 per cent. Main objection to service top 10 tunes.

Posters are sold to operators in any quanity they desire, one for each location. Operators display them near the juke box in their locations. Service works on old point-of-sale advertising and promotion principle: Customer seated at a table or parked at the bar sees the colorful poster with the top 10 tune listing, notes a tune or tune title he likes and decides he'd like to hear it on the box, so he goes over and drops in a couple of nickles.

Idea was tested in several territories

Utah Club Has

SALT LAKE CITY, April 21 .- The juke box has gone formal in Utah. In Salt Lake City, the swank University Club, which is second only to the Alta Club in top-drawer society in the Utah capital, takes its juke box jive in white tie and tails.

Twice each month the members and their partners have a juke box session. Selection of the numbers is made previous to the dance and a run thru of the 32 platters practically constitutes the evening program.

Late-stayers make it with replays. On dance nights the juke gets no nickels but builds a popularity which makes for plenty of play from the regular

Flesh tootlers are still used for special holiday events and occasional dances but the juke still draws even on regular dance nights with local orchestras and is topped only on holiday

All members of the club are male university graduates.

Oldie Disks Are **Utica Favorites**

UTICA, N. Y., April 21 .- The old favorites rate just as big a play on the music machines as the current crop of platters, claims a Utica operator. Tunes like the One Rose, Maybe, Some of These Days and After You've Gone, are as standard as hamburgers, writes Yates M. Hoag, music machine operator of that city.

Bunny Berigan's recording of Somebody Else is Taking My Place is Utica's all-time hit tune and has been a consistent winner from the time it was first waxed. Standard Hawalian are also in great demand in this territory with Blue Hawaii, Song of the Island and Sweet Leilani leading the field. Favorite recording artists on Utica turntables are Bing Crosby, Gene Autry, Russ Morgan, Dick Robertson, Bunny Berigan and Kate Smith.

Hoag further states that one of his swank downtown locations were out every available copy of Mistakes, an oldie recorded by the Blue Steele Orchestra.

New Distributor Opens in Houston

HOUSTON, April 21.-The Standard Music Distributors opened here this This new distributing firm, owned and operated by H. M. Crowe and Sam E. Ayo, both well known in coin machine circles thruout Texas, will handle the Packard line when it is available, in South Texas.

Crowe was honorably discharged from the navy in February of this year after almost three years in the service. Both men formerly operated the R. & A. Distributing Company in Houston.

NEW YORK, April 26.—Exploitation- over a year ago and play on machines minded operators this week had their in locations where service was used first opportunity in many a moon to jumped anywhere from 31 per cent to designed to increase the plays on their at the time (during Petrillo ban) was juke boxes. Yermie Stern, veteran music that ops were having difficulty getting and show business exploitation man, to- disks of any reasonable number of top day sent out the first announcement of 10 tunes. It was discovered by tests, the service, which is a 14 by 21-inch however, that despite this difficulty four-color poster, listing the nation's service increased machine takes. Today, with more recordings of every top hit tune available, service would seem to have even greater value to operators.

Low Cost Exploitation

Posters are priced at a figure so low that it would be impossible for operators to devise their own posters at any figure even approximating cost for a four-color job of similar quality. Top (See TESTED SERVICE on page 72)

Vaughn Monroe

Juke Box Dance Operator Party

MINNEAPOLIS, April 21. - During Vaughn Monroe's recent stint at the Orpheum Theater here, coin machine operators had the chance to meet the band at a cocktail party given by F. C. Hayer Company, local Victor record distributors.

Approximately 75 phonograph operators showed up for the party with the Norton Sisters, vocalists with the orchestra, doing a fine job greeting and entertaining those present.

Vaughn's fine co-operation and sincerity was greatly appreciated by the operators.

Thieves Active In Provinces

ST. JOHN, N. B., April 21.-There has been a reduction in the number of grab and smash thefts involving coin machines thru the Eastern provinces in recent months, but an increase in the volume of sneak thievery. In the former, the thieves rush a coin machine out of a location and smash it to extract the money from the coin box. Usually inflicting severe damage if not total loss to the machine and dropping the remains in some back yard or alley. More of this type of theft has prevailed in Halifax, N. S., than anywhere else. Two or three men walk into the premises of an operator, and rushed out with a machine, each helping to carry the load to the nearest alley or backyard, where the smashing starts. By the time the police arrive all that is left of the machine is a mass of wreckage.

Where crowds congregate, thieves are specializing in opening cash boxes of coin machines during business hours. Recently at an arcade in the Maple Leaf Gardens Recreational Center in St. John, N. B., a youth, 17, was caught taking coins from a juke box during business hours. He had taken out 50 cents when detected, and was held by an employee of the arcade until a policeman was summoned. In the district court, the boy pleaded guilty and a sentence of three months in county jail was suspended by the magistrate.

Berger-Gassner Form New Firm

opening was announced in the New York machine row, otherwise known as 10th (formerly of Servwell Music Company) 25 or so records. have opened offices at 612 10th Avenue, Distributing Company. They plan to distribute all types of music equipment. Joe Bitter will be in charge of the service department.

Music Ops Name Re-Issues; Oldies Tunes To Be Cut

NEW YORK, April 21.-Tips on tunes, both oldies and new ones which have not as yet been recorded (or recorded in sufficient quantity) are supplied by The Billboard Operators' Advisory Committee, over 100 music machine operators from key centers thruout the country.

Each operator member selected four tunes, which, to the best of his knowledge, have not been recorded. It was obvious therefore that the juke men would have to dig and do so with great care in order to select potential toppers not already recorded at one time or another.

Some of the tunes were recorded, however, unknown to the music machine operator which would indicate that the recording lacked sufficient promotion or had been issued too long ago.

Many Oldies Mentioned

Many tunes mentioned are old-timers, (See OPS NAME on page 72)

Guest at Juke Calif. Music Operators' Assn. Aids Red Cross

OAKLAND, Calif., April 21.-The late Lew Menkes, formerly one of the members of the board of directors of the California Music Operators' Association, has made it possible for the association to hold a drawing for a three-carat diamond ring, which has been appraised at \$2,000. All proceeds from this drawing are to go to the Oakland Chapter of the American Red Cross for the purpose of buying motorized equipment.

The drawing will be held at the Oakland Chapter, Red Cross headquarters, and the winning number will be drawn by the mayor of Oakland, Dr. John F. Slavich. The drawing has been approved by Thomas W. Russ, manager of the Oakland Chapter of the Red Cross, with the understanding that all proceeds be used for this purpose and no other. Tickets will be sold for \$1 each and may be purchased at the office of the California Music Operators' Association, 128 East 14th Street, Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. Menkes presented the ring to the California Music Operators' Association with the one thought in mind that this would be an opportunity for the music operators of this district to do something really worth while for the Red Cross and the war effort.

The master committee has been appointed to handle this drawing and is composed of Mrs. Lew Menkes, donor; Thomas W. Russ, manager of the Oakland Chapter of the American Red Cross; George A. Miller, State president of the California Music Operators' Association; Joe Silla, chairman of the board of directors, and Directors H. V. Munson, C. L. Spear, George Delacruz, J. K. Thompson, Burr Winslow, Frank Morgan and Miles Standish; vice-president, L. H. Strickler, and secretary, William A. Malick.

Disk Carton Supply Low---Factories Can't Ship Small Orders

NEW YORK, April 21.—Small record manufacturers here are being handicapped by the shortage of record packing materials. It is estimated that some 50 per cent less corrugation is available for shipping purposes and that because of this many smaller orders from ops have been made to wait.

Music machine operators most hit by this shortage are the ops who have been NEW YORK, April 21 .- Another new ordering records in 15-25 lots. Policy of many record distribs has been to area this week along the famous coin hold off on all orders under a minimum amount of 100 disks. Only a few will Avenue. Harry Berger and Sam Gassner favor ops with the smaller orders of

Fortunately, further cuts in the sup-New York, under the name of West Side ply of corrugated shipping cartons is not anticipated at this time-and from all indications the situation will improve greatly following the fall of Germany.

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WHAT MORE CAN A WOMAN DO? Peggy Lee (Dave Barbour) Capitol 197
WHEN I GET TO THINKIN' Big BillOkeh 6739
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YOU BELONG TO MY HEART Charlie Spivak (Jimmy Saunders)
YOU WAS RIGHT, BABY Peggy Lee (Dave Barbour)Capitol 197

BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL RECORDS

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Record Reviews

(Continued from page 25) TED MARTIN AND THE AIR-LANE TRIO (DeLuxe) My Dreamland for Two-FT; V. The Blond Sailor-W; V.

With plenty of romantic appeal in his pipes, Ted Martin impresses with his singing of the love ballad, My Dreamland For Two. Moreover, his vocal efforts are pointed up well by the combination of organ, accordion and guitar representing the Air-Lane Trio, following the smooth and melodic lines established by the Three Suns of cocktailerie renown. The Blond Sailor is a waltz novelty, an innocuous farewell song that shows neither Martin or the trio to any particular advantage.

There's plenty of melodic charm to catch coins in the singing and playing for "My Dreamland For Two."

THE CHARIOTEERS (Columbia) It Doesn't Cost Anything to Dream-FT;

Don't You Notice Anything New?-FT; V.

Their first post-ban biscuit, The Charioteers apply their spiritual singing style effectively for both of these ballads. With solo voices, running the entire range of the musical scale, against a bank of sustained vocal harmonies sparked by a small accompanying orchestra, The Charioteers sing it smoothly and soothingly for Sigmund Romberg's and Dorothy Fields's It Doesn't Cost You Anything To Dream from Up In Central Park. Their vocal blend is equally effective for the pop ballad, Don't You Notice Anything New?

Phono appeal of these sides will depend largely on the personal appeal of the singers.

HERBIE FIELD'S SWINGSTERS (Savoy) Buck's Boogie Woogie-FT.

Mcl's Riff-FT.

It's backroom and smoky jam sessioning for this swing gang getting its cue from Herbie Fields's alto sax whinings, with the clinkers falling all over the grooves. Playing is sloppy and the intonation just as bad. Both Buck's Boogie Woogie and Mel's Riff are fashioned out of blues strains, and it's a procession of solo improvisations that

provide a lift far and few between. Men on this session, as label identifies them, are obviously capable. But this one session should have been cut the morning after rather than the night before.

Phone ops can pass this one by without any misgivings.

COUNT BASIE (Columbia)

This Heart of Mine-FT; VC. That Old Feeling-FT; VC.

There's little here to identify the music making with the capabilities of Count Basie. As a matter of fact, the sides no more typify the music of Count Basie any more than they do that of Andre Kostelanetz. Going on a string binge with a vengeance, Basie has added to the band the fiddle section of 12 out of Kosty's crew. And the two elements are no more a mix than the soulful song selling of Lynne Sherman, who comes out of retirement as the wife of Basie's personal manager, Milt Ebbins. Nor does the heavy scoring of Hugo Winterhalter, providing the Count for a few moments at the keyboard, give any stamp of individuality to any of the participants. Chalk up this couplet as a noble experiment, for there is no element of salvage in even the selections—both This Heart of Mine and That Old Feeling being yesteryear faves. There is every reason to believe that Basie and his band can hold up well enough on their own without such pseudo-class trimmings.

Nothing in this spinning to indicate any real phone possibilities.

CHARLIE BARNET (Decca)

Shyliner-FT. West End Blues-FT.

Playing the brand of music he likes best, Charlie Barnet is entirely in his element for both of these sides, with the result that the disk represents an important contribution to hot jazz diskography. Of major interest, and making for the most excitement, is the classic West End Blues, long identified with the trumpet tootling of King Oliver and Louie Armstrong. This time, the slow blues theme serves as a showcase for the maestro's alto sax virtuosity. And it is pure sorcery all the way. Skyliner is a bright and breezy riff pattern cut for a jump session, with the maestro and his planist sparking the solo passages.

An instrumental couplet, both sides should mean much for the music machines among the youthful enthusiasts. "West End Blues," in particular, should prove equally potent at the Harlem locations, where Charlie Barnet has an accepted status.

MILLS BROTHERS (Decca)

Put Another Chair At the Table-FT; V. I Wish-FT; V.

The Mills Brothers get into a pleasant Paper Doll frame of singing for I Wish. A sentimental ballad of strong attractions, it is introduced at a slow ballad tempo, with the beats stepped up rhythmically for the remaining two stanzas. The song itself follows the lyrical pattern of Paper Doll. The same tempo contrasts are applied to Put Another Chair At the Table, also a ballad of sen-

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Arnell not only plays his own selections of Americana but also those requested by his listeners, and on Thursday the top American tunes picked by The Billboard.

As a university graduate skilled in research and who a few years back took
a couple of years off to leisurely explore
the country on a hiking trip in search
of information on American folk tunes,
Arnell is well qualified to discourse authoritatively upon them. He is a former
program director of WJLS, Beckley, W.
Va., and was featured emsee on WPEN,
Philadelphia. He has been conducting
his program, known as Hi, Neighbor,
for only a short time, but has gained
wide popularity.

"Grand Ole Opry" Hits the Road

The tent show season is on again for the WSM Grand Ole Opry. Mobile units of the Opry show to thousands of radio fans all over the South, East and Midwest. Some of the big tops seat more than 3,000 persons and usually they are filled to capacity.

More Pic Work for Hot Shots

The Hoosier Hot Shots, who recently returned to Chicago following a Columbia picture assignment and a series of West Coast p. a.'s, are set to return to the Hollywood in June for another workout for Universal. Larry Finley, operator of Mission Beach Ballroom, San Diego, where the Hot Shots did a series of one-nighters on their last West Coast visit, has inked the foursome for another set of dates during their June flicker stint.

Lee With Max Terhune

brough opened April 15 with Max Terhune, of Republic and Monogram pictures. His band is called Estel Lee's
Hollywood Cowboys. Estel Lee's Arizona
Wildcats, operated by Scarbrough and
Riel, will continue, with Ray Bradley
handling the show. This makes two
units on the road, with another unit,
the Barn Dance Jamboree, to be released in June. Featured on the shows
are Estel and Rosa Lee, Ray Bradley,
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Random Notes

The Famous Hoosier Hop drew a crowd of 2,700 at its recent appearance at Decatur, Ind. The show, which plays the Fort Wayne (Ind.) Shrine Theater every Saturday night, continues to draw crowds of 2,000 to 3,000 people. The Down Homers, members of the Hoosier Hop show, recently completed their 72d transcription for Cole.

Joe Caliente, fiddle player of the Cactus Cowboys, was taken ill just before the opening date of the Roy Rogers string of rodeos, and Pee Wee, of the same outfit, substituted for him. The Cactus group recently made 13 song transcriptions and two of their Soundie pictures, Kickin' My Love Around and Oh, Oh, Uhm, Uhm, have been released. The group now consists of Bobby Gregory, accordion; Jake Watts, guitar; Windy Bill McKay, bass, and Pee Wee, fiddle.

Corp. Texas Jim Robertson, radio, record, stage and screen artist, now serving in the marines, was home on furlough recently and recorded Frank Loesser's infantry song Roger Young for Bluebird. He also recorded You'll Never Be Blue in a Blue Uniform, written by John Redmond, who is in the navy.

FOLK RECORD REVIEWS

(Hillbilly, Race, Cowboy Songs, Spirituals)

By M. H. Orodenker -

ELTON BRITT (Bluebird)

Soldier's Last Letter-W; V.
Goodbye, May God Take Care of You-W; V.

Two plaintive waltz melodies, sung simply and sweetly by Elton Britt with a small orchestra for the accompaniment, makes this platter a potent one. His own Soldier's Last Letter is a teary tune of high water, with Britt plunking at the heartstrings as he sings of the soldier's unfinished letter to his mother. Of hymnal qualities is Goodbye, May God Take Care of You, an all-embracing prayerful song into which Britt pours as much feeling.

RENE MUSETTE ORCHESTRA (Standard)

Cuckoo Waltz-W; VC. Short Cut Cutie-FT.

Contrasting a tuneful old-fashioned waltz with a gay polka, Henri Rene makes this a highly attractive platter. Pacing the music with his musette accordion and highlighting the strumming of the electric steel guitar, the orchestra brings out all of the melodic richness of Cuckoo Waltz, a clock song for which the male quartet adds lyrical appeal. For Short Cut Cutic, it's toe-tapping polka music for the tuneful opus.

WESLEY TUTTLE (Capitol)

I Dreamed That My Daddy Come Home-FT; V. Rainin' On the Mountain-FT; V.

Singing it sweetly, Wesley Tuttle opens up all the stops on the tear wells for his I Dreamed That My Daddy Come Home. It's a sob kiddle song of the child still calling for her daddy who was killed in a train wreck. The song mood is violently changed for Rainin' On the Mountain, for which Merle Travis joins vocally with Tuttle in singing a series of trite and dull verses for a repititious ditty that is musically and lyrically a poor carbon of She'll Be Comin' Round the Mountain. Tuttle's Coon Hunters, combo of fiddles and guitars, provide the musical backgrounds.

STUART HAMBLEN (ARA)

Whistling My Love Song To You-FT; V. They're Gonna Kill Ya-FT; V.

The rich baritone voice of Stuart Hamblen, breaking his song with an infectious whistle, makes for major attraction in the spinning of Whistling My Love Song To You, a highly melodic outdoor ballad. A trio of male voices join Hamblen in the singing of his own They're Gonna Kill Ya, a spirited patriotic piece directed at the Japs and warning them what the remaining marines on the Pacific islands hold in store for them. Electric guitars and accordion provide adequate musical accompaniment.

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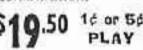
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NEW YORK, April 21.-As V-E Day and then V-Day itself approaches, the drink vending machine business is looking forward to one of the greatest expansions in history.

Before Pearl Harbor there was much experimenting with the manufacture of drink vending equipment and it is estimated that close to 30,000 machines were manufactured and sold. But a great many of these machines are not in operation today. Some did not mix the one third are in the Southwest, he stated. drink properly. Other machines did not dispense the drink at the proper instance and others had refrigerator trouble. Paper cup as well as shortages of the beverages themselves have likewise contributed to the shrinkage of the number of machines in operation.

Despite the decreasing activity in the operating end, there is probably no other branch of the coin machine industry that has received more attention from manufacturers thruout the war period than drink venders. The very mechanism of the machine itself is responsible for this. Cup manufacturers, refrigeration industries and beverage producers, besides practically every manufacturer that has been allied with the coin machine industry during the past decade, all have a stake in and are sold on the future of drink machines. They are doing everything within their power to have a part in the future boom. Moreover, the government has not been slow to recognize the industry as a sure bet for post-war employment. They have been liberal in allowing manufacturers materials to make limited numbers of machines for experimental purposes.

Cup Makers Design Unit

A great deal of this experimental work is being done by manufacturers of paper dispensing cups. Dispensing the drink properly has been a major problem with the industry. Bringing forth a consistantly clean full cup of cooled beverage has been the hope of every drink vending machine manufacturer, distributor and operator in the country.

Some time ago manufacturers of machines and beverages indicated to one paper cup manufacturer a desire for cooperation to help solve the dispensing problem. As the vending machine provided a place in future merchandising of beverages, the cup people viewed the situation with an eye for future sales and set about to design dispensing equipment for inclusion in all types of drink vending machines.

At the present time several of the leading cup manufacturers actually have working models of dispensing units that are being listed by experienced coin machine operators.

New England Postage Machine Operators Elect New Officers

SOMERVILLE, Mass., April 21. - A meeting of the New England Postage Stamp Machine Operators, at which new officers were elected, and post-war plans of the association discussed, was held here recently.

The session was opened by President Beverly F. Ottaway, and members thruout the meeting were informed of the objects of the association as well as the plans for extensive expansion of the organization for the betterment of postage meter operators thruout the indus- treasurer.

3 Million To Be Spent on Peanut Promotion

FORT WORTH, April 21.—Determined to keep up the high production of peanuts after the war, the directors of the National Peanut Council in session here Wednesday (18), proposed to spend \$3,000,000 in the next three years to tell the public about the product.

Coupled with the publicity and advertising campaigns outlined by Walter A. Richards of Columbus, Ga., president of the council's board, would be a research program to find new uses for the peanut,

Expansion of the number of products derived from the peanut would enable the high wartime acreage of the crop to be retained in the post-war years, Richards declared. Of the 2,920,000 acres of the crop in the United States, nearly

Representatives of the Southwest Peanut Shellers' Association and Southwest Peanut Growers' Association joined in the plan to keep up present peanut production.

Cigarette Tax in Utah Decreases

SALT LAKE CITY, April 21.—Improved conditions for tavern owners, but losses for route operators of cigarette venders in Utah were reflected in the Utah tax commission's report of the first nine months' receipts of the current fiscal year, which ends June 30.

The 1943-'44 beer shortage overcome, tax collections for July to April on State beer taxes jumped from \$144,302.83 in the preceding fiscal year to \$150,216.76 on the same basic tax. Despite the shortage of liquor, the 4 per cent liquor tax in State owned stores, collected for school lunches (not representing profits) jumped from \$325,842.47 to \$336,699.50.

Increase in the beer and liquor taxes unfailingly denotes larger takes for juke box operators and pinball games.

The elgarette shortage was sharply outlined in the decrease in the collections of the State tax of 2 cents per pack on common brands. Against a collection of \$488,552.87 in the first nine months of the 1943-'44 tax year, there was only \$412,846.89 for the same period in 1944-'45. Only a small percentage of this represents a normal loss to venders, but there has been a tendency locally to drop the venders to prevent stripping by cigarette-hungry populace which follows the venders from location to location.

Counter sales have resumed popular favor to insure more even distribution and to give some protection to regular customers.

Sales and use taxes on staples showed some advances, with a slight decrease in State gasoline taxes, a decrease which is gathering momentum and may bode no good for suburban spots during the summer months, nor for the beach resorts.

American Cigs \$2 in China

CHICAGO, April 21.—A report received this week indicates American cigarettes in Chungking, Chingtu, Kunming and other Chinese cities are selling for the equivalent of two American dollars per package of 20.

try. Several new members were admitted to the association.

Decalcomania insignias for stamp machines were distributed and the president urged that operators stick together and use the benefits of the association

regularly.

The following committee on by-laws was appointed: Mr. Pierce, of Winthrop, chairman; Mr. Criminger, Brighton, and Mr. Van Auken, Somerville, Mrs. Beatrice Weisman, Chelsea, was elected secretary-

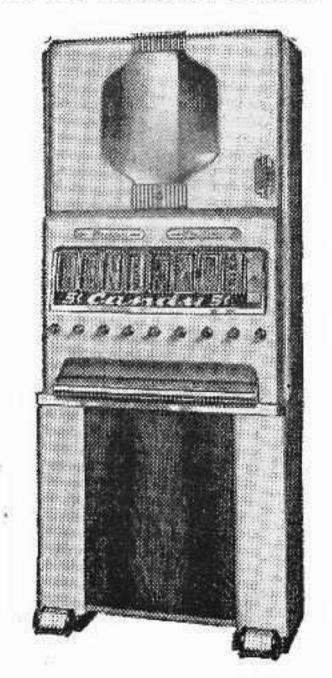
CandyManufacturers Settle Supply Aches At New York Confab

NEW YORK, April 21 .- Candy makers from thruout the Middle West met Thursday (19) in the Hotel Pennsylvania, where considerable discussion was held on the many problems confronting the manufacturers since imposition of the wartime supply and quota restrictions.

Among the major problems tabled and discussed were those of man power, raw material, packaging, sugar quotas and reemployment of veterans. The meeting, which was jointly sponsored by the National Confectioners' Association and the Association of Manufacturers of Confectionary and Chocolate, also discussed the industry merchandising campaign being directed by the NCA Council on Candy.

The program committee for the meeting was composed of: Herman L. Hoops, chairman; Charles R. Adelson, Charles F. Haug, William C. Kimberly, James A. King, David P. O'Connor and Irvin C. Shaffer.

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Postwar Highways Offer New Opportunities for Locations CHICAGO, April 21.—Since the ad- of post-war construction projects for blds

vent of the war, and the accompanying rationing and curtailment of automobile manufacturing, the highways of the country have gotten a rest which will certainly equip them for the work-out they are to get when tourists take to the road in the post-war or when any of the causes of non-usage is removed.

As soon as the war is officially declared over, there is no doubt but what gas rationing will be lifted, automotive manufacturers will be given the green light and there will be one mad rush by veterans and civilians who will be intent on investing some of that bonus and War Bond dough in highway restaurants, gas stations, taverns, stores and a multitude of other logical coin machine locations.

V-E Day Go-Ahead?

It has been rumored, but not confirmed, that the go-ahead signal might be given soon after V-E Day, but that is to be seen and determined according to conditions with the Japs. But despite the caution of everyone in making postwar plans, highway planners are extremely practical about their paper work in getting ready for the post-war travel surge.

Optimism held by these highway planners is revealed in the knowledge that, if State highway departments thruout the country could proceed now, they could advertise nearly \$750,000,000

within the next few months.

The blds given on these various highway projects will include work for super highways going in and from some of the ranking cities of the country, and will take into consideration subsequent location of mercantile centers and highway market spots at sporadic lengths of the roads.

Planned Ability

Vincent B. Smith, associate editor of Construction Methods in writing an article for an industrial marketing publication said: "Evidence of the State highway department planners' ability to take bids and award contracts so promptly lifts this volume of post-war plans out of the speculative stage onto the shelf of definite future business."

It is a compliment to these planners that they have made such advanced plans and that they will be able to commence accepting bids on highway construction as soon as peace dawns. It has indicated intelligence and effective use of limited personnel as the result of the war drain on man power. This (See POSTWAR HIGHWAYS on page 74)

No Increase In Candy for Civilians

CHICAGO, April 21.-Civilians should not hope for any increase in their candy supply within the next few months. Worse yet, based on the supply of sugar made available to the industry, the average manufacturer will produce about 7 per cent less candy for the public, April-June inclusive, than in the first quarter of 1945.

The candy supply situation is thus summed up by Philip P. Gott, Chicago, president of the National Confectioners' Association.

Putting an end to reports that candyhungry civilians may get a break, even to the extent of "about 225,000,000 pounds," arising from Washington's suspension of buying candy for overseas. Gott pointed out that candy bought by the government for the armed forces is made with extra supplies of materials allocated exclusively for that purpose by the War Food Administration.

"On the other hand, sugar issued for civilian candy in the second quarter will be 65 per cent of the 1941 base, compared to 70 per cent issued in the first quarter," he said.

"Manufacturers who produced candy in advance, in anticipation of secondquarter buying for overseas, may try to sell it to domestic post exchanges. Those sales also are exempt from the sugar quota. But if they sell it to the regular civilian trade, the sugar used will be charged against the second quarter quotas, even if the candy was produced in the first quarter.

"Whichever way they move, it can mean no more candy for the civilian trade."

Scales Criticized By Inquiring Reporter

MIAMI, April 21.—Operators of penny scales will remember one of the favorite stunts of inquiring reporters many years ago. A favorite pastime, when copy was needed to fill space, was for an inquiring reporter to visit penny scales in the various places in the city and then write a big story about how his weight

For many years such inquiring reporters' stories have been conspicuously missing from newspapers. But the old favorite returned here recently when The Miami Herald, April 15, gave two half columns to such a story.

According to the inquiring reporter, he spent an hour and weighed himself on 17 different penny scales in arcades and other locations in the main part of the city, including a bus depot.

In weighing on the 17 different scales, the inquiring reporter got eight different weights during the hour, he said.

Once In Awhile

NEW YORK, April 21. - The New Yorker magazine, always noted for its corking good cartoons, comes thru in its April 7 issue with one of the most unusual cartoons yet seen, which depicts the important place of the cigarette vending machine in meeting the national cigarette shortage.

According to the cartoonist, the cigarette vending machine is a knockout in solving the national problem. The sketch shows a customer who fainted, on the floor in front of a cigarette vending machine. A closer inspection shows that the cigarette vending machine actually had a package of cigarettes and when the customer deposited his coin the pack of smokes came out.

New Cig Ration System Used at Pentagon Bldg.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Newspapers have not forgotten the unusual experiment with cigarette vending machines that is being made in the marvelous Pentagon Building in the city here. On March 1 a special Associated Press release was published in various newspapers thruout the country telling about the experiment. The first newspaper re-

(See PENTAGON BLDG. on page 74)

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With Willie Blatt NEW YORK, April 21.-Big news in

openings comes from Brooklyn this week with the announcement that Bill Alberg and Charlie Aronson have joined forces with Willie (Little Napoleon) Blatt and his brother Teddy to form the Supreme Enterprise, Inc. Alberg is president of the new corporation, Teddy Blatt will serve as vice-president, Willie Blatt, secretary, and Charlie Aronson, treasurer.

Present plans of Supreme, according to Willie Blatt, are to remain at their 557 Rogers Avenue offices until after the war and to continue revamping games, with which they have had success for the past three years.

After the close of the war the new company will move to its own building at 4610 Church Avenue, Brooklyn, which will contain office space, stockrooms, repair department and showroom.

Negotiations are now under way, according to Supreme, with a music machine manufacturer for post-war distribution, and it is planned that the new combination will handle and distribute all types of coin-operated equipment.

Philly Serviceman Gets Air Medal

seph E. Dubow, a serviceman for Automatic Sales Company, local vending and amusement machine concern, was honored for bravery at an Eighth Air Force Bomber Station in England, winning the

Sergeant Dubow left Automatic Sales in September, 1943, to enter the army air force. He studied aircraft mechanics at Amarillo Field, Texas, and aerial gunnery at Las Vegas Field, Nevada, where he received his wings.

PHILADELPHIA, April 21.-Sgt. Jo-

The 27-year-old Sergeant Dubow, a top turret gunner and aerial engineer of a Flying Fortress, was decorated recently for "meritorious achievement" while participating in heavy bombardment attacks upon military, rail and industrial installations in Germany.

The award of the air medal was revealed in a letter to his wife, the former Celia Acker, who with their 2-year-old son, Mark Alan, lives with Sergeant Dubow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Dobofsky.

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Los Angeles County Assn. Holds Special Curfew Discussion

LOS ANGELES, April 21.—With the midnight curfew ruling in full swing here, Associated Operators of Los Aninson as managing director, has urged all members to continue to co-operate in observing the ruling as they have at a recent special meeting of the against the proposed ban on slots. AOLAC.

that if they were dublous as to how the curfew affected pinball games, that his office would be happy to render a decision in the matter. At the meeting the point was brought up regarding sales boards being used after midnight. Robinson said it was his opinion that even sales boards could not be sold after the curfew.

Robinson urged all members who have civic purposes. games in all-night eating spots to see that they were not used after midnight. He also suggested that they be fixed so that they could not be observed from the street.

"We are emphatic in asking that each and every member of the AOLAC give full and complete co-operation in the enforcement of this midnight curfew by giving your locations a clear interpretation of this aim and seeing personally that this law is enforced by close contact with your individual locations," Robinson declared.

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Gaming Devices Get Wisconsin Solons Attention

MILWAUKEE, April 21.—In the bitter geles County, Inc., headed by Curly Rob- fight over anti-slot machine bills in the Legislature in the State capital, leaders of fraternal and veterans' clubs from Kenosha appeared before the in the past. The matter was discussed Legislature to put up strong opposition

The hearing, at which representatives Prior to the session, Robinson sent of the clubs spoke, was a very noisy out a bulletin advising the members hearing and those favoring the bill had many questions to ask.

On the very day the representatives of the clubs were opposing the bill, two amendments were offered before the Senate Committee.

Representatives of the clubs said they were absolutely in favor of using gaming devices in order to raise money for their own organizations and for

The senator from Green Bay has offered a constitutional amendment proposal which reads as follows: "The Legislature may authorize lottery, including bingo, keeno, salesboard and numbers jars and provide for the regulation of the use and taxation of mechanical gambling devices."

Illinois Fraternal Clubs Given Fines For Slot Possession

ROCKFORD, III., April 21.-Social and fraternal clubs felt the full weight of an unfavorable court decision here recently. The clubs were found guilty of unlawful possession of gaming devices in their clubrooms.

The decision here affected 34 wellknown clubs in the city and county. The heaviest fine was assessed against the Elks Club, which had 13 gaming devices, and the total fine was \$550.

The move here against the clubs followed a recent decision of the Appellate Court in Illinois, which handed down a decision in Chicago unfavorable to fraternal clubs there. It was also reported here that the Veterans' Club in Chicago, this week, was fined for having a slot machine.

U. S. Has Big Paper Production in '44

CHICAGO, April 21.—Production of paper and paperboard in the United States in 1944 amounted to 17,182,888 tons, the largest output in any single year except 1941, despite diversion of manpower, material and equipment to war production. Output of paper was slightly lower than in 1943 and substantially lower than in either 1941 or 1942. This decrease was compensated for, however, in a record production of paperboard amounting to 8,972,826 tons.

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WITH A 15TH AIR FORCE SERVICE GROUP IN ITALY. Corp. Jack Buckman, of 4531 Pimlico Road, Baltimore, attempts to hit the "home" hole on a pinball machine in his squadron day room, which would supposedly indicate his next stop in army travels, while looking on from left to right are Corp. Howard L. Stemple, of Parsons, Va.; Serg. Glenn E. Ledgerwood, of 464 North Detroit Avenue, Hollywood, and Staff Serg. Willis A. King, of 731 Baldwin Street, Meadville, Pa. The machine, which enlivens the day room of their service squadron within a 15th Air Force Service Command air service group in Italy, was constructed from scrap materials by Sergeant Ledgerwood and wired by Staff Sergeant King. Photo by S/Sgt. Vincent J. Pitterle.

Cincinnati Firm Buys Los Angeles **Machine Distributor**

LOS ANGELES, April 21.—Harry A. Kaplan, who operated the Southwestern Vending Machine Company here, has sold out to a triple partnership, Ben Goldberg, Bill Marmer and Jack Simon. Goldberg and Marmer are associated in the operation of Sicking, Inc., in Cincinnati. The firm name of the local company will be changed to Sicking Distributing Company. However, it will operate independently of other Sicking branches.

Marmer intends to return to Cincinnati within the next 10 days. Jack Simon will manage the local spot with the present staff of employees being retained.

Plans, when war conditions permit, call for a complete revamping of the spot on Pico Boulevard. Marmer said that the plan is to take the additional space next door to the SVMC and convert it into an arcade equipment display section. He added that it would be set up just the same as an arcade in operation with the operator seeing how the machine is displayed and used. This will go for pinball, automatics and other equipment. Firm plans to establish an elaborate music section and will handle records. Also in the plans is a novelty department, since this is closely connected with the coin machine busi-

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Program 1204

The very popular Saturday Night Is the Loneliest Night in the Week is sung by BETTY JANE BONNEY and ROY WIL-LIAMS. She sings the song in her apartment and he sings it on a train, but they're re-united before the song ends. (Filmeraft.)

Singing About a Gal Who Married the Wrong, Wrong Man is a hillbilly tune sung by ROSALIE and THE CACTUS COWBOYS, with CACTUS JACK as a singing bartender. Setting is an oldfashioned Western saloon, with the players in appropriate costumes. (Filmcraft.)

THE BURT MANN TRIO, electric organ, piano and drums, play Beach Polka, a swingy tune. THE SEASIDE STEP-PERS, five attractive girls in frilly costumes, dance against a boardwalk setting. (Filmcraft.)

DENVER DARLING AND HIS TEXAS TORNADOES tell the familiar, sad story of the famous bank robber, Jesse James. The action starts in an old-fashioned theater, with shots of James robbing a bank and his death at the hands of "the dirty little coward." (Filmcraft.)

Fuzzy Wuzzy, a novelty tune, is played and sung by RON PERRY AND HIS BAND, now appearing at New York's Astor Hotel. Bandstand setting. (Film-

craft.) MOUSIE POWELL AND HIS COMEDY BAND star in Hillbilly Holiday, a medley of several popular folk tunes including Oh, Those Golden Slippers and She'll Be Coming 'Round the Mountain. 'There's a feminine vocalist, unbilled, and the entire cast wears comic costumes. (Filmcraft.)

Twirls and Girls is an all-dance number, featuring THE JANETTE HACKETT GIRLS (6), and BETTY MORGAN, acro. dancer and baton twirler. Setting is a night club. (Filmcraft.)

THE JUBALAIRES, male quartet, sing The Preacher and the Bear in an effective rhythm style. Originally a spiritual, the song has a lot of comedy in the lyrics. (Filmcraft.)

Assembled and released by Soundies Distributing Corporation of America, Inc. Release date, April 30.

Program 1205

RUBINOFF AND HIS VIOLIN are starred in The Music Shop. Setting, appropriately enough, is a music store, where Rubinoff is demonstrating violins. He plays two numbers, one of them Flight of the Bumblebee. (Filmcraft.)

The Coast Guard Leads the Way, a salute to "the watch dogs of the sea," is sung by CARLOS SHERMAN, a personable young man in uniform. There are also effective shots of the Coast Guard in action. (Filmcraft.)

Whips and Tricks, starring SUTTON AND LEE, is a series of tricks done with a whip. They include such items as whipping lighted papers out of the girl's mouth, ditto with cigarettes, and ending with making confetti out of a piece of newspaper. (Filmcraft.)

SYLVIA OPERT sings Broken-Hearted Blues while VICKEE RICHARDS RICH-ARDS and the HOVELER DANCERS dance. JERRY BERGEN also appears necessary to a sound sales idea.

Assembled and released by Soundies briefly as a drink moother. Setting is a Distributing Corporation of America, Inc. slummy bar with the performers costumed accordingly. (Filmcraft.)

Julie O'Dooley, one of those tunes which delights in rhyming Irish surnames, is sung by DANNY O'NEIL. An unbilled girl dances an Irish jig. Setting is a bar. (Filmcraft.)

FRANCES LANGFORD stars in Some Day When the Clouds Roll By, a ballad. Setting is a lovely apartment, and the singer is accompanied by an attractive blonde. (Soundles.)

Tumbling Tumbleweeds, a familiar folk tune, is sung by JERRY COOPER. Cactus and sagebrush setting, with the singer and his audience dressed in cowboy costumes, switching to shots of the great open spaces. (Filmcraft.)

THE DELTA RHYTHM BOYS, male quartet and their accompanist, sing Dry Bones, the familiar song about the ankle bone connecting to the leg bone, etc. There's also skeleton who dances. (Filmcraft.)

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such as I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles, recorded a number of times and lately by the Merry Macs, and Paul Whiteman's Sweet Sue, and even the famous World War I ditty, in the novelty vein, K-K-K-Katy, comes in for a number of calls, all of which leads one to believe that the oldies are due for another disk performance and that many music machine operators, quite naturally, are not aware of what has been recorded prior to entry into the automatic phonograph business.

Sentimental Tunes Top Field

The sentimental tunes led the field in being selected more often as recording "musts" for the automatic turntable. Solitude, South, Mexicali Rose, Stardust, Waiting, After a While and When My Baby Smiles at Me, lead the field of tunes most requested.

Re-issues are in order for such tunes as Stardust (one of the most frequently recorded tunes in history), Blue Heaven and Irving Berlin's Remember.

Several operators mentioned Pepsi-Cola jor Two (recorded by Vaughn Monroe) as a should-be-recorded and as a comerupper following Rum and Coca-Cola.

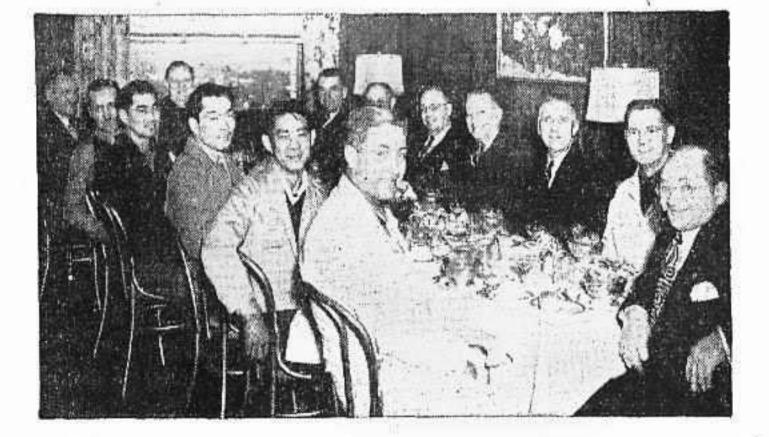
Next week the nation's music machine operators will give the lowdown on types of music which they feel are not being recorded in sufficient quantities.

TESTED SERVICE

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10 tunes listed are the tunes in The Billboard's weekly Honor Roll of Hits compilation, and Stern lists these thru special arrangement with this trade newspaper.

Since years before the war (and the Petrillo ban) operators haven't had any solld exploitation services offered them. In the pre-war, pre-ban years ops were supplied with various promotion gimmicks designed for them by diskeries, individual band leaders, booking and management agencies, etc., but these were strictly one-shots and lacked the element of consistency and authority



DENVER DISTRIBUTOR LAYS POST-WAR PLANS. Pictured above, Wolf Reiwitz (at right), president of the Wolf Sales Company, Wurlitzer distributors, of Denver, Colo., entertains the department heads of the Consolidated Amusements from Salt Lake City. Purpose of the luncheon was discussion of post-war plans. That what Consolidated Amusement officials heard filled them with optimism is evident by the broad smiles on all faces.

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MIAMI, April 21.—As the State Legislature started on its second week, it is considering proposals to increase the State levy on racing bets, dog races and the important game of jai alai.

The total amount wagered in the State in the 1944-'45 season on jai alai games is estimated at \$5,599,595. This was more than double the previous season. At the present time wagers on the jai alai games are considered coming under the State laws governing races.

Jai alai interests were leading the drive against repealing the 1935 slot machine license law in Florida. They had the strong support of powerful racing interests in Florida also.

In his annual message to the Legislature this year, the governor of Plorida asked the State Legislature to repeal the present State license system, which includes only amusement games of skill. His message expressed favor for licensing betting on the races, jai alai games and other big forms of gambling. The governor did not give any reason as to why he is opposed to pinball and other amusement games at the present time, except that he said they were "slot machines in disguise."

POSTWAR HIGHWAYS

(Continued from page 69) estimate of work and cost is merely half of what is expected to be contracted during the very first post-war year, however.

It is known thruout the coin machine industry that much of the post-war location planning by operators must take into consideration the super speed of automobiles, airplanes and the nomadic inclinations of a restricted wartime populace. Thus, it is a foregone conclusion that wherever highways lead they are sure to lead to coin machines; as wherever John Q. and Susic Public goes they'll want to be entertained and they'll have to be serviced with food, gas, clothing and any other necessity they might have need for.

Cost Goes Up

On an average, in pre-war years, a total of over \$700,000,000 would have made a satisfactory volume of State highway construction. For the post-war era, however, it is estimated that a considerably greater annual volume will be required. It is further predicted that an average worth of State highway construction will be \$1,400,000,000.

Thus far, the State highway departments have prepared and planned only for the first post-war year and two years' plans would adequately shelve bids for work to give them an opportunity to manipulate their post-war construction programs.

In addition to these highway construction projects, the States have surveys and design plans in various stages of completion for post-war highway projects with a value of more than \$2,000,000,000.

A high level employment geared to a national post-war income of \$140,000,-000,000 a year is being planned by private business men, much of which will be in the pockets of those traveling the highways to be constructed and repaired.

The effects of the projected highway construction program will reach into most every field of producer and consumer goods. At an annual wage of \$2,000 per worker, which is a liberal estimate of the annual average wage of pre-war years, a \$2,500,000,000 annual volume will provide employment for a full year for 1,250,000 persons, including both those on the highway sites and those in the mills producing equipment and materials for construction.

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> The press release said: "This is to report that the army now is going in for slot machines that work only with

> The Pentagon experiment really is a test to use cigarette vending machines in rationing smokes to regular customers of the restaurants and shops in the big building. It is probably one of the most extensive experiments ever tried in this field.

> When the cigarette shortage began to pinch the smokers all over the nation, many newspapers called attention to cigarette vending machines and how the shortage was also affecting such devices. At first it seemed that the machines would present a problem but later it was discovered that the devices could easily be used in rationing systems, Only a few weeks ago a national news magazine published pictures and a story showing how a big industrial firm used its cigarette vending machines in order to ration smokes to employees.

Tokens Used

In the Pentagon test being used here. customers buy a special slug or token for 5 cents and with this token they can use a dime and deposit them in the machine and get a package of cigarettes. The idea is that clerks will only sell one token to a regular customer each day. In that way they hope to prevent any one person from hoarding cigarettes.

The big Pentagon Building has about 30,000 or so people who work in the building and are regular customers at the restaurants and coffee shops. Most of them are known at sight to the clerks and it is in that way that it is hoped to limit the sale of only one token to each customer.

It is reported that a member of the armed forces, the War Department says he is to remain anonymous, had decided on the idea of trying the special tokens in the cigarette machine ration plan.

The cigarette venders have been equipped with a special slot which will accept the special tokens only and in this way no other kind of token or a regular nickel cannot be used to operate the machine. The customer must buy a slug just as is the practice in cities that have token-operated telephones.

The sale of the tokens begins about 8 o'clock in the morning and the closing hour is 7 at night. Then tokens are put on sale again for those who work on the night shift. Officials say it is working like a charm; everybody gets a decent ration of smokes and there isn't the usual running up and down to the shops during the day to get as many packs as possible. The plan usually means a line of customers at the machines two periods during the day but the lines do not last long. A few cheaters have been reported.

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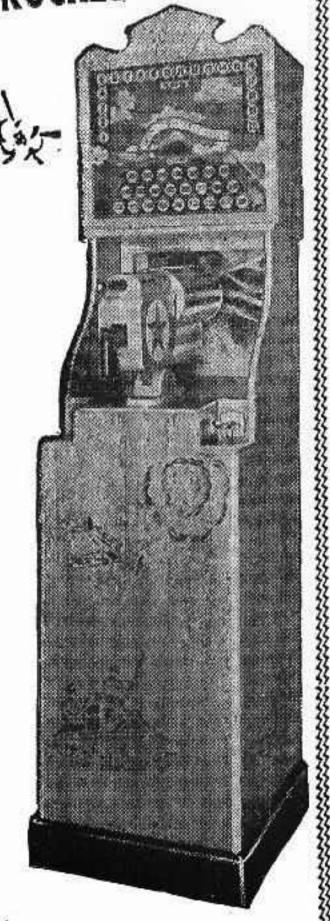
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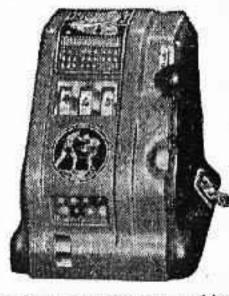
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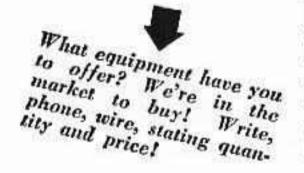
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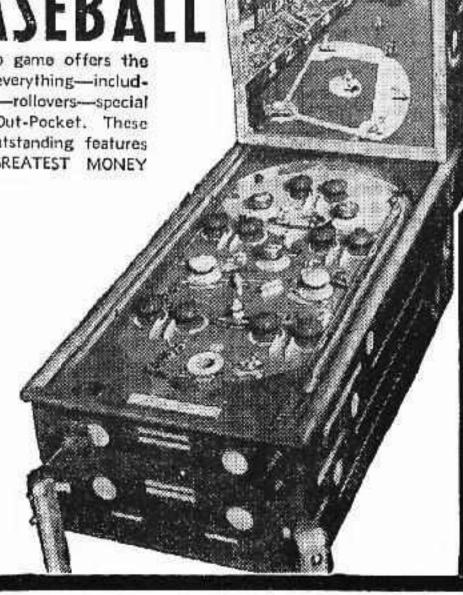
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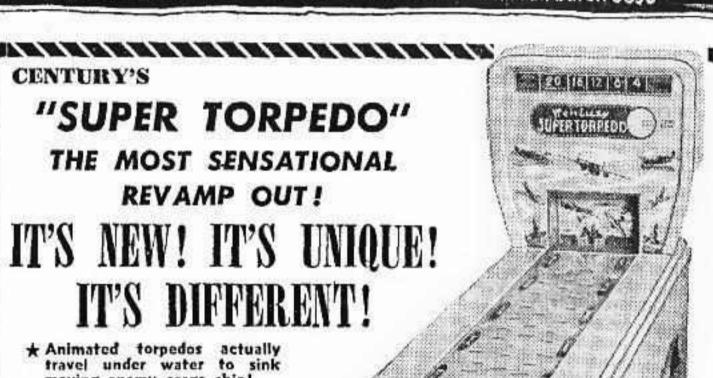
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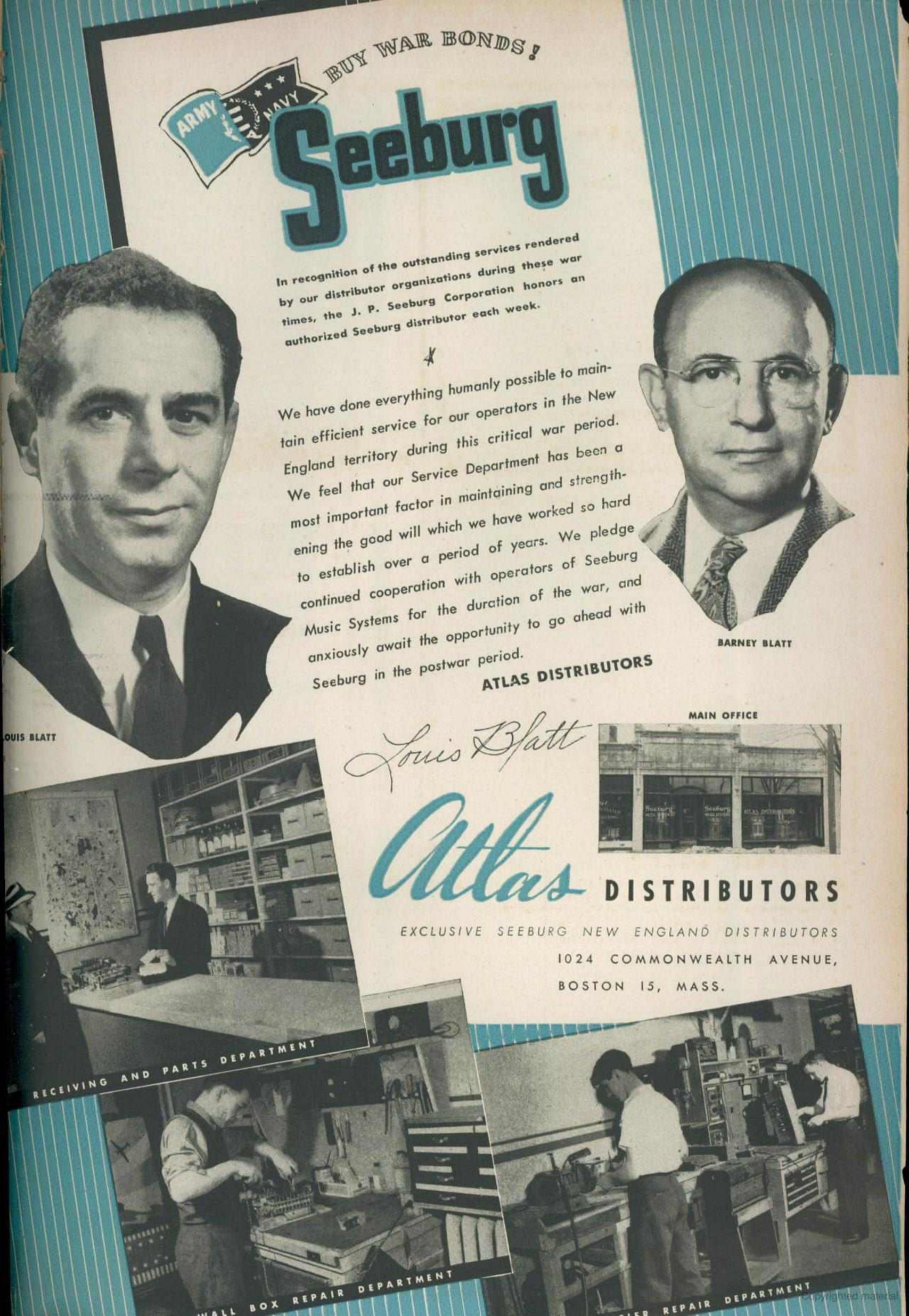
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