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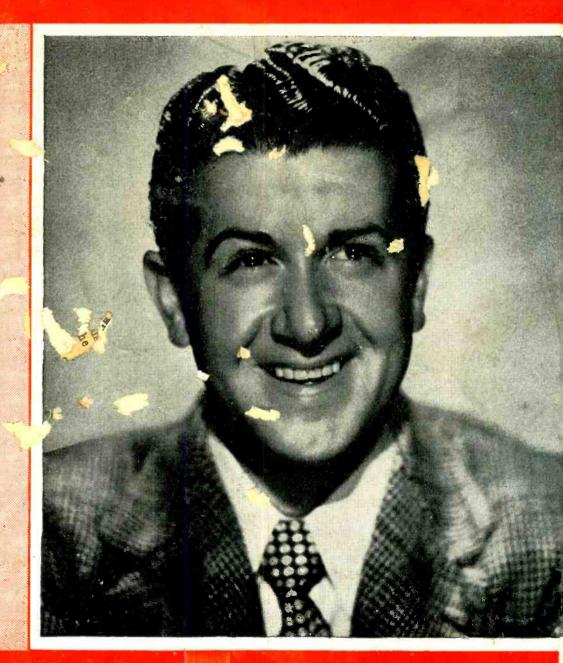
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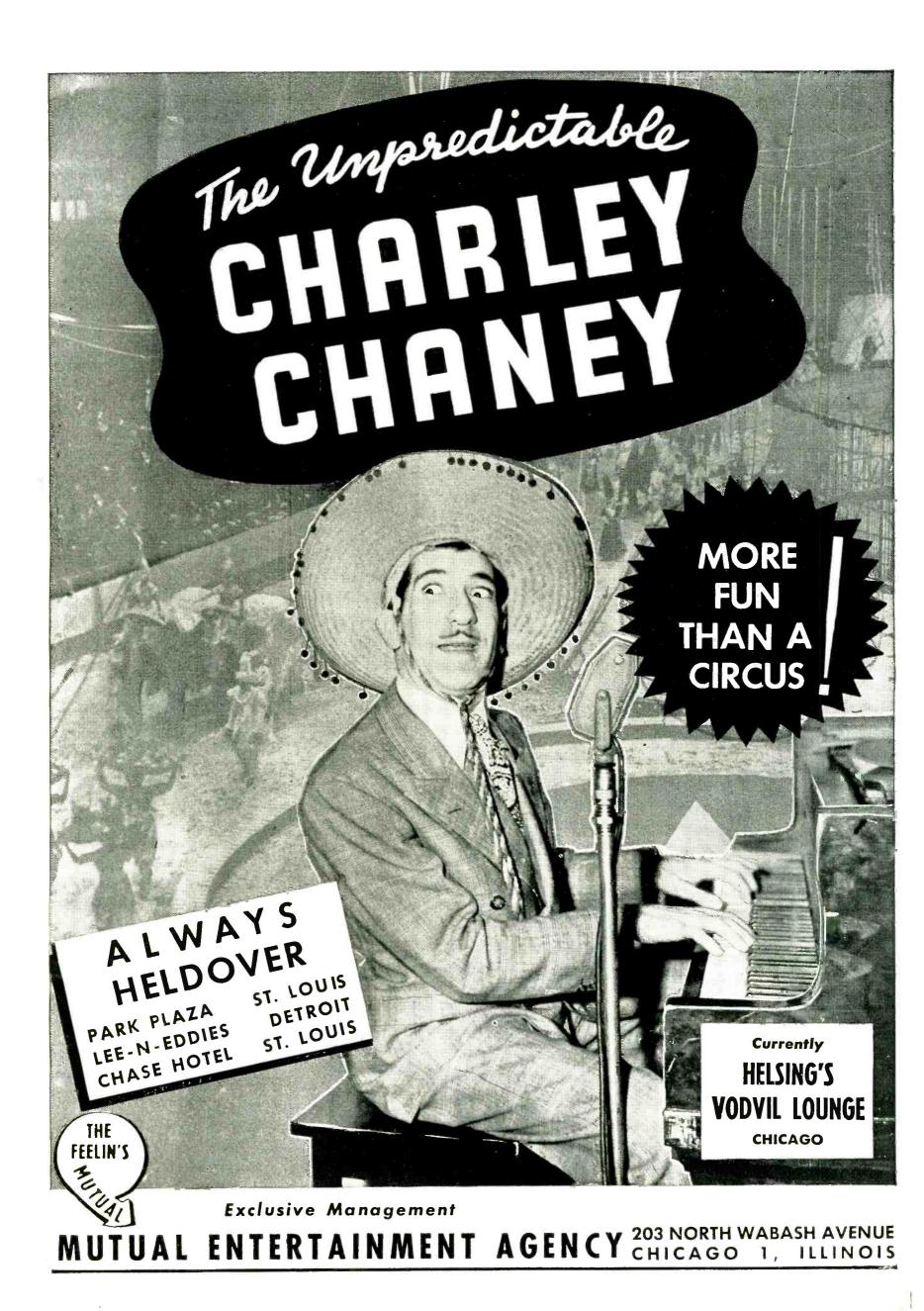
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# **Publishers' Record Release Dates**

EDDY HOWARD "Go East, Young Man"

(See Music)





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N. Y. Niteries Mickey Rooney Set For Vaude Package **Give Tootlers** 

# **Effect on Hotels Seen**

NEW YORK, Sept. 14 .--- The threatened walkout of musicians in local niteries which was set for Septem-ber 16, was averted when the Cafe and Restaurant Owners' Association and 802 reached an agreement Sat-urday (14) for wage increases. Tootlers got a blanket 20 per cent in-crease over book scale; time and a half for overtime, and \$5 extra for New Year's Eve. The stretch, a ma-jor point, was also cut down to two hours. Under new agreement 802'ers can work six within eight hours. If more than eight hours are called for, there will be a charge of \$5 for the first hour and \$2.50 an hour, or any

The strike was originally called for September 1 when the union de-mands on hotels and niteries was turned down. The niteries, however, continued negotiations and both sides agreed that musicians would not be continued negotiations and both sides agreed that musicians would not be pulled if any decisions made by, or before, September 16 became retroac-tive. The hotels were offered the same deal, retroactivity upon set-tlement, they turned it down and the walkout became automatic.

## Wider Effect Seen

There was considerable belief in informed circles that if the cafes had (See N. Y. CLUBS on page 32)

# AGVA - ARA Mull New Arbitration **Method for Disputes**

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—There may be a new set of rules in arbitra-tions involving ARA (Artists Rep-resentatives Association) and AGVA members, it was disclosed at the end of meeting between AGVA and ARA reps Tuesday (10). ARA proposed that the old method which called for two ARA reps and two AGVA reps be used again. AGVA admitted that present method, one ARA, one AGVA and one impartial man chosen by both sides was unworkable. Rea-son, it was said, was inability of both sides to agree on the third party. AGVA then proposed that third party to be chosen from an American ar-bitration panel. bitration panel.

Bob Broder, attorney for ARA, said the reason AGVA didn't want to re-turn to the two-two split formerly used was because AGVA lost too many cases. He also charged that AGVA was dilatory in collecting claims against its members. Mean-while it was decided that all smaller while it was decided that all smaller cases now on file be heard Wednes-day (18) before a two-man panel consisting of Bob Broder and Mort Rosenthal, AGVA lawyer. In the event that an acceptable method of future arbitrations is not worked out, AGVA will ask that all future hear-ings be given to the American Ar-bitrators Association for decisions.

20% Scale Hike internet in the second up. In addition to Rooney, unit or-ganized by Sam Steifel, Rooney's personal manager, will carry three or four acts on which no decision has yet been made. Booking is thru the

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Morris office. First date is at the RKO Boston, October 24, then comes a week (No-vember 1) at the Earle, Philly. Subsequent dates are as follows: Oriental, Chicago, November 14; Downtown, Detroit, November 21; Albee, Cincy, November 28, and the Palace, Cleve-

land, December 13. RKO is also dickering with Olson and Johnson the no dates have been decided on. Danny Kaye plays the RKO houses starting with Boston week of November 28.

# **Penobscot Gets**

DETROIT, Sept. 14. — Six-month closing of Penobscot Club, swank downtown spot and Detroit's only Sky Club, slated to go into effect on orders of the State Iiquor Con-trol Commission Thursday (12), was delayed for a 20-day appeal period, during which club will momen orden during which club will remain open. Original order was issued last win-ter, but the club secured an injunc-tion. Wednesday (11) the State Subreme Court ruled adversely to the club, but an appeal period was club. granted.

granted. Original violation charge was al-legedly refilling of liquor bottles with "inferior" liquor. Spot has used two alternating bands—Sammy Di-bert and Bob Routh, plus vocalists, and has been among the top lounges of the situ is its use of two talent

of the city in its use of top talent. This is the third major Detroit spot to tangle with the Liquor Con-trol Commission in recent months, with Lee 'n' Eddie's definitely closed with Lee 'n' Eddie's definitely closed —tho closing action was taken by the Internal Revenue Bureau after hearings before the LCC—and re-opening of Latin Quarter, originally scheuled for this week-end, definitely delayed and still uncertain for fu-ture inasmuch as the license had been suspended.

Despite expectation of parties close-(See Detroit LQ Shut on page 31)

HOW NEAR IS THE SLUMP? If West Coast Is Criterion **Dip Will Travel Eastward** As Public Hoards Its Poke

# Box Office Down 50% From San Diego to Seattle

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14 .-- West Coast showbiz, first to enjoy wartime boom days, is first to be hit by the post-war slump. While there has been general leveling off thruout the country—the East has felt it to some general leveling off thruout the country—the East has felt it to some degree, Midwest has been comparatively least affected—biz from San Diego to Seattle is down as much as 50 per cent. Some bookers will tell you that the present slump is below pre-war days and foresee little hope for better conditions this fall. Others admit biz is in the basement, but say fall and winter will bring it back to normal.

# For Five GAC Acts Billboard AGVA-AGMA Mess

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Confusion of AGVA versus AGMA (American Guild of Musical Artists) contracts **20-Day Reprieve** ing of Penobscot Club, swank ntown spot and Detroit's only Call Arusts) contracts sent Matt Shelvey, AGVA head, out of New York Friday (13) to Chicago to straighten out what he said may be a mistake or a deliberate attempt to violate AGVA pacts. Situation arose when five acts were booked by arose when five acts were booked by GAC, Chicago office, into Shadow-land, San Antonio, for what the per-formers said was a six-week deal. When they finished their first week they got their notices. Owner claimed that booking was for two weeks. Upon examination of the con-tracts it was discovered that instead of an AGVA form an AGMA form had been used. had been used.

Spot has a \$1,500 bond up with AGVA which union may use to pay AGVA which union may use to pay off performers. In case bond is in-sufficient, club may be placed on the unfair list until the balance is paid. How to proceed is a ticklish matter, however, said Shelvey, as pacts are not on AGVA forms. Shelvey feels that performers do not have a legiti-mate claim against the actors union. Theoretically, he said, they should go either to GAC or to AGMA and have them make good the dough. them make good the dough.

Some of the acts further compli-cated the situation by having agreed to work at the Shadowland for three days out of each one of six weeks for 3/7's of the weekly salary. Such a deal, said Shelvey, is contrary to AGVA rules. GAC claims that use of wrong forms was an honest mis-

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Wrong Pact Forms Hardest hit of the Coastal towns is San Diego. Larry Finley's Mis-sion Beach Ballroom scraped a new low this summer, pull-

Billboard ing only a trickle, al- tho Finley offered town's terpers Jimmy a nd Tommy Dorsey, Frankie Carle, Woody Herman, Stan Ken- ton, etc. S. D. cock- taileries say a conser- vative guess would be a 50 per cent drop in biz. Amuse-ment parks, which packed 'em dur- ing the war, claim biz is off as much as 80 per cent. Motion picture houses, kept open all night for big b.o. takes, have now in many cases reverted to regular hours and won't brag about this summer's draw. The G.1.'s Sadly Missed

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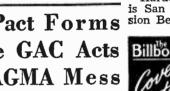
The G.1.'s Sadly Missed War's end and the demobilization have depleted Diego's population to where showbiz has to do some belt tightening. For example, when Li-onel Hampton played the Orpheum this summer, he grossed only \$11,-000. Last year, a small show built around Sally Rand pulled \$20,000. Ops hope for an easier fall and win-ter with return of the fleet, altho none ever expect to see biz reach the lush level of the past four years. In Los Angeles, the tourist trade

the lush level of the past four years. In Los Angeles, the tourist trade has helped some, but even here biz is off at least 35 per cent. During the war the Los area skyrocketed to new industrial importance. Al-ready employing hundreds of thous-ands in its shipyards and motion pic-ture industry area became the nature industry, area became the na-tion's top aircraft maufacturing center, second only to Akron in rubber production, etc. Inflated population gave showbiz a good share of the new money.

# They're All Off the Pace

Cocktail bookers says L. A. biz is off around 50 per cent, ballrooms peg the cut at 25 per cent compared to last year. niteries estimate the peg the cut at 25 per cent compared to last year, niteries estimate the drop between 25 and 35 per cent. Million Dollar Theater (town's ma-jor vaudepix house) has been run-ning under house average (\$23,000) and has come thru sour on attrac-tions which looked sure-fire. Woody Herman, Stan Kenton, Louis Prima have all proved disappointments. House biz is spotty bitting a ringer

House biz is spotty, hitting a ringer occasionally (Ink Spots, \$44,000; Duke Ellington, \$40,250; "Sugar Chile" Robinson, \$39,000), proving that people will still come out to see a show but won't do it regularly. Theater management blames its gen-(See Slump Will Move on page 32)



(See Wrong Pact Forms on page 32) In This Issue  $\begin{array}{r} & ... 104 \\ & ... 40 \\ & ... 42 \\ & ... 54 \cdot 71 \\ & ... 45 \cdot 47 \\ & ... 76 \cdot 84 \\ & ... 68 \\ & ... 89 \cdot 156 \\ & ... 49 \cdot 53 \end{array}$ Reviews: Legit ... Night Club Records ... Television . Vaude .... Vaude ..... Rinka-Skaters ..... Roadahow Films .... Routes: Carnival ..... Legitimate ..... Vending Machines .... Sponsored Events .... Television ..... Too Short for a Head Vaudeville ..... 12-1

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# HOLLYWOOD'S TUNE BOOM Films & Legit **Get Plug Urge** In New Crush

# Wax Also Is Hot



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By Joe Csida NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The next six to nine months will see Holly-wood making some of the most exten-sive and exciting use of music ever known. Broadway (tho pro-ducers have been wa-tering their beers with tears anent the mertears anent the mer-curial costs involved

curial costs involved in producing musicals) will have a substan-tial number of musical entries of one kind and another this season. And from the present and upcoming celluloid and Stem product notable changes and developments in other lines of music-show business will manate will emanate

# **Record Number of Disks**

Probabilities are, for instance, that the greatest number of single rec-ords and albums of film and music the greatest number of single rec-ords and albums of film and music comedy tunes ever made will be waxed this season. Tho the trade doesn't expect the platteries to get behind all scores the way they did behind the Irving Berlin Paramount Picture, Blue Skies (86 sides of com-mercial disks, 38 electrical transcrip-tions of tunes from the film—some cut years ago), etchings of Cole Por-ter tunes from Warner's Night and Day, 20th Century Fox's If I'm Lucky, Three Little Girls in Blue, The Shocking Miss Pilgrim, and other current and soon to be released films have already reached almost stag-gering proportions. Pancakes due on stuff from Paramount's Emperor Waltz and Cross My Heart, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's It Happened in Brooklyn, Summer Holiday, Till the Clouds Roll By (Jerome Kern life), Brooklyn, Summer Holiday, Till the Clouds Roll By (Jerome Kern life), This Time for Keeps and The Arnelo Affair; 20th Century-Fox's Carnival in Costa Rica, Margie, etc.; Warner's The Time the Place and the Girl; Sam Goldwyn's Among My Sou-venirs, Disney's Song of the South, Columbia's Jolson Story and Dead Reckoning, J. Arthur Rank's London-town, and many others. (For re-lease dates on tunes from most of these films, see publishers' release dates chart in Music Department). Terrif Disk Ideas

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Terrif Disk Ideas Typical of the dynamite-styled disking going on with some of the material from these pix is Decca's Bing Crosby-Fred Astaire album of 12 tunes from Blue Skies, done ex-actly as Cros and Astaire do it in the picture. Tho Decca has been ex-tremely successful with the "as done in the original production" technic with Broadway musicals like Okla-homa, Annie Get Your Gun, etc., this is the first time a plattery has ever attempted the caper with a film score. Decca's double-featuring of Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Jordan on Uncle Remus Said and Zip-a-De-Do-Dah from Walt Disney's Song of the South is an example of a single-disk zin-geroo. The indies have developed some keen new merchandising stunts with the pix scores too, as witness Cosmo's single album offering Cole Porter (Night and Day) and Irving (See Pic and Legit on page 15)

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# A.C. "World's Fair"

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 14.— Plans by a group of industrial-ists for a three-year "World's Fair" in Atlantic City, beginning next summer, were announced by William Rolley, president of World Fair, Inc. He said con-tracts have been entered into with Hamid's Pier, and that ar-rangements are being made to rangements are being made to secure over 500,000 additional square feet of space on the Boardwalk.

Hamid's Pier, focal point for the proposed "World's Fair," he said, will be remodeled at a cost of \$200,000. Rolley said that the proposed fair is strictly a commercial venture, and that resort hotel owners and merchants will not be asked to contribute to the project.

# AGVA Asks ARA For Tighter Rule "B" Enforcement

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—At last Tuesday's (10) meeting between AGVA and ARA, the talent union charged that it was not getting a fair shake from reps org in enforcement of various provisions of Rule B. It asked that ARA notify all its mem-bers that agents adhere to the pro-vision that no acts be booked unless vision that no acts be booked unless they are paid-up AGVA members.

AGVA also stressed that it was agent's job to find out if performer is paid up by inquiring at the nearest AGVA branch office. Actor's org also reminded ARA that under rules accepted by both sides it was under- not the actor. The stood that the 10 per cent commission fee permitted is a 5 p belongs to the agent who has the fee to an accredited artist under exclusive agency con-tract. If there are any additional fees members of the rule.

# **Scribes Form Group To Beat** Authors' Authority 'Control'

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—With its also would have a well-heeled lobby objective the outlawing of "totali-tarian centralized control of the writ-ten word," more than 60 top scrib-blers of the country have organized themselves into the American Writ-to combat an idea put forth by movie scripter James M. Cain for an American Authors' Authority, which seeks to clear all and sundry writings in a manner similar to that of ASCAP in the music industry. Idea was mooted by Cain some

of ASCAP in the music industry. Idea was mooted by Cain some months ago in the mag of the Screen Writers' Guild which, with the Radio Writers' Guild, has already given a favorable report on the plan, with an effort being made to get okays from the Dramatists' Guild of the Authors' League of America, includ-ing the ALA itself. In the latter outfit, project has become a bitter bone of contention and is due to come up for argument next Wedness-day (18) at the meeting of the 36-man executive council. Authors' League is the parent org of the other guilds. guilds.

Cain's plan, which claims to have won over George S. Kaufman, Russel Crouse, Howard Lindsay, F. Hugh Herbert, Sigmond Romberg, among many others, calls for a five-man authority which would copyright in its own name for the writers' bene-fit all material produced except that fit, all material produced, except that done on salary; it would keep rec-ords, clear all deals, give legal coun-sel and lease, but never sell a writ-er's rights under the copyright. It

they must come from the agent and not the actor. The only additional fee permitted is a 5 per cent booking fee to an accredited and recognized booker. ARA agreed it would remind

"This association," he said, "has been created for the specific purpose of seeing that there is no totalitarian centralized control of the written word. We have no intention, as things stand now, of becoming a per-manent organization, unless, of course, the battle over Mr. Cain's idea becomes a permanent fight. We're merely organized until we have beaten the idea which, tho it has some good things in it, is too totali-tarian in concept. The practice could develop badly into a sort of ASCAP or even a Petrillo outfit. We are doing all we can to influence the Authors' League and the Dramatists' Guild against it."

Michael Mindlin Dies NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Michael Mindlin, legit producer and theater op, died Friday (13) at his New York home at the age of 54. He leaves a widow and three children. His first Stem click was The Last Warning in 1922. Few years later, he ac-quired the Fifth Avenue Playhouse and operated the Little Carnegie and other small houses. other small houses.

# Mrs. Frieda Richard

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. — Mrs. Frieda Richard, Viennese actress and member of Max Reinhard's Com-pany, died in Salzberg, Austria. She was 73 years old.

# "Oklahoma" Hangs Up World's Record of 113G at Des Moines

DES MOINES, Sept. 14.—Cowles. Bros.' KRNT Radio Theater (former-ly the Shrine Auditorium) broke a ly the Shrine Auditorium) broke a string of outstanding records with Oklahoma this week which could rightfully be called the greatest week in the legitimate theater business. The record will probably stand until a bigger theater is built. Here is what Oklahoma did at the new KRNT Theater:

A gross of \$113,000, reputed to be the biggest wad ever paid by theater goers to see any legit attraction in the history of the American theater

for a one-week stand. It had a gross of \$14,900 for a one-night performance, breaking the former Shrine record of \$12,000 set former Shrine record of \$12,000 set by Helen Hayes only last March which was for a dramatic show, and \$14,000 gross for a one-nighter by Ziegfield Follies years ago. A mati-nee and night performance by Okla-homa grossed \$23,900, which broke the two-performance record of Eddie Cantor of \$16,000, also set years ago. The former hox-office record set

The former box-office record set by Oklahoma of \$65,364.75 for a oneweek stand at Hartford, Conn., was surpassed even before the company arrived in Des Moines, due to ad-vance ticket sales, and by the time the third performance was over the 4,200-seater ran out of tickets.

The show marked official opening of the new theater, since it was pur-chased this summer by Cowles Broadcasting Company.

Broadcasting Company. Phil Hoffman, manager of KRNT (who, incidentally was unable to pro-vide a ticket for his own mother be-cause of the sellout) started his pro-motion campaign with spot an-nouncements over KRNT. Before the campaign was ended, it had swelled into programing by all KRNT radio personalities and news-men, ads in Iowa daily and weekly newspapers, ads and stories in the Des Moines Register and Tribune (also owned by Cowles), inside and out-side street car posters, 15,000 herald mail-outs and hand-outs at the State fair, window cards and displays, and fair, window cards and displays, and even transcribed spot announcements on Cowles's Station WNAX at Yank-ton, S. D., which reaches into some of the Iowa territory.

Thes theater, making its debut with a new national box-office rec-ord, has turned to promoting a one-night stand October 8. Altho most coming attractions probably will be one-nighters, radio officials feel se-cure that they can handle longer stops. Skedded are one-nighters by Tommy Dorsey and other name bands.

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# **NBC-Biow Battle Again;** Web Gets Vallee Program **On Week-to-Week Basis**

Agency Must Improve Show, Otherwise Net Will Nix Seg

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Webs' crackdown on commercial programs was highlighted this week with National Broadcasting Company again tangling with the Biow Agency over the Philip Morris show. All very hush hush; but the deal now is that NBC has accepted the Vallee show on a week-toweek basis. This development followed airing of the Vallee program Tues-day night (10). The web execs, to put it mildly, were dissatisfied with the program, and for a few hours Wednesday, some of the NBC staffers expected

that the network's program department that it was not up to par. This ex-treme action didn't occur, but NBC took an adamant stand, nevertheless, and is inisting that the Biow Agency improve the program, or else. Biow Agency, in turn, has promised to improve the seq Agency, in turn improve the seg.

NBC's action caused mixed com-ment in the trade, some independent producers admitting that it was a "good thing" for the webs to clamp down on "old hat" personalities and either bring them up to a certain ctandard or discard them. Others were standard or discard them. Others were bitter, pointing out that until such bitter, pointing out that until such time as the webs demonstrate their own ability to come up with new personalities or program ideas, any such crackdown is ill-advised. Webs, however, during the past season par-ticularly, have evidenced a greater-than-ever awareness that they must police the quality of commercial segs in addition to developing web-built programs and personalities on their own hook. Consensus of the trade is that in the matter of talent and program development the webs this past year haven't come thru with much, but it is admitted that they were pitching. were pitching.

## Skyhigh Standards Feared

What is on the minds of some pro-ducers, talent peddlers and agencies is a fear that the networks, in their endeavor to put some more moxie into commercial segs, will jack up the standards so high as to make radio uneconomic from the viewpoint of many advertisers. Only last week, ren of the Biow Agency explained of many advertisers. Only last week, rep of the Biow Agency explained that CBS nixed *Lights Out*, bought by Biow from Music Corporation of America, for the reason that they did not want to clutter the night-time hours with horror segs. But the point of view of the agency, and the client—explained the Biow rep —was that horror segs, for a rea-sonable production cost, assured a medium rating, and were therefore a "safer" investment than expensive comedy or variety shows. comedy or variety shows.

One angle of the problem which interests the trade is the apparent loss of influence of networks' sales departments and the apparent in-creased influence of the programing department. In years gone by when creased influence of the programing department. In years gone by, when time was not so easily sold, a show-down battle between sales and pro-graming generally resulted in a vic-tory for the former. While webs have that s.r.o. sign out, it's be-lieved that the balance from now on will be in favor of programing as against sales.

# **Argentinian Airs for Factor**

CARACAS, Venezuela, Sept. 14 .---Oswaldo Rueda, Argentine singer, has been signed for the Max Factor weekly show over Radio Tropical.

# AAAA; <sup>~</sup>Other **Measures**" Now

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Radio Writers' Guild will turn a deaf ear to overtures by the American Association of Advertising Agencies for re-newal of proposed contract negotia-tions, it was decided today at a meet-ing here of RWG's national executive committee. Sam Moore, the Guild's national prexy, said "other meas-ures" will have to be taken. As to what action will be made, Moore declined to comment, stating that plans now being discussed will be re-formed to the Guild's membership for

# HSG in Ladies' Rm.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.-Best laugh in radio row this week was on Harry S. Goodman, transcription producer, who recently returned from a sales jaunt to Akron, O. To put it brief-ly, Goodman, coming smack up ly,

ly, Goodman, coming smack up against the housing shortage, found it necessary to sleep in the ladies' room of a leading Washington hotel. Story, vouched for by Goodman himself, began when he wired the hotel for a reservation and got an okay. When he arrived, he found the reservation canceled, the room clerk explaining that he had been clerk explaining that he had been unable to reach Goodman because

unable to reach Goodman because he was traveling by automobile. Goodman, who is by no means in-articulate, squawked and was told "to check back later and we'll see what we can do." Checking back, he found he was being domiciled in the ladies' room. "There were a lot of mirrors and places there, about 14 of 'em," he explains, "for the dames to powder their faces, and that's where my cot was. And a little beyond," says Harry, "there were other parapher-nalia and appliances common to ladies' rooms." "When I first walked in," he

"When I first walked in," he added, "a woman queried, "Aren't you going into the wrong room?" Harry countered, "No, I am going to sleep here!"

"But I want to go in!" she said. "Well, you go in and I'll wait un-til you come out," said Goodman. When this routine was over Harry

# Known. Altho neither denied nor (See RWG SPURNS 4A on page 7) In you come out," said Goodman. When this routine was over Harry went to sleep. He swears he slept well. New NABB Lashing of Blue Book Expected at Chi Meet; Modification by FCCC Seen Nodification by FCCC Seen In the second s

# **Amendment by Interpretations Predicted**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—A new blast by National Association of Broadcasters against Federal Com-munications Commission's *Blue Book* here at org's Chicago conclave next month (21-24), particularly in mes-sage by Prexy Justin L. Miller, is forecast in NAB circles. NAB in-siders regard FCC as in a mood to modify from new on the *Blue Book* siders regard FCC as in a mood to modify from now on the *Blue Book* thru any requested interpretations, altho FCC biggies in private conver-sation are indicating no such trend. Regarded in NAB as a sign of FCC modification is a recent reply by act-ing FCC chairman Charles Denny to Robert W. Brown, exec news editor of International News Service, on meaning of *Blue Book* regulations for live news shows. Denny, in reply to Brown last August 30 and pub-lished in current NAB reports, em-phasizes that the *Blue Book* does not seek to discourage use of news wires for local newscasts. for local newscasts.

Brown, who some months ago had been highly critical of FCC's Blue Book policy, had asked Denny to ex-

plain among other things if a station could get credit for "local live" show based on an entire newscast on tele-type service with appropriate editing and rewriting. Denny stated that Brown's query "suggests that a mis-Brown's query "suggests that a mis-conception may still persist on the part of your organization and your clients concerning the purpose and language of the definitions in ques-tion. May we again point out," stated Denny, "that it was neither our desire nor intention to cast as-persions upon wire pays programs or persions upon wire news programs or to discourage their use. On the contrary, we have expressly recognized the highly important role that such programs play in the field of radio broadcasting."

Brown followed up with a state-ment of gratitude to FCC "for the amendment to the new wire program rule" and said the clarification re-moves criticism in that score. "The danger of a threat to free speech, unintentional tho it might have been, is removed, as is the implication of any penalty against conscientious

# Housing Shortage Domiciles Intrepid Big 5 Set Big **Ad Budgets**

Brighter outlook replaces recent pessimism-makers keep fingers crossed

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Boom in black-and-white television is set for black-and-white television is set for the coming winter, trade estimates indicating that the "big five"—RCA, DuMont, General Electric, Westing-house and Philco—will spend an ag-gregate of \$2,500,00 in advertising in the next 12 months to promote the sale of receivers. Some of the Big Five have already set their budgets, and the indicated outlays are in the neighborhood of half a million each. J. Walter Thompson, agency handling the RCA account, says the firm's budget has not yet been set, but belief is that it will be a whopper, particularly in view of the sum set aside by smaller competitive comaside by smaller competitive com-panies. All in all, \$2,500,000 is repanies. All in all, \$2,500,000 is re-garded as a conservative estimate, a figure which is apart from what may be spent in advertising by retailers, co-op campaigns, etc., and apart from the ad budgets of the smaller com-panies, some of whom already have sets on the market, such as Viewtone.

Regarding release of sets, inside info is that RCA will start the ball rolling November 1, but is hesitant to do so before that date because it does not want to deliver in dribs and drabs. DuMont, which originally an-

licized reports that both Columbia Broadcasting System and National Broadcasting Company would have to de-emphasize video for awhile and get their respective noses down on the radio grindstone, particularly in view of high cost of video production, etc. But with the SRO sign out at the webs, and with agencies and clients showing increasing interest in tele, and the manufacturing (See Big 5 Set Fat on page 12)

news programing based on teletype reports," stated Brown.

Brown's use of the term "amendment" in describing Denny's explanation is causing chuckles of satisfaction in NAB, where insiders are broadly hinting that FCC has found itself in an unpopular position on the original Blue Book rules and now must find ways to remove the sting thru interpretation, which they say amounts, in effect, to "amending the Blue Book."

# **CBS** Emphasizing Agency **Co-Operation, Web Control**

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Policy of that webs only think in terms of total rogram improvement and closer co- listening, whereas agencies must, by program improvement and closer cooperation between CBS and ad agencies; with the end in view of raising the standards of the network's entire programing schedule, was empha-sized this week by Herschel Wil-liams, CBS director of commercial program development. Stressing radio's responsibility, its obligation to listeners, and the consequent neces-sity for the industry to maintain a high level, Williams stated, "We must regain our hold in the production field."

With respect to all networks' in-creasing "fussiness" regarding the standards of commercial shows, Wil-liams added that the CBS policy ex-ceeded mere criticism—"for we ceeded mere criticism—"for we must," he said, "be able to implement the criticism we make." And altho ad agencies are credited with controlling approximately four-fifths of the good program time available, it is Williams's contention that webs, rather than agencies, are in a better posi-tion, because of the possession of time, stations and facilities, to explore

# Show in Ads, Maybe In line with this, CBS has been mak-ing an unprecedented effort to main-**Groaner Pic Preem**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14 .---Paramount Pictures will go all out to help Philco and American Broadcasting Company give Bing Crosby's air show plenty of ballyhoo. Flicker factory realizes that success of Der Bingel's radio effort will show up in pic b. o.'s and will do all it can to help Crosby

and will do an it can hit a high Hooper. As exclusively revealed by The (Sentember 14), Para-Billboard (September 14), Para-mount this week confirmed that a series of tie-ins will be set up be-tween release of Crosby's Blue Skies and kick-off of the air show.

pic and kick-off of the air snow. Worked on a reciprocal basis, deal will be of mutual benefit to all concerned. Radio show will plug pic and in turn Paramount will help b the drum for the broadcast. Blue Skies newspaper ads will have writein ads giving time and call letters of local station carrying Crosby show. of local station carrying Crosby show. In Philco's ad campaign to notify listener of groaner's show, *Skies* pic will get mention. Pierson Mapes, Hutchins agency v.-p. in charge of Philco account, said that radio maker will spend "enormous 'sums to 'let people know Bing is with us," but refused to name size of ad budget.

Plan now being mulled is to have Plan now being mulled is to have Paramount premiere Skies simul-taneously thruout the U. S. on the night of October 16, date when air show starts. Showing would be held as a benefit to the Sister Kenny Foundation, of which Crosby is presi-dent. Line would be pulled in from local outlet carrying Crosby show airing it to theater audience.

If Paramount can reshuffle release schedules to allow for the mass double premiere, air show would steal plenty of space in local dailies thruout the country. "Sweet Charity" pitch would also help to give listeners editorial copy on the Crosby air show. If plan materializes it would bring about the closest co-operation thus far between radio and picture industries.

Deals have already been set be-tween Philco and Paramount for the

their very nature, think in terms of a client's particular segment. This, ac-cording to observers in the trade, does not lead to the best over-all type of programing—a belief given cre-dence by researchers who stress the importance of sequential listening.

CBS's plan to hypo programing has various facets. One, of course, is the production of web-built packages, with the emphasis, according to Wil-liams, slanted not at the price tag, but at the specific needs of the web and the client.

Another is the web's offer of co operation to agencies and clients, via the network's expert personnel, etc. With reference to the thought that some agencies might resist such a network policy, Williams stated that "we must get their confidence to per-manently raise standards."

Attempt to raise program levels, says Williams, presupposes a change in the general attitude toward com- In elaboration, the CBS exec stated
 Para To Bally Bing
 Show in Ads Maybe tain the level of listening during the summer, and will shortly use the 5:30-6 p.m. spot across the board to develop shows of nighttime caliber, he said.

> Stating his belief in the necessity for CBS to maintain a proving ground for talent less radio perish, Williams added that in some fields the webs are in a more favorable position than agencies in some phases of radio pro duction, particularly news and public service. In drama, too, also whodun-its, Williams believes CBS's experi-ence and know-how are tops. And this same talent, he adds, must be exercised with respect to comedy and uniotic cone variety segs.

Apropos the necessity of CBS taking a firm grip on commercial shows, Williams compared radio with newspapers, pointing out that in the pub-lishing field advertising clients were not allowed to overbalance the editorial end.

# **B&R** Coast Office **Rocks But Holds On**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Loss of a big chunk of billing, which caught Ruthrauff & Ryan (as well as the trade) off balance (*The Billboard*, September 7) and moved the Jack Benny and Frank Morgan shows to the Foote, Cone & Belding Hollywood workshop, finds R&R's Hollywood office with only four Coast-to-Coast shows left—which is n. s. h. for an office geared for big-ger and better things. Loss of the n. s. h. for an office geared for big-ger and better things. Loss of the Benny and Morgan shows was pre-ceded recently by exodus of Lionel Barrymore's Mayor of the Town and Bob Burns's stanza, both of which shuttled over to the new Sullivan, Stauffer, Colwell & Bayles Agency.

Stattler, Colweit & Barles Agency. Still on R. & R.'s production sched-ule are the Dick Haymes, Gene Autry and Amos and Andy stanzas, plus the recently created *Surprise Party* package for American Home Foods Products. Personnel of Hollywood office is status quo at present, accord-ing to radio head Nate Tuffs who ining to radio head Nate Tufts, who indicated that no retrenchment move was imminent. With the loss of four use of Para personalities in Philco's was imminent. With the loss of four general ad campaigns, thereby link- top shows, however. cutbacks sooner ing sponsor and studio even closer. or later appear certain.

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# Few CP's Granted

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14 .-- FCC last week reduced the flow of AM grants to a trickle, with the West and Southwest getting the nod. Following are the stations awarded standard broadcast CP's: Yellowstone Amusement Company, Livingston, Mont.; Big Bend Broadcasters, Alpine, Tex.; James L. Frank, Colorado Springs, Colo., and Las Vegas Broadcasters, Inc., Las Vegas, Nev.

Granted CP for new developmental station to test multi-channel broadcasting was Federal Telecommunications Laboratories, New York.

The following were given condi-The following were given condi-tional FM CP's, subject to the usual engineering conditions: Marysville-Yuba City Broadcasters, Inc., Marys-ville, Calif.; Radio Diadle, Inc., San Bruno, Calif.; Sunflower Broadcast-ing System, Kansas City, Mo.; Darrell E. Yates, Lufkin, Tex.; Wichita Broadcasters Wichita, Kan.; Pied-mont Broadcasting Corporation, Danville, Va.; Shenandoah Vallev Danville, Va.; Shenandoah Valley Broadcasting Corporation, Harrisonburg, Va.; Thomas Garland Lindsey Jr., Richmond, Va.; Suffolk Broad-casting Corporation, Suffolk, Va., and Daily News Publishing Company, Be-loit, Wis.

# View Gammons' CBS App't in Relation To FCC Policies

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.creased role in policy-shaping for Columbia Broadcasting System on is-Columbia Broadcasting System on Is-sues relating to FCC and Congress is seen for Earl H. Gammons, direc-tor of CBS's Washington office, who was named last week, along with Howard S. Meighan, as a vice-presi-dent of the web. Gammons, who has directed Columbia's Washington out-poot at WTOP cinco June 1942 will post at WTOP since June, 1942, will continue that role as a vice-prexie, it was announced by CBS President Frank Stanton.

Gammons has been serving as the web's key liaison with government, and his new appointment is regarded as a reward for effective service along that line. Gammons has been with CBS the last 15 years following various posts in radio and press. He will clay on in Wachington althout will stay on, in Washington, altho his visits to the New York home office are expected to increase.

Meighan, who lives in Mamaro-neck, N. Y., has been with CBS since 1934, and prior to that was in radio departments of J. Walter Thompson and J. Sterling Getchell.

# WMCA-CIO Pact Ups 60 Employees' Pay

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Sixty WMCA white collar employees re-ceived pay boosts ranging from \$6-\$10 as a result of contract nego-tiated by the Radio Guild of the United Office and Professional Work-ers of America (CIO) with the sta-tion management. Contract provides for a \$30 minimum for beginners and for a \$30 minimum for beginners and a union shop.

Other provisions include time and one-half for overtime; double pay for work on the seventh consecutive day; vacations of one day for every month of service up to six months, two weeks after six months and three weeks after three years; severance pay; a system of seniority for pro-motions, and paid holidays. Grievance machinery will be created and will provide for arbitration of dis-putes, including discharges.

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# G. W. Hill Death Stirs Talk of "Parade" Shift

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Death of George Washington Hill, president of the American Tobacco Company, of a heart attack yesterday at his private fishing camp in Matapedia, Que., left the trade buzzing with conjectures as to the possible effect on the radio and music industries.

Question uppermost in minds of radio and agency execs is whether Hill's demise will inaugurate a change in policy for American To-bacco. Argument that it will is based on the contention that execs within the company payor fully agreed with the company never fully agreed with Hill's individualistic policies, particularly regarding such radio shows as the Lucky Strike Hit Parade—and the Lucky Strike Hit Parade—and would, therefore, change policy whenever the time was opportune. With respect to Parade, show has long been a source of aggravation to music publishers, talent agencies and artists. Pubs, for instance, have often claimed that tunes on the show were not truly representative of the nation's top ditties. In fact, one pub-lisher went so far as to file a suit, but subsequently withdrew same. Hill Seen "Arbitrary" From the talent standpoint, Hill

Hill Seen "Arbitrary" From the talent standpoint, Hill had always been regarded as arbi-trary in his choice of performers, particularly warblers, and it is be-lieved that one or more of the Ameri-can Tobacco air segs may be in for an overhauling. It's considered like-ly, for instance, that Music Corpora-tion of America will attempt to sell Lucky Strike on the idea of using more than one band on *Parade*, as well as occasional trios or other vocal or instrumental groups which would well as occasional trios or other vocal or instrumental groups which would be suitable for the show's line-up of tunes during any particular period. In the music business, it is also felt that MCA will use all of its powers of persuasion to land a succession of bands on the show.

It's also believed likely that segs initative of *Parade* will blossom, ar-gument being that they had never blossomed before owing to the awe with which the trade regarded the American Tobacco prexy. Agency-wise, much interest at-taches to the outcome of the recent

taches to the outcome of the recent change-over of the Jack Benny and Frank Morgan shows from Ruthrauff & Ryan to Foote, Cone & Belding. Switch was accomplished a few weeks ago, with consequent loss of \$3,000,000 to \$3,500,000 in billings to R&R. Now, with a new agency at the helm and new direction at Amer-ican Tobacco, changes are considered likely. Extreme trade opinion went so far as to predict that FC&B would hold the account only until the ex-piration of the first 13-week cycle. "Maker of Slogans"

## "Maker of Slogans"

"Maker of Slogans" Hill, whose company spent as much as \$20,000,000 a year in advertising in various media, was known as a maker of slogans ("It's Toasted!" "Nature in the Raw Is Seldom Mild," etc.). He was born in Philadelphia October 22, 1884, the son of Percival Smith Hill and Mrs. Cassie Rowland Milnes Hill. He joined the tobacco company in 1904 and in 1925, when the senior Hill died, G. W. became president. president.

president. The late tobacco exec, whose earn-ings between 1926 and 1939 totaled approximately \$6,500,000 and whose take in recent years was about \$400,000 annually, was thrice mar-ried. His first was the former Lucie Langhorne Cobb, from whom he was divorced. His second wife, the for-mer Aquinas M. Heiler, died in 1925, and the third, the former Mary Barnes, whom he married in 1935, survives. There are also two sons, survives. There are also two sons, George W. Hill Jr. and Percival S. Hill; a daughter, Mary, and two sis-ters, Mrs. Gertrude Hill Roper and Mrs. Katharine Hill Boyer.

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# **Pubserv Segs Can** Pay Off; WJJD's 700G Proves It

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Proof that a station can materially increase its public service programs and at the same time boost its gross take is adequately furnished by WJJD here, 20 kw. owned by Marshall Field. In July, 1944, Field bought the station and immediately instituted his idea that a radio station could serve the community and make money at the same time.

(Earlier, in the newspaper field Field proved his theories that pridevoting space to non-paying pub service features, could capture enough good will to make newspapers pay off. Chi Sun is good example. Altho in the red for quite a while due to capital investments, Sun is now more than breaking even.) Field followed the same line with WUID. He promoted head

WJJD. He promoted hard-headed yet pubserv conscious Art Harre to be general manager and told him to see what he could do. Harre's ideas were to build pubserv shows just as show-wise as the commercial segs with just as much money spent in production. Another point was no. pubserv

got a kicking around from stand-point for air time. For instance, if a Red Cross program had a certain time on the air and had built up a ceron the air and had built up a cer-tain audience, and a commercial show attempted to get the same time, the answer was no. (This unortho-doxy would have some radio guys tearing their hair out.) Same time, no sponsored show would be thrown off schedule either

off schedule either. Another factor Harre considered important was that no pubserv show (with exception of those government-produced) would be canned. Everything should be written and produced, live in the studios. Re-sult was that station now has more musicians (14) than any other indie local in town, and expends more dough (\$500) for talent exclusive of musicians. Office personnel is also higher paid. In increasing public service fea-

tures by 73 per cent/during the last two years, 14 unquestionable segs plus at least 15 more of the type which the average station tried to plug in FCC applications, point was made these should fall into regular organized categories and the following nine came up: Forums, recruit-ing, veterans, rural, religion, welfare,

education, security and safety. It is known that WJJD grossed more than \$700,000 during the past year, and far from being hay, it's more than any other local limited time indie so maybe good will entime indie, so maybe good will en-gendered by well-produced pub-servs pay off after all, by snagging commercial shows.

# "Names" as Guests Debunked by Barber

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Red Bar-ber, chief of the CBS sports depart-ment, debunked the indiscriminate use of "names" as guests on sports programs, during a talk delivered at the CBS program managers sessions now being held. Barber stated the web would use such guests only if they had something to say.

As indicated previously in *The Billboard*, CBS, according to Barber, will promote the idea of a split net-work for football games, in order to secure more adequate national cov-erage. On his co-op sports show too, erage. On his co-op sports show too, Barber stated he would call in af-filiated broadcasters for sports re-ports, enhancing national coverage. Co-op debuts Monday (16). In gen-eral, the CBS sports policy, said Bar-ber, would be slanted toward the worth of the action youth of the nation.

# Visiting Firemen Boom Swamps Nets' Coast Ticket Distribution

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Webs here are currently suffering head-aches of an all-time peak in broad-cast ticket distribution. With travel cast ticket distribution. With travel restrictions now wartime history and plenty of dough still floating around, tourist influx is hitting unprece-dented proportions — and nearly everyone wants to see a radio show. Demands are flooding ticket windows far beyond nets' ability to fulfill them. What makes it particularly rough is fact that many summer re-placements have moved east. Others placements have moved east. Others are non-aud, therefore cutting down number of broadcasts available for visitors' eyes. To add to confusion greater majority of visiting firemen are totally unaware of radio's sum-mer hiatus habits and come to webs insisting on ducats to shows which insisting on ducats to shows which off for the season.

However, nets get a break in that out-of-towners as a rule aren't too particular on what show they see just as long as they get to eye one. This has allowed webs to fill studios down to the last rows for broadcasts which regular inhabitants usually avoid. Ducat distributors confess amazement at visitors actually ask-ing for passes to shows which for-merly couldn't draw for the first five rows. Beason: Some sees make betrows. Reason: Some segs make bet-ter listening than watching, and tourrows. ists having followed them for some time, now want to see what they look like.

## ABC's 10,000 Weekly

American Broadcasting Company issues an average of 10,000 tickets per week (overprinting about 35 per cent to fill its 8,600 seating capacity) for its 27 audience shows. Latter figure includes its three five-a-week airers. Demands are strongest for Tom Breneman's show and Bride and Groom.

Broadcasting Columbia System, whose studios hold more than others, reports average weekly press run of 8,500. Counting repeat broadcasts, across-the-board segs and regional

shows, net fills studio 54 times each week. Mutual (Don Lee) has 19 audience shows, issues average of 17,000 tickets. Because net is con-(Sunset Boulevard, which holds ABC, CBS and NBC), it has to overprint considerably so as to be sure it fills seats.

## NBC Hit in Summer

Not Hit in Summer National Broadcasting Company finds itself in tough spot with its wintertime Hollywood origination. Roster of 43 audience broadcasts (in-cludes repeats) is trimmed to a meager 14. To make matters worse, NBC follows policy of turning over two-thirds at the NBC follows policy of turning over two-thirds of tickets to agency handling show (to fill mail requests), therefore leaving little for studio distribution. Sharing its Radio City building at Sunset and Vine with ABC, NBC also handles latter's ticket distribution. This adds to mother net's headaches in a way, but helps out in that Blue has more audience shows available and gives ticket han-dlers something with which to fill flood of requests.

Boost in tickets here is not only due to increase in tourist trade but also fact that number of audience shows and Hollywood originations have grown each year. Blossoming of participators also has been greatly responsible for increased interest in attending broadcasts, with chance at fabulous give-aways attracting rec-ord crowds.

Hollywood's studio space squeeze is now pinching more than ever. With nets having outgrown their quarters during war years and still unable to build, it hurts to have to turn away seatwarmers because there's no place for them. Fact that ABC and NBC stay under the same roof has made it increasingly tough on both. Blue has been forced to scatter its shows thruout town, while NBC, with a stoic upper lip, anxiously awaits completion of its two new studios.

# **RWG Spurns 4A's; Other Measures Now**

# (Continued from page 5)

confirmed by RWG's execs, the possibility of a strike appears imminent unless the four A's concedes to the Guild's two gripes. RWG could pull

all its members from the major shows in an attempt to force the issue. Guild's chief beefs are: AAAA's refusal to revise its present release form, which according to RWG, forces an author to give up all rights in advance before an agency agrees to read his script. Second stumbling block in negotiations, the Guild claims, is the agencies' refusal to grant scribblers ownership rights to their material and refuses to recogtheir material and refuses to recog-nize authors' rights to license their material for one performance only. (Agencies claim that when a script is purchased it becomes the property of the sponsor, who should hold the right to rebroadcast the material without having to shell out further dough to the writer) dough to the writer.)

## Spencer's Letter

Letter was sent to Sam Moore and Dorothy Bryant (RWG exec secre-tary) by A. K. Spencer, chairman of the four A's radio committee, asking that negotiations be resumed and that questions of release forms and purchase rights be laid aside at this time so that discussion of other probtime so that discussion of other prob-lems may be continued. Guild execs claim these two points are the most important and, therefore, they can't consider other factors until these are ironed out. RWG execs also denied that the Guild and four A's had agreed on foreign, domestic and pix rights as stated in the four A letter.

Questions of liability, also claimed by AAAA as having been settled, is still up in the air, according to the Guild. Agencies want scribblers to stand court costs on possible nuisance and court costs arising from scripts and crank suits arising from scripts. Agreement so far has been reached on questions of rewriting and pay-ment for ordered single-shot scripts. ment for ordered single-shot scripts. Agencies consented to allow author say-so (whenever possible) in cases where rewriting of a script is neces-sary. It was also agreed that scribe would get paid within 10 days after an ordered script is submitted and not when material is broadcast. Attending sessions here were Sam Moore (national prexy), Peter Lyon (v.-p.), Stuart Hawkins (New York rep), Herbert Futran (Chi rep), Dorothy Bryant (national exec secy.) and Jack Robinson, d. a. rep.

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of public interest cited by the com-missioners against Mack Radio was a quote by the owner of the outfit that Mack is a "business company having no primary purpose to serve the public welfare." Commish also showed in no uncertain terms that it did not like the practice of Macic Radio in selling radio time on WCAM without any prior consultation of either the city or the outlet.

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 14. - Fed-eral Communications Commission is eral Communications Commission is cracking down further on stations that can't prove freedom of policy from outside pressure, nixing Friday (13) the renewal of WCAM (Camden, N. J.) in a supplemental proposed decish because of "uncontroverted evidence that the major portion of WCAM's operation since 1941 has continued to be dominated by the Mack Radio Sales Company." Com-mish also said "no" for the second time to renewal of WTNJ (Trenton, N. J.) for discrepancies in stock in-formation in its various applications. In nixing the WCAM license, com-

In nixing the WCAM license, com-missioners emphasized that the sta-tion gives 25 out of its 29 hours of air time to Mack Radio Sales, which "continues to exploit it to the maxi-mum commercial advantage of the company, without reference to the licensee and to its duty and responsi-bilities to operate in the public in-terest." FCC singled out a 1938 con-tract between the city of Camden, owner of WCAM, and Mack Radio Sales as a "delegation without author-ization to a stranger to the commis-sion" which has only lead to a disregard of public interest. In its WHNJ finding, commission said the discrepancies in stock information of the general manager of the outlet raised the inference that the info was a "misrepresentation, concealing from the commission material facts In nixing the WCAM license, comfrom the commission material facts

concerning his financial qualifica-

tions." WCAM decish was without preju-dice to city of Camden, which has application on file for CP and license to share time with WCAP (Asbury Park). At the same time FCC granted application of Radio Industries Broadcasting Company for renewal of license of WCAP. Highlighting charges of violations

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# TIME IS MUM FOVERDIAL Parade

The NBC Parade of Stars is now starting its fifth year of audience building. Nothing Succeeds Like Success

The NBC Parade of Stars material has been in the hands of alert station promotion men since the first of August. **THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM** 

The NBC Parade of Stars fall network showcases, originated 3 years ago, will be heard in high-Hooper times Sunday, October 13 (from 4 to 6 p.m., EST) and Monday, October 14 (from 10:30 to midnight) a three-and-a-half-hour sampler of the best in broadcasting. Imitation is the Sincerest Flattery

The NBC Parade of Stars, more than ever, is decked with brilliant innovations and extravagant trimming—plastic bandboxes, new on-the-air promotion, listener-tailored space advertising. Yuu Can't Judge a Kunk by Its Enver but...

The NBC Parade of Stars remains—basically—proven, effective promotion of The Greatest Shows in Radio. The End Justifies the Means

The NBC Parade of Stars is made possible by advertisers, talent, stations and the network, all using all media. IN UNION WHERE IS SUPERION

More listeners is the goal—more for advertisers, more for talent, more for the independent affiliated stations, more for...

# ... the National Broadcasting Company

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# Huddle on Logs May Ease L. A. Station-Newspaper Tiff HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Long-standing space feud between four metropolitan daily newspapers and L. A. radio outlets appeared on the way to a

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Long-standing space feud between four metropolitan daily newspapers and L. A. radio outlets appeared on the way to a settlement after a series of hush-hush meetings last month between Los Angeles Daily News rep and station flacks. Confabs were set to find a workable plan for improving system of log listings (The Billboard, June 8). Station flacks came to gab sessions fortified with facts and figures to support their gripes, pointing out that all four dailies have been guilty of messy listings and passive resistance to radio for so long that effectiveness of logs as a service feature to readers has all

as a service feature to readers has all but gone by the board. Don Lee-KHJ, for example, came up with an impressive statistical analysis of the logs in all four local sheets for the month of July, showing a total of 842 errors (25 per cent inaccuracies, 75 per cent omissions).

Letting their collective hair down in off-the-record discussions, station men laced into present system of log listings, contending that over-all efficiency of the set-up is nil. (Papers now pool forces to pay salary of one log editor who co-ordinates all station listings for four dailies.) The News spokesman admitted log inaccuracies have resulted in flood of phone queries from readers.

# Propose Clearance Thru SCBA

Station men came up with several proposals for handling listing headache and *The News* countered with its own ideas. Weeded out, top proposal is to toss log co-ordinating job into laps of broadcasters thru Southern California Broadcasters' Association. SCBA would maintain its own log office and furnish dailies with combined listings. Kickbacks, if any, would be shunted right back to station ops. Counter-proposal, suggested by *The News*, is to put log listings on regular advertising basis at one-half regular space rates, argument being that placement of listings on commercial basis would give the stations more say-so on what is published. Broadcasters, however, privately nixed this scheme, arguing that logs are circulation builders if handled properly and should be carried cuffo.

The News rep is to make report and recommendations for submission to the three other papers for joint action. Final decision will be up to all papers, but *The News* meanwhile is showing every intention of playing ball with radio. Recently instituted syndicated radio column by John Crosby as regular *News* feature is seen as the opening wedge in a competitive drive to snare new readership thru radio coverage.

# Fledgling Press Air Minded

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Area's entrenched press, long contending radio copy has no reader interest, is sitting up and taking notice as proradio newcomer dailies are proving the old-timers wrong. Sheets which have sprung up within the last couple of years in Southern California have welcomed air-show material, pre-

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 7.—Signs pointing the way to radio-newspaper co-operation on the West Coast are shining ever brighter, as indicated by NBC tie-up with small-town editors. New four-broadcast series, tagged "The Country Editor," began two weeks ago over web's Pacific Coast net, and giving free plugs to small-town eds stressing the position of leadership held by their newspapers. Series has official blessings of publishers' associations in three West Coast States, which in itself is significant in view of dog-eat-dog status long marking radio-press relationship.

senting it as a service to readers who couldn't get it elsewhere. Noting the favorable results, older papers are beginning to soften up, with even the four metropolitan sheets reluctantly "considering doing something about radio."

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# "Light" Negotiations Stymied, Carlson To File 2 New Motions

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Negotiations between attorneys in radio's longest drawn out court case, the Irna Phillips-Emmons Carlson litigation over The Guiding Light, broke down completely this week and Carlson will file two additional motions against Phillips.

Carlson, who was awarded first round in the legal battle by having himself declared as a partner of Miss Phillips, refused settlement proffered by her attorney, Harry Freeman. Sum is known to be around \$125,000. The 125G figure was termed "ridicu-'ously low" by Carlson's attorney, Earl Schiek.

"The show made over \$1,000,000 since its beginning," Schiek said, "and since its present contract runs until 1949 at \$3,000 a week, it's worth much more than that. We're willing to settle for a reasonable sum, but not a sellout price."

Schiek asserted he was filing two motions in several days which should have an important bearing on the case. First will be a motion to pass the show into receivership in order to impound profits until litigation is over. Second action will seek to have the court hold Miss Phillips in contempt of court for failure to comply with a decree handed down last May calling for an accounting of funds by the soap opera writer.

# FCC Demand for Industry Biz Info Expected To Stick

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—FCC accounting experts are expected to stand pat on their demands for radio biz, wage, program and technical info when they meet with industry and labor on September 20 for a discussion of the commission's revised sked. The meeting, announced this week by the commission, will give all interested parties a chance to voice comments and objections to the new survey form.

Already favored by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and union groups, new form is expected to face opposition from National Association of Broadcasters and the nets. Big argument from the biggies is expected to be that such info rightly belongs to the Labor Department, but experts point out that the Labor Department is an advisory agency and can't get any info by compulsion. Real objection to the new survey is seen by observers as the age-old refusal of NAB and the webs to divulge any information at all about business practices and labor relations.

tices and labor relations. New form gives a minute breakdown of duties in stations, narrowing down general categories of executive, employee and program workers into officers, clerical, program, technical, commercial, building, service and miscellaneous employees. Revised survey also includes salary info on free-lancers.

# NIGHTTIME TALENT COST INDEX

Based on "FIRST SIXTEEN" HOOPERATINGS for Evening Programs and the "FIRST THREE" Sunday Afternoon Segs. In the absence of continuous data on non-telephone home listenership, The Biliboard takes the liberty of projecting telephone home-based radio audience measurements to total urban population.

Vol III No. 16E (Report September 15, 1946) Length and Weeks to Date Program Sponsor, Agency, Not & Stat, Talent Cost Per 1,000 Urban Listeners Cost Per Point Talent Cost Hooper-Rating Opposition MR. D. A. 14.6 Bristol-Myers Ipana and Vitalis D. C. & S. NBC 131 \$ 4,500 308.22 \$ .84 5 ½ hr. 371 EDGAR BERGEN 14.1 Standard Brands Chase & Sanborn J.W.T. NBC 143 Ford Festival—ABC Richard Lawless—CBS Special Investigator— \$20,000 \$1,418.44 . MBS Geo. C. Putnam-MBS SOREEN GUILD 13.1 Lady Esther Powder Blow CBS 149 Hour of Mystery—ABC Mystery Is My Hobby— MBS Drene Show—NBC \$ .95 \$10,000 \$ 763.36 ½ hr. 261 \$ 465.12 \$ .49 12.9 Meet Corliss Archer-CBS \$ 6,000 WALTER WINCHELL\*\* ½ hr. 717 CBS Exploring the Unknown-MBS' Manhattan Merry-Go-Round----NBC L. & M. ABC 183 BURNS AND 11 ALLEN Lever Bros.-Swan Maxwell House Coffee Y. & R. NBS 141 \$1,260.50 . The Fat Man—ABC Various—MBS Voice of Firestone— NBC \$15.000 11.9 % hr. American Melodies—ABC \$10,000 Saturday Night Sorenade—CBS Chicago Theater of Air— MBS JUDY CANOVA 11.6 Col.-Paimolive Bates NBC 138 \$ 862.07 \$1.00 I Deal in Crime—ABC Gabriel Heatter—MBS The Telephone Hour— NBC RADIO THEATER 11.5 Lever Bros.-Lux J.W.T. CBS 149 \$1.60 \$16,000 \$1.391.30 Fishing and Hunting Club—ABO It's Up to Youth—MBS The Great Gildersleeve— NBO \$ 4,000 DR. CHRISTIAN 10.9. \$ 366.97 \$ .48 Vaseline McC.-E. CBS 147 HOLLYWOOD PLAYERS Cresta Blance \$10.500 \$1.000.00 10.5 Cresta Blanca Wine BBD&O CBS 113 \*\*\* SUSPENSE Roma Wine Blow CBS S1 Lum & Abner—ABC Christian Science Monitor—ABC Carrington Play.—MBS Aldrich Family—NBC \$ 6,000 \$ 582.52 10.3 ½ hr. 98 \$ 294.12 -ABC --CB8 --MB8 \$ 3,000 \$ .88 GRAND OLE 10.2 Various-Various PRY Prince Albert Wm. Esty NBC 145 AN EVENING 10.0 WITH ROMBERG Brown & Williamson Raleigh Russell Seeds NBC 145 Various Various Various \$ 4.500 \$ 450.00 ٠ \$1.000.00 \$1.38 Concert Time—ABC American Forum—MBS Upton Close—MBS Arthur Godfrey—CBS MAN CALLED X 10.0 ½ hr. 21 \$10,000 F. C. & B. NBC 127 Murder at Midnight----ABC Tonight on Broadway-CBS Various----MBS \$ 5,500 \$ 561.22 \$ .65 DR. I. Q. Mars, Inc. Grant NBC 127 9.8 ½ hr. 355 Jimmle Fidler—ABC Policewoman—ABO Texaco Star Theater— CBS Double or Nothing—MBS \$ 4,500 AMERICAN AL-BUM OF FAMIL-IAR MUSIC Sterling Drug Bayer Aspirin D.-F.-8, NBC 137 \$ 463.92 \$ .55 9.7 YOUR HIT PARADE Lucky Strike F. C. & B. CB8 151 \$1.082.47 \$1.12 \$10,500 9.7 % hr. 590 Sunday Afternoon ONE MAN'S FAMILY Standard Brands J. W. T. NBC 142 \$ 4.500 \$ 681.82 \$ .78 6.6 % hr. Jean Sabion-CBS Quick As a Flash-Symphony-NBC \$ 3,500 \$ 546.88 \$ .61 COUNTERSPY Pharma-Craft Deodorant Y. & R. ABC 187 6.4 ½ hr 226 MBS Dr. Danfield Danger-5.9 ½ hr. 39 \$ 3,500 \$ 598.22 \$ .69 CARMEN CAVALLARO Symphony-CBS Open House---MBS Sheaffer Pen Seeds NBC 142 \*Insufficient data. \*\* Includes Second Broadcast on Pacific Coast. \*\*\* The network in this case is not extensive enough to permit of the projection of Hooperatings and listeners-per-listening sets upon the urban city population on the same basis as networks of over 100 stations. The "talent cost per urban thousand listeners" is therefore not reported. L. & M.—Lennen & Mitchell. F., O. & B.—Foots, Cons & Belding. Y. & R.—Young & Rubleam. J. W. T.—J. Walter Thompson. McK. & A.—McKes & Albright. R. & R.—Ruthrauff & Ryan. D. C. & S.—Doherty, Clifford & Shenfield. S. & S.—Schwimmer & Scott. R. W. & C.—Rochs, Williams & Cleary. A. M. & W.—Audrey, Moore & Wallace. W. H. W.—William H. Weintraub, McC.-E.—McCann-Erickson. P. & R.—Pedlar & Ryan. D. F. S.—Dancer-Fitzgerald-Sample. Average evening audience rating is 6.7 as against 5.7 last report, 6.4 a year ago. Average evening sets in use are 21.3 as against 19.0 last report, 22.5 a year ago. Average available audience is 72.5 as against 72.2 last report, 72.1 a year ago. Sponsored network hours reported on, were  $60\frac{14}{4}$  as against 54½ last report, 70 a year ago. The "Talent Cost Index" is protected by the copyright of The Billboard and infringement will be prosecuted.

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# DAYTIME TALENT COST INDEX

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Program Sponsor Agency Hooper- Net & Stat. Rating	Weeks to Date		alent Cost	Ta Cost i Per Point	lent Cost Per 1,000 Urban Listeners
PEPPER YOUNG'S 6.6 Family P.&G. P.&R. NBC 79	617	Ladies Be Seated—ABO Winner Take All—CBS Various—MBS	\$ 2,650	\$ 401.52	***
RIGHT TO 5.8 HAPPINESS Ivory Scap Compton NBC 133	402	Ladies Be Seated—ABC Winner Take Ail—CBS Various—MBS	\$ 2,250	\$ 887.98	\$ .68
BIG SISTER 5.7 Lever Bros., Rinso R. & R. CBS 142	285	Baukhage—ABC News for Women—MBS Mary Margaret McBride —NBC	\$ 2,500	\$ 438.60	•
BREAKFAST IN 5.7 HOLLYWOOD (11:15) P. & G. Compton ABC 203	247	Arthur Godfrey—CBS Cecil Brown—MBS Fred Waring—NBC	\$ 1,500 ·	\$ 263.16	\$.41
WHEN A GIRL 5.6 MARRIES General Foods Maxwell House Coffee B. & B. NBO 76	280	Terry & Pirates-ABC Feature Story-CBS Adv. Story-MBS	\$ 2,300	\$ 410.71	***
MA PERKINS 5.5 P. & G., Oxydol DF. & S. CB8 75	187	Woman's Exohange	\$ 1,300	\$ 236.86	•••
YOUNG WIDDER 5.4 BROWN Storling Drug DF. & 8. NBO 141	406	Meet Me in Manhattan— ABC Give and Take—CBS Sea Hound—MBS	<b>\$ 1,600</b>	\$ 296.30	\$ .52
WOMAN IN 5.3 White Cheerlos K. R. NBC 126	117	Bride & Groom-ABC Sing Along-CBS Queen for a Day-MBS	\$ 8,000	\$ 566.04	\$.94
BACKSTAGE 5.2 WIFE Storling Drug DF & S. NBC 141	544	Jack Berch—ABC House Party—CBS Erskine Johnson—MBS	\$ 1,750	\$ 336.54	\$ .60
MA PERKINS 5.1 P. & G., Oxydol DF. & S. NBC 136	662	Al Pearce—ABC Cinderella—CBS Various—MBS	\$ 1,300	\$ 254.90	\$.49
OUR GAL SUNDAY 5.0 Anaoin DF. & S. CBS 143	500	Powers Charm School— ABC Army Band—MBS Show Tunes—NBC	\$ 1,750	\$ 350.00	<b>\$</b> .64
LORENZO JONES 5.0 Sterling Drug Phillips Oream Bayer DF. & S. NBC 141	503	Meet Me in Manhattan ABC Give and TakeCBS VariousMBS	\$ 2,000	\$ 400.00	\$ .66
PORTIA FACES 4.8 Life General Foods Y. & R. NBC 87	278	Dick TracyABC Woman's ClubCBS SupermanMBS	\$ 2,750	\$ 572.92	•••
JUST PLAIN BILL 4.8 Anacin DF. & S. NBC 63	513	Jack Armstrong—ABC Meet the Mrs.—CBS Captain Midnight—MBS	\$ 2,000	\$ 416.67	•••
BREAKFAST 4.7 CLUB (9:30) Philco Hutchins ABC 237	164	Danny O'NellCBS Shady Valley Folks	\$ 3,000	\$ 638.30	\$1.02
BREAKFAST IN 4.7 HOLLYWOOD (11:00) Kellogg K. & E. ABC 203	248	Arthur Godfrey—CBS Tell Neighbor—MBS Fred Waring—NBO	<b>\$ 1,</b> 500	\$ 319.15	\$ .52
YOUNG 4.7 DR. MALONE P. & G., Crisco Compton CB8 42	367	Galen Drake—ABC Lopez—MBS Mary Margaret McBride —NBC	· · ·	\$ 531.91 urday A.M.	
GRAND CENTRAL 6.7 STATION Pilibury McE. CBS 120	416	To Live in Peace—ABC Checkerboard—MBS National Farm—NBC	\$ 3,000	<b>\$ 447.76</b>	•
STARS OVER 6.6 HOLLYWOOD Bowey's Darl-Rich Sorenson CBS 49	390	Sammy Kaye—ABC Luncheon with Lopez— MBS Smilin' Ed McConneli— NBC	\$ 4,000	\$ 606.06	•••
THEATER OF 5.5 TODAY Armstrong B., B., D. & O. CBS 142	177	Gay Claridge—ABC Vacation Symphonies— MBS Joe Hainline—NBC	\$ 2,500	\$ 454.55	•••
*Insufficient data.					
***Since these shows employ a network of less than 100 stations, it is not possible to project their Hooperating and listeners-per-listening set figures upon a population base that would not be open to question. Therefore cost per thousand figures are not reported in these cases.					
Average Daytime Audience Rating is 3.7, as against 3.9 last report, 4.1 a year ago. Average Daytime. Sets-in-Use are 14.7, as against 14.3 last report, 15.0 a year ago. Average Daytime Available Audience is 71.3, as against 70.6 last report, 71.0 a year ago. Sponsored network hours reported on number $84\frac{3}{4}$ , as against $83\frac{1}{4}$ last report, $82\frac{3}{4}$ a year ago.					
DF. & S.—Dancer-Fitzgerald & Sample. Y&R—Young & Rubicam. R&R—Ruthrauff & Ryan. B&B—Benton & Bowles. B., B., D. & O.—Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osbern. K&E—Kenyon & Eckhardt. P&R—Pedlar & Ryan. KR—Knox Reeves. Mc-E—McCann-Erickson. L&F—Lam- bert & Feasley.					

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# **RDG Given AFL Charter, Readies Nationwide Drive**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Radio Many agency directors are already Directors' Guild, which got an in- members. Drive on indie stations is ternational charter Wednesday (11) slated to follow organization of agen-from American Federation of Labor, cy field. will begin its drive immediately to uncontraction of the contraction of the contract organize an estimated 5,000 radio and television directors in 860 local sta-tions thruout the United States and Canada. Headed by George Zach-ary, of New York, union is the 107th national or international union affiliated with the Federation.

Claiming "100 per cent unionization around the microphone," AFL Prexy William Green said the RDG has blessings of all AFL unions in radio business, including the American Federation of Musicians and the American Federation of Radio Actors. Union already boasts a nucleus mem-bership of 1,000, organized into lo-cals in New York, Chicago, Hol-lywood and D. C.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Radio Di-rectors' Guild has come of age. In-ternational charter granted by AFL means that the union, now autono-mous, has the right to charter locals, make its own laws and administer its own funds without fear of AFL in own funds without fear of AFL in-terference. Org now has the same standing as AFRA, AFM, SAG, AGVA and other showbiz unions with international charters.

Federal charter which RDG op-erated under for more than a year managed to hamstring the union last year in its unfinished jurisdictional battle with IATSE over tele direc-tors at CBS. IATSE tried to get RDG to hand over video pilots by applying pressure thru the AFL. It is cer-tain that if RDG had a charter then tain that if RDG had a charter then, the same sort of a pitch could never have been tried.

RDG is now readying a strong drive in the advertising agency field. erated areas.

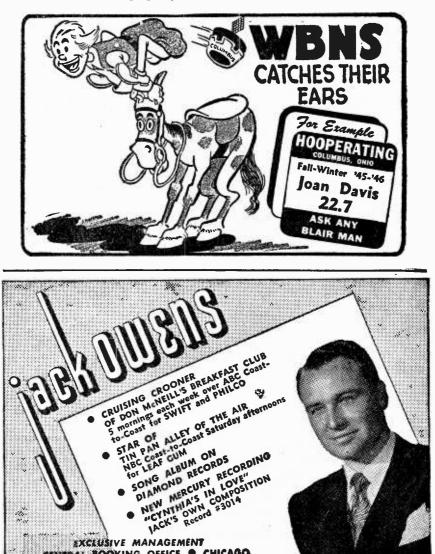
cy field. Temporary officers for Interna-tional are George Zachary, New York, prexy; Edward A. Byron, New York, first vice-president; Barr Lee, Chicago, second vice-president; Paul Franklin, Hollywood, third vice-pres-ident; Earl McGill, New York, sec-retary, and Lule Barnhart, Chicago, treasurer. Officers are making plans for a convention to draw up a confor a convention to draw up a con-stitution and appoint an exec sec-retary. Nick Burnette, exec secre-tary of New York local, is a possibility for the national job.

RDG will now operate from four main centers, New York, Chicago, Hollywood and Washington. Org has 1,000 members at present, 500 in New York; 250 in Hollywood; 200 in Chicago, and 50 in Washington.

# **Russ Radio Adds 700** Outlets, New Equip't

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.-Soviet WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Soviet radio is more powerful now than before the war, with 700 new sta-tions and production of more than 700,000 loudspeakers last year, ac-cording to figures relayed from Rus-sian press this week by the Com-merce Department. Reconstruction of all stations in formerly occupied and areas is reported completed, and radio nets in Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania have been rebuilt.

Plans this year call for 600,000 more loudspeakers, improvement of transmission on existing webs and replacement of worn out equipment in about 800 stations, mostly in lib-



EXCLUSIVE MANAGEMENT CENTRAL BOOKING OFFICE . CHICAGO **RESEARCH UP FOR SCRUTIN** 

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> Stricter surveys, reports likely--complaints crop up of biggies' 'concentration'

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—With more than three score experimental television CP grants already signed and sealed and prospects of dozens more in the making, Federal Com-munications Commission is giving thought to charge continue are all thought to sharper scrutiny over all video experimentation. FCC big-wigs believe that a new and impor-tant stage in video development is being reached, requiring a switch in FCC policy eventually to introduce in the television experimental field on a greatly intensified scale the commission's application of its yardstick for performance against promises. Keener look-see into tele re-search is expected to take the form stricter field surveys by commish engineers, more frequent and com-prehensive reports from experimenters, and ultimate allocations plan for experimental television stations.

Feeling at the commish is that after five years of war-time relaxation over video research, time is getting ripe for a cleaner picture as to what can be expected of the medium and as to what is being done right now in the experimental field. With in-dustry problems of manpower and material shortages believed gradually dissolving, FCC is expected to reach the point where it will want, in addition to fuller reports on experimenta-tion, assurance that the channels are not being "tied up" without serious work being performed. During the war the commish had to remain in the dark on the bulk of the video research on the ground that a lot of activity was in a military "top secret" activity was in a military "top secret" category. FCC engineers point out, however, that the day is gone when a station could offer no information and supplement its report with a general statement, which was ac-tually made by one commercial sta-tion, that the firm's "whole effort has been continually devoted to the requirements of the armed forces in requirements of the armed forces in the United States."

Altho feeling is strong that research should continue unhampered, commish is getting around to the view that it is time to find out exactly what is doing.

Major flaw in the current set-up, according to critics, is that all classes of experiments, pick-ups, studio transmission (standard and color), and equipment research are all and equipment research are all lumped up into the one experimental category, with frequency assignments changed by the commission's chief engineer, depending on the course of experimentation the station wants to follow.

# Inadequacies Cited

Commission experts, tho not wor-ried about the situation, are known ried about the situation, are known to be interested in improving the present experimental requirements which provide for routine outlining of research, expected results and equipment checks, followed up at yearly renewal intervals by reports of work accomplished. Critics cite two main inadequacies under the present method: (1) Info received is equipment checks, followed up at ment. yearly renewal intervals by reports of work accomplished. Critics cite went Monday (9) to Cherry & Webb Broadcasting Company (Providence, present method: (1) Info received is R. I.), bringing total to 64. And on friday (13), commish okaved commercial video grant to KRLD Radio Corporation, Dallas, with assignment to channel No. 4 at 46 kw.

# **CBS** Unveils First Live Color Pick-Up; FCC Views Sock Show

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. — After years of battling and pitching for color video fare, CBS Friday (13) came out with a color demonstration that far surpassed anything yet presented and which will cause plenof talk and action among the black-and-whiters. Demonstration proved without a doubt that the live color camera is technically stable and dependable in faithfully produc-ing colors of scene televised.

Attended by FCC reps and the press, the series of brief demonstra-tions were held in a fully-lighted room with images broadcast from Columbia's ultra-high frequency col-or tolowicion transmitter atom the television transmitter atop the rysler Building. Demonstration Chrysler Building. Demonstration included boxing scenes with plenty of movement and shots of Jeri Sulla-van, singing star. Color break, which some had predicted would be pres-ent in all fast action, such as box-ing, was not discernible. Unusual angle in the Jeri Sullavan demon-stration was that a stationary cam-era was trained on her for fully two minutes, not moving in or out for Chrysler minutes, not moving in or out for close-ups or longshots and yet audience interest was held high thruout because of the vivid color reproduction. To maintain audience interest in black-and-white shows, there would have to be plenty of camera action on a gal just singing.

New live camera equipment, which uses an orthicon tube and is de-signed for studio work, has had more than two months experimental operation in the CBS engineering research and development labs. CBS Prexy Frank Stanton, revealed that CBS parallel tests have been underway

for a station doing video research to predict accurately its results or to predict accurately its results of to give a play-by-play account of its tests. But they feel that one ex-perimental prospectus which said the station wanted to "develop a new television system" is too broad a description to give any clues.

## Concentration

**Concentration** Despite the fact that ceiling for experimental video channels is far from being reached, commish feels that fuller info will be needed from experimenters in how they are handling their channels. Also, the question of "freezing" of channels and concentration of research by a relatively few biggies is viewed as one that will need answering some time in the future by FCC. Com-plaints have been cropping up about concentration in the field. Commish is known to have been getting reconcentration in the field. Commish is known to have been getting re-ports, for example, that Paramount pix owns big blocks of stock in two of the existing video biggies—Bala-ban & Katz and DuMont. Radio Cor-poration of America owns National Broadcasting Company, and of the seven pending applications for ex-perimental talevision stations for experimental television stations for ex-perimental television stations, four of them are from Columbia Broad-casting System. Also, General Elec-tric and Westinghouse, besides run-ning stations of their own, provide a major part of the industry's equipment.

- After at CBS using an image orthicon tube for live color pick-up requiring only a fraction of the light needed by the a flaction of the light heeded by the older-type orthicon tube and giving far greater color fidelity. As a re-sult of these tests, CBS now has under construction image orthicon mobile pick-up equipment which will be used for full color broadcasting of outdoor sports and for a variety of sporting events at Madison Square Garden. Remote live pick-up is scheduled for operation by the end of the very the year.

In spite of the web's big pitch for color video, however, they are still going strong on black-and-white activities as evidenced by the Ford, Bristol-Myers programs set for WCBW.

# **JWT** Completes Ford Football Skeds, Sets **Other Video Events**

NEW YORK, Sept. 14 .--- J. Walter Thompson, agency handling the Ford video business, has completed its scheduling of football games and has penciled in some of the major events it will televise from Madison Square Garden. Columbia University home games set for televising include the battle with Rutgers, September 28; Navy, October 5; Cornell, November 2; Penn, November 9; Lafayette, 16, and Syracuse, November 23. These and Syracuse, November 23. These will be done over WCBW with Mel Allen announcing.

Dennis James and Tom Carr were set this week to do the New York Yankee home football games via WABD (DuMont), with James slated for the straight announcing and Carr the color commercial blurbs, Schedule of games includes Buffalo, Sep-tember 14; Cleveland, October 12; Brooklyn, October 19; Miami, Novem-ber 3; Los Angeles, November 10; San Francisco, November 17; Chicago, November 24, and Brooklyn Dodgers, November 28.

Madison Square Garden events, other than boxing will include the other hockey games, professional and collegiate basketball and horse show, plus other events not yet decided upon. Bob Edge will announce.

Apropos the Garden deal, contract proved provides that anything Ford doesn't do CBS may do on a sus-taining basis; but other bankrollers

will telecast sports from the Jamaica Arena Monday, Wednesday and Fri-day nights, starting September 30, in accordance with a 52-week contract inked late this week. Deal was con-cluded by Samuel Weiss, owner of the arena; Bill Johnston, promoter; Leonard F. Cramer, DuMont execu-tive vice-president; and the William Morris Agency Latter handles the

tive vice-president; and the William Morris Agency. Latter handles the broadcasting interests of the arena. Programs, which will be telecast over WABD in New York and WPTG, Philadelphia, will have amateur bouts Mondav, professional fights Wednesdays and wrestling matches Friday Friday.

# **Big 5 Set Fat Ad Budget To** Continued from page 5) picture brighter, the darkness has been dissipated. Dispute between black-and-white interests and color tale is not over

Dispute between black-and-white interests and color tele is not ex-pected to be a stopgap any more, and it's pointed out that CBS, while still going ahead enthusiastically with its work on color, is buttressing its posi-tion in tele with plenty of activity and sales in black-and-white. As one observer put, "The Kestenization of CBS' color pitch is about over." Bar Demand

# **Bar Demand**

Apropos of the demand for sets, it's Apropos of the demand for sets, it's expected that the bars and grills will grab up a lot of the first ones to be released by the leading manufactur-ers. Currently, such locations have been offering from \$1,200 to \$1,500 for receivers which in pre-war days sold for approximately \$500. Reason is that all evidence indicates the sets draw crowds sell plenty of beer. Dedraw crowds, sell plenty of beer. De-mand for receivers for private homes, too, is believed to be terrific. One observer recalled that RCA, prior to the war, ran a full page ad in a New York, daily and received a sensa-tional number of orders. He pointed out that with much loose money around now—more so than in pre-war—selling will hardly be a prob-lem. Apropos of this, one exec whose receivers are in the higher price bracket said the ad campaign for his organization would not only take in daily newspapers, but also trade pa-pers and such upper bracket mags as Atlantic Monthly. Meanwhile, Television Broadcast-

ers Association has skedded National Television Week for October 7-12, a crucial period in view of the forth-coming ad ballyhoo by the Big Five. TBA's two-day exhibit at the Wal-dorf in New York (October 10-11) will have an industrial and financial slant, whereas National Tele Week will be directed to John Q. Public, and will plug commercial video as a reality which has already turned that corner.

# Chertok "Times" Tele Exec

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14 .-- Pix pro-HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Pix pro-ducer Jack Chertok, formerly with MGM and Warner Bros, was named film activities director for The Los Angeles Times's proposed tele out-let. Times, one of the eight local applicants awaiting Federal Com-munications Commission okay on commercial tele operation, will now have two men on its. program staff. The other, David Crandell, is pro-gram director. Chertok recently completed production of two feature films, Strange Woman and Dishonest Lady, both Hedy Lamarr starrers.



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# **Airport Personalities**

Reviewed Monday (9), 3:30-4:30 -Man on the street. Sustain p.m. Styleing over W6XAO (Don Lee), Hollywood.

Considering this was W6XAO's first remote since 1941, its pick-up from Lockheed Air Terminal came up on the plus side. Don Lee is to be commended for a step in the right direc-tion. In taking its cameras away from home, outlet showed viewers another air pix program possibility and demonstrated to itself what's still to be learned.

Tele version of radio's "man on the street" proved it can find lensworthy material at an airport when notables wing their way into town. For ex-ample, DL's cameras focused on Paul Mantz (recent winner of Bendix air American Airways arrivals from Mexico City and Honolulu. To round Mexico City and Honolulu. To round out the seg, the two announcers (Stu Wilson and John Coursier) inter-viewed pilots, stewardesses and weather bureau men. Tele eyes close-upped on food trays being loaded into plane, with gabbers ex-plaining airlines' dinner-in-the-air policy. policy.

Outlet's crew learned (or should have) that in doing tele interviews, gabber should avoid turning his back on the cameras and do his level best to get each victim to face the lens boxes. Above all, sight and sound should be devoted to the same subject. (There were instances when cameramen took general airport atmosphere shots while interview was going on with an unseen party on a subject entirely foreign from scenes being scanned who otherwise did well.)

These flaws can only be eliminated with more experience. All in all, scanning proved interesting. Lens lads, on the alert for the unexpected, did well for the most part. Best shot: Landing plane moving toward a camera. Top honors go to Stu Wilson for his informal patter and his ability for his informal patter and his ability to smooth over difficult situations.

# **Court Action Filed** Against CBS 'Kiss'

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—An injunc-tion and an accounting action was filed by Jack Barton Loeb, author of an original dramatic composition, or an original dramatic composition, Court of Petty Grievances, in U. S. District Court last week against Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc., Milton Berle, Cy Howard and Rich-ard Senville. Action charges that the CBS sustainer, Kiss and Make Up, aired during the summer with Milton Berle in the lead, represented an in-fringement upon the original work of Loeb.

of Loeb. According to Lester Samuels, Loeb's attorney, plaintiff's work with due notice of copyright was sub-mitted thru Senville, then employed by CBS, on September 4, 1944, but was rejected. Complaint alleges that on or about July 1 to August 19, 1946, *Kiss* was broadcast over the network, using a formati identical with Loeb's using a format identical with Loeb's. Plaintiff asks that the defendants pay court costs and reasonable at-torney fees.



# **FOLLOW-UPS**

Tremendous possibilities of a comnercial video newscast were well demonstrated by CBS with *Gulf News*, Thursday (12), 8:15-30 p.m. Show is not only handled well, but is timely, interesting and humerous. Altho there were some minor flaws, both camera and direction-wise, they can easily be overlooked. Mile Boul-ton does a swell job as newscaster and has a voice that really sings out.

Newscast is illustrated with appropriate pictures-slides and filmstrips. For example, in describing the highlights of the Dodgers-St. Louis game, there were shots of the scoreboard and of baseball stars who made the news on that particular day. Highlight of Boulton's news-cast was the guest appearance of Miss New York, sixth in the Miss America finals in Atlantic City.

There were some clever pitches for the sponsor. One was a film-strip of a car pulling up to a Gulf station with the driver calling out, "Fill 'er up!" The entire newscast is well-planned, makes good viewing and the commercials are in the groove. Director was Henry Cassirer.

Title of Stop, Look & Listen, Thurs-day (12), 8:50-9:15 p.m. over WCBW (CBS), New York, should have been Stop, Look, Listen & Twist Your Dial to Another Station. Entire show recalls to one the Sunday afternoon programs the ladies' aid dra-matic society used to put on at the church suppers back in Ohio. Looked as tho the whole show had been slapped together about 10 minutes before going on. Show sagged, hem-med and hawed, and was badly knit, the some of the common shots were tho some of the camera shots were okay.

Format consists of actors playing scenes loaded with errors (such as pouring coffee from a teapot and going to bed with shoes on). Three judges, not in camera range, yell "stop" whenever they spot errors— which confuses the viewer no end since he has no idea who is talking. Emsee Gilbert Fates does a swell job of steering the show, even tho he is only heard and not seen except at the beginning and tail end of the show when he is shown with the three judges.

three judges. Program could have been jacked up considerably if director Ralph Warren had trained his cameras on the judges as they spotted and called out the mistakes enacted, and on Fates as he made some of his com-ments. But as it was, Warren missed out completely by playing his cam-eras only on the actors. Feeling thruout the production was that the actors were having a terrific struggle to maintain a pace and keep the ball rolling. It's loosely worked shows such as this that scare potential video advertisers away from the front office. front office.

The Children's World, Thursday (12), 8:30-50 over WCBW (CBS), New York, had a good line-up of entertaining kids who made with the jokes (unintentionally), were cute and knew their lines (the older cute and knew their lines (the older ones who could talk), but poor plan-ning and bad direction pulled the show down time and again. Pro-gram could have been carried thru and handled all the way by the kids alone without any interference from adults, including directors. Phil Booth, as director, may have had his Booth, as director, may have had his heart in the right place in trying to put emsee Lillian Okun's excellent idea across, but he hasn't quite hit the nail on the head in presenting this particular kind of show in a nighttime seg.

Several of the kids were scream-ingly funny and yanked the show out of some dull spots. But just as

they warmed up there would be a camera switch to another group of youngsters and the procedure of warming up a new spot in the show would begin all over again.

As per a previous review (August 24), viewers never really met the kids -never felt them as individuals. Camera shots called by Booth did little or no good for the kids and the show-and much less for the viewers.

Program consists of shots sup-posedly showing kids at work and play with Miss Okun as emsee and prompter. It's obvious that altho kids around four or five years old can be terrificly cute, their shyness and in-ability to speak up makes poor video fare. Kids on stage shouldn't be under six or seven-depending upon kid and talent.

Featured in this show was a group youngsters from a local library of of youngsters from a local library who had their paintings telecast. Kids were merely standing alongside their handiwork instead of being shown actually at work with the brush and paints. Also in the show were some Girl Scouts who sang Scout songs. Cute tail-end of program had the mayor, police commissioner and health commissioner of the Children's Aid Society's Totstown. Only draw-back, again, was that the kids were back, again, was that the kids were too young to do anything but sit and grin shyly at the camera and Miss Okun. They were followed by a kiddie circus routine which was okay.

# Huddle on Logs May Ease L. A.'s Station Press Tiff

# (Continued from page 10)

cinity, went daily first of the year, it hired Al Rich as radio editor, and featured a radio page. The fledgling Pasadena Independent, in an effort to woo away readers from the more established and non-radio-minded Star-News, put Bill Bird to writing radio news and columns. In polling its subscribers as to most-read de-partments, readers placed the radio partments, readers placed the radio page in the top bracket. In Long Beach, where the hard-to-crack *Press-Telegram* has long held sway, the youthful Long Beach Indepen-dent has frequently opened its col-umns for pix and copy concerning LB's two outlets (KFOX and KGER).

## San Diego Pic

San Diego's newspaper, The Jour-nal, has proved a far easier planting ground than the long-established Union-Tribune combination. Jour-Union-Tribune combination. Jour-nal, which is fathering San Diego's new 5,000-watter this fall, will soon start a radio page. While sheet will naturally use this department to promote its own KSDJ, page will still provide more regular space for radio copy than town's three out-lets have had before.

In all instances, the older papers, in an effort to retain their readership, are beginning to ease up on airer material. This is particularly true in the smaller communities where competition is keener between the established newspaper and the newcomer. Situation is different with Los Angeles's four downtown papers (Daily News, Times, Herald and Ex-aminer). None of them is in direct *aminer*). None of them is in direct competition with the community pub-lications, and as long as all stick to an anti-radio policy, picture will re-main black. Fact that smaller pa-pers have proven that high reader interest exists for radio copy, plus stir caused by John Crosby's col-umn, a break in downtown ranks is expected. One thing is certain, when one paper steps into radio, the others will be forced to follow. Daily News (vourgest of the four

# **CBC's 2 Million ComesHardWith Program Gripes**

OTTAWA, Sept. 14.—House of Common's approval of the \$2,000,000 expansion program for CBC was preheated ceded by fireworks. with charges that the expansion would kill private broadcasting in Canada. Members also hit at CBC's alleged failure in entertainment programs and at the price the corporation paid for news services.

Blow-off came when Douglas Ross, Progressive - Conservative member from Toronto, moved that the esti-mate of \$2,000,000 be reduced to \$1,000,000, a motion which was sec-onded by a Social Credit member from Alberta, Rev. E. G. Hansell.

## 2 Webs Urged

2 Webs Urged Ross argued that there should be one good CBC web and another good one operated by private stations. Hansell added that the House was discussing not merely the question of voting \$2,000,000, but that a vital principle was involved. He said the CBC now was a powerful organiza-tion in that it could reach 250,000 people daily and disseminate infor-mation to them. mation to them.

Another Toronto Progressive Con-servative member, Denton Massey, servative member, Denton Massey, also attacked the corporation, saying if Parliament voted the \$2,000,000 for expansion, it would be creating an absolute monopoly in the hands of the government. "You will ring the death knell of private broadcasting in Canada," he warned. Massey added that in educational programs and news the CBC was doing a good job, but from the standpoint in com-petition with United States programs, it failed miserably.

## Shortwave Service Expansion

Revenue Minister McCann told the House that European services of the CBC's shortwave station are to be expanded to include broadcasts to Norway, Sweden, Belgium and Rus-sia. Broadcasts to New Zealand, Australia and South Africa are also planned.

The corporation was also criticized The corporation was also criticized for the price it paid for news serv-ices. Karl Homuth, a Progressive Conservative from Waterloo South in Ontario, said he was critical of CBC for agreeing to increase from \$40,000 to \$70,000 the sum paid for the internal use of the Canadian Press Service, altho the original "con-tract ran to the end of the war and we have not yet reached the end of the war legally."

He also reproached the CBC for agreeing to pay \$45,000 for a news service from the Canadian press for use of the shortwave station at Sack-ville, N. B. He stated, "The contrast between what the CBC was securing between what the CBC was securing for its national and dominion net-works combined for \$40,000 and what it was spending \$45,000 on for the single government-owned short-wave station is glaring." He added that "quite obviously the corporation did not carry into its role as manager for the government the same finan-cial thrift and close bargaining that it practiced where **its own finances** were concerned."

and friendliest to radio) is reportedand friendnest to radio) is reported-ly considering the syndicated Crosby column. Also, paper will soon as-sign radio to one of its staffers. Asked why, top brass said too much has been happening in radio and tolovicion which the short basets res have proven that high reader hterest exists for radio copy, plus tir caused by John Crosby's col-mn, a break in downtown ranks is xpected. One thing is certain, when ne paper steps into radio, the others vill be forced to follow. Daily News (youngest of the four

pointed to represent WOR in the Pacific Coast area Dave Gregory recently flew east

# A Blow to Chi **Denied by AFRA**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Trade talk that higher prices for radio talent which AFRA is demanding in ne-gotiations with webs beginning Ocgotiations with webs beginning Oc-tober 1 would react unfavorably on Chi radio in particular were denied this week by Ray Jones, nationl as-sistant exec secretary. Several of the web and agency execs showed gloom when told of AFRA's 35 per cent increase demand in all commercial shows. Their pes-imism was due to reasoning which

simism was due to reasoning which goes something like this: Chi radio is at its lowest ebb in several years, but strenuous efforts are being made to produce more Chi originated web shows. However, any increase in rates now would set back this effort because (1) sponsors would be wary of "unknowns" and would think many times before investing dough. many times before investing dough. Therefore, what programs there are would fall to the few "knowns" here, thus creating a virtual closed door, and (2) Chi would be hit corres-pondingly harder than New York or Hollywood because a certain nega-tive psychology of defeatism exists here which doesn't exist in either other town, which consciously and unconsciously affects sponsors, ac-tors, agencies and webs in planning shows. shows.

Jones, however, denies the logic of the gloom boys, declaring, "If Chi-cago talent is paid any lower than other cities, it will force 'talent into Hollywood and New York even more than now.

# "Blondie" Leads Coast Segs

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Blondie, with a rating of 13.8, leads the first 15 programs on the Pacific Coast, according to the August Pacific Net-

according to the August Pacific Net-work Hooperatings report. Whistler, with a rating of 13.4, and Michael Shayne, with 12.9, are second and third respectively. Others among the first 15, in order of their rating, are: Aldrich Family, 11.4; Frank Morgan, 11.3; Crime Doc-tor, 11.0: Jergens Summer Edition, 10.8; Adventures of Ellery Queen, 10.6; Quiz Kids, 10.2; Big Town, 10.2; Mr. and Mrs. North, 10; Screen Guild Players, 9.7; Skippy Hollywood The-ater, 9.6; This Is Your FBI, 9.1, and Bob Hawk Show, 9.1.



# Hike in Scale TOO SHORT FOR A HEAD WNEW Flackery's Rarities (?) On the Way; Cincy FM Jan. 1

LATEST piece of imaginative pro-motion to originate at the WNEW, New York, flackery is in connection with the seg What's It Worth? set to debut September 29, 4-4:40 p.m. Show will have a committee of experts to appraise the value of rare books, gems, stamps, etc., and to ballyhoo the program station is sending out a package containing a book, gem, stamp and piece of canvas from an old painting. Some of the items will have considerable value, others will be worthless, but there's no doubt that recipients' curiosity will get a terrific boost. Regulars on the show will include Ken Stiles, New York Times stamp editor; Sigmund Rothschild Jr., international art expert and restorer; Jerome B. Wiss, noted gem collector, and Laurence Verry, head of the rare and scholarly book de-partment of Barnes & Noble, and rueate guests.

Meeting of NAB sales managers subcommittee on standardization of rate card format set for New York. September 23-24. Members of committee are Kelly Smith, CBS director of station relations; William C. Roux, NBC spot sales; Ken Church, WCKY, Covington, Ky.; Graig Lawrence, WCOP, Boston, and George Souther-land, WILM, Wilmington, Del. . . . Another show forsakes Chicago for the Coast when Those Websters starts airing from Hollywood October 6. . . . Hastings Manufacturing Company starting sponsorship over MBS web of Michael Shayne, mystery seg which has run over the Don Lee net for the past two years. . . Latest special events gadget at WRC, Washington, is a new model wire recorder, weighing less than 40 pounds, with two-mile spools capable of waxing a continuous hour of voice transmission.

Earl Cobey named sales manager of WHCU, Ithaca, N. Y., assuming post vacated by H. Stillwell Brown, who left to enter his own business. ... Fredric Fradkin, who conducts the orchestra on Adventures of the Thin Man, CBS across-the-board airer, readying a book for Simon & Schuster dealing with reminiscences. radkin accompanied Nijinsky, noted ballet dancer, on one of latter's tours. ... Four more vets back at NBC. . . . Four more vets back at NBC. They are Francis Connolly, of the engineering department; Stephen Kanych, of general service; John Wil-liams, international department, and Lester MacGregory, sounds effects. . . Advertising Club of New York holds its first celebrity-luncheon of the season Wednesday (18). John V. L. Hogan, president of Radio Inven-tions, Inc., will deliver a talk on facsimile productions and post-war selling. selling.

Title of that Mutual show, sponsored by Horwitz & Duber-man and set thru Sterling Adverman and set thru Sterling Adver-tising Agency is "Judy, Jill, Johnny." Seg's debut October 12, 12-12:30 p.m., will set a prec-edent in that it will mark the first time a national clothing manufacturer has bankrolled a pathness about metwork show. . . . Howdee B. Meyers and James Aldrich Jr., who joined NBC Central division's news and special events department as vacation replacedepartment as vacation replace-ments, have been assigned to permanent posts by Bill Ray, news chief.... Bob Sievers tak-ing over production on all of WOWO (Fort Wayne, Ind.) early morning programing in addition to handling all folk music segs.

Logan Louis Thompson has re-signed as operating manager of Metropolitan Television, Inc., and FM station WABF, according to an-Metropolitan Television, Inc., and FM station WABF, according to an-nouncement by Ira A. Hirschmann. Thompson was in charge of con-struction and operations since 1942. William Blacksher, with the company since 1942, appointed chief engineer since 1942, appointed chief engineer of the station... WNLC, New Lon-don, Conn., celebrated its 10th anni-versary Friday (13)... Alun Wil-liams, pre-war chief announcer at WMCA, New York, now a free lance, is handling the announcing assign-ment on the new Tuesday night video series for IL S. Bubber and Encycloseries for U. S. Rubber and Encyclo-pedia Brittanica over WABD, New York.

Mrs. Frances Wilder, CBS consultant on daytime programs, elected program chairman of the Advertising Women's Club of New York. . . . Warren F. Mead has joined the announcing staff of KGVO, Missoula, Mont. . . Jack Snow, writer in NBC's advertising and promotion department, has signed a contract with Reilly & Lee Company, Chicago publishers of the noted Oz stories, for an annual Oz book to con-tinue the children's series originated by L. Frank Baum over 40 years ago.

Harold B. Morrill, of Arlington, Mass., appointed general manager of WLAW.... Dramatic workshop has been opened in Dover, N. H., by WHEB. Radio dramatics courses WHEB. Radio dramatics courses there will be under the supervision of Robert Boak Jr., and Phyllis Iovine. ... WEEK, Peoria, Ill., will not be able to join NBC web until Novem-ber 15, owing to construction delays. ... Morey Owens, program director and sportscaster for WROK, Rockford, Ill has been signed by Bainald Werand sportscaster for WROK, Rockford, Ill., has been signed by Reinald Wer-renrath, manager of WBKB, Chi's Balaban & Katz tele outlet, to work the mike on the WBKB and ABC telecasts of wrestling matches at the Rainbo Arena. Owens will alter-nate on alternate Wednesdays with ABC mikeman Don Ward ABC mikeman Don Ward.

Tess Gardella, original "Aunt Jemima," signed to portray her role of Aunt Jemima in "Hannah From Savannah," musical which will be produced by Television Pictures Corporation. . . Ken Kear has joined the radio depart-ment of Federal Advertising Agency as a writer. He was for-merly with WHLD, Niagra Falls, and WEBD, New York. . . . George Wolf, formerly with the NBC press department, has gone to Foote, Cone & Belding's New York office as publicity director. . . . Effective December 1, 1946, York office as publicity attector. . . . Effective December 1, 1946, WIJK, new station under con-struction at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., will affiliate with ABC, bringing the total web to 217 stations.

The Cincinnati Times-Star Com-pany expects to have Cincy's first FM station on the air before January 1, 1947, according to Hulbert Taft Jr., managing director of WKRC. Power is to be 15,000 watts, with frequency of 96.9 megacycles. . . Edward G. Weber, night supervisor of KOA, Denver, and former member of the station's news department. has re-The Cincinnati Times-Star Comstation's news department, has re-signed to join the Veterans' Administration. Another KOA staffer soon to exit is George McWilliams, of news and special events department, who is joining War Assets Administration. ... George F. McAndrew and Ralph H. Seberhagen have joined Benton & Bowles, Inc., in New York as art di-rectors... W. Hubbard Kennan and rectors.... W. Hubbard Kennan and Wilbur Eickleberg have been ap-

from Hollywood to take over the writing assignment on the Kraft Music Hall.... James F. Clancy, sales pro-motion manager of WTIC, Hartford, Conn., heads up the information com-mittee of the Hartford Citizens Charter Committee....Bill Hightower, program director of WSTC, Stamford, Conn., given a year's leave of absence to operate his dad's laundry biz down in operate his dad's laundry biz down in Texas. Illness in family caused the move. Fred Daiger filling in for High-tower at WSTC. . . Lee Randon, ap-pointed program manager of WLIB, Brooklyn. . . Florence Sando sup-plants Polly Malone as director of women's programs for WCAE, Pitts-burgh. . . Bill Dougherty named proburgh. . . . Bill Dougherty named program manager and promotion chief of WPIK, Alexandria, Va.

Feature Productions, specializing in the broadcasting of programs for in the broadcasting of programs for relief and political organizations, has been set up by Walter Lewis, man-aging director of WTNJ, Trenton; Ernest E. Hofheins, UNRRA officer recently returned to U. S., and Peter Roland... George Stellman, former radio director of Dancer-Fitzgerald-Sample, Chicago, has joined William Kester & Company, Hollywood, in an executive capacity... Gordon Hawkins, education and program chief for Westinghouse radio stations, quartering at KYW, Philly, has been quartering at KYW, Filip, has been appointed instructor in radio at the University of Pennsylvania. His col-lege course is an extension of the teaching plan developed by him and given each year at the KYW Summer Radio Workshop.

Under direction of WSM, Nashville, six Southern stations this fall will bring grid fans what is regarded as the most complete Southeast football conference coverage since pre-war days. This will be done via *Pigskin Prevue*, recorded quarter-hour to run for 12 shows in advance hour to run for 12 shows in advance of the season. Program, which will be originated on the practice fields of the schools, is being put together by Jack Harris, WSM assistant gen-eral manager, with the co-operation of Henry Slavick, WMC, Memphis; Bill Brengel, WWL, New Orleans; Marcus Bartlett, WSB, Atlanta; George Walsh, WHAS, Louisville, and Jimmie Wilson, WAPI, Bir-mingham. It is planned to use the South's outstanding sportscasters on the program to give predictions for the program to give predictions for the 1946 season. At WSM, the seg is being bankrolled by Southern Coach Company.

Spot announcements for a live studio audience only is a wrinkle that WNOX. Knoxville, believes is new to radio. Spots are being sold to mer-chants for the 7 p.m. Saturday performance of Tennessee Barn Dance, which does not go over the air but is presented only to satisfy overflow crowds that cannot make the regular 9 p.m. broadcast. . . . Personnel changes and additions at WSLS, Roanoke, Va.: Director replacing Francis Ballard, who wants to devote more time to local Little Theater activities, but will continue with station on a part-time basis as production chief; Bill Saunders, announcer, appointed traffic director; Joel Krieger added to announcing staff, and Mavis Taylor Overstree appointed publicity director.

September, 1946, issue of the As-sociation for Education by Radio Journal contains Teaching by Telling a Good Story, written by Oscar Katz, assistant CBS research director, and Phil Eisenberg, CBS research psy-chologist. Web's education director has ordered 5,000 reprints for use at educational meetings and in answer to requests concerning children's programs. Article deals with kids' reactions to program content and stresses that when kids listen to ra-dio they want entertainment, such dio they want entertainment, such as drama.

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PIX AND LEGIT ON SONG BINGE **Major Offices' No-Split Edict Makes Indie Agents Bosom Companions Again** 

# MCA, GAC, W. M. Semi and Near Name Bands Feel Effects

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Policy of sional too-tough situation, the major ne major booking offices, instituted agency will still give an exclusive booker his piece). the major booking offices, instituted recently whereby they will not split commissions with independent agents on location dates for bands, seems to be working out to the benefit of the indie agents. Spokesmen representative of the indies say that the big office policy has caused the indies to work together closer than they ever have in the past.

Instead of trying to sell the loca-tion operator a band managed or booked by one of the major offices (Music Corporation of America, Gen-eral Artists Corporation or William Morris), the indie splits a gut selling either a band with whom he him-self (the indie agent) has a booking contract, or a band with whom some other indie agent has a contract.

# Semi Names Feel It

The situation hasn't affected the top name orks handled by the major agencies, since the location operator who wants to play the Tommy Dor-seys, Benny Goodmans, Stan Kentons, Woody Hermans, etc., wants them and all the talking in the world on the part of the indie won't change his mind. However, few spots in a posimind. However, few spots in a posi-tion to buy such names are handled "exclusively" by indie agents. There have been battles between bookers of spots such as the 400 here in New York, and some of the major offices, but generally it has worked out fairly

The bands which have been most severely hurt by the policy and the indie agents' answer to the policy, have been the semi-names and near-names handled by the majors. It names handled by the majors. It isn't too tough for an indie agent to convince a location operator that the semi-name or near-name he is in-terested in is just as potent a box-office draw as the major offices' semi or near name.

**Dollars and Cents Will Decide** 

**Dollars and Cents Will Decide** Wisest trade observers feel that the whole situation will eventu-ally straighten itself, strictly on the basis of economical prac-ticability. If a major office only makes 1 per cent profit out of the 10 per cent it gets for booking a band on location, it's totally un-profitable for the majors to split comprofitable for the majors to split com-missions. Then they won't do it unless it's even more unconomical for them to lose a lot of location jobs (if they lose them). If latter is the case they'll soon start splitting com-

# Split; Voice Own but generally it has worked out fairly well. (Despite the policy, as a matter of fact, it is known that in an occa-

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.-Rumored Loew's Puts Frank Sinatra-Barton music publishing firm split came to a head with word from Sinatra that starting around December 1 his Sinatra Songs, Inc., will roll into action with an active staff in New York, Chicago and Hollywood.

Sinatra pubbery expects to lead off with the Sammy Cahn-Julie Stein score from MGM's It Happened in Brooklyn flicker in which The Voice is starred.

If score is not ready for release at If score is not ready for release at that time, firm will start working on a tune called Moonlight Night. Origi-nally it was thought that Sinatra's own firm would handle only the MGM scores which Frank did for flickery. However, set up now calls for complete split.

Sinatra stated that idea for his own publishing company was insti-gated as sort of insurance policy in long-range revenue for his young-sters. His proposal to Barton is said to have called for continued associato have called for continued associa-tion covering everything except MGM scores, and even with the MGM tunes Barton would share 50-50, as Sinatra's proposal supposedly in-cluded only the retaining of copy-rights. However, Barton pubbery reportedly did not see eye to eye with Sinatra, and his one-third interest in firm is expected to be cleared shortly via the transferring of certain copy-rights from Barton to his new firm. rights from Barton to his new firm.

# Whither Parade? NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—George Washington Hill, the "old man" of the American Tobacco Comof the American Tobacco Com-pany, died yesterday, and his death will have ramifications thru the advertising agency, ra-dio and music industries. One of the questions music men are asking is "What will happen to the *Hit Parade*?" See story in Radio Department this issue.



NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Lyle Engel, publisher of lyric magazines, this week signed a deal with Shapiro-Bernstein for the exclusive rights to publish the lyrics of S-B and affili-ted company tunes in lyric books ated company tunes in lyric books. Just a couple of months ago Engel signed an exclusive pact with the Music Publishers' Holding Corporation for their lyrics. Only major pub-lishers and groups not now under ex-(if they lose them). If latter is the case they'll soon start splitting commissions with the indies again.
 Sinatra - Barton

# Total More Than 500G

Engel is said to be paying out somewhere in the neighborhood of \$400,000 per year to publishers at the present time, while Charlton pays E. H. Morris somewhere around \$45,000 for exclusive rights to all \$45,000 for exclusive rights to all Morris firm tunes, including Burke & Van Heusen; Robbins-Feist-Miller \$32,500 for non-exclusive rights and approximately \$40,000 to the Chap-pell firms for non-exclusive rights. Davis is reported to be paying Rob-bins-Feist-Miller and Chappell about \$32,500 each for his participation in non-exclusive rights to their material. Engel just upped the price of his lyric Engel just upped the price of his lyric mags to 15 cents and early reports show that returns at the higher price (they were formerly 10 cents) are lower than when they were at a dime.

# **Delaunay's Tome** 2d Capitol Book

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. - Second NEW YORK, Sept. 14. — Second tome to be brought out by book pub-lishing division of Mickey Goldsen's Capitol Songs, will be a new, up-to-date edition of hit discography by French le jazz hot expert Charles De-Jaunay, Farlier discography tomos launay. Earlier discography tomes were published by Commodore Rec-ords. Due to war, it's been a num-ber of years since Delaunay has had ber of years since Delaunay has had the opportunity to bring out a com-plete, up-to-the-minute volume for jazz lovers, and both he and Gold-sen figure this will be it. Conse-quently, book will be quite large, somewhat along encyclopedic lines, and will sell at a high figure, prob-ably \$5 or more. Capitol's first book, *Cavalcade of Jazz*, by Dave Dexter Jr., is due shortly.

# Will Affect Pub-Film Co. & Wax Set-Ups

# **Even Oboler Goes Cleffy**

(Continued from page 4)

Berlin (Blue Skies) selections played by a lush, Larry Clinton-led ork. Same plattery has a Tony Pastor al-bum of tunes from Disney's Song forthcoming.

# Lift for Oldies

Lift for Oldies These are just random examples selected from a great many. One effect of the scores is the tendency to bring oldies back into the Honor Roll of Hits limelight. Tune, Blue Skies is being zoomed right up there at present, and such evergreens as Among My Souvenirs, My Heart Belongs to Daddy (as sung by Kitty Kallen in Artie Shaw-Musicraft Cole Porter album, etc.) are figured to have a hot chance for a real revival. Considerably important trade ef-fect of the situation may be the changes it may bring in publisher-film company relationships, and the influence it may have on the ulti-mate decision of some filmers to en-ter the record business themselves. With Fred Raphael heading up a new With Fred Raphael heading up a new publisher-liaison division for Walt Disney, one such change seems to be evolving already. Until upcoming Song of the South, scores from Disney productions were always turned over to Ralph Peer's Southern Music. South score was landed by Santly-Joy. It is S-J's first big film score and if they do a bang-up exploitation job on the tunes, one that makes Disney feel has brought customers to movie house box offices, S-J could easily wind up box offices, S-J could easily wind up with number of other important scores. Score assignments on part of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, Para-mount, 20th Century-Fox, etc., are always a matter of fiercest competi-tion and result in some of the Broad-way and West Coast alleys most in-teresting sharpshooting.

## **Film-Disk Effects**

Film-Disk Effects With MGM's record division really beginning to swing into action (see Jesse Kaye story this issue and The Billboard for past several months) other picture makers are watching to see what MGM will be able to ac-complish with its diskery. If ac-tivities of the disk section really help MGMusicals and other films hit new box-office peaks, you can lay even money that Paramount, 20th Cen-tury-Fox (who have made more mutury-Fox (who have made more mu-sicals, more successfully than any other company) and other producers will start drooling for a like set-up, and will take steps to do something about it about it.

## Minor Key Aspects

Aside from these fundamental and trade-wide ramifications the film and legit tune merry-go-round has other interesting aspects in a minor key. It is conceivable, for instance, that one or more new musical stars may be developed computer be developed somewhere along the line, or that some standard music attraction, which has been boffing around for years may hit the peak. Martha Stewart, as an example, has a neat spot in the Max Gordon mu-sical, Park Avenue, and if the Ira Gershwin-Arthur Schwartz tunes (See PIX AND LEGIT on page 33)

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# **OwnManKaye** In A&R Slot

# Jesse Gets Coast Job

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.-Jesse Kaye, long-time Loew's State house booker, will take over as artists and repertoire head on the West Coast for the MGM Record division. (For story re future State booking see Night Clubs-Vaude Department). Kaye will handle both popular and classical artict and representations in Kaye will handle both popular and classical artist and rep matters in Hollywoood. Harry Meyerson, who recently left Decca to head up pop artists and rep for the film company-owned diskery in New York, and Macklin Marrow, classical artist and rep head here, will continue in their present capacities.

Almost simultaneously with appointment of Kaye, letters were being sent to distributors officially notify-ing them that they were being fran-chised to handle the M-G-M disk line. Company is starting off with 30 dis-tribution centers, practically all of them also distributors for the Zenith (See Loew's Puts Kaye on page 33)



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# Canuck Supper Club-Terpalace Making Big Try Despite Aches

DETROIT, Sept. 14 - Opening of the new Elmwood Room at Windsor, Ont., has given the metropolitan area a major spot with a supper club policy Ont., has given the metropolitan area a major spot with a supper club policy unique in this territory. New room is on an elaborate scale and probably the largest class location around here, outranking the biggest hotels and night clubs with 1,800 capacity, including 600 in an adjoining room which is thrown open on big nights. Spot was under construction by other interests for months and was taken over only two months ago by Harry Lahman, leading Toronto industrialist and sportsman, who paid \$220,000 for the property in its then unfinished state.

of \$5 an hour for construction work-ers (accustomed to a \$1.25 scale) to work on all-night shifts to speed the opening. Air-conditioning system, said to be the most elaborate in Canada, cost \$40,000.

Entertainment policy is strictly bands, opening with Shep Fields and following with Enric Madriguera. Ted Fio Rito is next on the list. No floorshow is presented. (Ontario legislation doesn't allow floorshows.) About \$7,000 is being spent weekly for the bands, which are being han-dled thru open booking of MCA, Larry Lawrence and other offices.

# First Big Scale Supper Club

Management is in the joint hands of Henri Merrim, former band leader and staff man at CKCL, Toronto, and Phil Henry, formerly known as a band leader under the name of Phil Section Lience Policy has Detroit has Scott. Liquor policy has Detroit pa-trons stumped, since the spot serves only wine and beers and observes provincial regulation against liquor. It functions primarily as a supper club, virtually unknown as large scale operations in this territory, with dinner served from 5 to 8 p.m., the ork starting at 8 p.m. when a \$1.50 admission charge becomes effective as well as the Canadian 25 per cent amusement tax. At 10 p.m. sales of beer and wine must cease, under provincial hours restrictions. Place re-mains open until 1 a.m. for food and dancing.

## More Handicaps

Meantime the spot is doing remarkably well under its operating handi-caps. Opening night attendance was 2,200, with 1,800 on Saturday. Aver-age nightly business has been around age nightly business has been around 700 to 1,000 persons, which is a good crowd for a spot of this class, but not enough to carry the load under the circumstances. Major factor is the restriction of liquor sales, and the consequent bulk of the business is phone at 10 cents a glass with some in beer at 10 cents a glass, with some wine sold. Food sales are not usually counted as a profitable department in a place of this caliber, with the best dinners on the menu selling at \$2-\$2.25. Weekly nut on the spot is estimated at around \$14,000, with a heavy staff of personnel to handle business.

1,000 for Jamboree Additional obstacles that must be overcome lie in the American origin of most patrons-requiring two trips each, thru both customs and immigration offices as well as a crossing by tunnel or bridge.

Typical of the enterrise being shown by Merrim and Henry, how-ever, was a midnight, jamboree at 12:05 a.m. Monday (2)—American Labor Day—with Madriguera's band playing, food served—but not even beer or wine at this hour—\$3 per couple. The event drew about 1,000 people.

Spot is getting a good class of is the mar trade, and is staying away from the even with the beer tavern trade by its \$1.50 admis-sion price, plus emphasis on food music and p earlier in the evening. Fact remains them back.

# An additional \$270,000 was spent in six weeks to complete the spot, waking it virtually a half-million in-vestment. Typical of methods that ran the cost way up was the paying of \$5 an hour for construction work-**Mission Beach**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14 .-- Final negotiations in city lease transfer of Mission Beach Park and ballroom sees Larry Finley out of active con-trol, altho still retaining limited part-nership set-up. According to new trio of operators, Tom Haines, Frank Guthrie and Warner Austin, they alone will decide what goes at amusement area and bands to be bought at the ballroom. Finley's Eastern biz, including exec position with watch firm and a radio tran-scription firm, is taking all of his time, altho there is rumor that he is interested in a newly formed real estate development in a resort area gotiations in city lease transfer of estate development in a resort area in the San Diego region.

Finley's partnership arrangement calls for Austin to represent him. In switchover of owners, the lease for the park and dancery which Finley secured from the city, will remain identical as far as length of time is concerned with Haines, Guthrie and Austin set thru January, 1948. New set-up expects to continue using name

# Locals, But Will Use Name Bands Later

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 14 .-- With its neon-lit entrance the only part of the newest ballroom here to be completely finished, Dreamland is open every week-end. According to Al Zak, manager of the spot for the Davidson family, who are building it, plans include a bowling alley and a lunchroom in addition to the terp-

ery. Still under construction are two cocktail lounges upstairs connected with the ballroom proper, plus a bar. Downstairs has a lounge of its own. Construction continues on the outside, too. Three house bands are being featured: Lee Gordon and His being featured: Lee Gordon and His Continentals, Milton Gruen and his ork, and Max and His Merrymakers, latter featuring old-time music. First two mentioned afe on the air over WEMP Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10:30 to 11 p.m. Zak said that as soon as the building's exterior is completed the management intends to bring in name bands. Business has been good, with admission 85 cents when three bands play, 65 cents when two do.

that policy is closer to a ballroom operation than anything else after 10 p.m. Whatever the outcome, it's an expensive new venture in a field of entertainment new to this terri-tory, and is being closely watched for its results. One indication that, despite difficulties, it may succeed is the many repeat patrons noted even with the few days so far played by Madriguera, proving that the music and general policy is drawing music and general policy is drawing

# Cap's ET Org & Standard in Talentussle

# **Bullets Shoots Pipers**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Com-petitive tussle is slowly but surely developing between standard radio transcriptions and the new entry, Capitol Transcriptions. Latter is tied in with Capitol Records. When Capi-tol e. t. firm started it snared several talent names from Standard, who were featured on Capitol Records, namely Alvino Rey, Buddy Cole, Dinning Sisters, plus a few others such as Duke Ellington, Hal Derwin and the King Sisters.

Now one of Capitol Records' top attractions, the Pied Pipers, has just been signed to wax for Standard Transcriptions. When questioned, Bullets Durgom, personal manager for the Pipers, said it was merely a mat-ter of who would give the vocal quar-ter to host deal and Standard comter of who would give the vocal quar-tet the best deal, and Standard came thru. Pipers' Standard deal calls not only for more dough, but a full ork to back them. Durgom also signed Connie Haines to Standard contract. She records for Mercury Records. Both deals call for six ses-tions within a year Durgom who sions within a year. Durgom, who also handles affairs for Andy Russell, related that he is on the spot concern-ing Capitol since his relations covering the recording end are fine, but e. t. proposition was strictly a matter of accepting the best offer. Russell, who also cuts for Capitol Records, is not penned to any transcription contract so far.

Standard vs. Capitol pitch has taken on weight beyond the artist situation, with Standard known to be mulling idea of waxing theme songs of all bands on their roster, and also using the speaking voices of various maestros, a format which Capitol inaugurated recently Capitol inaugurated recently.

# CHICAGO, Sept. 14.-Another

Add All G.I.'s

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Another new ork, composed entirely of ex-G.I.'s, is currently being formed and will go into re-hearsal here September 16. The new band has 18 pieces and 10 of the org were members of "The Pipers," an army band which operated in the Pacific during the war. New band will be fronted by Dom Peters, one of the Pipers, and Bob Carmichael, who han-dled band operations for the

dled band operations for the navy at Great Lakes, Ill., will be the ork's manager. Ork has no chirp as yet, but contains several singing combinations within the membership of the band. Out-fit is affiliated with no office at vet.

# Full 110 GE Supply **Distribs Now Carry** Signature Platters

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Bob Thiele, head of Signature Records, claims that his label is receiving wider dis-tribution than any other American platter. Thiele cites that Signature disks are now being handled by the full General Electric supply chain of 110 distributors.

The indie prexy stated that Signa-ture's New York plant is now turning out 1,000,000 platters per month. Thiele has just purchased a Jersey site in Paterson where he intends to set up another pressing plant in the near future.

He announced that Signature had signed stage and screen actor Victor Jory to an exclusive contract to do children's albums for the label. George Kleinsinger and Paul Tripp, the combo that turned out Tubby, the Jory's first album. Present plans call for Ray Block and a 40-piece symph to play background music for the kidisks.

Thiele added that Roy Hagelin, former Signature sales manager, left the firm a week ago. Talk has it that Hagelin's replacement will come from Decca.

EVER since Horace Greeley advised young men to "go West," they've been taking his advice, with diverse results. Eddy Howard, however, being a Westerner to begin with, decided to reverse the advice and come East.

**EDDY HOWARD** "Go East, Young Man"

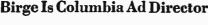


The trip has paid off handsomely, and today he is top band attraction, a composer of hit pops and a juke name of eminence. Howard first gained no-

Howard first gained no-tice as a chirper on Sta-tion KFRC, in his native city, San Francisco. That was about the time he acquired the yen to come East. To do so, he needed a bond of the source contine to come East. To do so, ne needed a band job, and after some scouting around he joined Dick Jurgens' outfit, which landed up in Chi's famed Aragon Ballroom. Eddy won fame, not only as a singer, but also as a tunesmith, turning out such sciphle ditties as Careless If out such salable ditties as Careless, It I Knew Then, My Last Goodbye and about a score of others.

when he broke away to form his own band, and except for a 10-month period last year as guest artist on the Raleigh program, he has been a top ork attrac-tion and a best-seller disker.

His latest release, To Each His Own, Is now holding first place in platter and juke sales. In addition, Howard holds a record for repeat performances at the Aragon, his last being in July, his 14th engagement in five years.

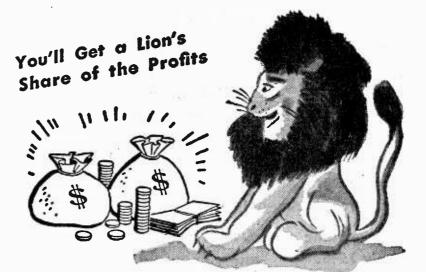


BRIDGEPORT, Sept. 14.—John Birge is Columbia Records new di-Birge is Columbia Records new di-rector of advertising, taking over the desk September 4. Birge was for-merly account exec, handling Canada Dry Ginger Ale and others, at J. M. Mathes, Inc., advertising agency. Jim Flora, who held down the ad manager post prior to Birge's arrival, is now manager of sales promotion. Birge takes over just as the CBS-affiliated diskery launches the biggest consumdiskery launches the biggest consum-er and trade advertising campaign in its history, and not quite a month before the company's biggest sales and policy meet, scheduled for Cin-cinnati later this month.

# Lang to G. M. Gwirtz Pub Firms; Best for Chelsea

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Allen Best has been brought in for the Chelsea operation, and Lang is looking for additional New York men, as well as contractors for Chi and Hollywood.



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# WHY THE MUSICIANS ARE ON STRIKE AGAINST THE HOTELS

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the cost of living in New York City rose 46.8% between January, 1941, and July, 1946.

In the same period, musicians' wages went up only 15%.

There is therefore a gap of 31.8% between the musicians' wages and their cost of living.

The hotels, on the other hand, continue in time of peace to reap a harvest of wartime profits.



Despite this fact, they have offered musicians a wage increase of only  $12\frac{1}{2}\%$  — an increase that would still leave a gap of 19.3% between musicians' wages and their living costs.

This means that musicians and their wives and children would have to continue to eat less,

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wear less and live much worse in 1946 than they did in 1941.

That is why they are now out on strike and ask you to aid them by withholding your patronage from the following hotels:

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# Music----As Written

# NEW YORK:

Scramble for availability rating increases continued at American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers last week with Edward H. Morris grabbing off a hiked rank-ing and other publishers yowling more or less successfully for a bigger obunk Many trade observious feel chunk. Many trade observers feel there's trouble ahead with those who didn't get increases, planning to ex-plode what they call the "grand-daddy's grab-bag."

Majestic recording director, John ammond, has completed a swing Hammond, has completed a swing thru several Eastern cities investi-gating Majestic distribution facili-ties. . . Apollo Records claims that thes. . . . Apollo Records claims that its previously banned waxing of Roll Me Over featuring the Three Smooth-ies, has been getting radio play due to large ex-G.I. requests. Same indie disk firm anounces that it is moving its present 10th Avenue exec offices to an East Side location.

Saxie Dowell's new ork is re-hearsing for its coming Blackhawk, Chicago, opening. . . . Chirp Sarah Vaughn has been signed to follow Billie Holiday at the Downbeat nitery in New York. He contract calls for a 12-week engagement with op-tions. . . Bobby Byrne ork due to return to Roseland.

Musicraft Records has two new distributors in Texas, making a total of 34. Distributors are Royal Distribut-ing Company, Houston, and Record Releasing Company.

National plans to issue its kiddie albums on vinylite. . . . Paul White-man and band into the Capitol Thebeginning September 26 Folk and hot jazz specialties at Key-note's West Coast plant now ready for full production. Label is now prepared to cut and produce own disks from start to finish.

Milton Karle, p.a. and advance man for the Stan Kenton ork, has given up his advance activities for the Ken-ton crew and will settle down in New York to concentrate on the band's October 23 Paramount Theater date for the next six weeks. . . . Musicraft Prexy Peter Hilton visiting company's distributors in South and Southwest on his return trip from the West Coast office.

Cardinal Spellman has recorded an album of his own poetry for RCA-Victor Red Seal. . . Count Basie mulling a South American tour next winter. . . Billy Eckstine to cut a side tabbed *Lena* for National. Tune is dedicated to the Horne of the same name. . . James (Trummie) Young, longtime Lunceford tram man, has returned to the band after fronting a small unit. . . Dave Matthews, former Herman and Kenton tenor and cleffer, now performing these duties with the Glen Gray Casa Lo-mans. Cardinal Spellman has recorded an mans.

## CHICAGO:

Dottie Dotson, Del Courtney's chirp for the last two years, will probably leave the band when it closes at the Blackhawk Tuesday (17). Mean-while Courtney's stay at Wesley Me-morial Hospital, has been extended for another 10 days... Bob Ruehle's band did so well over the Labor Day week-end at Oh Henry Ballroom that he drew two repeats and also played the spot on Saturday 7 and Dottie Dotson, Del Courtney's chirp played the spot on Saturday 7 and Saturday 14. Eddy Howard's ork came up with

over 2G for its share of a one-nighter at Mackinaw Dells, Congerville, Ill., Friday (6). . . . Lawrence Welk will begin a one-nighter tour for MCA which will take him into North Da-kota, South Dakota, Iowa and Nebraska from September 14 thru Oc-

tober 27. The Sherman Hayes band which will have completed the longest en-gagement (32 weeks) to date at the Walnut Room, Bismarck Hotel, when (See Music—As Written on page 33)

it leaves November 15, goes on a one-nighter tour. Desi Arnaz's ork plays Radio City Theater, Minne-apolis, week of September 13, then to Cleveland for first 1946-'47 Bob to Cleveland for first 1946-47 Bob Hope air show on September 24.... Johnny Long set to play the Washing-ton and Lee College prom at Lexing-ton, Va., on October 25 and 26... Warney Ruhl's ork closed a summer run of 13 weeks at Breezy Point Lodge, Minn., and opened a two-week engagement at Riviera, Lake Geneva, Wis. September 10. Wis., September 10.

## HOLLYWOOD:

Kitty Kalen heading East shortly for possible Broadway show and club appearances. . . Pop Tunesmith, Jimmy McHugh, going longhair as host to Southern California Opera Guild at his home. . . Frederick Bros.' Tom Ketting in from New York while Bullets Durgom accom-panies Paul Weston to record Andy Russell in the big city. . . Ida Mespanies Paul Weston to record Andy Russell in the big city. . . . Ida Mes-ner, sparkplug in the Aladdin Rec-ords set-up, heading Eastward for distributor looksee. Aladdin just cut sides by new Texas piano-vocal discovery, named Amos Milburn. . . . Martha Davis moves from Larry Potter's to Billy Berg's Vine Street jump joint. . . . Songwriters Paul Secon and Larry Coleman have Gene Krupa cutting their newest, The A.M., P.M. Song.

Flack Jack Egan sent out toy boxing gloves to scribes in connection with duo band appearance of Freres Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey at Casino Gar-dens for two weeks. . . . Capitol utilizing the vocal talents as well as songwriting abilities of Matt Dennis. Sam Luiz signed his smart set
 vocal group to the Alan Young airer.
 Musicraft's Peter Hilton in town . . 'Musicraft's Peter Hilton in town from New York. . . Jan Garber had big opening at Aragon. . . Avodon dancery back on ABC and KECA channels. . . Berle Adams, of Mer-cury Records, due here for another stay, and Tex Beneke p. m., Don Haynes, swung back East immediately after opening of Beneke at Palladium. Columbia pir's music man. Jonie . . Columbia pic's music man, Jonie Taps, just returned from Coronado vacash. . . . Spike Jones set for RKO's Varieties of 1947.

Clarinetist Buddy DeFranco, for-merly featured with Tommy Dorsey, joins Charlie Barnet's band. . . . Benny Goodman's manager, Mark Hanna, seeing San Francisco sights with dance promoter Al Barford Altho born in San Frankrisco signts Altho born in San Fran, Hanna left as a youngster and had never real-ly seen the town....Xavier Cugat's concert tour opens in St. Louis October 15 unless his MGM stint gets tied up beyond that time.... Music publisher contact employees union members golfing this week at Rolling Golf Course. Altho the Palladium cut out issuing a house paper, Casino Gardens flack Jack Egan just inaugu-rated a newsy rag called Casino Chatter.

LONDON: British disk dealers are anxious to see Capitol Records establish a United Kingdom agency soon. Claim they have to turn away hundreds of potential customers every week. . . . Australian Musicians' Union issued an edict which will prohibit British sidemen from playing in that country until after they have established a 12-month residency. This is a count-er-measure to an existing British Musicians' Union regulation prohibit-ing any musician from playing unless they are residents of the United Kingthey are residents of the United Kingdom or Northern Ireland. . . . Melody Makers poll showed Geraldo and his ork on top in the sweet department, while the Ted Heath band took the swing title after only 15 months in the business.

# Mercury Ups 50-**Centers a Dime**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Following the example of Victor and Capitol, companies which recently upped the prices of their pop record releases, Mercury, Chi indie, this week an-nounced that effective September 21 nounced that effective September 21 its pop releases would retail for 60 cents instead of 50 cents. Race and hillbilly Mercury records will re-main at the current 75-cent price. Albums of pop records will be in-creased in price at the rate of 10 cents per record in the album cents per record in the album.

Reason given by Mercury execs for the rise is generally increased costs. Mercury is going to give dealers a chance to order as many records as possible for later delivery, at the old 50-cent retail price. Thus, obviously, retailers will be able to go only for records about which the company has given advance information concerngiven advance information concerning future releases.

# **Monroe's \$6,660 Busts Own Mark** At Bridgeport Ritz

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Sept. 14.— Opening the season for the Ritz Ball-room here last Sunday night (8), Vaughn Monroe knocked all records in the history of the Ritz for a loop. Crowd numbered 3,700 persons, and with admission at \$1.80, gross to-talled \$6,660. Monroe played the Ritz on January 17, and at that time drew 3,500 persons at \$1.50 a head, grossing \$5,250. Ceorge McCormack and Joseph

grossing \$5,250. George McCormack and Joseph Barry, operators of the Ritz, said they considered Monroe's band the top band in the country today. Harry Cool comes in tomorrow (15) for a one-nighter, Chuck Foster a week later and Bobby Byrne on the 29th. Tony Pastor, Elliot Lawrence and Stan Kenton will follow during Oc-tober. tober

# **Bands Pulled Out of Coast Hilton Hotels**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—New York's hotel vs. AFM Local 802 salary battle has finally found its way across the country, with bands from the two Hilton chain hotels in this area yanked in connection with the Eastern fracas.

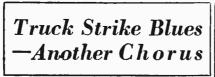
Direct word was received by Local 47 here and the musicians' local in Long Beach, Calif., from AFM na-tional Prexy James Petrillo to see that bands at the Town House, Los Angeles, and Hilton hostelry in Long Beach ceased playing effective Thursday (12) night. Chick Floyd's crew at the Town House and Tony Arreito's ork at Long Beach were affected.

Hilton management here is under-stood to have felt that they would not be affected due to the small-time entertainment operation of their rooms, but the Petrillo order proved otherwise.

# **Oliver's Bow Shoved Back**

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Debut of the new Sy Oliver band at the Zanzibar here has been pushed back from September 25 to some time in mid-November. The former TD and Lunceford arranger will front an 18piecer, featuring his own cleffings, trumpet, and vocals.

Oliver will continue his arranging and conducting chores on Mutual's Endorsed By Dorsey show in addition to caring for his newly acquired band leading headaches.



NEW YORK, Sept. 14 .-- National Music Printers' Association, org of top printers such as Kuperman & Del Cuercio, Robert Teller Sons & Dorner, and E. A. Stege (the Warner-Dorner, and E. A. Stege (the Warner-owned printer) met Wednesday (11) to mull the predicament they had been thrown into by the trucking strike. Decision was that they would continue to fill orders to the extent of about 10 per cent. (If a pub needs 100,000 copies, they'll give him 10,-000, etc.), but even this deal could only continue, the printers decided, until next Wednesday (18). If strike isn't over by then, they'll stop print-ing altogether, due to inability to get necessary paper transported to plants. necessary paper transported to plants.

The truck strike continued to hit other segments of the business in various manners, peculiar to their own type of operation. Disks from own type of operation. Disks from record plants in New Jersey, Connec-ticut and New York itself just weren't being delivered to distribs, who were beginning to hold back on dealers more and more. Several bands getting ready to hit the road had a little bus trouble with their instruments, but managed to get out.

# **Pastor Packs Legit House in Its First** Name 1-Day Stand

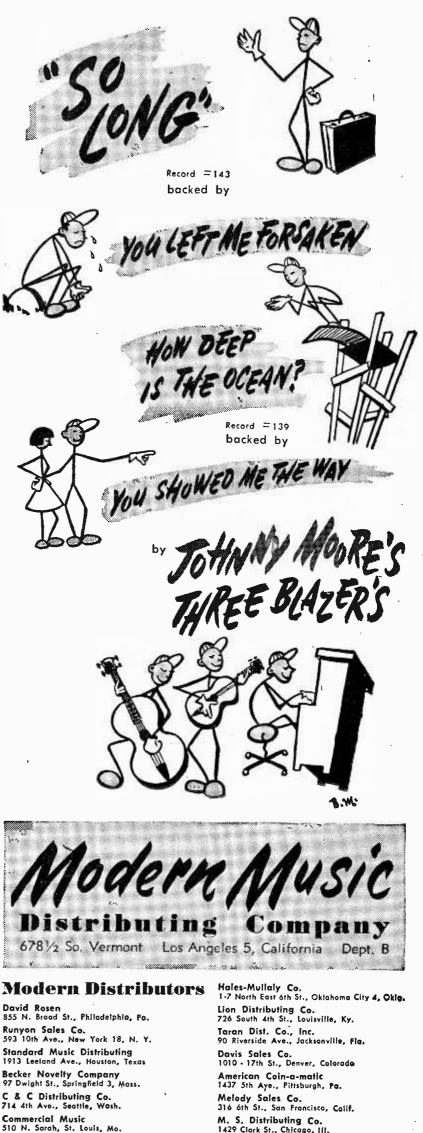
NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 14.-NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 17.— Tony Pastor did smash business in a one-day stand at the Shubert Thea-ter here Sunday (8), with an s.r.o. sign out from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. and cops lining up ticket holders in nylon lines proportions. Shubert, which holds reported 1,680 capacity, was which packed for four complete shows, at \$1 a head, crediting Pastor with grossing over \$6,000 for the day. Shubert, local legit house, launched policy of presenting name bands on Sundays with Pastor, and will show bands whenever legit schedule leaves Sabbath open. Buck price will continue thru season. Next attraction is scheduled for September 22 but ork is still undecided.

# **Thornhill Passes Up** Strike-Bound Pennsy For 1-Niters & Such

NEW YORK, Sept. 14 .--- With his NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—With his engagement at the Hotel Pennsyl-vania, scheduled for Monday (16), a questionable proposition due to the local musicians' strike, Claude Thornhill and his ork have been hurriedly booked into a series of one-nighters and theater dates by the William Morris Agency. There are no strings attached to these bookings, and should the strike come to a sudden end, Thornhill could not back out of there or organoments in four of the these engagements in favor of the Pennsylvania without the consent of the location managers who are due to get the pianist on the switch.

# To Middle of November Indiana Terpery To Roll

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 14.—In-diana Roof Ballroom will open for the season September 20, according to Alice McMahon, manager. As in previous years, ballroom will feature name and semi-name bands for dancname and semi-name bands for danc-ing Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings, with special affairs arranged for the holidays. Spot which is now being renovated, oc-cupies the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh floors of the Indiana Theater Building.



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Г	Billboard MUSIC POPULARITY CHART he Nation's Top Tunes
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	HONOR ROLL OF HITS
cler	The nation's 15 top tunes, THE HONOR ROLL OF HTTS, is determined by httfic tabulation of various degrees of each song's popularity as measured is ey features of The Billboard's Music Popularity Chart.
1.	TO EACH HIS OWN From the Paramount film "To Each His Own," background music (ASCAN Associated by Paramount Music (ASCAN From the Paramount film "To Each His Own," background music. Recor- available: Eddy Howard Ork, Majestic 7188 and 1070; Opie Cates Ork, 4 St 1131; Tony Martin, Mercury 3022; The Modernaires-Paula Kelly, Columb 37063; Freddy Martin, Victor 20-1921; The Fiesta Four, Emerald 101; Mar Greene, Signature 15053; Don Byas Quartet, Savoy 640. Electrical transcriptions: Novatime Trio, NBC Thesarus; Freddy Marti Standard; Nat Brandwynne, World; Chuck Foster, Lang-Worth.
2.	FIVE MINUTES MORE Records available: Frank Sinatra, Columbia 37048; Tex Beneke-Glenn Mill Ork, Victor 20-1922; Phil Brito, Musicraft 15086; Harry Cool Ork, Signatu 15038; Bob Crosby, Decca 18909; Curt Massey, Cadet CR-205; The Three Sur Majestic 7197; Skitch Henderson Ork, Capitol 287. Electrical transcriptions: Chuck Foster, Lang-Worth; Charlie Spivak, Worth
3.	SOUTH AMERICA, TAKE IT AWAY From the legit musical "Call Me Mister," sung by Betty Garrett. Recor available: Bing Crosby-Andrews Sisters, Decca 23569; Xavier Cugat, Columb 37051; George Paxton Ork, Majestic 7202; Mel Torme and His Mel-Tonn Musicraft 381; Betty Garett-Call Me Mister Ork, dir. by Lehman Eng Decca 23562. Electrical transcriptions: The Coronettes, Standard; Joe Reichman, Standar Richard Himber, Associated; The Jumpin' Jacks, NBO Thesaurus.
4.	SURRENDER         By Bennie Benjamin and George Wei Published by Santly-Joy (ASCAP)           Records available: Perry Como, Victor 20-1877; Phil Brito, Musicraft 1507 Randy Brooks, Decca 18897; Al Donahue, 4 Star 1120; Woody Herman, Columb 36985; George Olsen, Majestic 7186; Tony Pastor, Cosmo 483; Jan Savitt az His Top Hatters, ARA 150; Deek Watson and His Brown Dots, Manor 102 Bob Chester Ork, Sonora 3011; Shep Fields Ork, Manor R-765. Electrical transcriptions: Art Mooney, Lang-Worth; Charlie Spivak, Worl Novatime Trio, NBC Thesaurus; Dick Jurgens, Standard; Phil Brito, Associate
5.	THE GYPSY By Billy Reid Published by Leeds Music (ASCA) Records available: Ink Spots, Decca 18817; Phil Brito, Musicraft 15062; J Garber Ork, Black & White BW-747; Hildegarde-Guy Lombardo, Decca 2355 Sammy Kaye, Victor 20-1884; Hal McIntyre, Cosmo 475; Gall Meredith, Mar 1019; Louis Prima, Majestic 7177; Dinah Shore, Columbia 36964; Fred Stewart, Bel-Tone BT-7003. Electrical transcriptions: The Airlane Trio, Lang-Worth; Frankle Maste Lang-Worth; Les Brown, World; Phil Brito, Associated; Hal McIntys Standard; Dick Jurgens, Standard; Pat Kay, Standard; Novatime Trio, Na Thesaurus; Norman Cloutier, NBC Thesaurus.
6.	THEY SAY IT'S WONDERFUL By Irving Berlin Published by Berlin (ASCA) From the legit musical "Annie Get Your Gun," sung by Ethel Merman as Ray Middleton. Records available: Perry Como, Victor 20-1857; Elleen Barto Mercury 3005; Ray Bloch Ork, Signature 15021; Bing Crosby, Decca 18829; Goodman Ork, Victor 46-0001; Ray Herbeck Ork, 4 Star 1082; Henry Jeror Ork, Davis 2107; Jack Leonard, Majestic 7176; Gordon MacRae, Musicre 15065; Will Osborne Ork, Black & White BW-769; Andy Russell, Capitol 22 Ginny Simms, ARA 139; Frank Sinatra, Columbia 36975; Jerry Wald Of Sonora 3007. Electrical transcriptions: The 4 Knights, Lang-Worth; Tony Russo Lan Worth; Nat Brandwynne, World; Richard Himber, Associated; Norm Cloutier, NBC Thesaurus; Dick Jurgens, Standard; The Coronettes, Standar
7.	Barry Wood, Frederick Ziv; Larry Douglas, Frederick Ziv. <b>DOIN' WHAT COMES NATUR'ILY</b> From the legit musical "Annie Get Your Gun." sung by Ethel Merme Records available: Freddy Martin, Victor 20-1878; Dinah Shore-Spade Cool Ork, Columbia 36976; Jimmy Dorsey, Decca 18872; Jan Garber Ork, Black White BW-774; The Five De Marco Sisters, Majestic 7193; Marie Green Signature 15053; Ethel Merman, Decca Album A-468. Electrical transcriptions: Del Courtney, Lang-Worth; Chuck Foster, Lan Worth; Jumpin' Jacks, NBC Thesaurus; Jerry Sears, Muzak.
8.	IF YOU WERE THE ONLY GIRL Records available: Perry Como, Victor 20-1857; Bob Chester Ork, Sonora 301 Dick Haymes, Decca 18590; Joan Brooks, Musicraft 15023; Claude Thornhi Columbia 37092. Electrical transcriptions: Claude Thornhill, Lang-Worth; Joan Brooks, Lan Worth; Frankie Froeba, World; Norman Cloutler, NBC Thesaurus.
9.	I'D BE LOST WITHOUT YOU Records available: Frankle Carle, Columbia 36994; Guy Lombardo, Dec 18901; Hal McIntyre, Cosmo 491; Buddy Morrow Ork, Mercury 3015; Pl Regan, Majestic 7181; Betty Rhodes, Victor 20-1886. Electrical transcriptions: Charlie Spivak, World; Vincent Lopez, Ni Thesaurus; Galli Sisters, Associated.
0.	I DON'T WHY (I JUST DO) From the MGM film "Faithful in My Fashion." Records available: Tomm Dorsey, Victor 20-1901; Andrews Sisters, Decca 18899; Georgie Auld On Musicraft 15078; Hoagy Carmichael, ARA 148; Larry Clinton Ork, Cosmo 70 Skinnay Ennis Ork, Signature 10533; Eddie Heywood Ork, Decca 23509; To Martin, Mercury 3019; Art Mooney Ork, Vogue R-732; Claude Thornhy Columbia 36958. Electrical transcriptions: Tony Russo, Lang-Worth; Randy Brooks, Lan Worth; Al Trace, Lang-Worth; Nat Brandwynne, World; Hank D'Ami Sextet, Associated; Novatime Trio, NBC Thesaurus; Freddy Martin, Standar Dick Jurgens, Standard; The Dinning Sisters, Standard; Carl Ravazz

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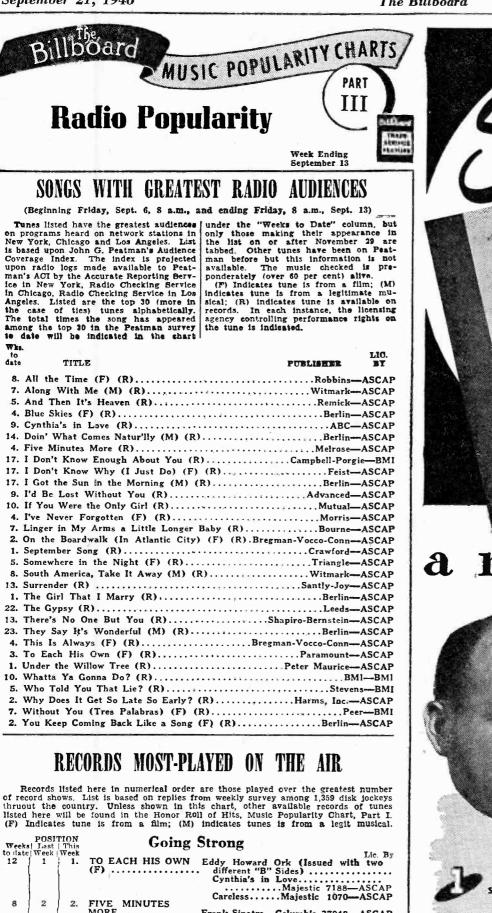
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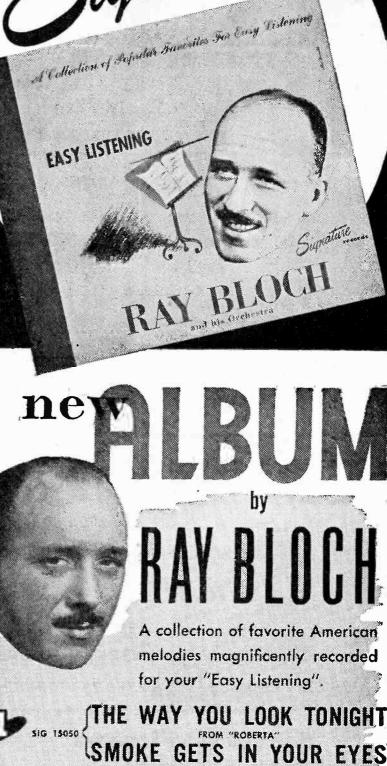
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FRANK SINATRA (Columbia 37089) The Things We Did Last Summer

The Things We Did Last Summer -FT; V. The Coffee Song-FT; V. The Voice couldn't do better if he wrote the song himself. That's how meaningful he makes it for "The Things We Did Last Summer," a lush love lullaby that augurs another top-drawer hit for Sammy Cahn and Jule Styne. For added pleasure, Sinatra adds a light and breezy songest for the rhythmic Latin novelty, "The Cof-fee Song." Axel Stordahl's music is per usual tops. Sinatra fans will never get enough of "The Things We Did Last Summer."

MILLS BROTHERS (Decca 23638) Too Many Irons in the Fire—FT; V. I Guess I'll Get the Papers—FT; V.

I Guess I'll Get the Papers-FT; V. Both of these torch ballads are entirely suited for the soft and understanding word singing of the Mills Brothers, with the result that both sides fall soft and easy on the ears for maximum listening pleas-ure. Lads contrast the slow ballad with the bright fhythmic tempo for "Too Many Irons in the Fire," while keeping "I Guess FII Get the Papers" in the slow ballad frame but contrasting with solo voices for the individual stanzas. "Too Many Irons in the Fire," following their click formula, is the face-up side for the selectors.

## MONICA LEWIS-BOBBY DOYLE

Why Does it Get So Late So Early? FT; V. Two Sleepy People-FT; V.

Two Sleepy People—FT; V. Label has a dandy double in the boy-belle dittying of Monica Lewis and Bobby Doyle. With Ray Bloch's music providing a colorful musical bank, spinning should creaté a deepening wave of enthusiasm for both word jugglers. The honeyed chanting of Miss Monica is as equally pronounced as the romantic flavor in Bobby Doyle's pipes, interweaving the wordage with plehty of lyrical luster for the familiar "Two Sleepy People," and equally effective for the more current "Why Does II Get Late So Early?" ballad. Personality equa-tion as well as the piping is high. "Two Sleepy People" a cinch to satisfy the coin crowds.

BENNY GOODMAN (Columba 37077)

Pity the Poor Lobster-FT; VC. Love Doesn't Grow on Trees-FT; VC.

Love Doesn't Grow on Trees.—FT; VC. A bright and breezy pattern is cut by Benny Goodman, blending his clary with the sax section, for "Pity the Poor Lob-ster," a rhythm musical novelty that might spin better as a pure instrumental. In any event, Art Lund makes little im-pression with the involved lyric. More in keeping with the singer's talent is the sentimental ballad, "Love Doesn't Grow on Trees," to which he imparts a neat rhythmic lilt which is exactly what the maestro does with his clary hoodings. "Love Doesn't Grow on Trees" should find an appreciative mark among the phono fans.

# YANK LAWSON (Signature 15044)

Yank's Two-Day Toot-FT. Sugarfoot Stomp-FT.

Yank's Two-Day Toot—FT. Sugarloot Stomp—FT. Just isn't often that a band can whip together an instrumental in eight-beat style and not make it sound like jazz from a cracked record. But that's what Yank Lawson is able to turn out for Deane Kincaide's "Yank's Two-Day Toot" crea-tion. As a matter of fact, spinning rates as band boogie classic that should center plenty of attention on the trumpeting maestro. Instead of the keyboard kicking out the eight-note phrases, the rolling bass figures are entrusted to the tenor sax and again to the clarinet with surprising results, making for an instrumental packed with plenty of power plus the builds to a feverish pitch that not only spells contagion but is also bound to create sting Oliver's two-beat classic. "Sugarfoot Stomp," with the band on a Dixieland kick and free-flowing jam juce flowing from trumpet and tenor sax plus the plant. Altho the title might have indicated the musical style, still it won't take long for the fans to find out "Yank's Two-Day a day.

## AL NOBEL (Emerald 103)

Pretending-FT; V. Jealous-FT; V.

This new label stemming from Pittsburgh quarters, introduces a new needling voice in Al Nobel. His piping pleasant and dressed up with the soft and close har-monies of the Kinders Three, fem voices, with full-bodied band backing provided by Marty Schramm, the troubadour impresses best with Benny Davis's "Jealous" ever-green. Spinning at a bright tempo, Noble needles the more current "Pretending" ballad in identical fashion. While his piping creates no undue enthusiasm, the spinning is pleasant enough. Sides are for the Pittsburgh area where the singer undoubtedly has a following. This new label stemming from Pittsburgh

THE DARDANELLE TRIO (Victor 20-1959)

(Victor 20-1959) After You Get What You Want You Don't Want It—FT; VC. Boogie in Bee—FT. The King Cole Trio having set the vogue, this wax-bowing threesome has plenty to offer in its own plano-bass-guitar inter-pretations which should hit pay dirt for the diskerie. Dardanelle Trio, keyed to the singing and plano sparkle of Miss Dardanelle, has been around the musical bar circuit for some years and shows a high degree of individuality in styling for its initial offering. The drawl ditying of Miss Dardanelle for Irvin Berlin's oldie, "After You Get What You Want You Don't Want It," is as refreshing and ear-pleasing as her time Steinway styling. Gal gives out with her contagious rhythmic capers for "Boogie in Bee," alternating the phrases with the guit' man, and for the wind-up weave their rhythmic phrases together in a highly engaging fashion. Label has been a long time looking for a unit of this sort. If the first sampling is the pace it sets, it was well worth the waiting, for the Dardanelle Trio is the real thing. It shouldn't take long for the phono fans

It shouldn't take long for the phono fans to find out about this unit, with the vocal side a cinch to satisfy.

# CLYDE HURLEY (Keynote K-633) Out of Nowhere—FT. On the Trail—FT.

On the Trail—FT. It's a free and easy-flowing brand of jazz that spins out of these sides made earlier in the year by Harry Lim. With trumpeter Clyde Hurley rounding up a capable crew of Hollywood hot men, there's rich jazz feeling in his playing as well as in the efforts of Murray McEachern on alto and Tommy Todd at the plano for the "Out of Nowhere" ballad. Taking Grofe's "On the Trail" theme at a faster clip, side also includes the well-phrased passages of tenor saxer Babe Russin and guitarist Dave Barbour. Plenty of musical meat in this platter. Sides are for the hot diskophiles.

# SHORTY LONG (Cowboy CR-201)

Blue Ranger—FT; V. Side Saddle Joe--FT; V.

Side Saddle Joe--FT; V. Shorty Long and his Santa Fe Rangers, a vocal-instrumental group of bass, guitar and accordion, carry over their radio creations to the records for the first time and show they have much to offer Western fans. Instrumentally bright and breezy, with fine rhythmic blend in their trio harmonies, the threesome impresses with its initial efforts. "Blue Ranger" is a slow ballad of the cowboy in search of a fem pardner. At a faster clip, the group har-monizes pleasingly for the sad saga of "Side Saddle Joe," for whom there is now an empty saddle and a marker on the mound.

Both sides spin plenty bright for the outdoor stops.

PAUL WESTMORELAND (San Antonio 106)

Texas Steel Guitar—FT Oklahoma Bound—FT; v.

Oklahoma Bound-FT; V. There's some right smart steel guitaring oh the top side, with the Pecos River Boys (fiddle and guitars) staying in the back-ground to hold the snappy toe-tapping beat. With Western flavor in his pipes, Westmoreland is vocally "Oklahoma Bound" on the mated side. Outdoor locations will find bright spin-ning in this pairing.

FERNANDO ROSAS (Discos Mexico 301-303-305-306)

FERNANDO ROSAS (Discos Mexico 301-303-305-306) Los Arrebolos—FT; V. Ya No Me Acuerdo—FT; V. Ya No Me Acuerdo—FT; V. Yo Vuelvo Contigo—FT; V. Yo Vuelvo Contigo—FT; V. Tequila Con Limon—W; V. Cocula—FT; V. La Feria De Las Flores—W; V. La Feria De Las Flores—W; V. La Barca De Oro—FT; V. Fernando Rosas strikes a responsive note in his authentic styling of these eight south-of-the-border selections. With a rich tenor voice at his disposal, the interpretative quality is so high that the listener can almost get the gist of the song without understanding the Spanish lyrics. "Los Arrebolos" is a martial air sung in a robust manner. "Tu Felecidad," spiced with a bolero beat, is melodically appealing. Latin scene for these, as well as "Acuardo" and "Contigo" (both bo-leros) is capably set by Chino Ortiz's ork. Latter song is sold with a high degree of sincerity. A small native band provides the colorful accompaniment on the remaining sides. "Tequila Con Limon," a favorite way to take the favorite drink, is a merry tune peppered with a bright three-quarter beat. Reverse gives the guitars a workout as the voicer injects plenty of native color into his warbling. Fiddles and guitars return to the three-quarter tempo for "Flores" and lend the romantic touch to "La Barca." Where the Spanish lyrics attract coinage. (Continued on page 100)

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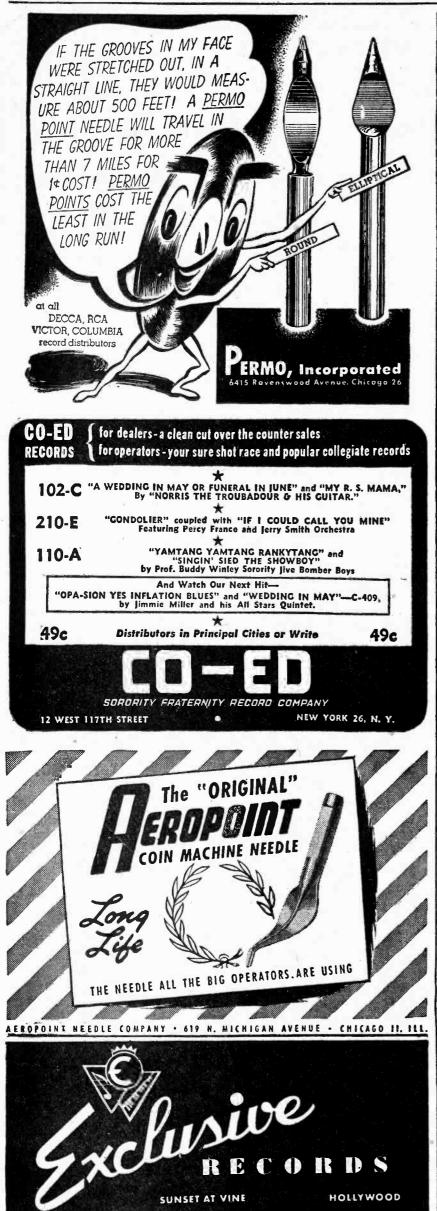
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# **PUBLISHERS' RECORD RELEASE DATES**

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In an effort to help cut down to a minimum the number of misunderstandings between music publishers and record companies over the former's release dates on tunes. The Billboard publishes a list of songs on which publishers have set release dates. This list was supplied by Harry Fox, agent and trustee for many publishers, and by a number of the publishers themselves. Fox has consented to forward to The Billboard additional releases when restrictions are placed on record releases. The Billboard invites those publishers not represented by Fox to send in their own listings. This feature will appear in The Billboard until such time as the editors feel the need for it on longer exists.

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NOTHER NIGHT LIKE THIS ......E. B. Marks Music Corp. .. November 1 (Carnival in Costa Rica-20TH CENTURY-FOX)

(London Town-J. ARTHUR RANK)

FLAME BALLET ......Burke-Van Heusen, Inc. .. November 1 (London Town-J. ARTHUR RANK)

GONNA KEEP ON A-DREAMING' (Til My Dreams Come True)...... Grimes Music ...... October 15

GOTTA GET ME SOMEBODY TO LOVE. . Edwin H. Morris & Co. ... November 1 (Duel in the Sun-UNITED ARTISTS)

- CENTURY FOX)

... Harry Fox ..... (Restricted until further notice)

I HAPPENED TO WALK DOWN FIRST STREET ..... Remick Music Corp. .... October 23 (The Time, the Place, and the Girl-WARNER'S)

IF SPRING WERE ONLY HERE TO STAY 

KENSINGTON BLUES ..... Grimes Music ..... October 15 

..... Grimes Music ..... October 1 LIKE A DREAM .... CENTURY-FOX)

MI VIDA ..... E. B. Marks Music Corp. .. November 1 (Carnival in Costa Rica-20TH CENTURY-FOX)

MONKEY BIZ-NESS ...... Grimes Music ..... October 15 MY HEART GOES CRAZY ...... Burke-Van Heusen, Inc. .. November 1 (London Town-J. ARTHUR RANK)

OH, BUT I DO ..... M. Witmark & Sons..... October 23 (The Time, the Place, and the Girl-WARNER'S)

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WARNER'S) PUNTO GUANACASTECO ...... E. B. Marks Music Corp, .. November 1 (Carnival in Costa Rica-20TH CENTURY-FOX)

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NEW YORK, Sept. 14. — Rather than hike the price of their 50-cent label, as the other major disk firms

Hampton's newest and future record-ings. Just which other 50-cent artists

are to be included in the switch has not yet been determined. Decca maintains that despite a terrific back-log of cut masters, production still

is too slow to carry on any extensive

exploitation.

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# 26 Tunes, 14 Pubs In Jolson's Life

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. .14-Columbia Jolson, has no less than 26 songs in it, copyrights to which are held by 14 different publishers. List of songs. and pubs follows:



PIANO VOCALS AVAILABLE "Memories Gardenias" For Promotion Copy, Write ETONA MUSIC CO. 6534 Lindsay Ave. DETROIT 27, MICH.

# 802 Vs. Cafes, Hotel NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—For details of the battle between Lo-cal 802, American Federation of Musicians, and the local cafe

owners and hotels, see General News.

# Weinberg Takes on **Lunceford** Promosh

have done in recent weeks, Decca is slowly screening pop artists on its cheaper disk and is putting its better selling bands and singers on its 75-center. This policy, originally started with Louis Jordan's disk of Choo Choo Ch' Boogie (Billboard, July 27), has now expanded to include Lionel Hamaton's payest and future record PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 14.-For PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 14.—For the firt time in more than a dozen years, Jimmie Lunceford will hit the one-night belt below the Mason-Dixon without the promotional aus-pices of Reese Du Pree, dean of the country's race promoters. Du Pree, president of the National Colored Promoters' Association, said he has been ill and therefore unable to keep up most of his promotional activities. Instead, Du Pree is at present con-fining his activities to the local scene. fining his activities to the local scene. fining his activities to the local scene. And to launch the new season, which nears close to his 50th season in the dance promotion field, Du Pree staged a prom last night (13) at the Elate Club Ballroom, new dance spot with Joe Webb on the bandstand. Lunceford tour this year will take in Asheville Charlotte and Baleigh in Lunceford tour this year will take in Asheville, Charlotte and Raleigh in North Carolina; Lynchburg, Va.; Charleston and Columbia in South Carolina; Macon, Ga.; Tuskagee, Ala.; and several stands in West Virginia. For the first time, the Lunceford dates are being promoted by Ralph Weinberg, dance promoter of Blue-field, W. Va.

# Petrillo Yanks Men Out of Phil. Warwick

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 14.—On or-ders of James C. Petrillo, trio of musicians playing for diners walked out Thursday night (12) at Warwick Hotel, since hostelry is part of Ed Kirkeby chain, against which AFM is striking.

Warwick planned use of large bands when it reopens its refurbished dining room later in month as a class supper club. J. P. Hoenig, hotel man-ager, said room will light up whether the musicians' strike is settled or not.

Mars a New Indie Disker HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Mars Records recently joined the growing list of independent diskeries. Organ-ized by Arthur P. Hall and W. M. Hammond, the company expects to cut organ recording and some small unit sides. First Mars release is an album featuring Jake Hammond. Pressings will be nationally distribut-ed by the Jack Gutschall Distributed by the Jack Gutschall Distributing Company.

# DETROIT LO SHUT

LQ would be able to reopen, State Liquor Commission refuses to allow Morelli, manager last year, appears to testify, and Morelli's whereabouts are unknown.

Management of spot contended that license was issued last year in Mo-relli's name altho other parties had interest in place with full knowl-edge and approval of commission, in order to expedite issuance, but for-mer chairman of commission denied this, and charge of "concealed own-ership" is basis of present suspenership" is basis of present suspen-sion. Reports are current that spot would reopen with full show, but without serving any liquor or even beer, until situation was straightened out, but could not be confirmed. Meantime, management has not ap-pealed to courts to force commission pealed to courts to force commission to allow opening, as other spots have done, preferring to rely on regular commission procedure.

# **Slump Will Move Eastward** If West Coast Is Criterion

(Continued from page 3) eral slump on fact that it has to take bands after they have already played a location. If kids can dance all evening to a name band for a buck, why should they pay 98 cents for a half-hour band stageshow?

## **Orks Lose Extra Dates**

Bands in the past found West Coast congested with army camps which proved fine pickings between which proved line pickings between locations. Batoners could bring their crews westward for a stay, sweep up the Coast from San Diego to the Bay area, work locations and stage-shows. Today, one-nighter pro-moters are fortunate if they can make their guarantees and move to get band guarantees slashed is al-

get band guarantees slashed is al-ready in full force here. Both San Francisco's Edgewater and Seattle's Showbox have shelved a name policy and are playing house bands. Biz in the Northwest is off, but not to as great an extent as in the Southland area, because Wash-ington and Oregon did not experias did California. Altho many of entertaining elbow benders.

the defense money-makers returned to their Midwestern homes, plenty have remained. L. A. area is still growing with newcomers replacing the war workers. But these people are here to establish homes and each dollar counts.

# **Tourists Stay Home**

While cocktailery ops blame biz slump on scarcity of G.I.'s (and beer), niteries weep about weak tourist trade. Visiting firemen aren't arriving in droves as was expected once travel restrictions were lifted. Many potential tourists have de-cided to stay close to home in view of unsure future. Hotel space is next to impossible for any substantial length of time length of time.

length of time. Some spots here which tried to take a fling at night clubbing during the war have either shuttered or re-verted to a cocktail policy. For ex-ample, Hollywood's Club Donroy, which opened just as war was end-ing, soon folded; Long Beach's Club Moderne stuck to night club policy during the war now only has combo

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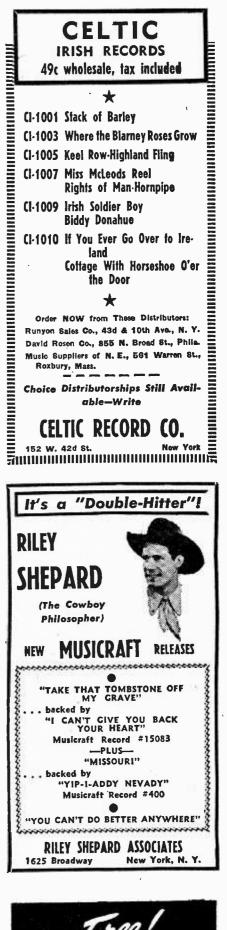
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"Daddy" Singled

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.-

# N. Y. Clubs Give **Bands 20% Hike**

(Continued from page 3) refused to go along with 802 demands, the strike would have been a long one. The joining of the hotels with the cafes would not only have a direct affect on New York spots, but it would have spread all over the country. Indications of this became evident when James C. Petrillo, head man of AFM, ordered members out of all hotels in cities where the Kirkeby, Hilton and Stat-ler chain had hotels using AFM musicians.

Sicians. Settlement of the differences be-tween 802 and New York clubs leaves hotels out on a limb. It's an open secret that hotels were hoping that clubs would hold out. Now that they settled it is likely that the hotels will go along on the same basis as the agreement between the clubs and the agreement between the clubs and the union.

## First Offer 15%

When the Saturday mediation session began, the club owners' first of-fer was 15 per cent. Their next was 17 per cent. Finally the settlement figure of 20 per cent was accepted. Had the final figure been rejected by the union, it can be reliably stated that the cofes would not have upped that the cafes would not have upped the figure.

The interesting part of the agreement is that it presents the first time in New York talent union history that a union has agreed to do business with an employers' organization. Previously 802 has stated it would deal with individual spots only.

## AGVA Asked for Joint Deal

This recognition has already brought one repercussion. Arthur Garfield Hayes, attorney for the cafe owners' org, has phoned AGVA to ask it to deal with the association (he's its attorney), to discuss the cash bond demands made by AGVA against some of the clubs. AGVA has re-peatedly said it would level directly peatedly said it would level directly against any spot and would not do business with any org. Whether it will persist in its stand now that 802 has broken the ice, remains to be seen.

One of the demands by 802 was for extra payment for productions. Un-der terms of the settlement there will be no extra charge if productions don't run beyond an hour. The Carnival and the Latin Quarter shows run to about one hour and 40 minutes. It is understood, however, that a break during the show, say 15 minutes or so for intermission, will be construed as acceptable to the union and no additional pay will be required.

# WRONG PACT FORMS

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Roy sideman, put aside his lead alto in favor of a job with Rex Novelty. . . . Roy Fox's band during August had its first BBC shots since the maestro returned to the British band biz. ... Nat Goonella, ace British trumpetwill give up band leading at the end of his present Glasgow engage-ment... George Evans (an English arranger and leader, not the Sinatra flack) will take his band, featuring a 10-man sax section, on a tour of the British provinces for the ork's first onenighters

# **MILWAUKEE:**

The Normandie Boys, trio at Alioto's Bar close October and open the following week at the Frolics, Omaha. The boys have beaten the housing shortage by buying three trailers. . . . Talk about thoughtful bosses-Eddy Rogers and his orchestra played Empire Room of Schroe-der Hotel here so that one of the men in the band, Charles Martochko, could be near his wife's home town at the arrival of her baby! It stays here!

The Shorewood Auditorium schedule of singers for coming fall season is: Maggie Teyte, October 9; Bidu Sayao. November 17; Lotte Lehmann, January 10. Prices will be \$2.40. \$3 and \$3.60. . . Celebrated Artists, Inc., will play Fred Waring and His Pennsylvanians at the Milwaukee Auditorium September 26. House scaled \$1.20, \$1.80, \$2.40 and \$3.60.

# PHILADELPHIA:

Jules Flacco changes his name to Jon Lake in taking over the wand-waving chores for the house stage band at the Carman Theater. . . . Gomez replaces Don De Vodi for the rumba rhythms at the Embassy Cafe. ... Frank Roberts returns to the Hotel Adelphia. . . . Trumpeter Billy Douglas, formerly with Earl Hines, scoring the tunes for Jimmy Tisdale. Trianon Ballroom ushers in the new

dance season with Eddie Stuart. Bob Simone returns to the Benjamin Franklin Hotel's Garden Terrace... Don Vincent ushers in the band policy at the Eldorado. . . . Lou Schrader, Earle Theater maestro, will act as contractor for the Ice Capades show opening next month at the Arena, for which 12 local tootlers will be hired under a new agreement reached with the musicians' union.

# **DETROIT**:

Larry Luke has signed a two-year contract to record exclusively for Aetna Records. . . Bob Millar will have the orchestra at the Statler Terrace Room for the fall season, with Leonard Seel as relief orches-tra. . . Leroy Smith, who has been doing cocktail work, is organizing a new 10-piece band here. . . Bonnie Paul is new vocalist with Don Pab-lo's orchestra, playing steady for lo's orchestra, playing steady for several years at the Palm Beach Cafe.

Mel Adams Back in Harness

YORK, Sept. 14.—Mel pre-war in RCA-Victor's NEW 14.—Mel Adams. publicity and promotion departments and head of his own exploitation firm, is back in the music business again, and will announce a list of clients shortly.

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(Continued from page 15) phonograph and radio lines. Three of them, in New York, Newark and Chicago, as a matter of fact, are Zenith owned-and-operated distributing companies. Setting up of the dis-tribution structure follows on the tribution structure follows on the heels of the return from a road trip of Wally Early, who (with Charlie Hasin) heads up sales for the company.

Kaye and Meyerson will go to the West Coast together in about three weeks, and Kaye will set up his headquarters there at that time. Kaye's appointment to the job is taken by the trade as an indication that the filmtheater company was going to have its own people in some key spots, rather than have record men take over entirely. Great care with which M-G-M execs are going to watch progress of concern was indicated, too, by the statement in the first official press the statement in the first official press release sent out last week, which said ".... Frank B. Walker... will be the general manager of M-G-M Records under the supervision of a Loew's committee, consisting of Charles C. Moskowitz, Marvin Schenck and Leopold Friedman," all vice-presidents of Loow's Some vice-presidents of Loew's. Some segments of the trade point out that this is the "supervision" which even-tually caused Jack Robbins to sell out his interest in the M-G-M music companies (Robbins, Feist, Miller), while other trade observers point out that Abe Olman, also a long-time music man, seems to be getting along very well under the same kind of "unpervision" "supervision."

# Pix and Légit **On Song Binge**

(Continued from page 15) click la Stewart may shoot topward with them. Chappell has this score. Alley Cleffers Needed

least one legit producer, it At would seem, has come to the con-clusion that the way to get the extra dough out of a musical is by having not only a hit show, but smash hit tunes in the show. (In the past, box-office clicks like Are You With It? and Follow the Girls, to name just two, had no real smash hit tunes to make extra dough for publisher or producer.) Producer in question is producer.) Producer in question is George Abbott, who has decided that to get the kind of tunes that'll be big, you have to get Tin Pan Alley writers like Berlin, rather than music comedy writers. Consequently for his new fall offering, Barefoot Boy With Cheek, Abbott has Sylvia Dee and Sid Lipman'doing the words and music. Dee Doll is the cleffer of Chickery Chick and My Sugar Is So Baffined among others, while Lip. So Refined, among others, while Lip-man was one of the writers of It Couldn't Be True.

While Abbott apparently is swing-ing to established alleyites, there are set-ups in the film-legit tune whirligig where people involved are top-pers in strictly non-music phases of showbiz. Helen Hayes, it's said, will sing a song in her next dramatic show, Happy Birthday. Tune will be Haven't Got a Worry in the World. Show is being produced by Dick Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II.

But probably the topper in incon-gruity is the fact that Arch Oboler, gruity is the fact that Arch Oboler, one-time radio chiller-diller writer (Lights Out, etc.), is doing a tune called Lonely Lover (with Bronislau Kaper) for the MGM pic The Arnelo Affair. Some indie diskery will prob-ably record it with Boris Karloff and Gravel Gertie as a new boy-girl tune team.





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# IN SHORT

# New York:

Sheila Barrett into the Crest Room September 12, ... Milton Berle may do six weeks in Florida next season. May stay at the Carnival until new year. ... Florenz, of Mar-tin and Florenz, became mother of seven pound 14 ounce boy. ... Lack Zero complains that to get a Jack Zero complains that to get a brush from a band leader he has to become a member of the contactmen's union. . . . Bob Graham, ex-singer with Fannie Brice air show, preems on Stem at Loew's State October 3. from Fannie, replied "not a cent." ...Jimmy Edmundson gets the Capitol either end of September or begin-ning of October.

ning of October. Carl Ravazza, who closes at the Versailles Tuesday (17), heads for the Coast to do pictures for 20th Century-Fox. When completed comes back to the Roxy. . . Eddie Davis will throw a Sunday celeb night for his writers. . . . Al and Marty Roth, writers are now selling their gags to writers, are now selling their gags to

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flacks to use in their column releases. ... Canfield Smith starts at Loew's State October 3. ... Shirley Brown leaving GAC. ... Frankie Carle re-turns to the Capitol November 28.

Ginger Harmon joins Rosenbloc and Baer on one-nighters. . . . Willie Shore, current at Riviera, opens at Chez Paree, Chi, with Sophie Tucker October 6.... All kinds of dough being thrown around by Florida ops in town on buying hunt. Berle offered \$12,500, Lewis \$7.500. Tucker \$6,500. ... Ink Spots go back to the Zanzibar September 27... Margaret Phelan added to Casa Seville... Olsen and Johnson may follow Berle into the Carnival for \$7.500 plus percentage. Frank Elswit back from the army, returns to Morris office in theater department.

## Chicago:

Empire Room of Palmer House which did the first show without music here two weeks ago, brought in Dunninger, mentalist, rather than Evelyn Knight, last week. . . . Rea-son: Dunninger can go as long as an hour sans music. . . Whitey Roberts and Rossi Sisters will stay on at Blackbawk althe bards will share Blackhawk, altho bands will change Wednesday (18).

George Gobel, opening at Helsing's September 19, will play two weeks at Brown Hotel, Louisville, and three at Chase Hotel, St. Louis.... Ralph (Cookie) Cook will open the new pre-view Club, New Orleans, September 25 for four weeks. . . . Three Madcaps. record mimic act now at Tic Toc. Milwaukee, are reported booked solidly until January by O'Malley office. Three Make Believes, who recently

completed their first post-war date at Chicago Theater, go into Belle Rieve Hotel, Kansas City, Mo., Sep-tember 27. Romona Theater, Grand Rapids, Mich., closed after a success-Rapids, Mich., closed after a success-ful summer season. Last four weeks featured A. B. Marcus shows. . . Eleanor Christian, terpstress, who just closed Club Darling, Mexico City, opens at Moline, Ill., September 20. . . Bobby Sargent, comic-emsee, back in town after a two-day stint of Lowica Theotor New York Sar back in town after a two-day sunt at Jamaica Theater, New York. Sar-gent is awaiting more Eastern dates thru Dick Henry, of William Morris Office. . . Marvin Boone and Dolly Fry, ex-Chuck Foster chirp, were married in Omaha.

# Philadelphia:

Eddie Kaplan's Screwballs of 1946 unit into the Swan Club. . . . Tony DePetro, owner of Club Del Monie, is musical bar minded. . . Five Kings at Haddington Club. . . . Four Dukes add a sax and become the Five Dukes opening at the New Silver Moon, Bethlehem, Pa. . . Four Counts to the El Dorado. . . . Forest Sykes hack at Orsatti's Elsie Sykes back at Orsatti's. . . Elsie Sterling takes her line of girls to Esquire Club, Norfolk. . . Billy LaPata Four usher in the new season at Little Johnny's. Beaucoup activity centered around

Beaucoup activity centered around musical bar circuits, particularly with Illinois Jacquet, tenor ace, step-ping out of Count Basie's band and bowing here with his All-Star Five at Watt's Zanzibar. . . Making it continuous heat, Zanzibar also brings in local tenor sax ace Jimmy Oliver, who introduces his newly formed who introduces his newly formed quartet. . . Oliver replaces the Charles Gaines Jr. Atomic Five, which wound up a 14-month stretch

which wound up a 14-month stretch and departed for the Log Cabin in Albany, N. Y. Harry Polk, guitarist, who twice in two months filled in for Oscar Moore with the King Cole Trio, organizing a trio of his own. Teams with Walt Williams, bassist of recently dis-banded Three Peppers, and audition-ing for a pianist. . . . Five Kings, re-turning to town at Haddington Club, report that they go under Joe that they go under Joe set for the first run. report

Glaser's wing following their local 2 Chi Lounges Lose pitch with disk session at RCA-Vic-tor. . . Another newcomer to the musical scene is Wigs Williams and his Red Blues Trio ushering in the new season at the Cotton Bowl. . . . Leading off the town's cocktailery parade is King Cole Trio at Ciro's with the Red Caps set to follow later in the month. in the month.

## West Coast:

Three Bits of Rhythm set for six reeks with option at Hollywood Three Bits of Rhythm set for six weeks with option at Hollywood Show Lounge, on the Pike, Long Beach. . . Martha Davis has left Larry Potter's Supper Club to go into Billy Berg's (Hollywood) Sep-tember 11. . . Maurice Rocco ditto Latin Quarter (Cincinnati) November 1. . . Gene Rodgers, held over at Lindsay's Sky Bar, Cincinnati. . . . Simpson and Robinson being held over at Zanzibar Room, Florentine Gardens, Hollywood. . . . Forrest Per-rin, Rudy Vallee's accompanist, at Ken Murray's Blackouts. Georgie Tapps headed west and set

Georgie Tapps headed west and set at Las Vegas' El Rancho Vegas Hotel for four weeks beginning October 2. ... Rose Murphy to do two weeks at San Francisco's Golden Gate Theater. . . Marilyn Hare set for Holly-wood's Florentine Gardens for eight

weeks, starting October 11. Eddy, Dudley opens at the House of Rhythm, on the Pike, Long Beach. . Art Ross Trio, ditto at the Lido, m Springs, for a four-week stint. Palm And Springs, for a four-week statt. ... Billy Blaire held over at Nevada Biltmore (Las Vegas).... Dal Dan-ford to stay on at El Cortez, Las Vegas.... Wynonie Harris follows T-Bone Walker into Kings Den (Watts, Calif.). Walker is moving over to Downbeat Cafe, Los Angeles ... Dave Barry shifts from L. A.'s Bandbox to Larry Potter's Supper Club (San Fernando Valley).

Gurge Miller in the kick-off show at the newly opened Atomic Club, In-yockern, Calif. . . . Marilyn Hare has a two-week extension at San Diego's Imig Manor Mississippi Room....Al Russell Trio to Denver's Rossonian Hutsein Andrew Downey held over at Bonanza Club, Reno. . . Maurice Rocco opens at Cincinnati's Latin Quarter November 1. . . Arthur Lee Simpkins bows in at Las Vegas' Last Frontier November 8.... Ronnie Kemper moves into the Hague (Los Angeles). . . . Linn Brothers held over at New York Latin Quarter. . . Three Bits of Rhythm extended at Hollywood Room, on the Pike, Long Beach . . Ditto for Al Pepi Trio at San Diego's Chi-Chi.

Cosy Cole opens at the Howard, Washington, October 18. . . Phil Moore group starts at the Paradise, Detroit, November 15. . . Kirby Stone Quintet, got together in the army, stayed together and got their first job, a four months and two weeks date, at the Hour Glass, Newark. . . . Henny Youngman in for a week at the Club Charles, Baltimore, September 3 followed by Belle Baker, Joey Adams, Rosenbloom and Baer and Harry Richman. . . . Gene Bay-los opened at the Chanticleer, Balti-mere Sentember 12 ' The Value more, September 12. . . . The Velve-tones into the Hotel Edwards, Middletown, for a limited stay. . . . Stepin Fetchit in for two weeks at St. Michel

Club, Montreal. Sonny Kippe just opened at the Holiday Inn, Flushing, N. Y. . . . Yvette opens at the new Cairo Club, Washington, September 20. . . . Ray Heatherton gets a week at the Vic-tory, Bayonne, September 27.

## Philly Club 15 Turns Lounge

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 14.—John McGee's Club 15, for many years offering floorshows as one of mid-town scene's smaller niteries, will re-open this fall as a musical bar, with the Five Melodears, fem unit, set for the first run

# Leases; Blame B&K Liquor Biz Dislike

CHICAGO, Sept. 14 .- Two Loop cocktail spots will go out of biz during October because their leases will not be renewed. Spots shuttering are Elmer's Lounge on State Street and the Garrick Lounge on Randolph Street. Reason for the shutdowns given by owners Sherman, of the Garrick, and Romano, of Elmer's, was that the Balaban & Katz movie chain, which controls the property, does not want liquor selling establish-ments in such close provingity to the ments in such close proximity to the box offices of their theaters. Garrick Lounge is next door to and in the same building as the B&K Garrick flicker house and Elmer's is in the same building as the B&K State-Lake Theater.

No statement was forthcoming from B&K execs. Joe Sherman, Garrick lounge owner, had 26 musicians working at his spot and operated under a morning - till - night - music policy. Spot featured a six-piecer, a five-piecer, two four-man combos, a trio and some single pianists who work in shifts to keep the spot jump-ing all day and thru the night. Sherman, who sank 50G into the lounge some five and a half years ago, said that B&K was very liberal with him and could have revoked the lease last April, but allowed him to finish out the summer.

Sherman claimed that he got more than his investment back in the last few years and that he probably wouldn't be back in the biz. The move was perfectly okay with him and he expressed his candid opinion that "the bubble is about to bust any-way." Sherman had some pessimistic comments to make about the future of contracts to make about the future of cocktails and niteries here and even expressed doubt that some of the new and proposed operations such as Rinella's Chicago Copacabana, which is running about 400G and should have opened in August would ever really open up.

Romano, owner of Elmer's Lounge, said that his lease would allow him to run into November, but there was no chance after that. Elmer's has occupied the premises for the past four years under current manage-ment and had the same name evenbefore this owner took over. Setting up of the spot ran Romano approximately \$25,000. Romano also owns Duffy's Tavern, a Clark Street Loop spot which is a combination cock-tail lounge and restaurant. He said that he has also purchased other Loop property and may move Elmer's into a new location and keep the same name. Elmer's, which formerly used two small combos in the spot, has had only a piano single working there for the last several months.

These were the only locations controlled by the B&K chain and hence no other spots were affected by the action.



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# Strikes, School Days Sock B.-O. At N. Y. Houses

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.--A combo of the strike wave knocking ads out of papers and the kids heading back to school was a little too much for theaters to handle last week. (For story on West Coast slump see Page 3.) The only real exception to the general declines along the Stem was the Paramount, which saw a record non-holiday take for its opening week.

Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average \$110,000) side-slipped to \$145,000 for its fourth week with Bob Williams, Estelle Sloan and Notori-ous. Previous frame was \$162,000. Opener and second weeks were \$150,-000 each.

## Roxy Dips to 72G

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$75,000) dropped to \$72,000 for its fourth and final inning with Vivian Blaine, Jerry Colonna and Claudia and Da-vid against third week's \$92,000. Opened with \$125,000 followed with \$105,000. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Hildegarde, Jan Murray, Patsy Kelly and Home Sweet Homi-cide. cide.

Paramount (3,654 seats; average \$75,000) moved into top place with a big \$124,000, highest it ever got in a week without a holiday. New show, in first week, has Charlie Spivak ork, Bob Evans, Peggy Lee and Monsieur Bequerie Beaucaire.

# Cap 72G Nosedive

Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$72,-000) fell to \$72,000 for its fourth week with Mitzi Green, Gene Krupa ork and Holiday in Mexico against previous week of \$98,500. Opened with \$108,000 followed by \$104,000. Strand (2,770 seats; average \$45,-000) went down to \$55,000 for its sec-

000) went down to \$65,000 for its sec-ond week with Bob Crosby band, Don Cummings and the Big Sleep. Opener was \$81.000.

Loew's State (3,500 seats; average \$25,000) moved up for its second week with Ed Sullivan's Harvest Moon Ball winners and first week of Thrill of Brazil. Take was \$35,000 as against previous week's \$34,000. Bill was the same but flicker was Earl Carroll's Sketchbook.

# **Piermont To Book** State; Metro Disks **On Coast for Kaye**

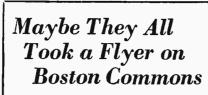
NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Sidney Piermont will take over the booking Piermont will take over the booking chores at Loew's when Jesse Kaye (see story Music Section) shifts to the Coast for Metro Records. Pier-mont used to be the Loew's booker before he joined the army, holding the job for almost 21 years. Upon his discharge from service he joined MCA in the theater department and later shifted to Mike Todd.

Piermont will book Loew's State; the Capitol, Washington, and Capitol, New York.

# Philly Bookers Merge; ETE And Triangle in Co-Op Deal

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 14.—New booking office has been set up here with the teaming of indies, Neal Bel-mont and Harold Gould. Also on the mont and Harold Gould. Also on the percenting front, newly formed East-ern Theatrical Enterprises made a co-op deal with the Triangle Artists Bureau, headed by Mickey Alpert and Lew Perry in New York.

Each agency will represent the other in their respective cities.



BOSTON, Sept. 14.—Finale of the VFW convention which tied up the town for a full week (1-7) left a fiock of mixed feelings among hotel and night spot operators. Figuring conservatively that each of the 20,000 delegates spent an average of \$18 a day, total runs well past \$1,500,000, but where the dough went is a little matter that the bright-light belt and merchants can't figure out.

One leading hotel stated frankly that dining room biz feel off sharply during the week. Most hotel and during the week. Most hotel and night clubs featuring name entertainment found the going uneven, too. Spots with big names had normal good business. More conservative bistros found that the regular cash customers stayed home rather than face the pressure of a trip thru the city

Another hotel also found that beer seemed to be the general drink, with more deadhead bottles littering the rooms and bars than the management had ever seen. All up and down the line, the night spot sector took a licking. Merchants found figures slumping way behind the previous year, and only the hamburger heavens seemed happy about the

whole thing. That estimated \$1,500,000 went somewhere, but where?

# **Greshler Vs. Perry Over Martin Cues New AGVA Ruling**

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The situa-tion involving Abby Greshler and Lou Perry over the management of Dean Martin may have larger reper-cussions than just a quarrel over who owns, and who is to book an individual act. Greshler owns Jerry Lewis. Last time Lewis played the Havana-Madrid, Martin was on the bill and the boys cooked up an after-piece that knocked the customers into the aisles. Subsequently, when both lads worked on the same bill they did the afterpiece. did the afterpiece.

did the afterpiece. Lou Perry, who owns Dean Martin, said that recently he has had trouble with his boy, citing a number of in-stances. One of his charges was that Greshler was romancing Martin and submitting him. Greshler denies it flatly. However, Martin has asked Perry for his release and has ex-pressed a desire to shift to Greshler. Perry, who still has two years to go with Martin, plus options, offered to sell Martin's contract to Greshler for 15G.' Counter-offer was to give Perry 5 per cent of Martin's salary for the duration of the pact. It has been intimated that if this isn't satisfactory, the entire commission will go to Perry, tho Greshler will book him. Enter AGVA

# Enter AGVA

Enter AGVA At this point, AGVA entered the situation, tho no formal arbitration has been held. AGVA sees in this case another instance where contracts are violated even tho full commis-sions are paid. It doesn't want an-other situation similar to the case it had some time ago involving two had some time ago involving two name singers who shifted from one agency to another before contracts had run out. Original agents re-ceived, and are still receiving the commissions, altho other offices are doing the booking. Union charges that such arrange-ments are a violation of the exclusive

# Frederick Bros.' N. Y. Office **Plans New Salary Set-Up To** Hypo Staff's Flagging Spirit

# Kettering Rushes East; Dept. Heads To Share in Take

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Frederick Brothers' New York office, which has had its share of headaches with ruhad its share of headaches with ru-mors and people quitting for various reasons, will get a stiff shot in the arm as a result of a hurried trip here by firm's v.-p., Tom Kettering, who is also head of the West Coast office. Trip was necessitated by the low morale of the local office and an at-tempt will shortly be mode to get the tempt will shortly be made to get the branch back on its feet. Plans call for a new salary set-up thru the initiation of guaranteed bonuses, giv-ing heads of various departments a share in the loot of the entire department, and the revitalizing of the act and legit divisions.

The hardest hit New York depart-ment is the artists division dealing with cafes and vaude. In an attempt to get that branch rolling a new man will be hired as a topper tho Jack Edwards, presently running the

# Chi's New Nitery **To Use Burly Acts**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—New spot which will be located just north of Chi's Loop will open September 23. Name of the place will be French Casino. Location has been completely remodeled at a cost of approximately 70G, according to Irving Warr, who will co-manage the nitery with Benny Singer. Warr is at present with the Playhouse, a nitery in the same lo-cality.

cality. Warr said that the place will be booked thru Milt Schuster, veteran Chi burlesque booker, and featured attractions will be headliners from the Midwest, burly circuit. No band has as yet been selected, but Warr plans on opening with a seven or eight piece outfit. Nine girls have already been signed for the opening. No food will be served and there will be no dancing at the new spot, but the show will be continuous.

# **Bridgeport Palace Runs Model Contest With Acts**

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Sept. 14.— The Loew-Poli Palace Theater here, which recently celebrated its 25th anniversary, is running a weekly series Harry Conover models, and is packin' 'em in. In addition to the contest, a 10-piece ork under direction of Charlie Ferron, and several acts from local niteries are being used.

parties concerned that no more than 10 per cent is charged the act, and 10 per cent is charged the act, and the full 10 goes to the holder of the exclusive contract, it believes the performer pays more than the 10 per cent claimed. Furthermore, the deal gives the second agent an unfair advantage even the books the act for free. This is explained by the fact that the property taken over is frequently made the basis of a pack-age for which bigger dough is obtained.

In order to put a stop to this shiftceived, and are still receiving the commissions, altho other offices are doing the booking. Union charges that such arrange-ments are a violation of the exclusive agency contracts, inasmuch as it works a hardship on the agent who success of the performer. It further states that despite the protests of all

whole department, will stay on. Definite choice has not yet been made, tho various reps have been sounded out. Understood, however, that job will go to a man who is not an agent at present, tho he's in showbiz.

# Legit To Get Transfusion

Legit department will also get new blood and the pitch there is to get properties, not necessarily names, build them up and then try to get them to the West Coast for a couple of pictures. Kettering pointed out that office doesn't have many flicker names but it has a large stable of character actors all of whom work steadily for about \$1,000. Commis-sions, while not individually large, total up to sizable proportions at the end of a year. Such properties de-veloped in the East and then sent to the Coast will add to the income of the individual agent as well as to the office. Under new plan the man who made the original deal when property first came into the office will share in commissions all the way up. As property moves to other de-partemnts—e. g. pix to vaude, other departments will also share proportionately.

Band department so far as the East is concerned, Kettering said, has East is concerned, Kettering said, has been a real problem. He emphasized, however, that FB has no intention of going out of the band biz. Instead of trying to build names, or getting them, office will concentrate on orks which will be able to work in what he called "budget" locations (a spot with a fixed budget). That, he ex-plained, is the major reason why the office parted company with Georgie Auld and George Paxton bands. Out-fits such as these, he said, can't get fits such as these, he said, can't get the big money asked and gotten by heftier names. Rather than have the office knock itself out trying to get big dough for bands which can't get that kind of money, it will get smaller bands and territorial "names," and give them plenty of work.

## New Set-Up

When the new set-up jells, it will work something like this. The Coast office will continue to stress pictures and budget bands. The Chicago branch will put bands in top position with artists in No. 2 spot. The New York office will give heavy play to artists.

All toppers added from here on in will get seven-year contracts, renew-able each year, annual bonuses and, if biz warrants, another bonus before the year end. Department heads will share in the net takes of all salesmen in their departments. Keeping the cost of operations down will, there-fore, give them a bigger melon to split split.

## Bill Frederick's Spot?

The question of where Bill Fredrick will fit into the new set-up was left in doubt. Kettering said that Bill Frederick was a partner and he would make his own decision. However, outside sources, very close to the problem, say that B. F. will shortly shift his headquarters out of New York.

The only department with which Kettering expressed himself as being fully satisfied was the cocktails. Division, he said, is doing good business and gives indication of doing still better. Walter Bloom, nominal head of the department, was just given the title officially.

NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE

College Inn, Hotel Sherman, Chicago (Friday, September 13)

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Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8:30 and 11:30. Manager, Joe Spieler; pub-licity, Howard Mayer. Prices: \$1.50 and \$2.50 minimums.

Louis Prima and' his orchestra with 17 musicians including Louis and a complement of 23 with singers opened here and provided a good opened here and provided a good show for the supper crowd that lasted about 40 minutes.

Show began with the usual zany antics of the room's omnipresent clown, Carl Marx, doing his warm up and then Prima took over to sing and blow his trumpet to If You Were the Only Girl in the World. Prima then Only Girl in the world. Frima then gave way to pretty chirp, Judy Lynn, who did a good sales job on On the Boardwalk at Atlantic City. Miss Lynn uses her voice and good looks to full advantage and drew a solid wheeling

whacking. Tune Timers, a youthful foursome consisting of three girl singers and a boy, joined the maestro in a sock ren-dition of the novelty tune The Flea and Fly Got Caught in the Flue. Jack Powers, ork's baritone, brought forth some twitters from the female payees and a good hand from the whole and a good hand from the whole audience for his offering. Prisoner of Love. Sax man Charlie Leeds' solo on Stormy Weather went well, as did Louis's verson of Angelina, served with many Italian phrases as embel-lishment. Ork ended the show with a real blast of Brooklyn Boogie, which was loud, but good. Spot was Crowded crowded.

# NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

The Billboard

Ruban Bleu, New York (Tuesday, September 10)

Talent Policy: No dancing and continuous entertainment from 10:30. Owner, Tony Mele; room manager, Carlos; publicity, Capp-John-son Associates. Prices: \$3 minimum.

New fall show, sparked by Jane Dulo for the smart comedy and Day, Dawn and Dusk for the commercial corn, hits the bell all the way. Miss Dulo has a lot of new material, sold capably for rib-tickling results to a house that kept yelling for more. Gal is always good in a small room with a smart crowd to work to.

Day, Dawn and Dusk, on the other hand, go with almost any audience. Their brand of corn, and slapstick Their brand of corn, and slapstick style are as commercial as 1946 Buicks. Opened with well arranged Sunny Side of the Street, followed with the Wiffenpoof Song which was over-arranged. Number is most effective when done simply. Their familiar Rigoletto pulled the house down and brought shouted requests for more. They gave with Dry Bones, Stone Cold Dead; No, John, No and their calliope hillbilly tune. In between the two top acts. Paul

In between the two top acts, Paul Villard and Lisa Kirk appear. Vil-lard, who works with a guitar and in a sailor costume, has an interesting flat talking style that is as effective as it is dramatic. Special numbers built around his sailor character (See RUBAN BLEU on page 38)



Leon and Eddie's, New York (Friday, September 13)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8, 10, 12 and 2. Owners-operators: Leon Enken and Eddle Davis; publicity, Dorothy Gulman. Prices: \$2.50 minimum. and Eau... Prices:

With Eddie Davis back, the new show builds slowly to a climax. Davis sells his ditties—new ones this time— to top hands and recalls. Without him the show is patchy, lacks showmanship in several instances and

manship in several instances and needs tightening. Opener is the Frank Shepard line, a dozen good-looking fems, well cos-tumed, who get the show off to a fast start, even if their terping isn't tops

Margot Wade, tapstress, does a fair job, tho at times her work sounds muddy. She does best in her closing solo

When Patti Sheen learns that vocal tones come from the tonsils, not the nostrils, she will be a step forward on her road to show chirping. As it is, her harsh nasal tones spoil what there is of her voice as she tries Whaddya Think I Am?, an over-cute Doin' What Comes Natur'lly and South America, Take It Away, which is definitely not her number. Lou and Lilyan Bernard harmonica

duo, turn in job of mouth organing, notably It Might as Well Be Spring and Holiday for Strings.

Ziggy Lane, holdover emseechanter, continues peddling the oldies, including Blue Skies, Sur-render and It's the Talk of the Town.

The terping of the Paysees relies mostly on spins and twirls for the flash in the act, which otherwise is somewhat routine. The spins cull mitts from the crowd. New stripper here is Louise Stew-art, who takes her time about dis-

robing. Art Waner's band plays an okay

# show and the lulls. Town and Country Club,

## Milwaukee (Tuesday, September 10)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 10:30 and 12:30 nightly, three on week-ends. Owner, Jerry Klein. Publicity, Don Boles. Prices: \$1 cover. The short floorshow here is well

balanced, with emsee George Gilbert giving out well even to a half-empty house. His musical imitations of stars of the musical world are juicy, but his jokes are mostly of the long but his jokes are mostly of the long drawn-out type that get tiresome fast. Marie Gates has a strong, warm contralto, good for the huge rambling building, but she belongs more on the concert stage than in night clubs. Yolanda is the supple gal who is the show's star stripper. Does an interesting drape effect with her skirts which she cleverly uses as a cape later in the act. Terps to faster music than most strippers.

cape later in the act. Terps to faster music than most strippers. Ralph Miller's org provides the background music, with the saxo-phonist winning the honors, especially when he accompanies the Spanish-tune densing of Former where glight type dancing of Ramona, whose click-ing heels sounded like machine guns. Went over big.

# Cafe Society Uptown, New York (Monday, September 9)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8:30, 12.30 and 2. Owner-operator, Barney Josephson; pub-licity, Marvin Kohn-Tibel Nard. Prices: \$3.50 minimum.

Fall show has plenty of zip, with at least two acts showing excellent commercial cafe possibilities. Pro-gram begins with Ed Hall's ork doing a couple of hot numbers bringing on Dorothy Jarnac, balleteer, accom-panied by Hope Foye, singing accompanist. Miss Jarnac, a cute brunette (ex-Bloomer Girl), has a remarkably (See CAFE SOCIETY on page 38)

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## Blue Angel, New York (Monday, September 9)

Talent Policy: No dancing and continuous entertainment from 10:30 p.m. until about 2 a.m. Owner-operators, Herbert Jacoby and Max Gordon; publicity, Ed Weiner. Prices; \$3.50 minimum.

Instead of spot's usual policy of bringing in unknowns, bill is now loaded with familiar cafe acts, with one exception, Monica Lewis. How-ever, change has not affected quality of the show. It is loaded with nugof the show. It is loaded with nug-gets, paced well and excellently pro-duced.

Top billing this time goes to Irwin Corey, the diminutive character comic who is now a real draw here. comic who is now a real draw here. Boy showed a few new routines, but it is in his delivery and polish that he showed the most improvement. His erudite and confused professor stuff killed them right from the opener until his staggering exit. Corey has now reached the point where he should do well in any room. Bichard Dyer-Bennett's folksing.

Richard Dyer-Bennett's folksing-ing is still a clickeroo with a house that goes for the nose-twanging old English roundelays and early Ameri-cana tear jerkers. Since last caught, he has added a few new numbers all of which he sells with considerable savv

Delta Rhythm Boys' four-part har-Delta Rhythm Boys' four-part har-mony (one boy on piano) pulled terrific mitts and some fancy giggles with their Doin' What Comes Natur-'lly. Have a load of choruses not heard on the air or in theaters for obvious reasons. Opened with sock arrangement of St. Louis Blues and followed with The Gypsy as part of a medley. Came back for Dry Bones and begged off after their comic Rigoletto. Rigoletto.

Monica Lewis (ex-Benny Good-man and ex-Chesterfield airer), who's done some cafes out of town, is a pretty blonde with a stand-up style made to order for an intimate room. Has a lot of charm and sweetness and presents better than average po and presents better than average po-tentialities. Routine consisted of standards, pops and special person-ality numbers. Delivery is a little reminiscent of Evelyn Knight's, which won't do her any good. Needs her own style to start climbing. Ellis Larkin Trio did a fine job of backing her. Stuart Ross Steinways the lulls nicely

## La Martinique, New York (Wednesday, September 11)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8:30, 12:30 and 2:30. Operators, Dario and Jim Vernon. Prices: \$3.50-\$5 minimum.

Reopening of the club with Harvey Stone in the ace slot proved emi-nently satisfactory. That comic was nervous for the walk-on is under-standable. The Martinique middle show on opening night can be pure murder for a comic, as anybody who has played the room knows. Mob out front isn't an audience; it's a jury dening the group working the pole daring the guy working to make good. Well, Stone made good.

good. Well, Stone made good. His opening bits were a little slow, but once he warmed up it was yock on top of yock. Showed a lot of new material and delivered it capably. Killed 'em with Can I Be Funny for the Money and Bookie With the Scratch Sheet Face. Then came his well-known army routine finishing well-known army routine finishing with explanation that it was a good way to get him off. Big hand stopped the show cold and production which

the show cold and production which followed had a tough time getting started or being heard. Stone is strong enough to close. He doesn't need any production to follow him. The Vagabonds (two guitars, bass, accordion) opened with Swing Low, Sweet Chariot, seguing into jump beat. Then lads went at it hot and heavy with a sock rhythm and hep chanting that kept feet beating out time. Stuff does not sell right away, it seems out of place in a class cafe. it seems out of place in a class cafe. But the music and the beat become so exciting that they gradually get as hot as an open fire. In a theater, outfit is probably sensational. Unit (See La Martinique on page 38)

#### Beverly Hills Country Club, Lookout House, Covington, Kentucky Newport, Ky. (Friday, September 131

Talent Policy: Dance and show band; floor-shows at 8 and 1. Management: Beverly Hills Company, operator; Bernard Glatt, managing director; Bill Klein, maitre d': Frank Sennes, booker; Hal Braudis, exploitation and promo-tion; Howard B. Thompson, of Allen, Heaton & McDonald, publicity; Dottie White, art director. Prices: Dinner from \$2.50; drinks from 55 cents. Minimum, \$2, except Satur-days, \$3. days, \$3.

New show, Cavalcade of Rhythms, sports three solid turns in Gracie Barrie, chirpster; Alan Gale, funny man, and Jo-Ann Whitney, tapster, man, and Jo-Ann Whitney, tapster, but again it's the grand production efforts of Kathryn Duffy and the slick and precision cavortings of her Duffy Dancers (9) which lift the proceedings to the above-the-average class.

Jo-Ann Whitney, pert brunette, warms the patrons with a bit of warbling to a cute special, You Don't Dance, and then swings into a pair of tap routines in which she displays good selling, hoydenish mugging and a neat assortment of steps. Works neat assortment of steps. with a bounce and rhythm and garners a neat hand.

Gracie Barrie marred an otherwise top-notch performance with a saloony ditty in the encore slot which lost her a good part of her audience. Sweet-voiced looker does a solid job Sweet-voiced looker does a solid job of song-selling on her opener, Jose Gonzalez, a Spanish special; If You Were the Only Boy in the World, and Doin' What Comes Natur'lly, the last named a gem. Returns for a pifty losenbing Pleasa Doma Lema nifty Josephina, Pleasa Donna Leana on de Bell to solid returns and then spoils it with Let's Do and Say We Didn't, a bluey whose lyrics aren't subtle enough for a smart crowd.

Alan Gale has a corking style, punchy delivery and a raft of confi-dence that put him over. His material of mixed vintage is sound, but he bogs down at intervals, due to his failure to keep his finger on his gag trigger. Needs speedier and smoother routining. Audience liked him enough to call him back several times.

Kathryn Duffy Dancers, in their usual elaborate wardrobing, show off in grand style in the opener, Maga-zine Cover Girl number, and the finale, Poppies and the Bumblebees. Christine Carson, ballerina, tops her usual sharp performance with a corking bit of ballet work in each frame, turning 38 one-foot pirouettes in the finale. Gayle Robbins, brunet lovely, contributes her usual solid job on the emsee chores and aids in weaving the continuity with her sound vocalistics.

Gardner Benedict ork breeze on the show and dance stints, with Va-lenta still filling the intermission slots with solid pianoing.

#### Iceland Restaurant, New York

(Thursday, September 12)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 7:30, 10:30 and 13:30 a.m. Operators, Abe Goldstein and Noel Lee. Publicity, Frances Kaye. Prices: \$2 minimum; Smorgasbord dinner, \$1.49.

New blade show attempts to tell a story instead of just presenting skat-ers, but, despite the title, Alice in Wonderland, the bright costumes and specially prepared musical score, it still remains a series of solos and chorus numbers, some of which are good, while others don't quite jell. good, while others don't quite jell. On the whole, the show is bright and fast, however, and is practically the work of one person, Jean Rose, who wrote the music, lyrics and book, as well as handling the producing and directing—no mean feat, and one for which she rates an A for hard work and effort. But the show as a connected fairy tale on ice just doesn't come off. The Alice is Marilyn Quinn, who

should learn the age-old show trick that a smile, however wooden, looks good before the tables. She tends to Wednesday, September 11)

Talent Policy: Dance and show band; floor-shows at 8:30 and 1. Owner, Lookout House, Inc.; manager, Clay A. Rambeau; publicity, Betty Kapp. Prices from \$2.

Henry Busse ork (18) clicking at every move, received a tremendous welcome from the jam-packed house. Opening with his theme, Hot Lips, Busse had patrons stomping thruout, and proved a master at show pacing.

The Lucky Girls (8), all lookers, bowed with a well-timed rope spinning tap to Nagasaki. Don Regan, ork's tenor tonsilor, did well with his piping of Surrender and To Each His Own. Lad lacks stage savvy, but once he acquires it, look for him on the upper rung.

Johnson and Mitek prove their "Gems of Balance" billing an under-statement, with some of the neatest work seen hereabouts in a long time. Their hand-to-hand lifts, plus near-impossible turns, pulled them back for an intricate feet-to-feet lift for an intricate feet-to-feet lift from the floor that won them a terrific mitt.

Betty Taylor, ork's blond canary, clicked solidly, with excellent voic-ings of Doing What Comes Natur'lly and South America, Take It Away. Went into I'm a Big Girl Now to completely boff 'em.

Busse, displaying the same fine tonal trumpeting that has kept him in the top brackets for these many years, rode right into their hearts with his classy *Prisoner* of *Love*, which segued into some nifty comedy warbling bits by Clem West, an-other of the ork's vocalists. Gave them Five Minutes More, Somebody Else Is Taking My Place and Cecilia, all masterfully done with a tinge of inoffensive blue. His Pennies From Heaven parody proved socko.

Lucky Girls display excellent line work in Jungle Fantasy. Four Elgins offer adept hat and Indian club fect, they work with verve. Bit of by-play with a customer garnered

laughs and a sound palm whacking. Busse's ork does a neat job on the show and dance music, with the Feilden Foursome expertly filling the lulls. Larry Vincent is still Steinwaying at the bar.

deadpan far too much and tho she does a fair blading job, fails to show well besides other members of the company who are far better on the frigid floor. Patrick Kazda, for ex-ample, as the rabbit, opens somewhat ample, as the rabbit, opens somewhat nervously, but once he gets into solos, does a slick job of spins and tricks. Jay Cantell, as the Mad Hatter, adds color to the show with his flaming baton twirling, which nets him heavy mitting. May Hausman, who doubles as the Queen of Hearts and the Turtle, does a nice over-all job, in-cluding a neat piece of comedy skat-ing with Edith Kandell, the Duchess.

But the stand-out performers are Paul and Mickee Preston, who appear first as the Dormouse and the Cater-pillar, and then come into their own in a duo acro number that stops the show. Two have grace, agility and showmanship and sell hot to the hard-pounding table-sitters.

Lou Menshel handles the emsee and explanatory chores effectively, with the New Yorkers, quartet, chirp-ing several of the tunes. Opening Ing several of the tunes. Opening night Jean Rose fronted the Mans-field Lane ork (formerly the trio), and led them slickly thru her own score. There are a few ditties with a lilt in them, but the majority are strongly reminiscent of known pops. Show is nicely mounted and credit for what coregraphy there is goes to Johnny Brett.

In short, Alice in Wonderland is not a top show, but it has enough entertainment and variety to keep it in this eatery for some time.

Colosimo's, Chicago (Wednesday, September 11)

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Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8:30, 11:30 and 2. Owner-operator, Irv Ben-jamin; production, Madame LeNore; publicity, Sam Honigberg. Prices: \$2.50 weekdays and \$3.50 week-ends and holidays.

Gus Van is the new headliner who shares honors with Whistler Elmo Tanner in the current revue here. Show starts with a production num-ber featuring the 12 Colosimo Models in a picture parade and the number is backed by the singing of Sol Feola. Second production number highlights the interpretive doncing of Margo the interpretive dancing of Margo Wilson.

Mata and Maurice, acro-adagio dancers, gave variations of the dance and displayed their versatility to the customers' satisfaction. Best reaction came from their waltz number. Betty Morgan, who dances, plays piano and twirls canes, puts lots of vim into her act and really drew a fine hand with her *Concerto* on the 88. In addition to her good pianistics the girl throws a mean hoof and really sells herself to table-sitters. Whistler Elmo Tanner gave them

several pop numbers but really drew a fine hand on his rendition of the musically intricate Nola. Tanner also whistled Holiday for Strings and drew a spontaneous whack from his satirical rendition of Whistler's Mother-in-Law. Gus Van's following is strong as

ever and he was held on for a good 40 minutes. During that time he sang, gagged, did dialect jokes and numbers and then went for a musical walk down Broadway. The practically everything he did. They liked did. Van's practically everything he did. Van's long experience stood him well and his Irish brogue version of McNa-mara's Band and Kern Medley really drew prolonged mitts. Mel Cole's ork backed the show and biz was good.

## Rio Cabana, Chicago (Friday, September 6)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 10 and 1. Management, Chuck and Bert Jacobson; production, Eddie Noll; publicity, Madelyn Wood. Prices: \$2.50 minimum.

Show goes under title of Miles of Smiles, starring Jackie Miles. Proluction opens with Don Bradfield and the Rio Cabana Lovelies (7), well-co-ordinated, gorgeous line in an eyecatching terp number tagged Fans Faire. Payees react favorably. Nancy Doran is featured as terpstress and swings a beautiful pair of gams with finesse. Bradfield warbles in the background with a smooth set of

pipes. Rita Oehman socked them with a combination of whimsy and torch in Indi's Him. Sold well an Irish ditty, Plumber's Ball, and hillbilly Doin' What Comes Natur'lly.

Clark Brothers terped their way thru an acrotapic routine that had the payees pounding for more. Ter-rific timing won them a couple of repeats. Sold well with an Ink Spot

Marine Dining Room, **Edgewater Beach Hotel**, Chicago

(Tuesday, September 10)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8:30 and 10:30. Owner, William M. Dewey; publicity, Marjorie Winston; production, Doro-thy Hild. Prices: \$1,50 cover.

Marine Dining Room, which doesn't formally open until October 11, was used Tuesday night because the breezes of Lake Michigan made the outdoor beachwalk too cold for comfort. Spot's usual production num-ber started the show. Dorothy Hild dancers did Harlem boogie with the Song Stylists singing in the background.

Paul and Paulette, trampoline art-ists, entered in bellhop and maid costumes. They did acro bouncing both as singles and as a team. Pretty Paulette displays a knowledge of ballet as she strikes streamlined poses while in mid-air. Paul's best offering is a triple somersault. Team drew a fine hand upon retiring.

The Arnauts, two men and a woman, began with three violins and then launched into acrobatics while still fiddling to March of Wooden Soldiers and Pop! Goes the Weasel. The three men come out as birds and go thru a whistling routine involving a romantic situation which culmi-nates in a high-nitched marriage nates in a high-pitched marriage ceremony. Some of whistling with human inflections brought yocks and the team drew a nice mitt.

Second production number fea-tured the dancing of Rollet and Doro-thea, acro and adagio terpers. While the elaborately costumed chorus ef-fectively weaves in and out and Rollet fakes use of a bull-whip on Dorothea, the Song Stylists in the background chant exotic songs of old Baghdad.

Henry Brandon ork (17), which has been here all summer and will soon wind up the current engage-ment, played for dancing and backed the show. Biz good.

imitation, tho number was a trifle breathless from strenuous terping.

Jackie Miles draws a heavy mitt from smooth delivery of situation humor. Doesn't work for punch lines and slides easily from laugh to laugh. Breaks routine with clever arrange-ments of Sunny Side of the Street and You Made Me Love You plus a Chinatown sight-seeing number a la Danny Kaye. Competes favor-ably with the terpers and swings the sticks in a drum number. Wins big laughs, but routine is overlong. Spot was jammed. Cel Davidson ork (8) backed the show and provided dance music.

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Olympia, Miami

(Wednesday, September 11) Another five-act bill provided a well-balanced show, and customers warmed up to this one early. Roy Douglas, ventriloquist, had marvelous control and drew several

recalls. nitery appearance, scored with pop

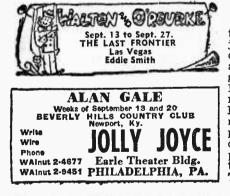
songs. Vince and Gloria Haydock went to town in a terp specialty for a heavy mitt.

Ladd Lyon's acro offering pulled several bows.

Boyd Heath dished out plenty of melody in his own peculiar style for fine results.

Pic, Monsieur Beaucaire. Biz, good.

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## VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

The Billboard

Roxy, New York (Wednesday, September 11)

Current presentation is imaginative, capturing some of the cafe at-mosphere that Hildegarde works so well in. But despite attempts at in-timacy that set tries to achieve, size of the stage and the house offsets a great deal of it. The Milwaukee chanteuse is easily one of the best class room acts around. She has class room acts around. She has proved time and again that she's a show woman and a powerful draw. But whether or not she can do as well with a beer-buying crowd as she does with champagne drinkers is open to question.

For one thing Hildegarde's frilly greetings that go so well in the Per-sian Room, didn't do well here. In-stead of a receptive crowd, the wellknown Hildegardian touches found a confused audience. Her by-play with a G.I. customer on stage didn't regis-ter mainly because G.I. was unre-sponsive. Bit could be sock with

Sponsive. Bit could be sock with proper help. What crowd went for was Patsy Kelly's raucous shrieks and chatter. That was something they understood. It seems that Hildegarde needs more of the common touch to get the mass appeal. Her singing of ballads, with Salvatore Gioe on piano, were effec-tive. Her own piano work on a grand on center stage was equally good. tive. Her own piano work on a grand on center stage was equally good. But Hildegarde's charm and show-manship don't rest on her playing or warbling. It rests on her glib greetings, her style and mannerisms. Here on the Roxy stage, with its tre-mendous space, they were lost. Gal got a fair assist from comic Jan Murray. But he worked much too fast for audience to catch what he was throwing. His bits with Patsy Kelly registered okay. His routine with Henry King, musical conductor for the show, also was good. Mur-

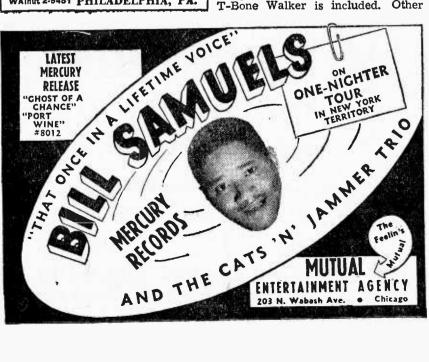
for the show, also was good. Mur-ray's big trouble seemed to be lack

of proper pacing when working as a double. He did better as a single. Eleanor Teeman, tall, long-stemmed brunette hoofer, did a nice job with her spins and heel-and-toeroutines

#### Pic, Home Sweet Homicide.

#### Million Dollar, Los Angeles (Tuesday, September 10)

There's a lot of excitement here this week, but not talentwise. It's just another screen-stage tie-in, with current pic leads doing a personal appearance. Stepping out of Monoappearance. Stepping out of Mono-gram's High School Hero, teen-agers Freddie Stewart, June Preisser, War-ren Mills, Jackie Moran and Trankie Darro are greated with plenty of mitting. But as is usually the case palming isn't so much for what they do are the store on for glumour of do on the stage, as for glamour of pic background. To give bill some-thing more substantial, blues shouter T-Bone Walker is included. Other



#### **Oriental**, Chicago (Thursday, September 12)

Eddy Howard ork (13) is current Eddy Howard ork (13) is current headliner here. Band cuts and fea-tures some choice numbers during this 57-minute revue. Produc-tion got underway with ork giving a solid rendition of Chicago. Kenny Myers, band singer, did well with Route 66. His slow, easy and rhythmic style went well with aisle-sitters and be got guide a band he got quite a hand.

The Three Rays, fem acro-comediennes, knocked each other all over the place. Started with a song that was lively but wasn't attention-catching because they continue to hop and jump and the words didn't get across. Once started on their acro foolery, however, they had the audi-ence yocking and received several rounds of applause before they were allowed to depart.

Paul Regan, mimic and radio emsee, may not be the world's best mime but he has some of the finest material caught here to date. His take-offs of Peter Lorre, Clark Gable, Jimmy Durante and a host of others were good, but the guy's patter as well as his sense of timing are what really sold him. After having are what really sold him. After having been brought back twice he ended with an imitation of Will Rogers which really merited the healthy palm whacking that it received.

Rest of the show was supplied by the Howard ork and featured a clever novelty done to the tune of I Wanna Get Married by Bob Capelli wanna Get Marriea by Bob Capelli of brass section. Maestro Howard sang They Say It's Wonderful, Sur-render and Rickety Rickshaw. Lat-ter was very well done and got a real ovation from payees.

Show closed with Howard and trio doing To Each His Own. House was filled.

acts thrown in are Ray Malone (lad tries hard to sell his tap routines) and the Jitterbugs (kid foursome doing what can be seen at any dancery).

June Preisser is best of the pic lot. Little lovely holds stage well, appear-Little lovely holds stage well, appear-ing at ease with her audience and has the knack of making payees think she's putting on a terrific show, when actually she does nothing. Cutie pulls down the house with a couple of handsprings, cartwheels and a jit-terbug single which many a high-school kid in the audience could match. match.

Freddie Stewart's high-pitched pipes please as he slurs thru To Each His Own and The Gypsy. Warren Mills, Frankie Darro and Jackie Moran, decked out in skirts and with mops for hair, dub zany antics to a platter of Andrews Sisters. Altho routine has seen better days (with better performers), it pulls yocks. Darro and Moran do a comedy skit (with corn straight from last semes-ter's freshman play) and pull some

palms. Best on the bill is blues chanting Best on the bill is blues chanting of T-Bone Walker, self-accompanied on a groovey guitar and supported by piano and bass. I Wantta Little Girl wins plenty of mitts. Teen-Agers (ork) shy clear of an instrumental number, stay in the background, suitably supporting acts.

#### **RUBAN BLEU**

(Continued from page 36) make good listening. Boy has an annoying habit of breaking moods his

annoying habit of breaking moods his songs built up by stepping out of character for poor ad libs. His good deadpan delivery doesn't need ad libs. They hurt rather than help. Lisa Kirk, ex-band canary, showed a gorgeous chassis with voice to match. Did best with heavy blues numbers such as All Man and All Mine, which incidentally is a fine torcheroo. Gal however, showed intorcheroo. Gal, however, showed in-

#### LA MARTINIQUE

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was good here, but lacks something. Perhaps some smarter material would take group out of the surprise class and put it into established up-per brackets.

Ted Lawrie does okay in the pro-duction singing department. Would probably get more results if he were given better numbers to do. The score by Sherry Edwards and Elise Bretton was ordinary.

Bob Mitchell, dancer, showed off to advantage with his ballet taps. Boy moves around with ease, poise and grace and won a deservably good mitt

Helen Edwards, production singer, showed little outside of looks. Three productions with six-girl line were well staged and attractively coswell staged and attractively cos-tumed. Best was the finale in which girls come out in Indian headdress for a good mitt. Val Olman played a difficult show --every act has music--with real skill. Sacasas did the rumba ses-

Center floor has been raised and ceiling has been altered, making for better visibility and acoustics.

#### **CAFE SOCIETY**

(Continued from page 36) effective routine which will go in any class spot in the country. She does modern dance interpretations while canary, Hope Foye, furnishes vocal background. Miss Foye can sing lowdown blues skillfully. Should be able to hold her own as a single. Entire act shows imagination and skill and pulled terrific mitting. Patricia Bright, caught many times

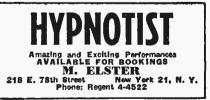
before, is still the mistress of rapier-like satire. Despite all the years she has been appearing, she has not grown in stature. Has some new material, but it was her oldies which

g t the giggles and guffaws. David Brooks (also ex-Bloomer Girl), on next, was sock from the opening bars to the walk-off. Opened effectively from the front of the house with I'm Gonna Cease My Wanderings, sans mike, and had the crowd right where he wanted them with first note. Kept them there with a well arranged routine and a personable selling style which ranged from the ballads to pops and barber-shop warbling. Boy is a finished per-former, knows how to stand and move around, giving an impression of ease that is heart warming.

ease that is heart warming. Jack Gilford, comic, is off on the wrong track. Character pits, White Russian, nitery comic and longhair ork sideman, got laughs, but most of them were labored. Did better with his social significance satires last time around. Rubber-faced comic sells acceptably but needs something to peddle to get real hands. Ed Hall's band cuts the show nicely. Dave Martin's Trio relieves.

experience in routining songs. Needs to learn that you can't follow a strong number with a weak one for sustained results. Also has to learn how to work to back of the house instead of ringsiders. Added experi-ence should give her that; the voice and style are already hers.

Cedric Wallace Trio does nicely in show backing. Wally Blacker, pianoemsee also was okay.



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## NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

#### Cafe Society Downtown, New York (Tuesday, September 10)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8:30, 12 and 2:30. Owner, Barney Josephson; publicity, Marvin Kohn-Tibel Nard. Prices; \$2.50 minimum.

Last show before this spot closed for the summer had two Kings and a Queen in it. For reopening, Barney Josephson, in approved draw poker fashion decided to try to strengthen his hand by dropping one card and drawing another to see if he could come up with three of a kind. He drew an ace, Susan Reed, but the bill still lacks balance, and a new affliction—absence of / compactness—has been introduced. Miss Reed is a Tiffany jewel in a

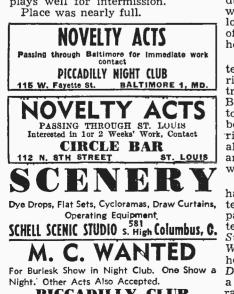
Miss Reed is a Tiffany jewel in a box without plush. Despite the lack of showcasing, she sparkles and wins her audience with the charm of a magic scherzo. With unusual poise for a 19-year-old, she seats herself on a high stool before a mike and folksings her way with elfin glee, accompanying herself meanwhile with an array of strange but interesting instruments—"Glorified Cigar Boxes," she calls them.

es," she calls them. Using an Irish harp and a zither, the distaff counterpart of Burl Ives wings her way thru three numbers, each evoking heavy hands. She switches to a stringed breadboard for an encore, Danny Boy, and then back to the zither for Molly Malone. Miss Reed is a hit and it is her pleasant, expressive voice and a wise choice of songs that makes her click. Altho she is a lovely redhead, her costome is nowhere as becoming as her offstage dress, the former serving only to accentuate her so-so figure.

to accentuate her so-so figure. Timmie Rogers and Pete Johnson are the holdovers. Rogers is still shellacking the customers with I Call My Mama Flagalapa, altho he is not getting all he used to cull from the number. He has added a new song, about a draftee, called Bring Enough Clothes for Three Days, which nets fairly good response. Give Me Some Good Whiskey still is riot for the tourists and community sing Hey! Ba-Ba-Re-Bop! again is sock. Encores with more of the Rogers dancing than when last caught (apparently he is still taking it easy with the leg that was broken) and it makes new and old customers hungry for a full dose. Pete Johnson capably manipulates

Pete Johnson capably manipulates the ivories in boogie-woogie tempo, but in an uninspired manner does three numbers, Boogie-Woogie on a Downbeat, Yancey Special and Honevsuckle Rose, Well awarded.

Downbeat, Yancey Special and Honeysuckle Rose. Well awarded. J. C. Heard's ork (6), also holdover, is still sock with leader impressive as emsee. Band opens with an original, Bouncing With Barney, seguing into Somebody Loves Me. Cliff Jackson plays well for intermission. Place was nearly full.



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#### The Surrey Room, Hotel Touraine, Boston (Monday, September 9)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 7:45 and 11:30 p.m. Owner, Clarence Hyde; manager, George Hicks; publicity, Jane Underwood. Prices: \$2.50 minimum after 9 p.m.

Newest hotel spot to debut on local scene is Surrey Room, which rates way up for originality and eyeappeal. Opening night comments tabbed the place as "not looking like Boston."

Management opened the room with Irene Manning as solo attraction. Singer, working under handicaps of lighting and scanty rehearsal time, did a sock job. If she develops the smart sense-of-humor touch with which she peps up her material, she has a good chance of being one of the few original fem singers to come along since Hildegarde wrapped up the field.

Opened with a Russian number tagged *The Sleigh*, giving it plenty of vocal fireworks and bang. Follow-up, however, were impressions of casting problems in Hollywood and meant little to the cash customers. Thrush really built a solid production when she sat down at the piano and sang *Summertime*.

Another laugh-collector had the audience giving out with guffaws as Miss Manning burlesqued an operatic opus in which a toreador made vocal passes at a shy young maid. Big hand drew her back to encore with *Desert Song*, and when the mitting continued strong, she obliged with *What Do I Care?*, which she introed as the theme song of Russian diplomacy.

Carl Sands and his orchestra, also new to Boston, cut a good show and would have been better if rehearsal time had been less rushed by the carpenters completing the room.

#### Latin Quarter, Newport, Ky. (Friday, September 6)

Talent Policy: Dancing from 7:30. Floorshows at 9, 12 and 3. Owner, Tommy Callahan; manager, George Gebhardt; maitre d', Tommy Clare; publicity, Don Heck. Prices, \$1.50 minimum.

Boasting sure-fire acts and sound production work, current layout, headed by Dolly Dawn, chirpster, can't miss meaning moola in the till.

Leon Fields, emsee-mimic, returns after a three-month absence to relieve Sammy Leeds, and clicks as handily as on his initial stand. His funny patter, expertly seasoned with mimicry and hoofing, foments plenty of payee favor.

Fields sends the Modelaires (6) into a nifty gypsy-routined tap number for starter, but the biggest production lift comes at the bow-off when the attractively garbed, goodlooking gals return for a minstrel offering which adds up to topflight hoofery.

Harrison, Carol and Boss Boy registered well from the outset, with Harrison and Carol doing some of the trickiest tap work ever seen here. Boss Boy, diminutive jiver, slides into some well-liked harmonica and boogie-woogie pianistics. With Harrison selling 'em all the way, trio also gave with sock tap gymnastics and they bowed to tremendous palmwalloping.

Miss Dawn walked on to a booming hand and from there on it was a matter of how long it would be before patrons would let her off. Does a terrific selling job on Keep Your Sumy Side Up and They Say It's Wonderful, and captivated 'em with her stylized canarying of Stone Cold Dead in the Market. Then went into a refreshing medley of Dave Rose arrangements consisting of April Showers, I'm Always Chasing Rainbows Empire Room, Palmer House, Chicago (Thursday, September 12)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8 and 12. General manager, Joseph P. Binns; production, Merriel Abbott; publicity, Fred Joyce. Prices: \$3.50 and \$4 minimums.

For the second time within a week the Palmer House management presented a show without music. This time they brought in Dunninger, the mentalist, who came in instead of. Evelyn Knight because of the music nix at Hilton Hotels here.

nix at Hilton Hotels here. Show opened with the Abbott Dancers and the Blackburn Twins doing a *Cake Walk*. Part of the background for this was supplied by the singing of the Four Maurer Sisters and Dick Barstow, production assistant at this spot, came up with another poem while the dancers terped to its rhythm. Spark of the Blackburn Twins helped put this one over and the production number went over much better than last week's attempt, which had no males in the picture. Number drew quite a hand from the crowd.

Dunninger went for 57 minutes and the scarcity of music didn't harm his act one bit. During that time he told strangers their addresses, telephone numbers and even the numbers of other people that table-sitters were thinking about. Previous to this he did some of the more ordinary magic stuff and then pulled some card tricks that the average magician wouldn't think of trying.

He brushed off an audience heckler with the utmost finesse and drew rounds of applause thruout his act with his mental feats. Dunninger has just the type of act that this spot needs under the circumstances and if the management can keep bringing in people who need music as little as he does here is little chance that the room will close.

Shows have been cut to one a night and some of the gimmicks such as inviting customers to dance to singing of the Maurer Sisters didn't meet with much success, altho two or three couples lasted for a whole set. Room was filled.

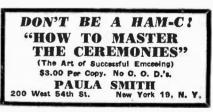
and Birth of the Blues, which brought the house down. She acquiesced with South America, Take It Away and Doin' What Comes Natur'lly, and had to beg off.

Sammy Leeds ork did a top-drawer job with the dance and show music. Charlie Hudson continues the organ and pianistic rave at the bar.

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## Wash'n Grooms Lisner Thea. as **Pre-B'dway Spot**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Having squeezed by the tight ban set by the Civilian Production Administra-tion on showbiz construction, George Washington University's Lisner Thea-ton with latent in store acuipment Washington University's Lisner Thea-ter, with latest in stage equipment, is ready to open this fall to enter-taiment. Washington may thus have a new spot for tryouts, with Ingrid Bergman already slated for a three-week run in Maxwell Anderson's Joan of Lorraine from October 28 thru November 16.

That Lisner may soon be getting a lot of bids from plenty of good shows reportedly squeezed out of Broadway houses because of the theater short-age seems likely, especially since D. C.'s one legit house, the National, is tied down by a strict contract with Is the down by a strict contract with t' e United Booking Agency. The new house boasts one of the three largest stages in the East, orchestra accom-modations for 120 tootlers and the most modern equipment, including a lighting custom with 01 possible light lighting system with 91 possible light-ing combinations. Free from drafts and other inconveniences common in old theaters, Lisner seats 1,502 peo-ple, all of them on one floor rising gradually from the pit.

gradually from the pit. The new house has been received with kudos by critics, who for a long time have been jammering for an-other legit house in town, especially because of the great demand here for live shows. Billing in the National during the last three weeks has in-cluded *The Magnificent Heel*, which was badly panned; Blackstone the Magician, and *Life With Father*, which critics regard as frayed fare for a show town like D. C. Meanwhile CPA is letting a few

for a show town like D. C. Meanwhile CPA is letting a few entertainment biz hardship cases get by with approvals to two theaters and four eateries, according to the latest administration report. Hardy C. Pitt-man (Greenview, III.) was granted a release of \$15,000 worth of con-struction materials and Sam P. Bee-son (Shepherd, Tex.) got \$5,500 for the other theater. Value of all new entertainment construction totaled \$51,100 out of an over-all okay list amounting to nearly \$185,000. In addition, CPA put its stamp of ap-proval on \$50,000 worth of repair construction to a theater in Kings-port, Tenn., on the basis of essential and non-deferable maintenance and repairs. repairs.

#### N. Y. Truck Strike **Snags 2 Tryouts**

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The local truck strike has affected legit in at least two instances. Vinton Freedley's production of *The Tem-porary Mrs. Smith*, which opened in Wilmington yesterday, was temporar-ily prevented from entering New Jersey to place its electrical equip-ment aboard a train. However, the mix-ip was settled in a few minutes mix-up was settled in a few minutes and the equipment went thru.

In the second case, costumes which In the second case, costumes which arrived on the Queen Mary for the *Duchess of Malfi* remained on the dock unpacked. Liner docked the day of the strike Friday (6) and ap-parel for the show has been stuck since. But *Malfi* has obtained some other costumes to replace the ones trikebound strikebound.

Meanwhile, employees of theatrical transfer companies have been work-ing steadily and delivering their shows as per schedule. Nothing has arisen which would indicate a sym-pathy move on their part.

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#### **Barter Theater Set** For Virginia Trek

ABINGDON, Va., Sept. 14.—Via appropriation of \$10,000 from the Virginia Conservation Commission plus other donation, the Barter Thea-ter launches the first State-wide tour ter launches the first State-wide tour of a State subsidized theater in Fred-ericksburg, Monday (23). Operating from a succession of regional bases, starting at Fredericksburg, Robert Porterfield's rep troupe will cover 70 Virginia spots until January 1 and then embark on a six-week tour of 12 Dixie States. Troupe then will return to the home grounds and operate until middle of May, when Porterfield plans a Broadway visit of two weeks, returning for regular stock opening here, June 1. Over-all plan is to convert the summer stock company into a year-round stock company into a year-round rep troupe and pay players standard Equity salaries.

Company will number 35, selected from the summer-base roster of 100. Five plays, Blithe Spirit, Virginia Overture, Wings Over Europe, Arms and the Man and Much Ado About Nothing, have been selected from summer productions for the touring rep. State of the Union also will be included and a seventh play added later in the year.

For trouping, Porterfield is organ-

A Slump? Not For Plays, Say **Ticket Agents** 

NEW YORK, Sept. 14 .- Stock market razzle-dazzle strikes and general economic disturbances put no damper on customer enthusiasm for amuse-ments, according to leading ticket brokers. In fact, the lads who sell the ducats at an override look for a top legit season on the black side of their ledgers.

Tyson operating company has been "doing a winter business all sum-mer," says its manager, Robert Burke, and if it keeps up, brokerage org "should have best season in its history." As to biz holding up, Burke points out that advance reservations for seats via firm's 23 hotel outlets already run-into mid-February and states that demand calls for five times their allotment. their allotment.

One reason for brokerage optimism is solid backlog of hit shows. Annie Get Your Gun, Harvey, State of the Union, Call Me Mister, Born Yes-terday and O, Mistress Mine are all in the sellout class. Three To Make Ready has recently bounced right up with the leaders. Carousel and Oklahoma continue on super-strong call, and one of the Stem's latest en-The Front Page, has all the eartries marks of another top b.o. contender. While not quite up to the S.R.O cate-gory, such items as Show Boat, the Red Mill and Dream Girl are still in good demand.

#### Riding the Gravy Train

With a popularity set-up like this, the weakies cut in on the gravy. As John M. McBride puts it, "the bigger the demand for the hits, the better for the whole list. A customer sel-dom leaves the counter without make

for the whole list. A customer sel-dom leaves the counter without mak-ing some kind of buy, even if he can't get just what he wants." McBride's forecast of the new sea-son is slightly more conservative than Burke's, but he is certain that his org could dispose of two or three times the amount of tix allotted to them. Legit brokerage, he opines, is chief-ly supported by out-of-towners and "there are still plenty of spenders no matter what the conditions." Cus-tomers, says McBride, will always have a bit put by to shell out for amusement, no matter how tough the going is otherwise. As long as the hotels are packed as they are and there is no passenger transport tie-up, Broadway legit has nothing to worry about, says he. about, says he. Lou Schonseit, manager of Mac-

key's Agency, is equally long on the new season results. While he feels that current conditions have made some temporary inroads on his firm's biz, the setback is nothing to worry about. Biz is well above average for this time of worr and he believes it about. Biz is well above average for this time of year, and he believes it is bound to improve as new blood in the way of shows moves in. He is a little worried, however, lest a plug-up of road booking may result in forcing Broadway newies to open cold which is naturally tough on brokerage boys. None of them is particularly con-cerned about the bottleneck due to

cerned about the bottleneck due to lack of staging facilities, which looks likely to repeat itself this year. Con-sensus is that while the season will be late getting into full swing, the usual average of bow-outs will maintain and the sturdier starters will keep the full quota of legit houses lighted. Meantime, there are those sock draws on tap.

izing players into three units, Red, White and Blue. Red and Blue are white and Blue. Red and Blue are separate companies each with own plays and itinerary. On alternate weeks two will weld to form a White company for the two big productions, Wings and Much Ado.

## **Pemberton** Reels From 'Heel', Plans

Hiatus Revision

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. — Brock Pemberton left for Washington to attend obsequies of his tryout of The attend obsequies of his tryout of *The* Magnificent Heel which shuttered there tonight. He will discuss script revisions with the author, Constance O'Hara, a job which will require about six weeks to make. Central character—The Heel—needs high-lighting to make him more "magnifi-cent," says the Pemberton office. Plan is to use everybody available from the original cast. However, with fresh rehearsals and perhaps a short road break-in on the rewritten job, it is doubtful that Broadway will get a peek at Heel before January. Strong possibility that Pemberton

get a peek at *Heel* before January. Strong possibility that Pemberton meanwhile will hop to London for conferences on West End production of *Harvey*, which will likely open under the banner of Hugh Beaumont and Gilbert Miller. Current set-up calls for an all-British cast. When arrangements are complete, Pember-ton will fly over to direct the show himself. himself.

#### Plot "Othello" as **Trouping Longie** With Canada Lee

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Canada Lee, playing the title role, will head a new company of Othello which is being planned as a barnstorming troupe to tour for a year or more thru North America, England and end up finally on the Stem late in 1947 or early 1948. Plan at present is for company to play every city town willage and

play every city, town, village and hamlet that wants it and has the accommodation. Three or four dif-ferent booking offices will route the

ferent booking offices will route the show, which is expected to preem in Canada shortly. Goes into rehearsal within two weeks with Irving Pichel' directing. Philip Huston will play Iago. Search is on for a Desdemona. Production nut is expected to cost around \$50,000, which is being raised by the four sponsors of the tour: Lee, Mark Marvin (co-producer with Lee of On Whitman Avenue), Huston and Robert Joseph, of United Attractions, who, however, is in this show solo. This isn't Lee's first brush with the bard, nor with this play. Several

bard, nor with this play. Several years ago, at the experimental the-ater of the new School of Social Research, he did special scenes from the play with John Ireland as Iago, and got big hands for his job as the Moor. Several seasons ago he played Caliban in The Tempest.

#### Huddle on London "Roots"

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Leah Salis-bury is conferring with Aubrey Blackburn, London legit agent, who arrived here Monday (9), regarding set-up of a West End production of *Deep Are the Roots*. Hugh Beau-mont, producer of the British edition, is due to arrive late this month when actual casting will get underway. Expected that Negro members of the Broadway cast will be signed for the London engagement and Barbara Bel London engagement and Barbara Bel Geddes is wanted for her original role, provided her film commitments with RKO will permit.

#### Gordon Exits CSI for 'Mister'

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.-Robert H. Gordon, legit head of Camp Shows, Inc., takes a leave of absence October 14 to direct the road company of Call Me Mister. Gordon also directed Broadway company of the show. Walter Davis will replace him.

#### **OUT-OF-TOWN OPENINGS**

#### **UP IN CENTRAL PARK** (Opened Saturday, September 7, 1946) HOLLYWOOD BOWL, HOLLYWOOD

Maid.....Louise Holde Mildred Wincor.....Edalyn Bledso Mildred Wincor.....Edalyn Bledsoe Joe Stewart......John Thorne Lotta Stevens.........John Thorne Lotta Stevens......Gloria Folland Fanny Morris......Carmen Lewis Clara Manning......Lilias MacLelan James Fiske Jr.....Jack Howard The Gnome...............Jack Howard Governess.........Louise Holden First Child.......Janet Lally First Child.....Joanne Lally Second Child.....Janet Lally 

Broadway's Michael Todd was determined to make Hollywood sit up and take notice and has succeeded in so doing. Todd kicked off with more so doing. Todd kicked off with more drum-beating than flicker villagers had ever seen for a stager. From his colorful Hollywood Boulevard parade (climating the campaign) to decking out ticket-takers in gay '90's cops' uniforms, the Todd touch was evi-dent. Only the mammouth stage of dent. Only the mammouth stage of the 20,000-seat Hollywood Bowl could provide ample elbow room. This he filled quite adequately with a cast of 300 and such extras as a marching bagpipe band, a carousel, horse-drawn carriages, etc.

Story of boss Tweed's reign and fall takes on humorous aspects as told in Herbert and Dorothy Fields's book. Complications resulting from book. Complications resulting from the romance of Tammany Hall un-derling's daughter (Maureen Can-non) and The New York Times re-porter (Wilbur Evans), whose printed expose punctures the Tweed graft bubble, provides the plot as well as purpose for some of Romberg's fine tunes. (Latter include Close as Pages in a Book It Doesn't Cost You Anuin a Book, It Doesn't Cost You Anything To Dream, Currier and Ives Carousel in the Park and The Comi Ives. cal Fireman's Bride.) Evans's rich baritone fills the amphitheater, combaritone fills the amphitheater, com-ing up as the best set of pipes in the company. He's especially good in Pages in a Book, Anything To Dream and When She Walks in the Room. At times he tends to overdramatize his singing, giving his voice a hard tone. Avoiding operatics would en-hance his work.

Miss Cannon shows plenty of sparkle, capably handling her vocal res. What she may lack in the chores. latter she compensates with sales sav-vy. Her singing comes thru a little thin, however, when pitted against the well-rounded voice of Evans. Russ Brown rings the bell in the role of Tweed ringster Timothy Moore. Betty Bruce wins applause as come-dienne-dancer. Couple of specialties are thrown in for added spice. These include Fred and Elaine Barry, danc-ers; the Shyrettos, cyclists; Rivas Troupe, and Frick and Bodo. First night ork was batoned by Sigmund Romberg.

Because the outdoor stage lacks a proscenium arch, problem of stage setting proves a hard nut to crack. To help hurdle the handicap huge picturesque backdrops (a la Currier and Ives) are moved into place with

#### **BARNABY AND MR. O'MALLEY** (Opened Saturday, September 7, 1946) THE PLAYHOUSE,

Before Barnaby and Mr. O'Malley reaches Broadway at least 20 minutes will have been cut from the running time of the three-hour opus. It can stand even more. However, there's plenty of fun for theatergoers in the adaptation of the popular newspaper comic strip to the stage, and after proper pruning, it may make a go of it on the Main Stem.

As it stands, the production is extremely episodic. Scenes are short, and the interminable scene shifting results in entirely too much stage wait. It's reminiscent of Maeterlinck's The Blue Bird of many years ago, except that then the waiting time was filled with musical bridges, which the present production lacks. But the show has much merit and drew plenty of laughs in the right places

J. M. Kerrigan plays to perfection the role of J. J. O'Malley, the cigar-smoking down-to-earth fairy godfather who sports pink wings and a paunch, filches Havana cigars, catches tame lions and generally meddles in most everyone's business. And when he takes over as congressional campaign manager for Barnaby Baxter's father, the proceedings are positively hilarious. As the 8-year-old boy who wishes for---and gets---a fairy godfather. Tommy Hamilton is on stage almost constantly in what is perhaps the longest role ever assigned to a youngster. And he does a good job.

Louise Campbell and Clark Howat play up well as Barnaby's parents, and the cast also includes O'Malley's companion sprites, the frightened ghosts, invisible leprechauns and sundry characters.

This is an expensive production, evident in the beautiful, movable sets which roll in and out of position on stage with a minimum of lost time. One set shows the interior of the Baxter home, with the front of the house cut away to show simultaneously the living room and Barnaby's room upstairs. Whole set moves to the rear of the stage and makes room for the scene in the adjoining suburban woods. And when O'Malley flies across the stage it's a sight to behold.

Costuming, too, is of high order. Kerrigan is O'Malley come to life, and the tame lion, talking dog, ghost and other characters are very done. A word of praise must be added for the lighting effects—such as those used to represent the invisible leprechaun.

A lot of work needs to be done before Barnaby will be ready for Broadway, but it's a show with great box-office possibilities.

#### each changing scene.

An even tougher problem will be the chilly fall nights which the 22-night run will have to encounter.

**TEMPORARY MRS. SMITH** (Opened Friday, September 13, 1946)

PLAYHOUSE, WILMINGTON, DEL. A comedy in two acts by Jacqueline Susann and Beatrice Cole. Presented by Vinton Freedley. Directed by Billy Gilbert. De-signed and lighted by Donald Oenslager. Costume supervision, Eleanor Goldsmith. Signed and nghied by Donald Censuger. Costume supervision, Eleanor Goldsmith, Associate on production, Richard Krakeur. Business manager, Edgar Runkle. Press representative, Karl Bernstein. Stage di-rector, Harry Howell. Stage manager, James C. Wicker.

Opening night audience at Wil-mington's Playhouse laughed at and applauded Smith. and pplauded The Temporary Mrs. mith, and this new comedy looks like a b.-o. winner. As with many an opener, it needs tightening here and there. But Mischa Auer's name will help keep the ticket wickets busy in Washington and Baltimore and will bolster biz on Broadway.

Husky-voiced Francine Larrimore lends action to the title role of a fad-ing singer, who seeks to marry for money to give her daughter security Proceedings are hilarious as she sets her cap for Thomas Van Stokes. This wealthy gent is a dog lover, who has formed an organization of dog owners in his apartment to fight eviction orders.

And so Natasha's daughter, Peggy -kept in pigtails at 18 to preserve mamma's glamour -- brightly sells mother's last furs to buy a dog in hopes that the canines may bring Natasha and Thomas together.

They do-after considerable difficulties. A couple of Natasha's ex-husbands turn up. Naturally there's no place for them to stay in New York, and so they must needs occupy couch and chairs in Natasha's hotel apartment on Central Park South.

So there are plenty of complica-tions and with Mischa Auer and Millard Mitchell as the ex-husbands. there's plenty of fun, too. But by the time the stuffy Thomas

Van Stokes is satisfied with the ex-planation of their presence. Natasha gets word that daughter Peggy has married a Van Stokes. She thinks Thomas has jilted her until the de-nouement discloses that Peggy, falllivered the dog, has married the heir to the Van Stokes fortune. And so Natasha needn't marry Thomas after all.

Α highlight of the show is the scene showing a meeting of the dog lovers' club and an array of Holly-wood trained canines won the praise

of Wilmington's first-nighters. Billy Gilbert's able direction takes full advantage of the laugh-provok-ing situations of the plot, and all the performers do good work. Donald Oenslager's set is up to his

usual high standard.

#### Winston's 2 Rep Groups To Hit Road This Fall

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Harold Winston unveils his Theater of the Open Road this fall. Winston will send out two repertory companies specializing in Shakespeare and composed of six to eight thesps. One troupe

will be Equity, the other non-Equity. Company will play mainly in high schools, colleges, auditoriums and women's clubs. Booking will be done by a lecture agent. Thesps head into New England for four months by a lecture agent. Thesps head into New England for four months, then trek to the Middle West. Win-ston, a former USO director, broke in the actors this summer on two dates at teachers' colleges in Pennsylvania.

Kanin-Gordon Put Themselves Out of Playwrights Co.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Recent ef-forts of the Playwrights Company to pipe new blood into the organization since the resignation of S. N. Behrman reduced the play-scripting com-bo to three, will not bear fruit insofar as Ruth Gordon and Garson Kanin are concerned. Kurt Weil has teamed up with Maxwell Ander-son, Robert Sherwood and Elmer Rice, and Thorton Wilder has been invited into the group. But so far as the Gordon-Kanin combo is con-cerned, the situation is something more than status quo.

Kanin is now in the throes of readying a No. 2 troupe of Born Yesterday, in which Eleanor Lynn and Richard (ex-Oklahoma) Rober have the leads, for a Bridgeport unveiling Friday (2). Almost immediately following that chore, Kanin starts direction of Ruth Gordon's autobi-ographical play, Years Ago, which will be produced by Max Gordon. Next on the agenda is the production starting January 6 in the Donald Ogden Stewart play, How I Wonder, which will be programed as "Ruth Gordon and Garson Kanin Present. Kanin will stage that one too.

"I can understand how some confusion might have occured," says Kanin, "at to our joining the play-wrights. The fact is that we were both invited to become members of the group and were deeply gratified. Obviously, with Years Ago already committed to Max Gordon and our own production plans for How I Wonder, it was impossible to say yes or no. We both felt that nobody has a right to join an organization of thet ent without activity or contribut that sort without actively contribut-ing to it—and that is impossible for months."

#### **Dunham Terps to New Haven**

-Katharine NEW HAVEN, Sept. 14.-Dunham terp troupe will play Shu-bert Theater here September 22-24. Show is produced by Nelson L. Gross in association with Dan Melnick.



American Repertory Co. (McCarter) Princeton. N. J., 20-21. Barnaby and Mr. O'Malley (Wilbur) Boston. Blackstone (Royal Alexandra) Toronto, Can. Bloomer Girl (Shubert) Chicago. Born Yesterday (Lyric) Bridgeport, Conn., 20-21.

Bloomer Girl (Shubert) Chicago.
Born Yesterday (Lyric) Bridgeport, Conn., 20-21.
Carmen Jones (Lawler) Greenfield, Mass., 16; (City Auditorium) Burlington, Vt., 17; (Capitol) Ottawa, Can., 18-19; (Capitol) Quebec, Can., 20-21.
Come On Up, Ring Twice, with Mae West (Shubert) Boston.
Cyrano De Bergerac (Cass) Detroit.
Dear Ruth (Plymouth) Boston.
Dream Girl (Selwyn) Chicago.
Duchess of Malfi, with Elizabeth Bergner (Metropolitan) Providence, R. 1, 20-21.
Follow the Girls (Nixon) Pittsburgh.
Glass Menagerie (Hartman) Columbus, O., 16-18; (English) Indianapolis 19-21.
Hartvey (Harris) Chicago.
Hasty Heart (Geary) San Francisco.
Katherine Dunham (Bal Negre) (Shubert) Philadelphia.
Lady Windermere's Fan (Curran) San Francisco.
Life With Father (Erlanger) Buffalo 16-18; (Hartman) Columbus 19-21.
Lute Song (Studebaker) Chicago.
Mary Had a Little (American) St. Louis.
Mr. Peebles and Mr. Hooker (Flayhouse) Wilmington, Del., 20-21.
Obsession (Colonial) Boston.
Oklahoma (Erlanger) Chicago.
Park Avenue (Shubert) New Haven, Conn., 19-21.
Song of Norway (Boston Opera House) Boston.

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State of the Union (Bilackstone) Chicago.
State of the Union (Biltmore) Los Angeles.
Temporary Mrs. Smith (National) Washington, D. C.
Tobacco Road (Savoy) Hamilton, Can., 16; (Grand) London, Can., 17-18; (Erlanger) Buffalo 19-21.
Volce of the Turtle (Cox) Cincinnati.
Voice of the Turtle (Locust St.) Philadelphia.
Zasu Pitts (Cordelia) (Forrest) Philadelphia.



Dolly Joyce, ventriloquist, with dummies Cutie and Jerry, opens on Midwest Circuit as extra attraction, thru Dave Cohn. . . . Babe Fenton was called home because of the death of her mother in Chelsea, Mass. . . . Rene Andre was featured in last week's Midwest Circuit show at Folly, Kansas City, Mo. Other principals: Palmer C. Cote, straight and mana-ger; Eddie Innis, Cliff Cochran, Billy Pitzer, Johnny Dove, Bettsie Lee, Diane Hayes and Bobbie Carroll. Follow-up cast has Jack Mann, John-ny De Arco, Julie Bryan, featured; Jack Martin, Querida, Bobby Tanner and Les Nichols. Circuit route brings the casts in from the Star and Garter, Chicago. From K. C., the flext stop is Indianapolis. . . . James J. Hornick, Hirst Wheel exec, celebrated openwas called home because of the death Hirst Wheel exec, celebrated open-ing of his new cafe adjoining the Forrest Theater, Philadelphia. . . . Frank Bryan, it is reported, will drop Midwest Circuit shows after a few weeks' try and return to stock at Casino, Boston. . . . Jimmie Allerton is number producing at Gayety, Montreal. Eddie Gold and Harry Reed, (Bar-

bary Ccast Boys) open September 16 for four weeks at Andre's Candle Light Room, Syracuse. . . Rose Gordon, number producer, is mourn-ing the loss of her husband, Karl John Karstman. . . Carole Lord opened September 12 for four weeks at Kokama Club Dotham Ala at Kokomo Club, Dotham, Ala., thru Dave Cohn. . . Sally Keith is back at remodeled Crawford House The-atrical Bar, Boston. . . John (Rags) Ragland, burly and pix comic, who died August 20, left an estate of \$18,-375 in cash, a home and furnishings to his son, John, of Louisville. . . Diane Ross follows Lili St. Syr into the Burbank, Los Angeles, Septem-ber 13. Suey Welch, local agent, is representing entire group at Burrepresenting entire group at Bur-bank.... Mike Sachs and Alice Kennedy open the season September 15 at Casino, Pittsburgh, on Hirst Cir-cuit. . . Ranya and Al Bedell, last in burly for the Minskys in 1938 as comedienne and wire act, respec-tively, are now a George Hamid combo, playing both fairs and as extra bo, playing both fairs and as extra attraction for burlesque circuits... Abe Gore, after his summer moun-tain engagement, opened September 13 at Charles Fox's Empress, Mil-waukee on Midwest Circuit. . . Ann Myers, ex-burly feature, is now retired in Hollywood, where husband, Herb Leslie of the former Four Herb Leslie, of the former Four Fords, is head property man in Col-

umbia pix studios. Pearce Bradley, senior projectionist at the Avenue Theater, Detroit, was installed Tuesday as chaplain of Theatrical Post of the American Legion.



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## Actors Drew 1½ Mil. From Silos---Equity; \$225,000 In Bonds PERCY ABBOTT'S 13th Annual Cet-Together at Colon, NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Strawhats made real hay this year, more than ever before, says an editorial in Equity, monthly magazine of the ac-

tors' org. There were more com-panies, naturally more actors, and more dough was posted than in previous years.

Figures show 99 companies (ex cluding summer theaters playing op-erettas) with a total of 1,000 weeks and paying 1,000 thesps more than \$1,500,000. Average sum earned was \$1,500,000. Average sum earned was \$1,500, but the figure is deceptive be-cause of large salaries paid stars. About \$225,000 was posted in bonds. The editorial hails summer stock

for plum employment in a season which is generally slack on the Stem and for providing a training ground for newcomers. Claims that the summer season is proof that legit will hold war-built audiences in peacetime.

#### Slapsy, Como To Sneak In at New Haven Arena

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 14.— Booking in two quick name shows during the lull between opening of ice hockey and basketball seasons, the New Haven Arena will show the Slapsy Maxie Revue with the two Maxies (Baer and Rosenbloom) Sep-

Maxies (Baer and Rosenbloom) Sep-tember 19 and then follow with a Perry Como concert on the 22d. The 6,000-seater will get top prices for both attractions, with Como ask-ing a \$3.75 top (15 cents more than the Shubert legit house gets for a Broadway preview), and Maxies cut-rates (\$2.40 to \$1.20). Both shows will do one-nighters, altho Como will give a Sunday matinee. Como, booked strictly as a concert, will have the Modernaires and Paula Kelly as the Modernaires and Paula Kelly as relief, plus Lloyd Shaffer's Chester-field ork. The Maxie's will compete with the

Shubert Theater opening of Park Avenue.

#### Mex. Revue Set for H'wood

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 14.—Armando Orefiche, Mexican revue producer, invades the U. S. with a new revue, tagged A Night in Mexico, skedded for preem at Hollywood's Wilshire Ebell Theater October 11 before launching a Pacific Coast tour. Ore-fiche promises a star-studded show with top south-of-the-border acts plus his own new ork, the Havana Cuban Boys. Show will play prin-cipal coastal cities, winding up for series of performances at San Fran-cisco's War Memorial Opera House following close of the operatic season there.

#### Theaters, Inc., Adds Staffers

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Board of director of Theaters, Inc., added four staff members after a meeting held this week. Chandos Sweet will be general manager, Robert Fryer has been named casting director, Theo-dore Apstein will head the play de notified to a control the play de partment, and Dorothy Davies will be in charge of the experimental theater. Richard Aldrich is back in town and has resumed duties as man-aging director. Nancy Stern remains as exec secretary.

Magic - By Bill Sachs

Magic Get-Together at Colon, Mich., turned out to be another one of those bang-up magic affairs that sends the participants home talking about the event for months after-wards. From a humble beginning the Caliph of Colon has built his an-nual conclave into an event that outshines even the major magic conven-tions from the standpoint of interest tions from the standpoint of interest and attendance. At the latest Ab-bott get-together the registrations passed the 500 mark, including a host of pro magi, among them Jack and Anne Gwynne, John Mulholland, Loring Campbell, Raymond Cox, Lesta, Al Saal, Les Hunt and Julia, the Johnstones, Monk Watson, Sid Lorraine, Milbourne Christopher, Lester Lake and numerous others. Among the dealers in attendance were Phil Thomas, Swanson, Karson, Carlo, Berland, Jim Sherman, Cham-bers, Fred Andrews, Menge, Tommy Windsor and Bob Nelson. A special bers, Fred Andrews, Menge, Tommy Windsor and Bob Nelson. A special Memorial Show in honor of the late Joe Ovette, emseed by John Mulhol-land, netted his widow, Fran, more than \$450. Bert Allerton and John Braun, SAM and IBM presidents, re-spectively, also took in the affair... Harry Carmer infos that El Zarro and Company are in Long Beach, Calif., rebuilding their magic and spook layout for a string of dates along the West Coast. Company will tote five people. Carmer also tells of ottabing the Morguis charging Michicatching the Marquis show in Michi-gan before coming West and says he found it a solid attraction for parks. Carmer says that magic on the Coast is going strong and that Theron Fox, of San Jose, Calif., former secretary of the PCAM, is still active around his home town. Carmer just missed his home town. Carmer just missed the Francisco spook opry at North Platte, Neb. Latter unit is headed eastward. . . Duke Montague is a feature with the Hugo Dramatic Players tent show touring the Kansas territory. . . Charles Craig is off the road with his magic and is now settled in North Platte, Neb., where he is publisher of The Daily News Bulletin. Bulletin.

BILL BAIRD is in his seventh week **B** ILL BAIRD is in his seventh week at the Chez Paree, Chicago, with another week to go. He was slated to move into New York following his Windy City stand but the musicians' strike in the hotels forced a post-ponement. . . Joe Hanley opened September 12 at the Brooks Club, Norfolk. . . George Marquis was a visitor at the Magic Desk several times the past week during his en-gagement at the Carthage Fair for Bob Shaw, of the Gus Sun Office. Shaw, also a visitor at *The Billboard* the past week, reported that Marquis did a solid job of entertaining in the grandstand show with his single magic turn. . . . George and Betty Johnstone, following the Percy Ab-bott get-together at Colon, Mich., hit out for Chicago for a few days' rest before jumping to Detroit, where September 11 they embarked on the Greater Detroiter to do one show a night on a Great Lakes cruise. On September 29 they are skedded to ap-pear on the bill of the Houdini Club show `at Hotel Athearn, Oshkosh, Wis. . . Eubar the Magician has just concluded his second season with the King Reid Shows, where he again had charge of the Funhouse. After a at the Chez Paree, Chicago, with ther week to go. He was slated the King Reid Shows, where he again the King Reid Snows, where he again had charge of the Funhouse. After a two-week vacation, he and Merton Craig will team up to offer what they say will be something new in the med **Grips Seek Hike From Opera** NEW YORK, Sept. 14. — Stage-hands' union made a pitch for a 30 per cent hike for its members in its meeting Thursday (12) with a nego-tiating committee from Metropolitan Opera House. Increase is sought for deckhands in all categories, property-men, carpenters, electricians, etc. Present Metropolitan Opera contract with grips expires end of this month.

Mgrs. Vs. 4 Unions **On Pay Disputes** 

NEW YORK, Sept. 14 .--- With contract negotiations between the League of New York Theaters and Treasurers and Ticket Sellers' Union (Local 751, IATSE) deadlocked, b.-o. men will huddle next week with their international leaders in an effort to get IATSE to apply pressure on the eague.

League has offered treasurers \$100 week and aids \$75, but union wants \$10 more for the former and a \$25 lift for the latter. Ticket sellers also are asking for three men in every theater that seats over 1,000. At present, all such houses use three men, but League doesn't want that arrangement permanently.

League had a preliminary discus-sion last week with local 802 AFM on new musicians' contract and meets with them September 24 to hand tootlers a counter-proposal. Old contract ended September 1. In-creases, if any, will be retroactive.

The League is seeking an appointment with Dick Walsh, prexy of IATSE, to work out a new rate for repertory. Unless the managers can get Walsh's blessings, American Repertory Theater will have to pay the same rate for rep that Katharine Cornell paid last exceed when the Cornell paid last season when she played split week of Antigone and Candida

ATAM (press agents union) is possidering proposals offered by considering proposals offered by mediator Anna Rosenberg in their dispute with the managers. Orgs are only a few dollars apart on salary demands. Miss Rosenberg also of-fered suggestions to break the deadlock caused by the League's demand for new blood in ATAM. If the dispute is not settled, it will go to arbitration.

#### **Edith Gordon To Produce**

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.-Edith Gordon has quit play and film brokerage and opened an office here for legit production under her own banner. First venture under the new set-up will be *Trollies* Go to Heaven, by Theodore Hirsh. Author returns from army stint on Okinawa October 30 and rehearsals are skedded to start immediately thereafter.

Last brokerage job completed by the Gordon office was sale of Under Capricorn to Alfred Hitchcock as a starring vehicle for Ingrid Bergman.

up, opening at Doc Tarbell's home town of Glen Ellyn, Ill. He will tour the Midwest and East for Collins and Poulos. Magrum took in the recent International Lyceum Association convention at Lakeside, O., and re-ports that the various programs fea-tured a sumber of mer formations. tured a number of magi.



ADAMS-James, 73, veteran outdoor showman and showboat operator, at his summer home in Chesa-Adams's show career began at the age of 14 when he joined the Matt Wixom peake Circus. He later operated his own wagon circus in Michigan. Becoming interested in carnivals he formed a partnership with J. Frank Hatch and launched the Hatch-Adams Carnival. Hatch later sold his interest to Johnny J. Jones and after a period of opera-tion, Adams, and Jones dissolved tion, Adams, and Jones dissolved partnership, with Adams forming his Big 10-Cent Show, operating in the Carolinas and Virginias. His next venture was in 1914 when he launched the James Adams Floating Theater in Washington, N. C. He op-erated the floating theater for 23 erated the floating theater for 23 years before retiring. Survived by his widow, Gertrude, and two sisters, Mrs. Charles Hunter and Sue Adams.

ADAMS-Mrs. Jayne Peyton, for-mer actress and wife of author Samuel Hopkins Adams, in Auburn, N. Y., September 8. She played the title role in David Belasco's The Woman and appeared in The Earl of Paw-tucket and The Heir to the Hoorah. BERGER—Willy Engel, Austrian songwriter and pianist, in Vienna re-

cently.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to our many friends for the beautiful tributes and the kindness and sumpathy extended to me in the passing of my precious husband.

#### **MRS. NORA BOSWELL**

BROOKS-Joseph, 58, clown and juggler, suddenly in Willows, Calif., September 7. Services under the direction of Pacific Coast Showmens'

Club in San Francisco. CARRIER—Guy O., 29, orchestra member at Station WFEA, in Man-chester, N. H., September 6. CONSOLVO—Mrs. Charles, whose bushard is a prominent circus fan of

husband is a prominent circus fan of Norfolk, and owner of the Monticello Hotel there, in Norfolk September 11. Burial in that city. DeMOTTE - John D., commercial

manager of Station WMGY, Mont-gomery, Ala., and a former advertis-ing manager of *The Alabama Journal* and WSFA, September 6 in a Montgomery hospital.

## GAY (PUNCH) DOWDNEY Left us September 19th, 19th, A Pal missed but remembered by William "Slim?" Dickman

DIAMOND-Billy, 52, vaude agent, September 11 at his home in New York after returning from catching a show in Union City, N. J. For the past four years he was associated with the Arthur Fisher Office. Prior

with the Arthur Fisher Office. Prior to that he was a booker in Chicago. EWERS—Mrs. Richard G. (Sue Wilson), former actress, in Rio de Janeiro September 9. Her father was the late actor, Frederick Wilson-Smith, and her mother was Bernice Parker, actress. Mrs. Ewers appeared in a New York production of Little Accident at age of 15 and in other plays on Broadway. plays on Broadway.

FOKER-Mrs. Myrtle B., wife of E G. Foker, lot superintendent of the Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros.' Circus, in Seneca, Kan., September 3. Besides her husband, she leaves a son, John K. Flitcraft, by a former marriage. (It was erroneously reported in Final Curtain of last week's issue of The Billboard that her husband had died). FRY-Dr. Henry S., 71, who retired

in 1943 after 50 years as an active musician, September 6 at his home in Cynwyd, Pa. A music teacher

and organist, he was vice-president of the American Organ Players' Club and a member of the executive com-mittee of the Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. His widow, Margaret B.; a son, a brother and a sister survive. Services in Philadelphia and burial there September 9.

HAETIGAN—Mrs. Abbie, mother of Babe Fenton, burlesque principal, in Chelsea, Mass., September Services in Chelsea September 9.

HART—Mrs. Barbara, 65, in Long Beach, Calif., September 4. She en-tered the motion picture field in 1906 in Eastern Ohio with her husband and three sons, Harvey, Lloyd and Earl. In 1916 they went to Long Beach where they entered the rep and tent show field, known as the Hart Players, operating until 1935. Among present-day names in the theater who played with the Harts during their tent-rep years were Ted Lewis and Eddie Peabody. One son, Harvey, manages the Cameo Theater, Los Angeles, for the Edwards Thea-ter Circuit. Burial in Long Beach. HOLDERNESS-Mrs. Emma, Sep-tember 10 in a Tampa hospital. Sur-vived by her husband, G. W. Holder-ness. in Eastern Ohio with her husband

nes

HUBER—Henry C., 60 (Huber the Great), magician, in Flushing, L. I., N. Y., September 7. Survived by his widow, Dorothy Barclay, assistant in his act.

JENKINS-Roy, 61, calliope player and more recently operator of a calliope repair shop near Los Angeles, in Venice, Calif., September 9. A sister survives. Services in Show-mens' Rest, Los Angeles, under direction of Pacific Coast Showmens' As-

KECKELEY-Mrs. Winifred Payne, former member of the music staff of the National Broadcasting Com-pany and wife of Alexander P. Keckeley, architect, in New York September

KJUKLIEN—Fred, pitchman, Sep-tember 12 in Minneapolis from head injuries sustained in a fall. Survived by his widow; two children, Teddie and Audie, and a twin brother, Hale, with whom the decreased worked gadgets. KJORLIEN-Fred, pitchman, Sep-

KUTZ—Fernley W., 66, former silent film director for MGM, Sep-tember 10 at his home in Pottstown, Surviving are his widow, Iva: Pa. two brothers and a sister. Services and burial in Pottstown September

14. LARABEE -- Ralph, brother of EARABLE — Raiph, brother of Esther Speroni, of Midway of Mirth Shows, in Compton, Ill., September 2 of a heart attack. Burial in Restlawn Cemetery, Mendota, Ill. LEPSKE—Jules, 51, violinist with the Philadelphia Orchestra until 10

years ago, September 9 in University of Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadel-phia. After leaving the Philadelphia Orchestra he joined the Los Angeles Symphony Orchestra. Two brothers and a sister survive. Services in Philadelphia September 10 and burial

in that city. LIVINGSTON — William Nathan, 86, musician, September 3 at Port-land, Ore. A cornetist, he had played at the old Cordray Theater and the Orpheum in Portland. He toured the U. S., Canada and Mexico with stock companies and circuses. Survived by his widow, Ruth; four sons, Harry, Glen, Frank and Wallace, all of Portland; four sisters and two brothers.

LOGSDON-William Sr., 64, tab show operator in the early 1920's, September 8 in St. Joseph Hospital, Louisville, of a heart ailment. Seven children survive, including Billy and David Logsdon, known professionally as Linda Lopez and Pinky Pepper, who own and operate shows on J. F. Sparks Shows. Burial in Clermont, Ky.

LONG—John, retired attorney and father of Mrs. Dot Nelson, partner in the former acrobatic team, Dorothy LONG-

and Rella, at his home in Monroe-

ville, Ind., September 7. NORMAN—Louise, 29, wife of Matty Norman, radio writer and former comedian, in New York Septem-ber 3. Survived by her husband and a daughter, Stephanie. OGLESBEE—Carl C., 55, operator

of the Club Haymarket, Detroit, re-cently in General Hospital, Dearborn, Mich., after a week's illness. He founded the club in 1928 and became one of the city's leading club opera-tors. At one time he was active in the music machine field. Survived by a son, Cameron, who recently joined him in operation of the club,

joined him in operation of the club, and a daughter Burial in Acacia Park Cemetery, Detroit. PEARCE—James C., 59, conces-sionaire, formerly with Gold Medal, Buckeye State and Rogers & Powell beoug at St Francis Warrie shows, at St. Francis Hospital, Water-loo, Ia., September 1 of an abscessed

liver. Survived by his widow, Freida. PORTER — John, 54, 721-pound side show fat man, in Pittsburgh September 11.

RICCOBONO-Ottillie, 80, former circus equestrian, in Kingston, N. September 8. Ottillie and his brother, Frederick, who died April 29, were brought over from Europe in 1907 by Oscar Hammerstein and later ap-

by Oscar Hammerstein and later ap-peared with the Ringling circus. SCHOELLER—William, 65, tech-nical director of Bucks County Play-house, New Hope, Pa., in Trenton, N. J., September 12. He served as an advisor to the Blackfrier? Cuild advisor to the Blackfriars' Guild. New York, and appeared on Broad-way in The Searching Wind.

S C H R E I B E R — Theodore (The Great Serpentello), 75, former contor-tionist, in Keansburg, N. J., September 5.

VEITCH—Charles A., concession-aire with Hedrick's Gay Way Shows, electrocuted September 2 at Lillington, N. C., while trying to disconnect the electric wire from his trailer. Survived by his widow, Eleanor. Burial in Gastonia, N. C., September 4.

In Memoriam Louis "Pickels" Weiss September 19, 1943 REST IN PEACE

VOHM—W. R., 51, known as Billy Denaro, Ringling Bros.' and Barnum & Bailey Circus clown for 16 years, killed in an auto accident near Monroe, N. Y., several weeks ago. Born in Czechoslovakia, he came to the United States with his British bride to join the circus in 1924. He clowned with R-B until he joined the merchant marine in 1940 and was still in service when he died. Survived by a son, Ronald, and a daughter, Ella.

## Marriages

FORMAN-PAIGE-Alfred Forman and Penny Paige, comedienne and niece of Ruby Zwerling, former ork leader of Loew's State Theater, New York, in Brooklyn September 14.

GOODE-MARTIN - Billy Goode and Marilyn Martin, operatic so-prano, at Edgewater Park, Detroit, August 22.

GRANT - TRAGAKISS Russ Grant, Loew's Theaters publicity man, and Penny Tragakiss, Hartford, Conn., recently.

HARDING-BAGLEY-Lloyd W. B Harding, concessionaire, and Mabel Bagley, of Atlanta, Ia., in Iola, Kan., February 5, it has just been revealed.

HARDING - LENNART - John Bryant Harding, film actor-writer, Mrs. Lew Bernstein and Isobel Lennart, film writer, Au-gust 25 in the Little Church of the Paramount Shows.

West, Hotel Last Frontier, Las Vegas,

Nev. HINDS-PULLIN—Kenneth Hinds and Darlene Pullin, concession agents on Turner Bros. Shows, September **9**.

HOBBS-FONTAINE Frank Hobbs, booker in the General Amuse-ment Corporation's Chicago office, and Marge Fontaine, one of the Three Fontaine Sisters of radio fame, in Chicago August 30.

IPAR-BRUCE-Pvt. Ali M. Ipar,

IPAR-BRUCE—Pvt. All M. Ipar, Turkish film producer now in the army, and Virginia Bruce, film ac-tress, recently in Santa Monica, Calif. McCALLISTER - PARKS — John McCallister, Philadelphia caterer, and Valerie Parks, dancer on the I. Hurst burlesque wheel, in Elkton, Md., August 19.

MONSEES-MACJESKI - Howard J. Monsees, non-pro, and Rita Mac-jeski, member of the Music Hall Rockettes, in Garden City, L. I., N. Y., August 24. PAIKIN-ASTAIRE-Lester Paikin,

nonpro, and Jackie Astaire, of Astaire Sisters, dance team, in Syracuse September 2

PATTERSON - WIDENER — John Patterson and Dora Widener, daugh-ter of Clyde and Frances Widener, September 9.

COCK-DOBSON—Bruce Pea-cock, Regina, Sask., The Billboard's correspondent there, and Geraldine Dobson, Regina, at Melfort, Sask., August 17. PEACOCK-DOBSON-Bruce Pea

PROSSER-VINCENT--Hugh Prosser, film actor, and Mary Vincent, nonpro, August 25 in the Little Church of the West, Hotel Last Fron-tier, Las Vegas, Nev. SEGAL-RIVAS—Benjamin Segal

and Ann Ellen Rivas, both of Wonder Shows of America, in Sioux Falls, S. D., August 22.

STEVENSON-ALLEN-Edward S. Stevenson, production director of the Ernie Pyle Theater, and Frances Wilbern Allen, Chicago actress, in Tokyo September 12. eptember 12. UNDERWOOD-JACO --- Charles H.

Underwood, chief announcer and pro-duction manager at WMBS, Uniontown, Pa., and Peggy Jaco, station control operator, in that city Sep-tember 8.

## **Births**

A son, Peter, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spodick, of Lincoln Theater, New Haven, Conn. A son, Neil, to Mr. and Mrs. Har-vey Olson. Father in program man-ager at WDRC, Hartford, Conn.' A son, Gary Wayne, to Mr. and Mrs. Nick Francis at Marshall, Mo., August 12. Father is a clown, re-cently with Clyde S. Miller Rodeo. A son, David Walter, to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Poorvin, at Israel Zion Hos-pital, Brooklyn, N. Y., August 25.

pital, Brooklyn, N. Y., August 25. Father is secretary to the Editor-in-Chief of The Billboard.

A daughter, Lora, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barbaro in Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital, Detroit, August 23. Father

operates the Bowery, Detroit nitery. A son, Tony Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lee White recently in Havana. Father is announcer at CMOX, Havana.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Lockhart, concessionaires on Mag-nolia Exposition Shows, in Electric, Mag-Ala., recently.

A son, Raymond Eugene, to Mr. and Mrs. Ray McWethy, proprietors of the White City Tourist Court, Sarasota, Fla., August 20 in Passaic, N. J.

A son, William Francis, to Mr. and Mrs. William Norwood August 12 at Osceola, Ark. Parents are with Great Sutton Shows.

A son, Billy Gene, to Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Clay August 12. Parents operate the Funhouse and sound car on Don Franklin Shows.

A daughter, Brenda, to Mr. and Irs. Lew Bernstein August 22. Par-Mrs. Lew Bernstein August ents are concessionaires with Dick's

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**STRIKE-BOUND STOCKTON UP** 

## 146,513 Is Jay Gould Circus Ice Show Set **10-DayRecord**

Musicians, stagehands, bartenders, acts walk while Tipica band plays annual

STOCKTON, Calif., Sept. 14.— trike-bound for the full 10 days, the San Joaquin County Fair here closed Monday (9) with an attend-ance of 146,713. Racing was on opening, August 31, and Monday (2) with a total of \$289,088 in pari-mutuels, but was pulled when the IBEW called off the mutuel clerks in sympathy with the American Federa-tion of Musicians, which would not allow its members to play the fair as the 60-piece Mexico City Tipica band was appearing as a grandstand band was appearing as a grandstand attraction.

Action of the AFM was followed Action of the AFIM was followed Tuesday with the bartenders moving out and the stagehands the follow-ing day. Wednesday's vaudeville acts failed to get under way because of the sympathy move. However, acts failed to get under way because of the sympathy move. However, Irene McAfee and her Hollywood Dogs and Si Otis and his trained mule appeared at the matinee, but were pulled when Max West, San Francisco representative of AGVA, arrived. Continuing the vaude por-tion of the program for the remainder of the week were Frank Cushing and his Thrill Circus and Marjorie Bailey with her slide for life and high pole

his Thrill Circus and Marjorie Bailey with her slide for life and high pole work. Walk-out of the bartenders closed two bars under the grand-stand. During the remaining time, beer and soft drinks were the only available beverages on the grounds. The Tipica band continued its pro-gram thru Saturday night, closing two days before the scheduled end of the fair. Elbert Bidwell, of Local 189, said the complaint, which called for the yanking of the band on in-structions from James C. Petrillo, was not with the band, but with the fair. To confirm his stand, Pablo Marin, To confirm his stand, but with the fair. To confirm his stand, Pablo Marin, Tipica director, and union officials dined together in the Wolf Hotel Sun-day afternoon (8). Tom Castles, (See Stockton, Calif., on page 53)

#### 101 Ranch in N. M., **Heading for Coast**

CLAYTON, N. M., Sept. 14.—The 101 Ranch Wild West Show, heading back toward the West Coast after a four-week swing thru Oklahoma, played to a good house here Tuesday night (10). Night show only had been billed because of a hard move from Boise City in the Oklahoma Panhandle.

Show had a tough break at Hooker, Okla., Sunday (8). Matinee only was advertised, but breakdowns caused such a late arrival that performance had to be postponed until night. In-dications were that matinee would have drawn an overflow crowd, but many folks who had come from over a wide area left and did not return. As a result attendance was only fair.

Altho Oklahoma as a whole was spotty, show had some of its best business of the season in the State. Ringling-Barnum billing was encountered in several stands.

## In Class by Itself

OQUAWKA, Ill., Sept. 14.—Jay Gould Million Dollar Circus, in the final weeks of its 1946 season of sponsored dates, is a show with a pattern pretty much all its own. Playing in the open, with a ring and stage backed by a flashy set, it makes two and three-day stands, usually in connection with local celebrations, and only under guarantees of local and only under guarantees of local sponsors. A small admission is charged for chairs and three-high blues, and standees outside this en-closure are permitted to watch the show free.

Show nec. Show appeared here September 5-7, under American Legion Post auspices for its second consecutive year and played to excellent crowds. Performance here consisted of Mack and Rose McCall and their Siberian Samovde doogs bigb-diving dog and and Rose McCall and their Siberian Samoyde dogs, high-diving dog and pick-out pony; Milt Herriott's pony drill, riding dogs and monk, high school horse and comedy mule; Al-vers Family, doing rolling globe, sin-gle traps and ladder, and clown num-bers by Jimmy Mader. Alvers Fam-ily closed here, after being with the show most of the season. Gould's daughter, Gloria Steible, played the calliope and her husband, Ernie, doubled as drummer and announcer. Gould, who manages and books the

Gould, who manages and books the show, also furnishes midway attrac-tions, the set-up here including rides of the Arrowhead Amusement Company, Albert Nelson's one-man band, C. Nordby's Mechanical Farm and Trimble's Wild-Life Exhibit.

#### Batt Eyes N. Y. Beachfront

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Harry J. Batt, operator of Pontchartrain Beach, New Orleans, conferred here with Roberts Moses, city park com-missioner. Batt made a two-day study of beach planning and de-velopment accomplished under

## **For Dallas Fair**

DALLAS, Sept. 14.—Shipstad and Johnson of *Ice Follies* and John H. Harris, of *Ice-Capades*, will combine resources and talents to provide a new musical ice extravanga here for Texas State Fair customers.

Ice show will open two days before the fair, October 3 and continue thru the run of the exposition. Fair is skedded October 5-20. Show will be called *Ice Cycles of 1946*.

Top skating stars featured in the show will include the adagio team of DePauw and Payne, Buddy Lewis, noted for his barrel jumps; Jean Arholed for his barrel jumps; Jean Ar-len, 14-year-old acrobatic skater; the Hollywood team of Margaret Field and Nadine Thompson; Arthur Nelles, comedian; Robin Lee, Henry Lie, Eleanor Meister, Bob Turk, June Zeiser, Dick Mershon and Alan Lovell.

In addition to specialties, produc-tion numbers will include a fairy tale fantasy, *Enchanted Forest*, *Moonlight Serenade* in black lighting effects, and a novelty in which the girls of the ensemble ride bicycles on ice.

#### **Dutton Combination Sails** Sept. 28 for Hawaiian Dates

SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 14.--The SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 14.—The Nellie Dutton Circus combination, playing the Saginaw Fair here this week for the Barnes-Carruthers Of-fice, Chicago, will sail Saturday (28) from San Pedro, Calif., for Honolulu. They have been booked to play 15 weeks thruout the Hawaiian Islands by E. K. Fernandez. Combination has six people.

Moses with the intention of adopting some of the improvements in the development of the New Orleans beach front area.

#### Asks for Licensing **OfAnimal Trainers**

BELOIT, Wis., Sept. 14.--Clare Austin, circus enthusiast here whose hobby is wild animal acts, has written an open letter to U. S. senators and congressmen asking for the passage of a law that would require all persons who train, exhibit, care for or assist in caring for wild animals exhibited to the public be required to hold federal licenses.

He contends animal training is a profession and those who engage in it should be licensed the same as plumbers, electricians, accountants,

etc. Austin recently visited Dick Clem-ens while the latter was appearing with his cat act at Wisconsin State Fair.

#### **Rodeo To Play 53** Shows in Garden

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Twenty-first Annual World's Championship Rodeo which opens in Madison Square Garden September 25 and continues. thru October 27, has a line-up of of-ficials virtually the same as last year.

Brig. Gen. John Kilpatrick is president; Ned Irish, acting president; Frank Moore, rodeo manager; Everett Frank Moore, rodeo manager; Everett E. Colborn, managing director; Abe Lefton, announcer; Fred Alvord, arena secretary, and Carl Dossey, Joe Welch and Milt Moe, judges. Lester Scott is handling publicity and pinch-hitting for the Garden's public-ity director, Lillian Jenkins, who is convalescing from an operation. Vet-eran newspaperman, ex-Ringling cir-cus and general press agent Tom Kil-lilea is on the publicity staff. Principal variation from last year's rodeo will be the return of Gene Au-

rodeo will be the return of Gene Au-try as feature attraction, replacing Roy Rogers, who held the Garden spotlight while Autry was in the army. Rodeo comedians will be the same trio that has held forth at the same trio that has held forth at the Garden the past nine years, Jasbo Fulkerson, Jack Knapp and George Mills. A newcomer will be Mitzi Lucas, daughter of the well-known fem wild bronk and trick rider Tad Lucas, who will appear in the trick riding events with Buff Brady, Nancy Bragg and Dick Griffith, who were at the Garden last year the Garden last year.

#### **Akron 'Water Follies' Fails To Draw Despite Publicity**

AKRON, Sept. 14.—Water Follies, featuring Peter Fick and a company. of 30, took it the hard way in a four-day engagement, which ended Monday (9) in the Akron Armory. Despite considerable newspaper publicity, advertising and window cards, show failed to get good houses. Audiences had to be seated in the U-shaped balcony of the Armory, as swimming and diving tanks took up the main floor. About 600 saw the opening performance, with crowds at the other five performances dis-appointing.

at the other rive performances us-appointing. Show is at least half a stage per-formance and audience here, bent on an exclusive water show, found it difficult to see. Musical accom-paniment failed to help the performances.

Won, Horse & Upp Has Nothing **On Dailey Run to Bloomington** 

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Sept. 14.— With the runs at Pontiac, Ill., along-side the lot and a move of only 53 miles to Bloomington, everyone on Dailey Bros.' Circus expected early arrival here Thursday (12). But the trip the show had was like something that might have happened to Won, Horse & Upp. Officials of the Illinois Horse & Upp. Officials of the Illinois Central say everything went wrong to delay the move. The train had to "double a hill," for one thing. The rails were slippery, and the locomo-tive ran out of sand. Then, believe it or not, the engine ran out of water, bedite uncounted and win to the next had to uncouple and run to the next town to fill up, and double back.

town to fill up, and double back. Upshot of it all was that the train didn't get into Bloomington until about 12:30 p.m., and the matinee was called off. A good crowd was on hand at night, including the usual number of troupers and ex-troupers who always turn out at Bloomington.

The show began a swing thru Illinois this week, after the weather had given it a rough send-off from Iowa. fresh.

Upon arrival at Dversville, Ia., Sun-Upon arrival at Dyersville, Ia., Sun-day (8), contracted lot was in such bad shape from rain it could.not be used. By noon, another spot was found, unloading was started, and by 4 p.m., the matinee started. Big top was not put up, and show was pre-sented in the menagerie. Seats were about three-quarters filled at both performances. When the night show was well under way, a hard storm was well under way, a hard storm hit, blowing rain thru openings in the canvas and creating an annoying situation for show folks and customers alike.

Elephants and tractors were given a work-out getting the show off the Dyersville lot. A late matinee Monday at Freeport, Ill., Monday (9) drew a light crowd and night house was only fair. Two recent polio deaths hurt.

Show had good crowds at Dixon, Ill., Tuesday (10), and Pontiac, Wednesday (11), both towns being

## **13 Cole Bros. Elephants** Escape Injury as 2 Cars Are Derailed in California

#### Cage Animals Also Unhurt, But 2 Men Are in Hospital

REDDING, Calif., Sept. 14.—While five cars of the Cole Bros.' Circus train were being switched to a Southern Pacific siding for unloading here Sunday (8), a split switch derailed the elephant car and a flatcar containing six cages and turned them over on their sides. The 13 elephants and one horse in the stockcar and all the animals in the cages escaped injury beyond bruises and minor cuts. Two workingmen were hospitalized, Robert J. Harris with a broken leg and back injuries, and Herbert Robinson with a broken foot.

sparks, a stream of water was played over the bulls. Blanche, lead ele-phant, was the first one out, and no trouble was experienced with any of the herd.

Second Wreck in Two Seasons

Second Wreck in Two Seasons Show had made a 185-mile Sunday run from Medford, Ore., and it was a little before 7 p.m. when the mishap occurred. This was the second rail-road wreck for Cole Bros. in two seasons, but it was not nearly as serious as the one at Brainerd, Minn., in July of 1945, when a week's route was lost while many of the show's wagons were rebuilt. No time was lost here, since performances were not scheduled until Monday (9). It was announced that a flat and bag-gage car of the railroad would be gage car of the railroad would be used until the show's damaged cars were repaired.

were repaired. A crowd estimated at 2,000 swarm-ed to the scene of the wreck Sunday night, and almost half of Monday's *Record-Searchlight* was taken up by story and four-column picture of the derailment. Attendance at Monday's matinee was disappointing, but a capacity crowd turned out at night. A broken drawbar during a 125-mile move from Roseburg, Ore., caused a late arrival at Medford, Ore., Saturday (7). Excellent night business was reported both at Rose-burg and Medford.

#### **Big Night at Sacramento**

Big Night at Sacramento SACRAMENTO, Sept. 14.—A sell-out accounted for the biggest night house Sacramento had ever given Cole Bros., Wednesday (11), after less than half a house in the after-noon. Matinee was an hour late, due to transportation difficulties. Circus train was stalled in the downtown district, holding up auto and street-car traffic 45 minutes. car traffic 45 minutes.

Show was on time at Chico, Calif., Tuesday (10), playing to a nice matinee and full house at night.

## J. M. Cole Ends Season in N. C.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Sept. 14.— The James M. Cole Circus failed to play its billing at Wilson, N. C., Wednesday (11) and here Thursday (12) and is reported to have closed at Tarboro, N. C., Tuesday (10). The Wilson Times carried the following story: story:

"The James M. Cole Circus, scheduled to give performances in Wilson Wednesday afternoon and night, did not come to town. It is understood that the circus has disbanded and will give no further performances this year. The circus disbanded, so it is said, because it was not making expenses.

"The last performance the circus gave was in Tarboro Tuesday."

## Nearly two hours were required to cut an opening in the steel top of the elephant car to release the animals. While an acetylene torch sprayed sparks, a stream of water was placed

DALTON, Ga., Sept. 14.—For the third time in eight days, King Bros.' Circus, playing here Wednesday (11), had to give three performances to accommodate overflow crowds. Two straw houses were chalked up at night, after a nice matinee. Weather was ideal.

At Greeneville, Tenn., Friday (6), show had a straw matinee, packed and jammed 'em again at night and drew an 80 per cent house at a second night performance. At Wythe-ville, Va., three performances were given the previous Tuesday (4).

Show had a good day at Newport, Tenn., Saturday (7) in favorable weather, but ran into rain Monday (9) at Athens, Tenn., where crowds were about three-quarters of capac-ity afternoon and night. Final stand Tennessee was Cleveland, Tuesday (10)

#### **Polack Seattle Biz Tops Former Years**

SEATTLE, Sept. 14.-Polack Bros.' SEATTLE, Sept. 14.—Polack Bros.' Circus, Unit No. 1, ended a 10-day engagement in the Civic Ice Arena here Sunday (8), with an aggregate attendance declared by Joe O'Don-nell, promoter of the date, to have been the biggest in the five years Polack has played Seattle for Nile Shrine. O'Donnell also said the date would give the sponsor an increase of about 25 per cent over last year's take. Attendance for the 10 days was estimated at 80,000.

After a good opening August 30, less than a week after a three-day stand of Cole Bros.' Circus, business nosedived during the Labor Day week-end but built to a strong finish. Show had a turnaway Friday night (6) and capacity houses the last turn (6) and capacity houses the last two nights. Newspapers gave the date strong support.

Going from here to Yakima, Wash., for a four-day stand, show this week was within 125 miles of Polack Bros. No. 2 Unit, at Wenatchee, Wash., for three days

#### **Beatty's Business** Still Holding Up In Trek Thru Ont.

KINGSTON, Ont., Sept. 14.—De-spite the lateness of the season and cool weather, the Clyde Beatty Circool weather, the Clyde Beatty Cir-cus continues merrily on its way. It was said that no circus ever in King-ston attracted such crowds as filled the seats and overflowed onto the ground at both performances here Wednesday (11). A heavy rain and wet lot held attendance to the three-quarter mark at Smith Falls, Ont., Tuesday (10), but straw houses were



FRED SMYTHE (in ticket box), manager, with ticket sellers of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus Side Show. Left to right: Har-ley Rogers; George (Red) White, as-sistant manager; E. W. Adams and Edward Murphy.

## **Macon Gives Sparks Shows**

MACON, Ga., Sept. 14 .- The home town of the old Sparks Circus gave James Edgar's current show of the same title a big day here Tuesday (10). Matinee was capacity, despite threatening clouds and wind, and night was a turnaway. For a while it appeared that rain, which started as the matinee ended, would cause the night show to be lost, but the down-pour halted a little after 7 p.m. Crowds jammed Central City Park, and all seats were sold in an hour. Ticket windows were closed at 8:10 p.m. and Treasurer Arnold Maley es-timated 500 were turned away.

It was reliably reported the gross would match the \$6,000 take of Aus-tin Bros., here in August of last year.

Macon was given a special press campaign by Walter D. Nealand be-cause of town's strategic location and its papers' coverage of half a dozen other Middle and South Georgia stands to be played.

The Telegraph and News both came thru nicely. The latter carried an editorial afternoon of show day welcoming the show.

Charles Sparks, long head of the old Sparks show and a Macon resi-dent, was not present, being at Hot Springs, Ark., for his annual visit. Manager James Edgar was host to Manager James Edgar was host to an old college friend, Buford Birdsey, Macon milling executive, and other friends here. Marshall Green, gen-eral agent, and Charles Underwood, contracting agent, who reside here, were back for the Macon date.

were back for the Macon date. Entering Georgia after a good day Friday (6) at Aiken, S. C., show drew two capacity crowds at Augusta, Ga., Saturday (7) and a fair matinee and full night house at Milledgeville, Ga., Monday (9). From here, show went to Dublin, Ga., Wednesday (11), where matinee was near capacity and picht around everflowed the costs night crowd overflowed the seats.

in order at Pembroke, Ont., where show played Monday (9) after a 399-mile Sunday run from Timmons, Ont.

Last week, business was off at New Liskeard, Ont., but big at Kirkland Lake, Ont., at night after a nice matinee in the rain.

## **R-BinOklahoma For First Heat**

#### Return to follow Kan. and K. C. dates-Enid fails to repeat last year's big take

PONCA CITY, Okla., Sept. 14.— Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus played three towns in Okla-homa the first four days of this week but will return for four more. Going from here to Kansas, show plays four more stands in that State and a three-day engagement in Kansas City, Mo., before coming back into Oklahoma en route to Texas. en route to Texas.

A Sunday off and two playing days A Sunday off and two playing days in Oklahoma City Monday and Tues-day (9-10) furnished a welcome rest after some pretty rough going the last half of the preceding week. The thunderstorm that hit the final night at Omaha resulted in such a late arrival at St. Joseph, Mo., Friday (6) the matinee was canceled Night

(6) the matinee was canceled. Night performance, however, drew a capac-ity house, tho skies were threatening and ground was soggy. Unable to get on the old lot at Sixth and Atchison, show used a new site at the South-west edge of town, six miles from downtown.

At Lawrence, Kan., Saturday (7), parks Shows Big Welcome At Lawrence, Kan., Saturday (7), matinee was two and a half hours late as a result of railroad traffic snarls. Extremely light afternoon attendance and night crowd together were equal to about one full house.

#### **Oklahoma City Okay**

Opening matinee at Oklahoma City's Fair Park drew half a house and opening night was a sell-out. Tuesday's matinee was considerably stronger and night crowd was near canacity capacity.

It was no great surprise that Enid It was no great surprise that Enid on Wednesday (11) did not duplicate the terrific day chalked up there on Labor Day of last year. Matinee had half a house and night show about three-quarters. Rain had left the lot soft.

Sonce City Thursday (12) was somewhat better than Enid at both performances. Matinees at both spots were on time, even tho the labor situ-ation has become more acute than ever since school started.

## **R-B** Cuts Out Week in Texas

CHICAGO, Sept. 14. — Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus will play but three stands in Texas— two days at Fort Worth, September 28-29; three days at Dallas, Sep-tember 30-October 2, and four days at Houston, October 3-6. An additional week in the State, which had been contracted, was can-celed because of polio. Dallas was to have been followed by one-day stands at Waco and Austin and two-day stands at San Antonio and Cor-pus Christi. From Houston, show will go to

From Houston, show will go to Lake Charles, La.

#### Ga. and Ala. Stands Pay Off for Bailey

ANNISTON, Ala., Sept. 14.—Bai-ley Bros.' Circus, interrupting its Georgia tour for two spots in Ala-bama, played to turnaway business, both afternoon and night, here both afternoon and night, here Wednesday (11). Show came here from Cedartown, Ga., and was sched-uled to return to that State at La-grange, Friday (13), from Roanoke, Ala

Ala. Big days were reported at Gaines-ville, Friday (6); Monroe, Saturday (7). and Roma, Monday (9), all in Georgia.

**Dressing Room Gossip** 

September 21, 1946

#### **Dailey Bros.**

#### **Ringling-Barnum**

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Our Western trek is going along smoothly with plenty of hot weather. Another Sunday off gave everyone a chance to catch up with the movies and relax. Jimmy Armstrong, midget clown, broke into print with a story and two pictures at Oklahoma City, his home town, where he had a big time greeting old friends and show-ing his family around the lot

Cliff Bammel, of the Cavalcade of Amusements, visited at Lawrence, Kan.. Ray Stevens, brother-in-law of Bev Kelley, of the press depart-ment, was shown around the lot by Allen Lester. Roland Tieber Jr., vis-ited his dad, who is undecided about making him a seal trainer. Joe Ward, circus fan, joined clown alley during out stay in Oklahoma City. Bob Kellogg enjoyed a visit from his folks. Jim and Walt Coleman were guests of Bev Kelley, at Enid, Okla.

Birthdays: Madeline Kreis, Toni Cole and Red Grumley. The perform-ers' softball team soundly trounced ring stock, big top and candy butch-ers in the order given. Scores are a big secret. Skee Otaris is now work-ing in the flying act. The Sheik has rejoined the Big Show.

Around the lot: Saluto now has his Around the lot: Saluto now has his rabbit in the dog wagon after carry-ing it back and forth to the stock cars all season. Do I hear cheers from the bus riders? The Merle Evans free roll call announces Octo-bar 25 cc Art Springer Day Come Evans free roll call announces Octo-ber 25 as Art Springer Day. Come one, come all for eats, music and dancing. Music furnished by Termite and His Wood Winds. The race for the cookhouse flag, an annual event, is in the home stretch, with plenty of contestants. Harry (Bad) Brown, altho a late starter, is among the leaders. Flash! Art Springer has taken up horseback riding under the tutelage of ring stock boss Indian Joe. tutelage of ring stock boss Indian Joe, who reports his pupil is showing great promise.—DICK MILLER. showing

FOR SALE Sixty-foot Round Top with 4 thirty-foot Middles, fireproof and waterproof Top in very good con-dition, complete with ten-foot Side Wall, Center Poleg, Bale Rings, Ridge Lines, Rigging, Quar-ter Poles, Side Poles, etc. Complete, ready to set up. Side Wall good condition. This Top only used 12 weeks and could be used now for a full season as a Side Show, Menagerie or small Circus. Will give details on request. Make an offer.

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South Sloux City, Neb.

**Bailey Bros.** 

Anderson department is lost at pea-nut sacking time, even the the punks ate more stock than they sacked. Johnny Wall misses all the knotted ropes that served as swings. Al Dean's crew can't figure rations, minus the children and their pets, which included turtles, rabbits, cats and degs. Beb and Oral Sturens can which included turtles, rabbits, cats and dogs. Bob and Opal Stevens can be seen in a phone booth almost every evening, calling L. A. and Shirley Ann. Even Princess, the Great Dane, has developed a de-iacted look and mones around look. jected look and mopes around look-ing for her playmates. Mrs. Lew Henderson with Jasper

Mrs. Lew Henderson with Jasper and Buddie, and Grandma Fuller with the Jacobs twins, were the last to leave. Carrell left with two purses of money (every dime she got her fingers on all season) and the nickname of Ginsey Jacobs. Terrell Jr. left owing on next season's allowance but both with lots of happy memories.

Our new mountain-top sitters are Viola and Harry Rooks. Gladys Gil-lem's newly added buxom, curvaceous lem's newly added buxom, curvaceous girl wrestlers really hold the cus-tomers for the concert. Johnny Fitch is busy taking candid pictures of everyone at the most inopportune moments. C. C. Smith, the diplomat, can make the quickest exits. Cap-tains Engerer and Lee are the Georgia speed kings to date. Jack Kennedy has been on the sick list. Raymond Riley and B. W. Huddleson escaped serious injury when an inebriate tried to drive under their truck and upset it. Riley and B. W. emerged from the wreckage, laughing emerged from the wreckage, laughing and scratching. Just show folks!— DOLLY JACOBS.

#### Kelly-Miller

We are still going strong, despite the polio and gossip, and Obert Miller smiles as jolly as ever.

Whole show received a shock at Seneca, Kan., September 3, when Mom Foker passed away. She'll be missed by all. Red Foker will rejoin after the funeral. It doesn't take long for young ones

to become hungry troupers. Little Barbara Jane Miller really lets it out Barbara Jane Miller really lets it out when she is hungry. Our little star, Karen Kay Miller, is leaving for school; also our trombone boy, Eddie Holeman, who will attend school at Blackwell, Okla. The writer has the same number in the band he started with, since Lloyd Waton returned and C. L. Peterson joined.

and C. L. Peterson joined. Mr. and Mrs. Buck Reger left the show. There's been an increase in the Rossi family; Chapie bought them a Scotty pup. Mrs. Mel Lewis is going well in the hospital and will rejoin at Blackwell.

Peanuts McGehee is still doing a grand job putting up the marquee. Dores and Ila Miller really put the bulls thru their paces. Everyone will catch up on sleep during our fair dates—GEORGE BELL.

#### **Buck Owens**

We had another good week in North Carolina to our credit. At High Point we saw Bennie Waters, old-time band leader, who is teaching music in the schools. Charles Hunt, of Hunt Bros., visited at Durham; also Pat Leonard, who was with the old Sells-Floto show. At Sanford, Little Bear and wife visited Buck Owens, who seems to know the In-dian sign language. At Wilson, County Solicitor Silas Lucas, who was a trombone player in the days of vaudeville, was around to see us. Next week I'll try and tell you all about a wedding we're having on the We had another good week in

**RSWELL** about a wedding we're having on the cordele, georgia show.—NORMAN HANLEY.

#### Cole Bros.

This is a lonesome opera these days, since school-age kiddies have left to continue their three R's. The Ellis- spec at Portland, Ore., Labor Day. Anderson department is lost at pea-nut sacking time, even tho the punks ate more stock than they sacked. head and popped: "What in de hell Johnny Wall misses all the knotted ropes that served as swings. Al Dean's crew can't figure rations, minus the children and their pets, the jumps like a tourist. From Medthe jumps like a tourist. From Med-ford, Ore., to Redding, Calif., he took three others tourists along to enjoy the scenery, namely Mrs. Jimmie Wilson, Eric Oranto and Mrs. Fred-die Freeman. Only thing lacking was their camera. Freeman stayed with Mr. Cole; had work to do. One for the books; A long run into Medford over mountains, first wagon

on the lot at 12 o'clock and the show started at 3:05. Not bad, Mr. Cole. Of course, we have plenty of work-

Yours truly is proudly wearing that new Stetson again. After pin-ning it to the sidewall by his trunk and missing it for three days, it turned up at Medford on a property man's head.

Golda Gray had a big day at Medford, her home town. She took the day off and sat in the center section with her family to watch us all work. Florence Tennyson, our prima donna, who broke two ribs while hanging out washing and carried on despite the pain, is well again. Incidentally, she had a wedding anniversary, and, Phil, you weren't here to celebrate Phil, you weren't here to celebrate it with her. Recent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Farris Brown; Gerry Gamble, former joey cutting it up with the clowns; Dr. and Mrs. David Reid and David Jr., Morris Brown; Erock Chervy former partner of Al Frank Cherry, former partner of Al Honey, two of the better bar per-formers, and Marie and Louis Sturemfler. Lou was middle man for Jimmie Picciani, a fair acrobatic act on the big apple, and is now settled in Portland. Ethel and I are going to settle down just as soon as I settle up.—FREDDIE FREEMAN.

#### King Bros.

This is the time when trouping is at its best—grassy lots, good roads, pleasant weather and, best of all, splendid business. Latter has been especially true in Virginia and Tennessee

Matt Lawrish, equestrian director, was entertained by friends in Greeneville and Cleveland, Tenn., and is still talking about the country ham and fried chicken. Thomas ham and fried chicken. Thomas Gribble, of McMinnville, Tenn., who thinks nothing of a 200 or 300-mile thinks nothing of a 200 or 300-mile jump to see a circus, was on the lot when we pulled into Athens, Ga. Cash Miller, who has the Side Show with Endy Bros., also was a visitor at Athens, en route from the Vir-ginia State Fair at Staunton to the Huntsville (Ala.) Fair. Crystal and Joe Peet visited at Bristol, Tenn. Elmer Voris, superintendent of the dining department, is back from a business trip to Atlanta. Otis Har-ley arrived with his trumpet at Cleveland, Tenn., to join the Side Show band. Cleveland, Show band.

Mrs. Lawrence Pierce returned from a hurried trip to her home at Salamanca, N. Y. Grace Schell en-tertained her daughter, who spent the summer on a farm near Searcy, Ark. Mrs. Lonnie Mosier returned to her home at Towanda. Pa., after a visit with her husband. Clarke is back from Venice, Calif., he and his daughter, Kay Burslem, being called there by the death of Mrs. Clarke. Elmer Myers, superintendent of inside tickets, recently entertained his brother, Roy S. Myers, of Lancaster, Pa. We looked for Charles Sparks Pa. We looked for Charles Sparks in Northern Georgia, only to learn he was still vacationing at Hot Springs. -ROBERTA ROBERTS

We had a surprise Sunday at Louisiana, Mo.—late arrival, torrents of rain while the big top was going up, clear weather for the matinee, a big crowd and a family reunion. Eva Davenport enjoyed visits from her Davent was and Mar Gun Billior parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Billings, and her daughter, Zoe Hillman and family. Joy Hillman donned fluffy wardrobe and rode an elephant in spec-something to tell at school. Also at Louisiana were Virginia Smith and sons, Ronny and Kenny, visiting her mother, Bertha Drane; R. M. Harvey and Dorothy O'Brien.

Keokuk, Ia., was a big day in every way. Visitors included Roy and Esther Frietche, CHS; E. W. Richey, Bill Hedges, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crank, Justus Edwards, Fred Schlotzhauer: our friend, Genevieve Hughes hauer; our friend, Genevieve Hughes Polack, her son, Sam Jr., mother and sister; Norma Davenport's uncle, Fred Stock, and three sons, Donald, Bill and Bobbie; Tommy Whiteside and Jeff Mufree, the latter on crutches and his leg in a cast. You can't keep a trouper away from a circus. The Struggle Sisters (Nellie Kitchie and Madge Snyder) had no place to go Labor Day; the stores were closed.

We had a picnic at Washington, Ia.—under the tree tops instead of the cookhouse top. The new-timers didn't know which was Ring 1 at Indianola, Ia., where the entrance was between the reserves instead of at the usual end. Mr. and Mrs, Harry (Pop) Mason chatted with the Kitchies for an hour, and Walter Schuyler's sister, Dell Thompason, saw the matinee.

While the calliope is on vacation. Louis Grebs devotes his time to working crossword puzzles and painting banners. Visitors at Iowa Falls, Ia., were William Temple, his son and party from Mason City, Ia. Edith Weaver returned from a visit with her mother at Noel, Mo.

Side Show Notes: Coma (Sweetie May) Jackson served eggnog on her birthday. Yum, yum! Johnnie Wil-liams, band leader, visited his home town, Columbia, Mo., after an absence of 19 years.

A train team driver was seen fran-tically clinging to the hook rope and shouting, "Whoa! You ain't pulling that wagon," while the team placidly plodded onward. Iowa grasshoppers prefer those scarce white shirts as a diet, while the green grass grows all around.—HAZEL KING.

#### **Clyde Beatty**

Lee F. Norman and C. E. O'Gor-man motored from Grand Forks, N. D., to visit the show at Winnepeg, Man. Other recent visitors included Art Lush, Walter McNaught and fam-ily, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simmons and daughter, Betty Cornelius and Scoop Wombacher, of Dubuque, Ia. The writer and family and Milonga Esca-lante were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Simmons for tea at historical Fort Garry, site of the first Hudson Bay trading post.

Attention, Eddie Stinson: Clyde Beatty had a field day at Lake of the Woods, Kenora-24 in one day. The missus is no longer feeding them, but getting her share, too.

No children, that light and blanket alongside of the cars don't mean gal-loping dominoes, just a meeting of the gourmet club. Page Mr. Hoyle as to whether Willie Leon or Porkchops had the best hand in seven-card stud.

Seen in the backyard: Fag Bag and Scranton Harry arguing over the water buckets, Fag Bag dressed up like Don Meade, the jockey, and Scranton Harry singing Button Up Your Overcoat.

Phil Escalante returned after two weeks in the hospital, and will take it easy before working again.—DON it easy before FRANCISCO.

WANTED To Join on Wire Circus Calliope Player. Other musicians write **HENRY KYES** Care Clyde Beatty Circus Sept. 18th, Chatham: Ontario, Canada; 19th, St. Thomas; 20th. Wetland; 21st, St. Catharines; 23rd, Kitchener; 24th, Brant-ford; 25th-26th, Hamilton; 27th-28th, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

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## Gainesville, Tex., Show **Resumes After 5 Years**

its 17th year, opened its 1946 season, minus a big top, in the rodeo arena at Cooke County Fair here Labor Day, and during the two-day, three-perform-ance stand, a new home-town financial record was set. Attendance possibly was not as large as it had been when three night performances were given instead of one matinee and two night shows, but the advance in prices (\$2.10 for box seats and \$1.80 for reserves) contributed to the

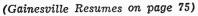
best gross the show has ever had High River Rodeo Results here.

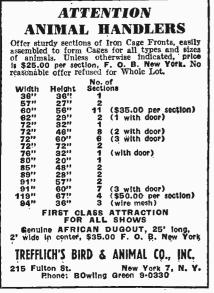
From Gainesville, the circus moved to the North Side Coliseum, Fort Worth, for three performances, Sep-tember 5-7, and at the close of the successful engagement, Dr. G. L. Guthrie, president of the Laneri High School Boosters Club, sponsor, said that the group had cleared approximately \$15,000 on the show and sou-venir program advertising. A twoday engagement at Sherman, Tex., under Kiwanis Club auspices, was to follow the Fort Worth dates.

The Gainesville show is active this year for the first time since the fall of 1941. Three rings are being used, with three metal frames between the rings for aerial acts.

B. D. Ford has a 21-piece band and calliope playing the show. The program:

Calliope playing the show. The program:
1 --Spec, "The Circus on Parade," costumed by Lanquay, of Chicago, with 65 people, four tableau wagons and 31 head of stock. 2-Single trapeze, Evelyn Kaps, Lawrencine Davis and Gloria Shepherd. 3-Clown walk-around, Benny Saylors with 19 joeys. 4-Dogs and monks riding ponies, Vern Brewer and Portis Sims. 5-Two seven-people Roman ladder acts and the Mash Brothers and Gloria Shepherd on rolling globes. 6-Clown boxing match. 7-Two tight wires, Willle Jo and Diane Wimberly and Vern Brewer and Gerry Murrell. 8-Buddy, high-wire walking dog, Portis Sims; Dexter, high diving dog, Alex Murrell. 9-Fivepony drills, Gerry Murrell and Portis Sims. 10-Swinging ladders, Mary Ellen Leonard, Sue Roane, Wanda Wilson, Ann Bridges, Lois Lemon, Mary Lou Parten, Betty Reeves and Gloria Shepherd. 11-Topping tables, Bill Mash. 12-Conedy acrobats, Bill Mash. Bill Springs and Glenn Bryant; comedy mule, Bill Lucas, and Jargo, giraffe, Benny Saylors. 13-Two six-horse Liberty acts, Vern Brewer and Gerry Murrell; clown strong man gag. 4-Carousel, with 31 horses and ponies in the center ring. 15-Loop-the-loop trapeze, Gloria Shepherd; upside-down foot loops, Bill Ritchie. 16-Chic Sale clown gag. 17-Lois Lemon and Lawrencine Davis on Spanish webs and fivegiri trapeze. 18-High school horses, Buddy Gandillon, Diane and J. R. Wimberly, A. B. (Gainesville Resumes on page 75)





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GAINESVILLE, Tex., Sept. 14.—Gainesville Community Circus, now in

HIGH RIVER, Alta, Sept. 14.— Winners of the Labor Day Stampede at High River were: Calf roping, Cliff Vandergrift, John<sup>-</sup> Crowchild, Johnny Rider; colt roping, Cliff Van-dergrift Isaac Crowchild Matthew dergrift, Isaac Crowchild, Matthew Rider; saddle bronk, S. Powderface, Ed Swain, Hal Crowchild; surcingle riding, Bob Matlock, Bob Dixon, Steve Smith; steer riding, Bob Dixon, Cliff Vandergrift.

## **UNDER THE MARQUEE**

The Billboard

#### Dixle in the offing.

Frank Miller, Ringling circus concessionaire, was in New York last week.

Fred Timon, Oswego, N. Y., re-ports the Raymond-Lee Circus had its banner day of the season at White Lake, N. Y., with two straw houses in the afternoon and a third at night.

Poodles Hanneford and family are working in a Warner Bross short, tentatively titled *Circus Horse*. Pic-ture stars Allan Hale and will be

"And-stay for an ill-shay?" inquired a jerk at a marquee. "I used to be with the

October 9-16.

A circus model display, staged by the Leonard S. Aylesworth Ring of the Circus Model Build-ers and Owners' Association of America, was viewed by ap-proximately 17,000 persons dur-ing a Labor Day celebration at Harrisburg. Pa. Harrisburg, Pa.

act, which he broke and presents. Montgomery show was headed for Tennessee. Owner C. R. Montgomery made a trip by plane to Portland, Ore.

THE DAVENPORTS, Ben, Norma and

Eva, of Dailey Bros.' Circus, on the ob-servation platform of their private car. —Atwell Photo.

Not everything is short. Latest report from ticket sellers and butchers is, there are plenty of seat planks around circuses.

Marshall Green, who ended his season as general agent for the Sparks Circus September 10, visited King Bros. at Dalton, Ga en route to his home at Evansville, Ind. . . . Benny Fowler, former general agent for Bradley & Benson, is now 24-hour man for Sparks.

You may laugh at some of our beauti-ful gal ballets, but you must admit that the gorgeous wardrobe and shapely gams do detract from the lack of talent.

When Ringling-Barnum played Ponca City, Okla., Fred Pickerel, re-tired theater owner and former mu-sician with Sells-Floto Circus, enter-tained Merle Evans. The same day, Con and Winnie Colleano enjoyed a reunion with Mrs. Adelaide Carrell, owner of Station WBBZ, whom they knew in show business in Australia.

Charles Fernandez, of Floral Park, Charles remandez, of rioral rark, L. I., N. Y., had his miniature circus on exhibit at the Mineola (L. I.) Fair last week. More than 1,100 dolls, fashioned from discarded materials of all sorts, have been made by Fernandez, and include bandmen, formers, animals and spectators perin their respective places in a fully equipped three-ring top. Circus was exhibited under a large tent and attracted considerable attention.

Greatest shock a customer could live thru would be to see the return of the early-day one-sheets announcing, "Not in the circus trust. Admission 25 cents."

Henry W. Mason (the Duchess), now a chief steward in the merchant marine, called at the Cincinnati office of The Billboard recently on his way

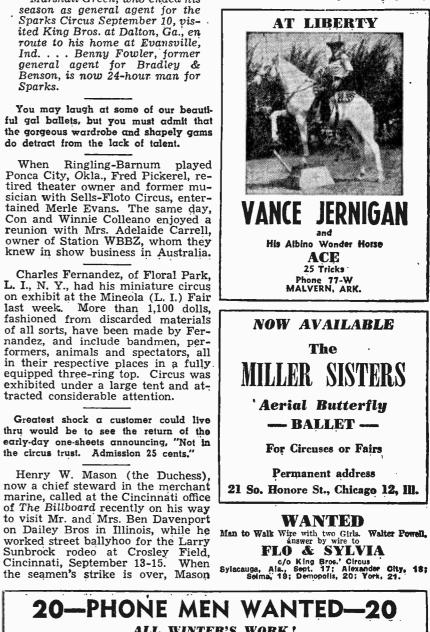
says he'll rejoin his ship and sail for India.

Rex M. Ingham and family caught the Sparks Circus at Reidsville, N. C., where they were guests of Manager James Edgar and visited George and Billy Barton and Paul Lewis. At Statesville, N. C., Rex again visited the show, accompanied by members of his school units, Dr. George D. Barrett, Dr. Paul-Jones, Bobbie and Mrs. Earla Jenkins. At Roxboro, N. C., the Ingham family and Bar-rett visited Hunt Bros., renewing friendships with the Hunt family and Welby Cook and his mother. the Sparks Circus at Reidsville, N. Welby Cook and his mother.

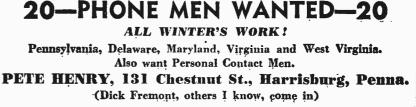
Real trouper is one who after six months of cold, sleet, rain, mud, wind and 100 in the shade heat, is unhappy because the season is over.

Eddie Maddox, in Grand Rapids, Mich., for the air races, writes it looked like a circus old-home week at Indiana State Fair, Indianapolis. Spotted were Nick and Dorothy Car-ter, Al Humke, Red Sonnenberg, Paul Delaney, Nate Abrams, Frankie Riz-zuto, Little Mack, the Canestrellis, Jimmie Woodward, the Goldings, Slewfoot, Bill Arno, Betty Bracken, Willie Mosconi, Jess Murden, Don Harter, O. C. Cox, Roy Bowen, Eng-lish Hitchcock and Steve Burdick. Eddie Maddox, in Grand Rapids,

After.a seven-year lay-off, James (Oklahoma Blackie) Smith, West Chester, Pa., is preparing to hit the road again next year with five dap-pled horses he is schooling for an act. Veteran of 30 years with circuses and (See Under the Marquee on page 75)







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released in 1947.

big tops.

I. B. Duncan, of Council Bluffs, Ia., bandmaster this season on Bell Bros. visited Merle Evans and his band on the Big One of Omaha. Duncan was with Al Sweet's band on Ringling Bros. 30 years ago.

Application of the Clyde Beatty Circus for permission to show on city property of Toronto, September 15-21, was denied at the instance of Rameses Shrine, whose annual circus is scheduled for Maple Leaf Gardens October 9-16

It was erroneously reported in the Final Curtain (September 14) that E. G. (Red) Foker, lot superintend-ent of the Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros.' Circus died in Seneca, Kan., Septem-ber 3. Name should have been Mrs. Foker.

It's always the showman who plays only hamlets who brags, "I'll protect my ad-vance billing," which no one would be attacking.

Don C. MacIver, Side Show man-ager the past season with Mills Bros., left for his home at Tunnelton, W. Va., following Mills's closing at Ot-tumwa, Ia., and after a vacation plans to play indoor circus dates with his Cide Show. He was formedly more DAYTON, O. Side Show. He was formerly magi-cian and lecturer on the Ringling-Barnum Side Show.

When the C. R. Montgomery Circus played New Madrid, Mo., Swede Johnson mourned the loss of one of the horses of the Cooper Liberty

# BROCKTON ON WAY TO RECOR

## **Gate Running** Ahead of 1945

Attendance for first three days exceed record year by 15,000---100G profit looms

#### By Jim McHugh

By Jim McHugh BROCKTON, Mass., Sept. 14.—With two days still to go, including the all-important final Saturday, Brockton Fair was well on its way to smashing every record established during its 71-year history. If the weather holds, the estimated 25 per cent increase already established in attendance, pari-mutuel and midway grosses will at least hold the line and very likely pari-mutuel and midway grosses will at least hold the line and very likely increase. Exhibit space at New Eng-land's top scheduled annual was com-pletely sold long before the Sunday (8) opening. Unofficially, it was pre-dicted that the seven-day showing would result in a \$100,000 net for the association. association.

Secretary Frank Kingman unleashed his whole bag of tricks for the first real post-war showing of the fair and earned plaudits from local and metropolitan press for his efforts. "Perfectionist" Kingman wasn't en-tirely satisfied, except possibly with business, and found faults with his own production. These he attributed, and rightly so, to the still herculean task faced by managers attempting to prepare top-notch annuals in the face of material shortages face of material shortages.

In the first three days, Sunday (8) thru Tuesday (11), an announced 90,-000 had paid their way thru the gates, an increase of 15,000 over 1945, a recdren 25 cents, tax included. Peak crowds were still to come on Thurs-day (12), Governor's Day, and on Saturday the wind-up.

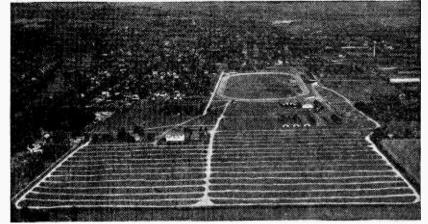
Pari-mutuel running races, featured here for several years, are at-tracting a sizable share of pony fol-lowers from a geographical area which is credited with supporting six major tracks. Fans contributed a record \$137,537 mutuel gross during (Geopology 400 areas) (See BROCKTON AWAY on page 52)

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 14. quisition of 35 additional acres for parking or other possible expansion and increasing of the seating capacity of both the Coliseum and the grand-stand of the Indiana State Fair are

being planned for the 1947 event. Sum of \$750,000 will be spent for improvements, providing materials are available, Otto L. Reddish, board

are available, Otto L. Reddish, board president, announced. Department heads have been asked to submit proposals for their sections, and these will then be considered by the board. One proposal is to add 4,500 seats to the capacity of the grandstand, Orval C. Pratt, manager, said. Others include a paddock for race horses on the track, construction of a build-ing to house the State Conservation Department exhibits and adding to

Ing to house the State Conservation Department exhibits and adding to the seating capacity of the Coliseum. Extensive repairs are also needed to existing structures, as their up-keep was neglected during the war-time use as a depot by the Army Air Excress



NEWLY INSTALLED ALL-WEATHER PARKING LOT of the Bloomsburg (Pa.) Fair is in readiness for annual's opening September 23. Roadbed is of 10-inch stone, with layout so arranged that no auto will be more than its own length from one of the roadways. Two 80-foot towers and several light poles provide ample lighting.

## **Carthage Bows to Top-Figure Gates After Four-Year Sleep**

#### By a Staff Correspondent

CINCINNATI, Sept. 14.—Aided by good weather, the 91st Hamilton County Fair, resumed this year at Carthage here after the war forced cancellation in 1942, is keeping pace with the county and State annuals all Aided by over the country in chalking up rec-ord attendances and business.

Wednesday (11), opening day, at-tracted around 10,000 patrons, with Thursday's attendance hitting around 12,000. Friday, Children's Day, Thursday's attendance hitting around 12,000. Friday, Children's Day, started out auspiciously and some 20,000 kids and adults jammed the grounds by 3:30 in the afternoon when a severe rain and hail storm struck the lot, checking the evening attendance and leaving the grounds a sea of mud. Today, the finale, is expected to eclipse all single-day marks in the history of the annual. marks in the history of the annual.

Myers Y. Cooper, former governor of Ohio and president of the Hamil-ton County Agricultural Society, opened the fair Wednesday morning with an address in which he pointed out that one of the fair's greatest needs is an industrial exhibition building to house a permanent all More Parking Space, Other Improvements Planned at Indiana Needs is an industrial exhibition building to house a permanent, all-year around display of Hamilton County industrial products. He added that the fair board has initiated steps for the construction of such a build-ing at an estimated cost of \$250,000.

#### **Beer Flows**

Beer of the 3.2 variety flowed freely at the opening altho an ancient law recently unearthed by the Women's Christian Temperance Union prohibited the sale of liquor and strong beer within two miles of the fairgrounds during the hours the fair is open. Local officials enforced the low the law.

the law. Fairs officials said that they en-countered one of the heaviest de-mands for booth space in the history of the annual. To bear out their contentions, the fair appeared to be overflowing with exhibits and booths were still being constructed the initial day of the annual to house more dis-plays, with all of them being com-nleted by noon. To officials said that they en-converting cars to the grounds and to streets and empty yards for bloc adjacent to the fair plant we jammed with automobiles. Keosauqua, Ia., Nets Profit pleted by noon.

ton's Dogs, George Royale, juggler; the Valentinos, flying act; Bozo Har-rell, clown; La Blondello, comedy bars; the Beckleys, lightning land-scape artists; Packard's Seals; Magic Flyers, skating act, and Cycling Kirks.

Record crowds saw the grandstand offerings Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights and advance tickets sales for the final night presaged a top attendance mark. A feature of Wednesday night's program was (See Carthage Headed on page 52)

#### Bath, N. Y., Lures Excellent 75,000

BATH, N. Y., Sept. 14.—Steuben County Fair, which ended its six-day run here Saturday (7), racked up an attendance estimated at 75,000, about 15,000 ahead of 1945. Weather was flash shower occurred in the after-noon and hard rain interrupted the night show. Nights were cool. Grandstand acts • furnished by Frank Wirth included the Sky High

*Revue;* Mary Reynolds, vocalist; Floradelino, slack wire; the Charles Duo, skating; Kay and Karol, jug-gling; A. Robbins, the banana man, and Phil Wirth's Riding School. Mu-sic was furnished by the Spring

sic was furnished by the Spring Garden band. Feature days were barn dance day Tuesday (3), when the WLS Na-tional Barn Dance presented two well-received performances and thrill day, closing day, when B. Ward Beam's Congress of Daredevils played to a turnaway grandstand crowd crowd.

On three afternoons J. Victor Faucett, secretary, was forced to stop admitting cars to the grounds and the streets and empty yards for blocks adjacent to the fair plant were jammed with automobiles.

send on the track. Midway wassended on the track. Midway wassended on the track. Midway wasSun Acts FeaturedBob Shaw, of Gus Sun Booking Ex-<br/>change, Columbus, O., provides the<br/>grandstand attractions. Included in<br/>the line-up are Mell Marcus; comedy<br/>tables; Dr. Marquis, magician; Ru-KEOSAUQUA, Ia., Sept. 14.—Jef-<br/>ferson County Fair here had an at-<br/>tendance of 11,222 persons, Secretary<br/>reported. Receipts<br/>amounted to \$14,874, with expenses<br/>at \$13,883. A total of 222 exhibitorssented on the track. Midway was<br/>supplied by the Northern Exposition<br/>Shows.Raymond A. Lee, secretary-mana-<br/>ger of the Minnesota State Fair, and<br/>the kansas Free Fair at Topeka.

## Dayton, O., Sets **Paid Gate Mark**

#### 86,641 cash customers registered-total attendance is estimated at 125,000

DAYTON, O., Sept. 14.—A new all-time high in paid gate admissions was established at Montgomery County Fair here September 2-5, with a total of 86,641, showing an increase of 11,600 over last year. Ralph C. Haines, secretary, estimated that the crowd Sunday (1), with those ad-mitted on exhibitors' tickets and passes, brought the total gate to more than 125,000.

Grandstand was packed daily for circus-type acts and harness races. Three race events were held each afternoon and two each night, with purses running about \$11,500. Acts were Selden, Stratosphere Man; Flying Valentinos, Pickard's seals, Anderson's Circus, Pat and Willa Levola on the slack wire, Emil and Evelyn Wright's dogs, Ernie Wiswell and his funny Ford, and Happy Kellem, clown.

A new feature was a massed con-cert of nine county school bands clos-ing night. About 400 youngsters par-ticipated, and \$750 was divided evenly among the schools represented. Two autos were skedded to be given away. Fair awarded the first, but was left with the second on its hands. Rules stipulated that the holder of the winning ticket must be in attendance at the time of drawing, but after ticket for the second car A new feature was a massed conbut after ticket for the second car had been tendered it was found to be in the name of the daughter of the woman who presented it. Audience meanwhile had dispersed and tossed away its stubs, so it was not practicable to have another drawing. Fair considered a plan for turning the car

#### Rutland, Vt., Gate Hits Record Figure

over to a veteran.

RUTLAND, Vt., Sept. 14.—Attend-ance at the 101st annual Rutland Fair, which closed its six-day run Saturday (7), has been estimated at 139,500, a new record. Previous high was 130,000, set in 1945. Weather otherwise almost flaw-

Weather, otherwise almost flawless, was marred by rain closing day morning, but it cleared and attendance hit 30,000 for a new single day record.

#### Havre, Mont., Doubles '42 Gate; Grandstand Up

HAVRE, Mont., Sept. 14.—Final tabulation of the attendance figures for the recent Hill County Fair here shows that the gate for the three-day fair more than doubled that for 1942, when the fair wore last held. At when the fair was last held. At-tendance this year reached 7,756, as against 3,563 in 1942. The grand-stand was also way up; 3,332 this year, as against 2,218 in 1942. Grandstand acts were furnished by the Frie Young Agency Chicago

the Ernie Young Agency, Chicago. The Greenough Orr Rodeo was pre-sented on the track. Midway was supplied by the Northern Exposition

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# **HISTORY MADE AT TOPEKA!**

## **Marks Topped** At Du Quoin

DU QUOIN, Ill., Sept. 14 .- Practically every record for the event was upset at the Du Quoin State Fair, here August 26-September 2. Attendance for the eight days was estimated in excess of 200,000. Biggest crowd was drawn for auto races (John Sloan's) on Labor Day, when 40,000 turned out

Grand Circuit harness horse racing the first five afternoons offered \$120,-000 in prize money, largest sum ever offered for a five-day meeting in the history of the sport. More than \$60,-000 was paid out in horse show and livestock premiums.

Weather was cold and rain held up the motorcycle races Sunday (1). However, attendance stood up well, both afternoon and night.

Fair sprung with a lavish grand-stand show. Night performances pro-duced sell-out crowds. Attractions included Vic Hyde, the one-man band; the Pitchman, the Skating Earls; Spiller's Seals; Loyal Repen-ski Troupe; Cabot and Dresden, dance team: Three Little Sister: Mal Hall team; Three Little Sisters; Mel Hall, unicycle; Woolford's Dogs; A. Rob-bins, the Banana Man; the Maxellos and the Nonchalants.

Sam Snyder's Water Follies was an added feature the last three days. Featured with this unit were the Featured with this unit were the Diffy Dallies and Eddie Rose, for the comedy, with Peter Vick, Vi Martin and Anne Rutledge contributing swimming exhibitions, and Sam How-ard and Whitey Hart among those doing fancy diving.

Dave Malcolm emseed the grand-stand show, music for which was furnished by Ted Fio Rita and his orchestra. Acts were furnished by L. N. Fleckles, of the Voorhees Agency and the Ernie Young Agency, both of Chicago. Fio Bita ork was both of Chicago. Fio Rita ork was booked thru MCA.

Special attractions included Morton Downey, Sunday (1) night, and Mandrake, the Magician, Coco Steve, and Eddy and Dick Burns who were added to the program. The Turner Bros.' Shows amassed

the biggest gross in their history on the midway.

#### **Civic Clubs in Mass** Luncheon at Fair

KNOXVILLE, Sept. 14.—All civic clubs of Eastern Tennessee are ex-pected to participate in a buffet luncheon Thursday (26) at Tennes-see Valley Agricultural and Indus-trial Fair here. Arrangements have been made with caterers to handle 1,500 persons. Get-together is idea of the Knoxville Junior Chamber of Commerce, which has asked all clubs Commerce, which has asked all clubs to postpone their regular downtown luncheons that week and attend the fair event instead. Annual, to be held at the city-owned Chilhowee Park, has been out of action five years.

All commercial display space has been sold, Secretary Pat F. Kerr an-nounced. About half of the main exhibit building will be used to house a huge electric exhibit sponsored by the Knoxville Utilities Board.

Gerald Snellens, contracting agent for World of Mirth Shows, stopped off in New York last week, en route from the Brockton (Mass.) Fair to the Allentown (Pa.) Fair.



PENNY MILLETTE being interviewed by Jack Case, of Station WWNY, at the Oswego County Fair, Sandy Creek, N. Y. She represented fair's grandstand acts in a presentation to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey. Billed as the "Personality Girl of the Air," she works with her father, Ira Millette, in a high act.

#### Mineola, N. Y., Hits **Peak at Gates**

MINEOLA, L. I., Sept. 14.— Mineola Fair claimed best attendance in its history, with ideal weather for the five days of its run. Fair opened Tuesday (10) and registered highest mark for opening day in the past 50 years, with a gate reported of 19,000. Manager Charles Bochert said that daily attendance topped most records in the 104 years the fair has been in existence. Fair weather today, at the wind-up, further swelled the gate to push Mineola to new peaks. Several new features were on tap

Several new features were on tap this year, including ox-pulling and sheep - dog h e r d i ng competitions, wood-chopping exhibitions and one wood-chopping exhibitions and one of the most elaborate military dis-plays to be seen at a county fair. Largest of the military exhibits was the Army Ground Forces Caravan displaying a large number of the most modern implements of war, serviced by a group of 130 officers and enlisted men. In addition the navy, marine corps and air force had exhibits and recruiting staffs on the grounds. grounds.

Fair was obliged to add space to Fair was obliged to add space to several of its 35 exhibition depart-ments, as entries in most categories topped those of the past 20 years. Livestock, poultry and other farm animal exhibits had particularly heavy entries heavy entries.

Grandstand feature was afternoon Grandstand feature was afternoon and evening rodeo put on by Lewis Blackmon's Black Diamond Ranch Rodeo. Following the rodeo shows Tuesday (10) and Wednesday (11) nights, fireworks displays were pre-sented under the supervision of Fred C. Murray, International Fireworks Company. On Saturday afternoon (14) midget auto races replaced the rodeo as grandstand attraction. rodeo as grandstand attraction.

Free attractions were daily con-certs by high school bands of Queens and Nassau counties, square dances, movie contests and various other competitions. Strolling clowns on the midway were Ray Bozo Cosmo and Happy Cromwell.

I. T. Shows, Inc., with I. Trebish in charge, were on the midway with 10 rides, Ewing's Indian Village, a drome and some 50 games and stands.



DES MOINES, Sept. 14.—Iowa State Fair, in its recent revival after a wartime lapse, grossed in excess of a half million dollars and netted a profit of more than \$100,000. Ex-penses are expected to run between \$375,000 and \$400,000.

Surplus, together with about \$100,-Surplus, together with about \$100,-000 left from the government's set-tlement fund of \$535,000, will be used for construction and plant im-provements. Projects planned in-clude the overhauling of the sewer, water and electric light systems; complete overhauling and enlarge-ment of the fairgrounds' toilet and sanitary system, and continuation of the restoration job begun when the fairgrounds was used as an Army the fairgrounds was used as an Army Air Forces depot.

Other projects include construc-tion of a new forage barn to replace the one destroyed by fire at a cost of \$35,000 during the fair. The swine building also must be reroofed completely.

The no-pass rule inaugurated this year is regarded as a definite success. year is regarded as a definite success. To be sure, it occasioned some head-aches. After the fair's close, Sec-retary Lloyd Cunningham was pre-sented with a petition, signed by about 300 persons, asking for return of the \$3 exhibitor's pass, with as many entrances permitted each day as wanted by the ticket-holders. This year exhibitors were charged \$4.80. During the fair, boys working as ticket-takers threatened a walk-off, claiming the \$3-a-day was in-sufficient when they had to pay the as ticket-takers inreatened a manner off, claiming the 3-a-day was insufficient when they had to pay the 60-cent front gate admittance. This 60-cent front gate admittance. This was ironed out, however, by the fair officials.

#### Radio Talent, Horse Tug,

Stock Top Spencer, Mass.

SPENCER, Mass., Sept. 14.—An-nual three-day fair here drew 7,500 people over the Labor Day week-end. Attendance was 1,500 Saturday, 2,500 Sunday and a closing crowd of 3,500 Labor Day. Annual featured fireworks and a vaude show daily. Special attractions were a simu-

Special attractions were a simu-lated radio broadcast featuring talent lated radio broadcast featuring talent from WTAG, Worcester, Saturday; a prize cattle parade, Sunday, and horse-pulling contests and harness racing, Monday. Entire cast of Happiness Unlimited, a WTAG kiddie show, and the WTAG Hillbillies, heard over the CBS Coun-ty Fair program, did rebroadcasts of their shows

their shows.

#### North Haven 3-Day Annual Plays to 15,000 Persons

NORTH HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 14. —Attendance at the three-day North Haven Fair, which closed Sunday (8), was estimated at 15,000. Event was held on the newly acquired permanent 50-acre site. Rides were furnished by John Monks, Ware-housepoint, Conn. Two-hour show, twice daily fea-

housepoint, Conn. Two-hour show, twice daily, fea-tured Musical Johnsons, xylopho-nists; Balzer Sisters, balancing; Glenn Henry, juggler, and Glenn Henry's dog act, booked in by George A. Hamid, New York, scored big. Association, following success of the annual, is now laying plans for the construction of permanent build-

the construction of permanent buildings.

Take at grandstand and midway tells story-R-A nears 100G mark in seven days

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 14. — The 66th annual Kansas Free Fair, which opened here Saturday (7), closed Fri-day night (13), was the most successful in its history.

Despite off-weather in the early part of the annual's run and the polio threat, which slashed children's attendance, what is believed to be a record number of people passed thru the gates. Inasmuch as outside gate admission is free, no figures are available on total attendance, nor can an estimate be made with a reasonable degree of accuracy.

However, the dollars and cents figures-the take at the grandstand and on the midway-tell the story.

Here are some:

On the midway, the Royal Ameri-can Shows amassed a gross of close to \$100,000 Maurice W. Jencks, sec-retary, reported. The previous mark, set by RA in 1945, was slightly over. \$72,000.

In front of the grandstand, a revue, Follies of '46 and acts, booked thru the Barnes-Carruthers office, Chicago, grossed approximately \$60,000, sharp jump over the previous record for the night grandstand business.

#### **Sloan Racers Draw**

Sloan Racers Draw The auto races (John Sloan's) pre-sented Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday produced huge grandstand crowds, with Wednesday's topping them all, netting more than \$10,000. Frank Winkley's All-American Thrill Show, in Thursday, grossed \$8,500. And the rodeo (John Guthrie's) played to more than 11,000 paid admissions Sunday and drew 6,000 Saturday and Monday, despite rain those afternoons. those afternoons.

The fair wound up with by far the The fair wound up with by far the biggest profit in its history, it is estimated. Not only were the grand-stand grosses far in excess of previ-ous totals, but the annual netted more from its space. Such space ran at least 35 per cent more than in any

previous year. Exhibits in practically all livestock classifications surpassed those of previous years in number, only one or two sections showing a drop. The fair plant itself showed much im-provement, the result of early planning and construction following the end of the war.

Among the improvements were the new 4-H Club livestock building and barn, a 68 x 150-ft. structure, made of native stone and brick; newly sidewalks; new entrances and a re-built industrial building.

Follies of '46 clicked big with crowds. Music was by Cervone's band. Acts included Edyth McVey and her novachord; Hild Dancers; Twelve Gentlemen of Song; Four Song Stylists; Gloria Heit, ballerina; Preston Lambert, emsee; Sie & Cermay; Five Leonards; Chester Frederick & Company; Reynolds' Skaters; Martells and Mignon, adagio; Le Brac and Bernice; Novack and Fay, Kav and Glenn, Stevens Brothers and Big (See '46 Topeka Sets on page 52)

The Billboard

# **READING TOPPLES GATE, TAKES**

## 8 - Day Event **Packs Appeal**

**Public** waxes enthusiastic -attendance should hit 400.000-weather an aid

400,000—weather an aid READING, Pa., Sept. 14.—A fair-hungry populace descended upon Reading Fair's revival, which opened Sunday (8) following a four-year wartime lapse, to topple attendance and gross records in an unprece-dented manner. John S. Giles, presi-dent, and Charles W. Swoyer, secre-tary, wondered aloud at the enthu-siasm of the masses and predicted that total attendance for the eight days, ending tomorrow, would ap-proach the 400,000 mark. Grosses, in some instances, are doubling all pre-vious marks, and the net, even if it rains on the final day, will be suf-ficient to give the annual an enviable surplus, much of which is already tentatively earmarked for substantial plant improvements. plant improvements.

An example of the extraordinary appeal of this year's fair was exhib-ited on two mornings when anxious patrons beat the scheduled 8:30 a.m. gate opening by nearly two hours and insisted on contributing several hundred dollars for admissions in ad-vance of receiving their tickets. Tickets were printed in excess of all anticipated needs but substitutes had to be located and used before Thursdav.

Ideal weather held thru the week Ideal weather held thru the week, including Friday (13), bane of the superstitious, when the largest single day attendance in the history of the annual, 51,347, was chalked up. The fair is a cinch to top all other Penn-sylvania annuals, as it has the added advantage of from two to three addi-tional idays of operation including tional 'days of operation, including two Sundays.

All grandstand records were All grandstand records were smashed by Thursday (12) when ticket sales were stopped for all fu-ture scheduled events, including Sam Nunis-promoted auto races Sunday (15). Bleacher seats and paddock at \$1 per copy were minimum, while 5,000 grandstand chairs were priced from \$1.25 to \$2.50.

Grandstand entertainment topped anything presented in the East so far anything presented in the East so far this year, and included the presenta-tion of a show on real ice. Derby On Ice was presented opening day and Monday (9). Supplemental attrac-tions on these nights included Louis Prima and orchestra and Jane Pickens, songstress. Jack Kochman and His Hell Drivers held forth Sun-day afternoon pefore a packed stand. and His Hell Drivers held forth Sun-day afternoon before a packed stand. George A. Hamid's *Grandstand Follies* was presented nightly, Mon-day thru Saturday (14). The 20-girl chorus presented five production numbers. Additional acts included Cont. Spuller's Scole Posches and numbers. Additional acts included Capt. Spiller's Seals, Peaches and Her Sky Ballet, the Vespers, Four Brucettes, Francisco and Delores, Woolfords' Dachshunds, Harmonica Boys; Eddie Roecker, vocalist; Mon-tana Kid and the Wonder Horse, Cole Bay; The Briants, pantomime, and the Kimris, aerialists. Fireworks topped off the night show. Rudy Caffey was emsee; Lee Barton Evans, company manager, and Jack Glick-man, musical director. The 93-piece U. S. Army Air Force Band, an added starter, was featured Monday (9) starter, was featured Monday (9) over the Mutual Coast-to-Coast network

A top attraction set for tonight was a beauty contest to pick Miss Reading in its histor Fair. A first prize of \$1,000 plus 32 Izzy Cetlin.

## Super Suds!

READING, Pa., Sept. 4.— Reading Fair patrons guzzled 162,295 glasses of beer Monday thru Thursday (9-12), and Paul H. Esterly, assistant secretary, predicted that the total would be boosted to 240,000 by Saturday (14).

All beer is dispensed at three fair-operated stands at 10 cents fair-operated stands at 10 cents a glass. Affecting the sale were two Sundays, during which the fair is in operation but no beer is sold, and a shortage of the golden brew which made it necessary to keep the stands closed until noon each day.

#### **Oregon State Sets** Single Date Record

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 14.—Opening day attendance, Labor Day, at Ore-gon State Fair hit 63,900 for a new all-time record. Figure represents only paid attendance. Several thou-sand children under 14 were adord was 41,000, set in the early '30s, according to Manager Leo Spitzbart.

Thousands were turned away from the Labor Day race program, where pari-mutuels set another fair record, with \$51,383 wagered for the after-noon events. Night horse show had an attendance of 7,000 with many turned away.

General admission remained at the pre-war price of 50 cents, with the annual absorbing the federal tax.

## **Last-Minute Plans Mapped**

SAN JOSE, Calif., Sept. 14.—With the closing of entries for the agri-cultural, horticultural and grape growing departments Friday (13), Santa Clara County Fair mapped last-minute plans to open Friday (21) for its second showing Friday the war. Fair runs six days.

the war. Fair runs six days. The agricultural department has set up separate divisions for entries of grain, tomatoes, plant vegetables, root vegetables and squashes. Horti-culture division has divisions for apples, grapes, peaches, pears, plums, miscellaneous fruits, berries and nuts. Fruit and vegetable displays will be housed in the main tent, with 52,-000 square feet of space.

worthwhile merchandise prizes as-sured many entries.

Grand Circuit harness racing was featured afternoons, Monday thru Friday, with the heaviest purses in fair history, \$29,650, drawing an at-tractive field of hay-burners.

Indoor and outdoor exhibit space was peddled long before opening, with little effort along this line being expended by the management. Fair officials had only 12 weeks to ready the fair following the return of the grounds by the army. Material shortages were faced and conquered in time for the housing of exhibits and animals, altho in some instances the job had to be makeshift.

Gary Garrison, parachutist, scheduled for daily jumps, missed the in-field Thursday (12), hit an adjoining fence and sustained leg injuries which caused him to cancel his re-maining appearances.

Cetlin & Wilson Shows on the midway was garnering the largest gross in its history, according to co-owner

#### Sandwich, Ill., Lures 70.000; Rain Hurts

SANDWICH, Ill., Sept. 14.-The 59th Sandwich Fair, extended to five days for the second season, wound up Sunday night (8) with an aggregate attendance placed by Secretary C. R. Brady at 70,000. Annual was rained out Saturday night (7). Thursday (5), traditionally the biggest day, drew a crowd of 24,000. Children's day was off Wednesday (4), osten-sibly because because of alarm over polio. A new \$6,000 reserved section, with 1,200 chairs, increased the grandstand's capacity to more than 3,000. Bunting's Shows were on the midway for the 16th year. Harness racing was presented the days for the second season, wound up

Harness racing was presented the Harness racing was presented the first three afternoons, interspersed with Dorothy Herbert's horses. Boyle Woolfolk's Follies of '46 comprised the grandstand show Wednesday and Thursday nights, and a horse show was staged Friday night, with ap-ward of 100 entries. B. Ward Beam's Congress of Daredevils, after working to disadvantage on a muddy track Saturday afternoon, had to call it off that night. Things were none too promising for Woolfolk's Wonder Bros.' Circus when it arrived Sun-day morning, but the skies cleared before noon and acts performed be-fore good crowds afternoon and night. Wonder Bros. line-up here includ-

Nutuels set another fair record,<br/>\$51,383 wagered for the after-<br/>events. Night horse show had<br/>tendance of 7,000 with many<br/>l away.Wonder Bros. line-up here includ-<br/>ed the Riding Conleys, with three<br/>acts; Pete, Ann and Jimmy Glade,<br/>horses and comedy mules; Arizona<br/>Jack and the Texies, ropes and<br/>yack and the Texies, the<br/>Aerial Solts, double trapeze; Lee<br/>Marx, juggling; Smitty's funny Ford,<br/>and Lou Rella, who announced the<br/>show and did his iron-jaw weight-<br/>lifting act. Unit was in charge of<br/>Jack Ferdie.

#### Ebensburg, Pa., Annual **Breaks Attendance Mark**

EBENSBURG, Pa., Sept. 14.—All attendance records for Cambria County Fair here, September 2-7, were shattered when 70,000 persons went thru the gates, Walter Good, secretary, reports. Frank Wirth's revue played to ca-

pacity crowds in the arena every night, as did five acts in front of the grandstand each day. Prell's Broad-way Shows, on the midway, enjoyed

way Shows, on the the a big week. Exhibition buildings were well filled and more than 100 merchants had displays. WJAC, Johnstown (Pa.) radio station, had daily broad-casts from the grounds. The army took over the steel building and had a big equipment display. Thursday took over the steel building and had a big equipment display. Thursday (5) was Veterans' Day, and honored guests included Al Schmidt, candi-date for secretary of internal affairs, and General Strickler, candidate for lieutenant governor of Pennsylvania.

The fairgrounds recently were pur-chased by the American Legion Rec-reational Association, comprising 19 American Legion posts, which they leased to the Cambria County Fair Association.

#### **Bars, Liquor Store Fold** As Maumee, O., Opens Up

MAUMEE, O., Sept. 14.—All bars and the State liquor stores within two miles of the Lucas County fairgrounds were closed to conform with grounds were closed to conform with 1888 Ohio law, as the annual opened Tuesday (12) for a four-day and night program. The event teed off with the largest attendance in a decade, Charles Glann, secretary, announced.

#### Kelly Gets Job

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C., Sept. 14.—H. B. Kelly, of Hen-dersonville and Naples, Fla., has been named secretary-manager of Western North Carolina Fair, to be held here the week of October 7 Appointment was October 7. Appointment was announced by President Sam Pickard. Johnny J. Denton Shows have been signed for the midway. Considerable plant im-provements were effected recently.

#### Allegan, Mich., Off Slightly From Peak; Weather Hurts Gate

ALLEGAN, Mich., Sept. 14.—First three days of the Allegan County Fair, which opened here Monday (9), ran slightly under the corresponding days of last year, when the paid attendance hit an all-time peak of 70.000.

Besides opening day showers and rain between 5 and 6 p.m. the followrain between 5 and 6 p.m. the follow-ing day, other reasons were cited for the drop-off. Breaking of a 13-week drought, which enabled farmers to get to their long-delayed plowing, and a pre-opening frost, which forced farmers to rush their frost-hit corn into silos, cut attendance, Secretary E W De Lano said E. W. De Lano said.

E. W. De Lano said. However, gate was only slightly under the corresponding days last year and fair execs were happy. Frank Winkley's auto. and motor-cycle thrill show opening day had a good grandstand in the afternoon, jammed the 3,500 capacity stand for the early night show and provided a fair crowd for the second night per-formance. Kids Day, Tuesday (10), was good, with 12,000 kiddies and about 5,000 adults on hand. Wednesday's turnout was also

about 5,000 adults on hand. Wednesday's turnout was also satisfactory, for the first of four after-noons of harness horse racing, and at night, the second night of the five-night stand, Ernie Young's Revue and circus acts played to an enthusi-astic, capacity grandstand. Acts in-cluded Walter Jennier and his seal, Buddy: the Parefic high-pule ladder: cluded Walter Jennier and his seal, Buddy; the Paroffs, high-pole ladder; Johnnie Laddie & Company, dog ladder; the Strong Trio, rope spin-ning; Cyclonians, unicycle; the Za-vatta Troupe, riding; the Ambassa-dorettes, tumbling, and the Zoeppe Troupe. Dave Malcolm is the emsee. High winds Tuesday levelled the concerv scenery.

Closing day, tomorrow, will be fea-tured by a horse show.

Present grandstand is to be re-placed, and first section will go up before '47 event if materials permit. Fair had the necessary \$15,000 for the section before current annual opened. section before current annual opened. Event has scored a steady climb since 1932, when De Lano, a banker, step-ped in to handle management. Then, \$14,000 in debt, annual since has paid that off, spent \$15,000 in improve-ments and construction and has money in the bank.

money in the bank. Come-back is emphasized by the fact that when De Lano stepped in, paid gate the year before had aggre-gated 5,000, whereas last year's ran 70,000 and present event should finish not far under that record figure. De Lano attributes come-back to policy of stepping up the quality of attrac-tions each year.

Arthur B. Porter, secretary-man-ager Rutland (Vt.) State Fair, vis-ited the Brockton (Mass.) Fair Wednesday (11) and the Reading (Pa.) Fair Thursday (12).

## Saginaw, Ad-Less Locally, Sags; Weather, Polio Hurt; Bingo Goes

By Herb Dotten

SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 14 .-- What sate for the absence of all-out press stamped the Saginaw Fair here this support. (Most of the fair stories week apart from most annuals was not the attendance (thru Thursday (12) the gate was off from last year, due to the weather, the threat of polio and weak support by the one and only local daily newspaper), but two battles, one a quiet but cost-ly difference with *The Saginaw News*, the other a setto with the city's powers that be over bingo at the fair.

Clarence Harnden, secretary-man-ager, and other fair execs, were hopeful a strong finish would en-able the event to wind up today with able the event to wind up today with as big a gate and gross as last year. But this did not seem probable, due to the early dent and fact the local gazette showed no signs of opening up nor the fair of springing with act in the columns. with ads in its columns.

Event opened Sunday (9) without having placed an ad in *The Saginaw News*—and with the announced in-tent of not relenting. It also opened with members of the city's vice squad very much in evidence on the grounds very much in evidence on the grounds as a threat of what would happen if bingo games were opened.

Bingo games had been contracted, but didn't operate opening day.

A ban on bingo had been enforced rigidly in the city for more than eight month following a tight clampdown on all forms of gambling. All efforts to have the ban knocked off failed before the fair opened, but as opening day neared there was much speculation, in and out of public print, as to whether bingo would be permitted. The city manager said "No," which accounted for the presence of the vice squad on the grounds.

#### **Needed for Revenue**

Harnden, however, urged the city council to consider the affect upon the fair. He pointed out the fair had sold \$5,500 in games contracts of various types and that this rev-enue was necessary to enable it to pay out its premiums. (About \$25.000 was offered this year. In Michigan, the State matches every dollar in premiums paid out by fairs.)

The city council then voted not to enforce the ban on bingo at the fair. (The State law bars bingo, but enforcement is by local option.) And Monday afternoon, bingo and other games for merchandise operated.

All of this netted the fair Page 1 publicity, but it was not the kind that publicity, but it was not the kind that helped the gate. It was the type that had dogged the event before it opened. City health authorities had badgered the annual about admit-ting children, pointing to the fair alone and not extending closing urgalone and not extending closing urg-ings upon theaters, schools or other gathering places. This had gone on after the number of polio cases in the city had dropped from 15 to 5. And it went on to the accompani-ment of newspace nublicity ment of newspaper publicity.

Result was felt keenly at the gate. Result was felt keenly at the gate. Children's Day, Tuesday (10), was way off. So was the midway, where the Gooding Greater Shows report-ed their grosses were under '45. Par-ents, apparently affected by the pub-licity, kept the kids away, while permitting them to attend other gath-erings erings.

#### Harnden Uses Radio

with few exceptions, did little to pro-vide build-up.)

vide build-up.) WSAM, Saginaw; WFDF, Flint, and WBCM, Bay City, used many pre-opening spots, and Detroit's biggies, WJR and WWJ, came thru with some. During the fair, WSAM ema-nated many of its shows from the grounds. Out-of-town papers did okay by the fair, and exhibitors ran tie-in ads, advertising their displays. But all of this didn't overcome lack of strong local support. of strong local support.

Weather hurt the first five days, being cool, if not cold, with rain Wednesday (11). Two night per-formances of the grandstand show were scheduled for the last three nights.

#### **Exhibits Good**

Fair, as an agricultural and livestock exposition, rates highly. Ex-hibits are of high class and of good quality. Particularly outstanding is the fall flower festival, the feature of which is half a dozen large shadow or which is half a dozen large shadow boxes, illuminated by fluorescent lights and containing large baskets of flowers. Shadow box treatment is arresting and beautiful, and tops off an excellent showing of fall flowers.

Commercial exhibits are many in number, jamming two buildings and proving a source of much interest, and it appeared Thursday (12) the exhibitors were getting their money's worth. Lay-out of the commercial displays is of high order. There are There are bits, with also many outdoor exhibits, with a good showing of farm machinery predominating.

Grounds are kept unusually tidy in a year when help is scarce. Buildings also are well cleaned inside. The horse barns, for instance, tho old and of frame construction, are particu-larly inviting because of their orderliness.

liness. The grandstand show is strong and scores big with folks, who jammed in despite cool weather during the first five days. Circus acts are pre-sented in the afternoon and the *Fair Follies of 46* are offered at night. All are booked thru Barnes-Car-ruthers office, Chicago. Acts include Johnny Gibson's Aerial Ballet; Dut-ton Circus combination; Three Ro-sannas, acrobatic; Larry Griswold, trampoline; Gautier's Steeplechase; Dick Clemens, lions; Barton and Brady, knockabout comedy; Canestrellis, unsupported ladders; La Tosca, bounding rope, and the Cardovas, teeterboard.

#### Polio Knocks Out W&L Unit; Season **Biz on Poor Side**

ST. PAUL, Sept. 14 .--- Gladys M. Williams, of Williams & Lee Attractions here, said this week that one of its units, Star Spangled Follies, closed its season because of polio cancellations. Miss Williams said that altho the attraction's three units were successful at every stand played during the season, the year on the whole will be one of the poorest yet Harnden, miffed by the way the paper was treating the fair, didn't schedule any lineage for it, diverting that portion of the budget to radio in the belief that strong radio sup-port would overcome the lack of newspaper ads and perhaps compen-later two orgs was good on the

## **Escanaba in Top** Year; 35G Gross At Colorado Fair **Beats 1941 Mark**

ESCANABA, Mich., Sept. 14. 1946 Upper Peninsula State Fair produced the best financial report in the history of the exposition, Harold history of the exposition, harold Lindsay, secretary reports. Gross receipts totaled \$35,443.04, twice as much as in 1941, the last year that the fair was held before resumption Deductions for commisthis year. this year. Deductions for commis-sions paid to the WLS Troupe and the Jimmie Lynch Hell Drivers, plus \$3,732.98 in federal taxes, totaled \$11,030.72, leaving net receipts to the fair board of \$24,412.32. This con-stitutes the amount of money re-turned to the State which advanced \$25,000 for payment of premiums and other expenses in connection with the other expenses in connection with the fair.

Expenses for premiums, labor, grandstand attractions not booked on Expenses percentage basis, advertising, judg-ing, etc., totaled \$24,987.24. Ap-proximately \$10,000 was expended for capital improvements on the fairgrounds, an item of expense not as-sessed against the 1946 exposition. Administrative expenses of the fair board also are items paid by the State that are not assessed against receipts of the fair.

of the fair. Receipts from ticket sales were highest September 1, the last day of the fair, totaling \$7,510.55. This was the only day of the fair that a gate charge was made thruout the day. Breakdown of receipts from ticket sales each day of the fair fol-lows: August 27, \$425.00; August 28, \$1,889.25; August 29, \$5,188.20; August 30, \$2,233.80; August 31, \$6,-858.65; September 1, \$7,510.55. Effect of inclement weather is reflected in of inclement weather is reflected in lower receipts the first two days of the fair and on August 30.

Concession commissions included \$4,983.60 from Badger State Shows; \$357.93 from the concession under the grandstand; \$2,606.50 from mid-way concessions, exclusive of the carnival commissions, and \$1,285 from the exhibition building concessions.

In addition, net receipts from the premium book advertising after deduction for printing expenses were \$446.59. Other receipts included fees for livestock stall fees, sale of hay, cab stands and truck privileges.

#### Seek PW Camp for Events

MEDICINE HAT, Alta., Sept. 14.— City council will apply to the fed-eral government to purchase the for-mer German prisoner of war camp, on the east outskirts of Medicine Hat, for use in staging agricultural foirs for use in staging agricultural fairs and shows.

#### Beauregard Parish Dates

DE RIDDER, La., Sept. 14.—Dates for the Beauregard Parish Fair have been set for October 8-12, Secretary O. J. Hood announced. Closing day has been designated as Veterans Day.

season despite cool weather in most spots, she said. Williams & Lee Atspots, sne said. Williams & Lee At-tractions played Ellsworth, Lady-smith and Mondovi, Wis., and Bird Island and Willmar, Minn., fairs on the Wisconsin Circuit of Fairs, Miss Williams said.



PUEBLO, Colo., Sept. 14.—War-born walkie-talkie radio sets gave the Colorado State Fair a novel feature and what could certainly be called on-the-spot coverage when the farm reporter of KLZ originated his pro-grams on the fairgrounds.

Lowell Watts, using a pack set, roamed the grounds and broadcast interviews presenting farmers, stock-men, and other visitors and exhibitors. Five quarter-hour noontime programs and three evening programs were aired during the week-long fair.

The broadcasts from the walkietalkie were picked up by a receiver in the station's exhibition booth at the fair and fed to the Denver station via leased wire.

#### labor, Newcastle Disease Ends All Pa. Poultry Shows

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 14.— Complete co-operation of Pennsyl-vania county and community fair managements in observance of the Department of Agriculture's ban on poultry orbibits to prove and a poultry exhibits to prevent spread of Newcastle disease, was reported by Miles Horst, State secretary of agri-culture. Ban became effective Sunday (1).

Altho most fairs had made preparations to receive large exhibits of poultry, Secretary Horst said they willingly abandoned their plans and notified exhibitors not to send their birds.

#### Saskatoon Improvements **Recommended by Board**

REGINA, Sask., Sept. 14 .-- Recommendations for various improvements to the Saskatoon Exhibition grounds here have been made by the board of directors. Recommendations inof directors. Recommendations in-clude improvement of the betting enclosure, with sellers on one side and pay-off windows at the other; improvements in the livestock judging ring; heating of the livestock judg-pavilion; toilet facilities for the mid-way; removal of the church dining halls, and additional stalls for racing horses.

#### Hopkins, Minn., Annual Re-Dated for Sept. 26-28

HOPKINS, Minn., Sept. 14 .--- PosthOPKINS, Minn., Sept. 14.—Post-poned last month because of the polio epidemic, Hennepin County Fair will be held September 26-28, Harold C. Pederson, fair board president, announced.

Grandstand entertainments will be the KSTP Barn Dance. A large 4-H Club exhibits entry is expected. Ped-erson said while changes in dates may reduce exhibits in some classes, it will mean increases in others.

#### Mich. Annual Draws 10,000

PINCONNING, Mich., Sept. 14 .-PINCONNING, Mich., Sept. 14.— Two-day Pinconning Fair and Home-Coming drew an estimated attendance of 10.000, September 5-6. Village has a population of 1,027. Midway was supplied by Roscoe T. Wade's Joy-land Midway Attractions. Free acts were supplied by Henry H. Lueders, of the United Booking Association of the United Booking Association.

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## Brockton Away Carthage Headed To Record Run

(Continued from page 48) the first two days of racing. With Tuesday's daily double paying \$351.60 there were times when the 22 betting windows didn't seem adequate, and a lot of would-be bettors were left with money burning holes in their pockets as races got underway.

Jimmie Lynch and His Death Dodgers played to a packed stand on opening day, Sunday, but the hay-burners took over the track for the remaining afternoons to squeeze out the possibility of a repeat thrill show or auto races. Prior to the advent of pari-mutuels, this spot used to fea-ture four days of thrill shows and two days of auto racing.

Night grandstand show featured a profusion of talent, but was lacking in production and little effort had been expended on stage settings or lighting. Audience, however, liked the presentation and packed the grand-stand nightly at \$1.20 per seat. Talent included Milt Britton and his ork, Ben Yost chorus; Six Marvelettes, acrobats; Ward Bell Fliers; Susan Carol, vocalist; Borrah Minnevitch and His Harmonica Rascals; Reg Kehoe and His Marimba Queens; Tien Tsi Lui, Chinese acrobats; Ada and Her Dogs and the Five Aerial Eltons. Fireworks topped off the Eltons. Fireworks topped off the show. Set pieces haven't been used here for years and the emphasis was on plenty of aerial bombs. Al tin, Boston, booked the show. Al Mar-

tin, Boston, booked the show. World of Mirth Shows, again on the midway, looked for a six-day \$75,000 gross if the weather held. Record for the fair was established last year when shows and rides gar-nered a nifty \$62,000. Owner Frank Bergen supplemented his line-up this year with the addition of 11 rides, mostly of the kid variety.

One of the fortunate plants to escape army occupation during the war years, Brockton has even managed progress in adding to its physi-cal attractiveness. All of the many buildings are decorated in a variety of pastel colors, including buff, egg-shell blue and pink, to create a strik-ingly new and distinctly eye-pleasing offort effect. Effort was sweated out by Kingman and associates since all of the paint necessary wasn't acquired until a mere two weeks before the scheduled opening. This particular decorative scheme was adopted mainly because of its visible day and mainly because of its visible day and night appeal. In the past the use of flood lighting was stressed, with the result that the buildings viewed in daytime, altho well-painted and cared for, looked neat but did not command any undue attention or "oh's" and "ah's" from the patrons.

Another new feature was Mother Goose Land, a free fun area for the kids. Spot featured Mother Goose characters sculptured out of plaster and on a gigantic scale. Plenty of and on a gigantic scale. Plenty of color turned the area into a veritable fairyland. Rabbits and doves, dyed every color of the rainbow, added another eye-popping feature for the kids. Effort won for the fair ap-plause in the press but Kingman said the spot had fallen short of his plans, due mainly to help and material due mainly to help and material shortages. But parents and their off-spring, well satisfied, will never guess.

Kingman has elaborate plans for the future but isn't ready to announce them as definite possibilities as yet. The fair has a large surplus as a result of several highly profitable years and can once again strive for noteworthy innovations on a plane that held it among the top rank of the nation's annuals for many years.

Other fair officials actively partici-pating were Dr. George Buckley, president; Charles E. Corcoran, en-tertainment chairman; Harold Croker, treasurer, and Glen McCrillus.

## For Banner Run

(Continued from page 48) trotting and pacing races by blooded horses brought in from other Ohio points and Kentucky and Indiana. Getting the spotlight Thursday night was a livestock parade at the race track and closing night feature was the \$5,000 Ohio Standard Bred Futurity race and two other races for \$400 purses

An attention-getter was the Army Service Force Caravan exhibit com-posed of 25 truckloads of secret and standard army equipment. A group of 66 army technicians, commanded by Lieut. Col. J. T. Cooper, demon-

strated the equipment. Annual entered its second day accompanied by a number of complaints over the cost of food and amusement over the cost of food and amusement rides, and odors emanating from the animal exhibits. Altho several com-plaints were heard concerning the 20-cent rides and \$1.25 chicken dinners, Clarence Peters, director of entries and privileges said the prices here were the same as those being charged at other fairs through the State.

#### Gooding on Midway

Well-illuminated midway was pro-vided by F. E. Gooding Amusement Company, Columbus, O. Included in the line-up of rides and shows were the new Looper, Ferris Wheel, Merry-Go-Round, Roll-o-Plane and Honeymoon Trail and Side Show. Midway was lighted with a number of towers bearing 10,000 watts capacity for each tower. Representatives of the Gooding org said that business this year will top anything accomplished at the local annual. Floyd E. Gooding, company's owner, was on hand the final day.

#### San Joaquin Notes

STOCKTON, Calif., Sept. 14.-Mike Krekos visited the fair before joining his own West Coast Victory Shows in Lodi, where it plays the annual grape festival. . . . Tivelpiece annual grape festival. & Townes handled publicity for the Lodi event and also midget auto races in the area. Ed Kennedy was on hand with his guess-your-weight scales and dickering for a place at the Washington State Fair... Ethel and Fred Weidemann down from San

Fred Weidemann down from San Francisco with their soap pitch. Mrs. Charlie Albright, of the Foley & Burk Shows, soon to join her. husband on the shows. She is recup-erating from a recent illness. . . Foley & Burk moved to Merced for the fair there. . . Carl Mills, bigthe fair there. . . . Carl Mills, big-shot of the Jumping Frog Jubilee in Angels Camp, spent two days on the fairgrounds. He's already making plans for the next Mark Twain Cele-bration in Calaveras County. Miss

Mills accompanied Carl. Ernie Hulick, who is the fair-haired Ernie Hulick, who is the fair-haired boy in fairs since his hundinger in Del Mar, visited the grounds and cut up a few jackpots with Ed Vollmann. Vollmann is saying that after you pass "double six" its time to think of a quieter life... Louis Merrill and Dick Washburne, of the Western Fairs Association, in town from Sac-ramento... Celia Carr on hand with her mentalist act... Harry Golub her mentalist act. . . . Harry Golub unable to enjoy the quiet and com-fort of the Hotel Clark during the morning hours because of long-distance calls from Mexico City and San Francisco.

Mel Smith expected to arrive, but Golub had left town.... Frank Cush-ing and Marjorie Bailey to Red Bluff to play for George Blake. Also have Russ Pettit's Santa Clara Extrava-ganza... Draft horse competition drew applause this year... Prof. Carroll E. Howell, head of the animal husbenders department at the Unihusbandry department at the Uni-versity of California, Davis, down for the horse judging events. He left for a similar assignment in Anderson.

## '46 Topeka Sets All-Time Mark

(Continued from page 49) Boy, Libonati Trio, and the Blondin Rellim Troupe.

#### Lindsay at Rodeo

Lindsay at Kodeo Guthrie's rodeo, living up to his title, "Rain or Shine Guthrie," did an excellent job in the face of rain Saturday and Monday. Sixty-two contestants participated, and a total of 100 head of stock was on hand. Rodeo was sanctioned by the Rodeo Cowboys' Association, Fort Worth, and secretary of the latter, Earl Lind-say, formerly Gene Autry's personal manager, was in attendance. Among the money winners for the various events were — Bulldoggers:

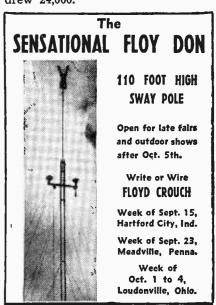
various events were — Bulldoggers: Claude Fletcher, Ernie Barnett; Jimmy French, Whiz Whizenhunt, Joe Teague and Harold Cox. Bull Riders: Bob Arrington, Gene Peacock, Casey Tibbs, Mel Autry, Ken Roberts and Jim Shoulders. Bareback Bronk Rid-ing: Paul Bond, Jim Shoulders, Ernie ing: Paul Bond, Jim Shoulders, Ernie Barnett, Jim Gibson, Mel Autry and G. K. Lewellen. Calf Roping: Jonas Dunson, Harold Emory, Harold Mc-Beth, Gene Bowyer, Ernie Barnett, Mel Autry, Bob Elliott, Mack Kini-brugh, Bob Bowyer and Frank Autry, and Saddle Bronk Riding: Johnny Combs, Ernie Barnett, Pewee Morris, Bill Howard, Bud McDaniels, Roy Martin, Ken Roberts, Ken Hargis and G. K. Lewellen. -In addition to the contests, the programs included — Cowboys-cow-

In addition to the contests, the programs included — Cowboys-cow-girls square dance on horseback: Leona Sawyer and Grover Sanders, Lucyle Cowey and Hank Linton, Earl and Veldene Strause; and Margie Hamilton and Truman Summers; Charlie Schultz and his bucking Ford; a display of trick and fancy roping, featuring Hank Linton, Earl and Vel-dene Strause, Lucyle Cowey and Monroe Veach

Also cowgirls bronk riding: I Cowey, Margie Hamilton and Vivian White; Sandy Sanders and his trained horse, Sunlight; Charley Schultz and

horse, Sunlight; Charley Schultz and his mule, Honeysuckle; a display of trick and fancy riding featuring Earl and Veldene Strause, Lucyle Cowey, Margie Hamilton, Vivian White, Pauline Nesbitt and Charley Schultz. Music was by Marshall's Stampede Band with Howard Morrison, direc-tor, while officials were Frank Autry, arena director; George Elliott, an-nouncer, and Jonas Dunson, arena secretary. secretary.

Two new swine buildings, new rest rooms and a new poultry building will be completed in time for South Carolina State Fair, Columbia, Oc-tober 21-26, Secretary Paul V. Moore announced. Other plant improve-ments that had been planned were deferred due to material shortages. Big feature of the annual as in the Big feature of the annual, as in the past, will be the Clemson-Carolina football game. drew 24,000. Last year's game



Race Betting Means to an End,

## Stockton, Calif., Gate Up **Despite Strikes Over Band**

(Continued from page 44) president of the musicians' local here, said that "good-will aspects of the Tipica appearance were overshadowed by the requiring of an admission charge to hear their performance." The union's first move was to pull 23 of its members scheduled to play the horse show opening night.

#### **Pickets Remain**

Altho the matter was believed set-tled on Saturday night when the Tipica band quit, pickets re-mained at the gates. This was un-officially explained that the action was taken to cover the unions who had gone out in sympathy with the tooters. Union officials also said they had not been requested to pull the pickets. To this E. G. Vollmann said he had not asked the pickets be placed there.

The union trouble also hit the publicity of the fair after it had opened. Fair management had installed a broadcasting booth in the commercial exhibit building, but it was never used after the unions entered the picture. KSFO, San Francisco, had planned to put on its farm hour from the fair and its woman's editor had planned to broadcast from the flower show. These plans were ditched as the radio people would not buck the picket lines. Previous to the opening, however, the fair had had some 80 radio broadcasts over the local and McClatchy chain stations.

Outstanding in exhibits was the builtry displays with approximately \$22,000 of the \$100,000 premium money going to this division. Pre-miums totaling \$60,000 were given for livestock, which also was a com-mendable display. There were 1 190 mendable display. There were 1,180 head of livestock shown. About \$5,000 was given for horticulture, agriculture and domestic arts.

When the Tipica band moved out, When the Tipica band moved out, fair was left short on attractions. Sunday afternoon (8) an All-Western show was presented, with nearly 700 horses and riders participating. Sunday night's show featured Cush-ing's Thrill Circus. Miss Bailey's acts, and the presentation of the grand champions. This being a see acts, and the presentation of the grand champions. This being a sec-tion strong for agricultural and horseflesh, the event was exceptionally received. well

Altho there were only two days of pari-mutuel racing, the fair pulled well as compared with other years. Last year, the first showing since the Last year, the first showing since the war, there were in attendance 118,612 people for the eight-day show and seven days of racing. Pari-mutuels for the 1945 run was \$428,000. In 1941 there was a 10-day fair with eight days of racing and it was at-tended by 129,654 with a pari-mu-tuel mark of \$279,163 for the seven days. Two days of this year put the days. Two days of this year put the pari-mutuels up to nearly \$300,000. Attendance for six days in 1945 was 85,140 for six days and 104,300 for the same period this year.

#### **Comparisons Made**

Vollmann, who is in favor of a fair rather than a racing meet, comfair rather than a racing meet, com-pared this year's attendance with last. Saturday opening of both events pulled 17,330 this year as against 24,718 in 1945. Sunday, a non-wagering day, got 21,110 with a flat 8,000 in 1945. This year's figures were equal or ahead of 1945 except on Thursday when 1945's attendance was about 2,500 over this year's. Foley & Burk Shows again played

the fair this year with receipts re-ported fair. One spokesman said the opening days were good but not too hot during the remainder of the pe-riod. Carnival was spotted to the left of the entrance and had even

is much above the average consider-ing the shortage of materials. It is spread out, making those who want to view the livestock exhibits do foot work. However, the animal attrac-tions were enhanced with the placing of the Sixth Army Recruiting Caraof the grounds. The Fort Ord ex-hibit also drew its share of visitors. The Sixth Army band gave two performances daily.

The junior division building, dam-aged by fire in January, is still out of the running. Fairgrounds were not released to the management un-til April, 1946. During the war years it served as a Japanese concentra-tion camp and later as a German prisoner of war stockade. Last year the POW section was roped off, giv-ing visitors access only to the exing visitors access only to the ex-hibits near the entrance, the carnidid plenty of business as the total attendance was confined to about onethird of the present area.

#### **Commercial Exhibits Strong**

Commercial Exhibits Strong Vollmann went strong this year for commercial exhibits. Handled by Duane Cartwright, displays from the community of Escalon; Lodi, the grape and wine area, and Calaveras County were tops. Calaveras showed a miniature gold mine in action and the animation and island placement the animation and island placement pulled much attention for the county.

Altho the union trouble may have reduced the pulling power of the Tipica band some, the show was none-the-less A-1. Handled by Harry none-the-less A-1. Handled by Harry Golub, emsee, the show was not aug-mented (as at San Diego County Fair) by AGVA acts. Directed by Marin, the band gave a 60-minute show that pulled heavy mitting. Golub's emseeing in an informal manner helped greatly.

Vollmann stood pat on his action in presenting the Tipica band de-spite pressure from the unions. The second agricultural division board of directors gave him a vote of con-fidence on Wednesday.

Publicity for the fair was ably han-dled by Al Tivelpiece and Bob Townes.

Trenton (N. J.) State Fair rated a picture layout in *The New York* World Telegram Thursday (12), nearly two weeks in advance of the opening.

Northampton, Mass., Exec Holds NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Sept. 14. —Charles N. De Rose, president of Three-County Fair which closed here Saturday (7), declared the original purpose of the annual had not been lost sight of with the advert of been the fair.

lost sight of with the advent of horse racing and pari-mutuel wagering. He asserted they are the means of achieving the goal, that of promoting and displaying agricultural produce and livestock.

He pointed out that Three-County Fair was a financially tottering insti-Fair was a financially tottering insti-tution and probably would have had to end its long existence had not pari-mutuels been legalized in the county four years ago. With revenue thus increased, it has been possible to offer nearly four times the prize money available in other years, and increased premiums, he said, were reflected in greatly enlarged ex-hibits this year.

Livestock exhibits, both adult and 4-H, he said, were far larger than they had been in many years, and the showing of fruit, vegetables and the showing of fruit, vegetables and flowers was the largest in 15 years. Financially able now to produce and distribute widely the premium list and program, the annual this year attracted a far wider range of ex-hibitors than ever before, the associa-tion president said.

tion president said. He pointed out that the cost of operating had greatly increased. Meanwhile, the fair's income from gate, grandstand, concessions and sale of space had not increased pro-portionately. Income from pari-mutuels took up the slack, he said, but the public erroneously assumed the fair was getting a huge amount from racing, due to the publicity given the large amount wagered. This is not the case, he said. He

#### MacEwan, Sask., Annual **Official, Gets New Post**

SASKATOON, Sask., Sept. 14.— Prof. J. W. Grant MacEwan, hon-orary manager of the Saskatoon Ex-hibition without remuneration the past two years, has been appointed dean of the University of Manitoba Agricultural College at Winnipeg.

A past president of the exhibition. MacEwan has been a board member for 10 years. MacEwan was pre-sented with a two-year-old Palomino gelding by the board.

## **AROUND THE GROUNDS**

Nebraska State Fair, whose recent annual at Lincoln was one of the most successful in the last quarter century, is already planning for '47, Secretary Edwin Schultz announced. Schultz said it appeared the fair would get the National Hereford Show, which would mean entries of between 500 or 600 head of Here-ford cattle, and that he was trying to arrange a Nebraska sheep show and sale to run in conjunction with the '47 annual. Attendance at the '46 event topped 225,000.

The 12th annual World's Championship Horse - Pulling Contest for light and heavy weight draft teams will be held at the Troy, O., fairgrounds Oc-tober 6. Event will carry \$1,000 in prize money and trophies, Ray Hennesey, association secretary. announced.

hot during the remainder of the pe-riod. Carnival was spotted to the left of the entrance and had even chance with the fair exhibits to pull people. Physical condition of the fair plant Francis H. Friend, secretary, and his staff were tossed editorial or-chids by *The Independent-Reporter*, Skowhegan, Me., for the success of the recent Skowhegan Fair. Mod-estly, however, Friend countered by

pointing to the many people who had helped build up the event in its 127heiped build up the event in its 127-year span. Recent annual was the most successful in history, getting the biggest attendance, greatest gross and highest pari-mutuel take. Grand-stand proved too small to handle the crowds, and execs are weighing the possibility of increasing the capacity by 80 per cent for 1947.

Two afternoons of auto races (Sam Nunis), three performances by an auto thrill show (Jack Kochman's), one afternoon of motorcycles races and one of harness horse races are skedded for the Southeastern World's Fair and National Industrial Exposi-Fair and National Industrial Exposi-tion, Atlanta, September 27-October 6. Grandstand acts, booked thru George A. Hamid, are Prof. George Keller's wild animals and liberty horses; Torina, Skyscraper Girl; To-relli's dogs and ponies; Slivers John-son's comedy act and the Flying Siegrists.

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added that this year the State re-ceived an additional percentage of the mutuel handle, and that this serves to reduce actual revenue of

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the fair. De Rose said that all surplus is being put into the improvement of the grounds and the construction of buildings. He declared that several years will be required to complete the association's long-range plan of developing a better cattle show and other agricultural features. Racing, he concluded, is a means to that goal. Final tabulation showed that \$224

Final tabulation showed that \$824,-647 was bet this year for an increase of about \$100,000 over 1945. Attend-ance hit 61,000, a record for the 128-year-old event. Previous mark was 53,000 set last year.

#### Harris Leads Calif. Show

JACKSON, Calif., Sept. 14.-E. V. E. Harris, veteran show horse man-ager of Sacramento, will be official head of the horse show at Amador County Fair, Plymouth, Calif., Sep-tember 20-22.

Some Melon-Cuttin' ROCKY FORD, Colo., Sept. 14.—A crowd of 16,000 cut 6,700 melons on Watermelon Day, which closed the three-day Ar-kansas Valley Fair here Thurs-day (5). Stores folded at noon

day (5). Stores folded at noon and shops in near-by towns were closed for the day for the mam-moth eat fest, which, along with Sen. Jim Ryan, famed melon doctor, has brought this town national renown as the country's No. 1 melon seed center. Rodeo events and fireworks were among other features of the three-day event.





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## **Spending Free At Brockton**

Bergen sees show beating last year's record by 13G -Allentown is next stop •

#### By Staff Correspondent

By Statt correspondent BROCKTON, Mass., Sept. 14.— Rounding out its eighth and final week of New England fairs, World of Mirth Shows had upped its gross by Thursday (12) at Brockton's an-nual to such an extent that there was every reason to believe that the final two days, weather permitting, would set the final figure in the vicinity of \$75,000 to better last year's record by \$13,000. Owner Frank Bergen, on tap only an hour or so a day as a result of a seizure of grippe, pointed out that this represented six operat-ing days and a total attendance esti-mated at 200,000, and that per capita spending at this and other New Eng-land on use higher than in other land annuals was higher than in other geographical areas, with the quoted figures appearing to substantiate this claim.

Bergen indicated that per capita spending at this and other New Eng-(See With Money Free on page 59)

## **Gooding Adds Three Rides**

SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 14.-Three

SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 14.—Three new rides were added to the Gooding Greater Shows here this week at the Saginaw Fair. They are the Looper, Tilt-a-Whirl and Ferris Wheel. Unit, managed by Gerald Frantz, was running under last year's gross for the date thru Thursday (12) afternoon. Drop-off in attendance, particularly of children, as a result of a polio scare, was cited as the reason. reasor

reason. On the midway was Parisian Fol-lies, operated by F. W. Miller, which was on for the week only. Show had been with W. G. Wade Shows and after the stand here will join J. F. Sparks Shows at Florence, Ala.

#### Dodge City 25% **Over 1945 for Alamo**

DUNCAN, Okla., Sept. 14.—Jack Ruback, owner of the Alamo Exposi-tion, reported here his org showed a 25 per cent increase in gross figures this year, over a year ago, at the Clay County Fair, Dodge City, Kan., which closed Saturday (7).

With good fairs ahead, Ruback be-lieves his org will have a 20 per cent increase in total biz over 1945. Ruback also announced Ted Custer, general agent, and Albert Wright, assistant to Ruback, have signed con-tracts to be with the shows next season.

#### John Porter, 54, Fat Man With Hennies Bros., Dies

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 14.—John Porter, 54, former fat man with Hen-nies Bros.' Shows, died in Allegheny General Hospital here Wednesday (11) of a heart disease.

Porter, who was taken ill on a train while en route to his home in Dauphin, Pa., weighed 721 pounds.



CHARLES M. POWELL, general agent for the Harrison Greater Shows, is en route to Florida to contract for winter dates. Harrison Greater plans to remain out all winter.

#### Fair at Henry, Ill., Ends Season for Bunting Shows

HENRY, Ill., Sept. 14.—Marshall-Putnam Fair here, closing Friday (13), marked the end of the season for the Bunting Shows. As in previous years org will store its stuff at the Bureau County Fairgrounds, Prince-ton, Ill., altho it still retains Ladd, Ill., as its post office address.

Out since May, show had been playing fairs of Northern Illinois since mid-July. Aside from a few spots in Eastern Iowa, entire season was spent in Illinois. According to Earl Bunting, business was spotty.

## **Reid Purchases Dumas Interest** In Happyland

By a Staff Correspondent

ALLEGAN, Mich., Sept. 14.--A de-cision by Bill Dumas to quit the carnival field after 38 years and to es-tablish a tourist camp in Florida will bring to an end the 18-year-old working combination of Dumas and John F. Reid as co-owners and op-erators of the Happyland Shows.

erators of the Happyland Shows. Reid and Dumas, with publicity director Paul B. Sprague looking on, announced jointly this week at the Allegan Fair that Reid is buying out Dumas's interest and that Dumas plans to leave in mid-October. He will make a trip to the East first, then go to Florida. Stand here is the last of org's four

Stand here is the last of org's four fair dates. Show will go into winter quarters following the close of a 10-day still date September 29 at Washington and Troy streets in Oak Park, Detroit suburb.

#### **Operates Only in Michigan**

Reid says he will continue operat-ing the show only in Michigan as in the past. He plans some improve-ments and additions. Naming of someone to fill the post held by Reid, who handled the office details, and other possible staff changes will be made at a later date, he indicated made at a later date, he indicated.

The show has enjoyed a successful business, almost a carbon copy of last season's, according to Reid. Show opened inauspiciously, he said, early dates in the Detroit area being hit by strikes. But outfit, which opened by strikes. But outfit, which opened by strikes. But outfit, which opened (See Reid Buys Dumas on page 59)

#### **Snapp Completes** Wis. Fair Circuit

OGLESBY, Ill., Sept. 14.-Snapp's OGLESBY, Ill., Sept. 14.—Snapp's Greater Shows filled in a four-day still date here (8-11) to break the jump from Wisconsin to Ottumwa, Ia., for the Centennial Celebration

opening there today for eight days. Org wound up a circuit of six Wis-consin fairs at Marshfield September All dates were satisfactory, J. O. Green, serving his first season as shows' general agent, said. Outfit has excellent rolling stock

and presented a neat, fresh appear-ance on the lot here. Line-up in-cludes eight major rides, two kiddie rides, Funhouse and J. T. Hutchens'

10-in-one. After Ottumwa, shows play the Jasper County Fair at Carthage, Mo., which will be followed by a string of Southern fairs.

#### **Gayer & Lewiston Biz** At Wis. Fair Good

DETROIT, Sept. 14.—Business for Gayer & Lewiston Enterprises at Wisconsin State Fair, Milwaukee, was excellent, according to a final check-up at Detroit headquarters this week.

up at Detroit headquarters this week. Featured was the Frozen Alive Show, with a line of 15 girls, includ-ing 10 Milwaukee beauties. Crowd-pulling names included Fern Law-rence and Kay Fenner. Girls were under direction of Francis Gayer. Staff included Melvin Burkhart, in-side emsee, and Archie Gayer, front, assisted by Dean Leftwick and Har-old Hendrich. old Hendrich.

G. & L's Iron Lung Show, managed by Rose Lewiston, reported a wait-ing line thruout the fair. Only other show on the midway was Demitrios's Athletic Show.

G. & L. concessions included a shooting gallery, managed by Sam Gayer, and a triple hoop-la, man-aged by Yohanna Rittely. Show formerly at Edgewater Park

here has been moved downtown, and Gayer & Lewiston have opened the second floor of their Playland Bazaar with a large Batter Up game. The with a large Batter Up game. The Playland now has nine departments, and is operating 24 hours a day. Spot has its own mechanical department under the supervision of Herman Taff. Second floor is under the man-agement of Bill Larson. New drug department has been opened, man-aged by Homer Bauch formerly of aged by Homer Rauch, formerly of Eastwood Park. Monroe Theater next door, also op-erated by Gayer & Lewiston, has

erated by Gayer & Lewiston, has been placed under management of Lou Simons, assisted by Harold Hendrich, just returned from Mil-waukee, with Sam Hannah assigned the concessions. House is operated as an all-day grind show on policy matching the arcades.

#### I. T. Shows Click 'Em Off

**OK** on Mineola Fair Midway MINEOLA, L. I., N. Y., Sept. 14.— I. T. Shows, Inc. (I. Trebish and Phil Isser) furnished the midway at the Mineola Fair September 10-14, and enjoyed the most favorable weather dished out for this annual in several

years. Show had 10 major rides, a Motordrome, shooting gallery and nearly 50 games and concessions. Feature show was Ewing's Indian Village, which was given heavy billing and attractively presented. Most of the rides and stands regis-

tered good business.

## **RAS Approaches 100G Gross** At Topeka Fair To Eclipse Record of 72G Set in 1945

Org Gets \$12,000 Opening Day Despite Rain, Jencks Says

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 14.—Royal American Shows eclipsed another of its midway grosses here at the Kan-sas Free Fair, which closed Friday (13) night after a seven-day run, when it piled up a gross approaching \$100,000 \$100,000.

This figure, announced by Maurice W. Jencks, fair secretary, is approxi-mate, but Jencks pointed out that thru Thursday (12) the RA org had piled up \$85,000. Previous record for the spot was slightly over \$72,000 set in 1945. set in 1945.

A gross of slightly over \$12,000 A gross of slightly over \$12,000 was racked up Saturday (7), opening day, this altho the crowd didn't come out until after 6 p.m., as it rained during the morning and early after-noon. The following day, with good weather, the gross jumped to \$18,541.

#### 5G Tops in 1932

Jencks took occasion to point out that when he first assumed the mana-gerial reins at the fair in 1932 the Morris & Castle Shows played to a total gross of \$5,811 for the entire week.

Top money on the RA org kere went to Leon Claxton's Harlem in Havana colored revue. Show has a cast of 37 people, including Russ Hammond, boy singer; the Bites Sis-

ters, dancers; Slick Slack, comedy barefoot dancers; Willie Too Sweet and Rabbit Sims, comics, and Hardy Mathews and his 11-piece band. As for the concession business, Sam Gordon, manager of the concessions, summed it up by saying it was "jam-up."

While excellent business was being registered, motion picture cameras clicked away, as a Warner Brothers' crew was on hand to make a two-reel short of the show. Film crew was headed by Saul Elkins, director and writer, in from Hollywood, and Don Carle Gillette, New York, and Ray Bell and Howard W. Cress, Ray-Bell films cameraman.

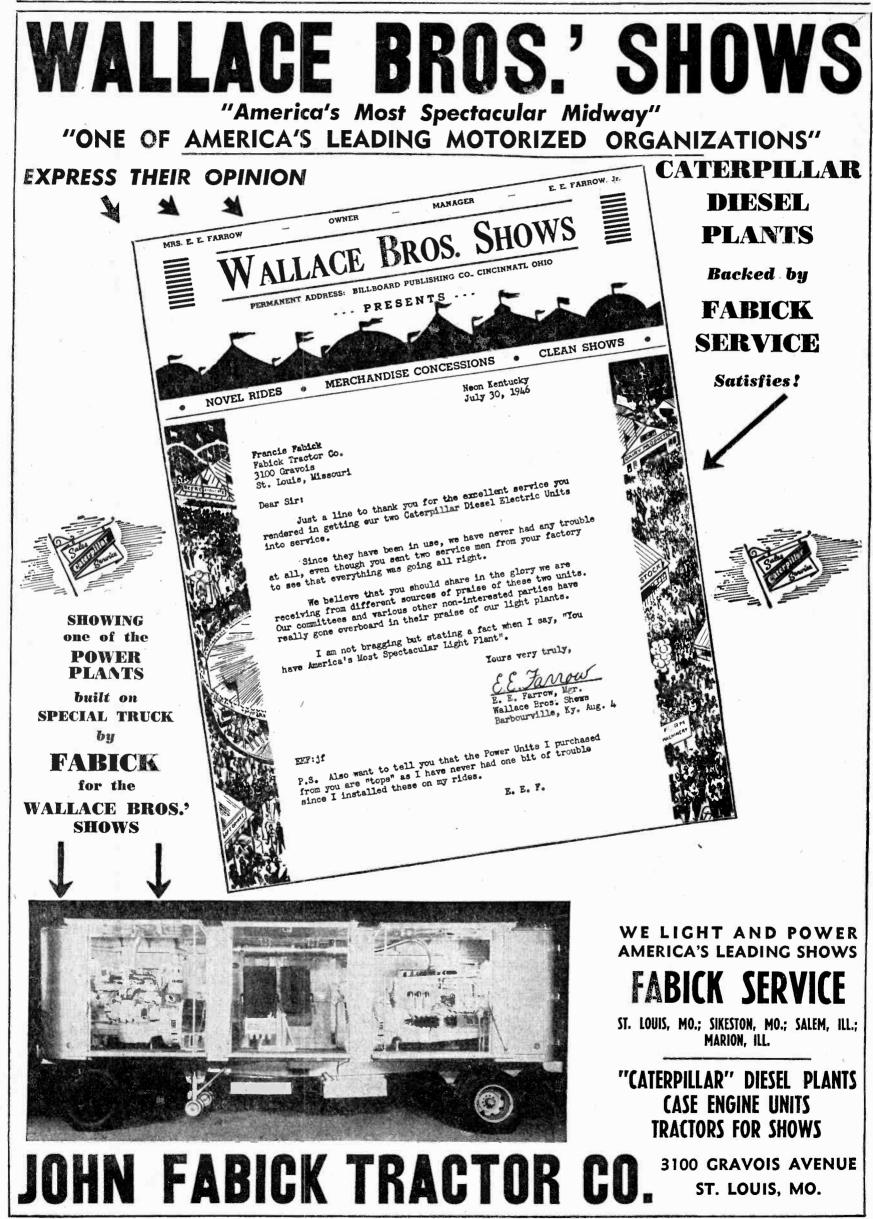
#### Unloading Filmed

Flicker brigade arrived here before show rolled into city Wednesday (4) and took pictures of the show's ar-rival, unloading, etc. Crew then moved to fairgrounds and took shots of setting up fronts, crowds, etc. Show Owner Carl Sedlmayr Sr. and his son, Carl Jr., were featured in many shots. Shots were also taken of the fairgrounds and the rodeo.

Showmen who visited the lot in-cluded Mel H. Vaught, John R. Cas-tle, John Lorman, Toney Martone, Dick Best and Robert K. Parker.

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There never was a fair that some show. man didn't believe should be given back to the Indians.

Pat Brady writes that he has closed as electrician with Rogers Greater Shows and will enter a hospital for a goiter operation.

Bill Cody, manager of the Selkirk concessions, reports the season has closed for that org, which enjoyed good biz with the Northwestern Amusement Company, Toledo.

Pleasure seeker at a fair is one who spends the day at a high striker swinging a 10-pound maul.

Cliff Askins, formerly with Barn-hart's Golden West Shows, and now in the shoe repair business in Seattle, infoes that he has visited several shows in that territory recently.

B. H. (Dave) Davidson writes from Orlando, Fla., that he and his wife have quit the road and have pur-chased a tavern on Winter Garden Road, five miles from Orlando.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny J. Jones Jr., and daughter, Candy, left their St. Petersburg, Fla., home recently for a vacation with Johnny's mother on the Johnny J. Jones Exposition, join-ing the org at Indiana State Fair, Indianapolis.

Half-page picture of John R. Ward's World's Fair Shows on the front page of The Nebraska State Journal, Lincoln, Monday (2) showing the crowd at Ne-braska State Fair Sunday, goes in the book as the best carnival publicity hit of the season. It was planted by Frank J. Lee.

Sid and Judy Crane, Tiny Cowan Billie Winger and David Cosnell, all of Crescent Amusement Shows, visof Crescent Anusement Snows, vis-ited King Bros.' Circus as guests of Floyd King, Tommie Bentley and Homer Sharrar, when the two shows day and dated at Bristol, Tenn., Thursday (5).

Fall is the time of the year when all sound trucks are banned from si except those ballyhooing politicians. from streets

City, Mo., visited the Cavalcade of Amusements across the State line at Kansas City, Kan, Dutch, who is in the truck business in Indiana, re-newed acquaintances with a number of the personnel on the shows.

George Hanlon, legal adjuster for George Hanlon, legal adjuster for Bell Bros.' Circus, returned to his Columbus, O., home following the close of the org's season tour. He plans to remain in the Ohio city and has taken over his old post in the close of the C of the C claims department of the C. & O. Railroad.

L. J. McGill, better known as Ray Harris, formerly a patient in Good Samaritan Hospital, Woodbury, Tenn., is now at Jefferson Hospital, Room 804, Birmingham. He says he has heard from many members of the L. J. Heth, Mighty Page and Capital City shows, in addition to Mr. and Mrs, Glen (Darby Hicks) Quarles.

Labor situation must be practically back to normal. Managers have gotten up enough nerve to add, "No lushies wanted" to their ads.

Sam Solomon and Kinky Woolf traveled from St. Louis to Olney, Ill., recently to visit the Gold Medal Shows.... Frank Lewis is now with Frank Aschy, on Dyer's Greater Shows after six weeks at Junction Inn, La Fayette, Ind. ... Kenneth Hinds and Darlene Pullin, agents for Marie Turner's concessions on the for Marie Turner's concessions on the Turner Bros. Shows, were married Monday (9) in the show's office. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Turner were the at-tendants. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Jock Price. Rev. Nichols, of the Christian Church, officiated.

Spicey Copeland has joined John Henry Jernigan's Smart Set Minstrel Show, now playing theaters. Line-up includes John Henry Jernigan, owner-manager; Selmar Jernigan, secretary; Doris Hicks, Louise Jones, Ann and Rosetta Long, Virgie Mur-phy, Bessie Lundy, Marie Key and Kate Artis, chorus girls; Charlie Wil-liams, novelty act; Ola Davis, singer; Marvus and Jarvus Long, twin tap dancers; John Henry Jernigan and sound trucks are banned from streets Marvus and Jarvus Long, twill tap except those ballyhooing politicians. Mr. and Mrs. H. (Dutch) Miller, Murphy, Sol Jones, Paul Key, Sam while on a business trip to Kansas Davis, Clift Artis, David Williams,



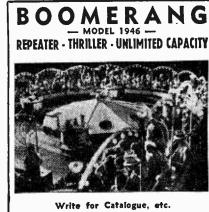
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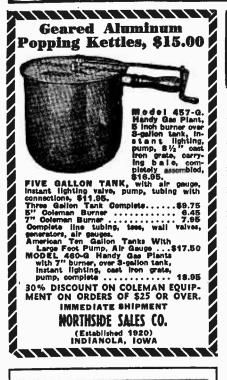
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Curl, W. S.: Franklin, O.; Blanchester 23-28.
De Luze Am.: Wethersfield, Conn.
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Dick's Paramount: Forrestville, Md.
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Hedrick's Gay Way: Clinton, N. C.
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Howard Bros. No. 1: (Fair) Logan, O.
Howard Bros. No. 3: Paulding. O.
Imperial: Pittsfield, III.: Auburn 23-28.
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Jones Greater: Clay-Summerville, W. Va.
Joyland Am. Co.: Hartford City, Ind.
Kaus, W. C.: Martinsville, Va.
Keystone Expo.: Elloree, S. C.
Keyman's Am.: Plankinton, S. D. 16-17; (Fair) Clear Lake 19-21.
Kilgore: (Fair) Mesquite, Tex.
Kirkwood: Tarboro, N. C.; Wilson 23-28.
Lamkford's Overland: Ludowici, Ga.
Lawrence Greater: South Hill, Va.
Leeright, J. R.: Plainview, Kan.
Long's United: San Francisco, Calif., 11-17.
Madison Bros.: Benton, Ark.; Prescoit 23-28.
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Rogers' Greater: New Albany, Miss.; Hunting-don, Tenn., 23-28.
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Strates, James E.: Williamsport. Pa.
Strong Am. Co.: (Fair) Elwood, Neb., 18-20.
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Kelly, Al G.-Miller Bros.: Alva, Okla., 16-18; Wayonka 16; Woodward 20; Arnett 21.
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Montgomery, C. R.: Ripley, Tenn., 17; Coving-ton 18; Henderson 19; Booneville, Miss., 20;

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  Owens, Buck: Camden, S. C., 46; Sumter 17; Fiorence 18; Mullins 19; Conway 20; Lake City 21; Orangeburg 23.
  Polack Bros. No. 1: Portland, Ore., 16-22; Denver, Colo., Sept. 27-Oct. 5.
  Polack Bros. No. 2: Bellingham, Wash., 16-18.
  Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Balley: Kansas City, Mo., 16-18; Topeka, Kan., 19; Emporla 20; Independence 21.
  Sparks: Douglas, Ga., 16; Fitzgerald 17; Tifton 18; Cordele 19; Albany 20; Moultrie 21; Valdosta 23.
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Pa., 23; Wilkes-Barre 24; Pitston 25; Plymouth 26; Williamsport 27; Lock Haven 30.
Campbell, Loring: Bedford, Pa., 16; Hanover 17; Winchester, Va., 18; Brunswick, Md., 19; Enola, Pa., 20; Cresson 23; Du Bols 24; Clearfield 25; Wellsborc 26; South Williams-port 27; Williamsport 30.
D'Arcy, Ethel: Delaware, O., 16-19; Bluffton, Ind., 24-28.
DeCleo, Doc Harry: Battle Creek, Mich., 9-22.
Couden, Doug & Lola: Lebanon, Tenn.
Curtis, Rube (Fair) Hutchinson, Kan., 15-20.
Green the Magician: Dysart, Sask., Can., 17-18; Newdorf 20-21; Lemburg 23-24; Bangor 25-26; Killaly 27-28; Esterhazy 30-Oct. I.
Hanneford, George: Florence, Ala., 16-21; Lawrenceburg, Tenn., 23-28.
Henry, Glenn, Duo: (Fair) Honesdale, Penna., 17-21; Trenton, N. J., 22-30.
Hubbard, Paul & Betty: Springfield, O., Sept. 11-27.
La-Mar the Magician: (New Tipp Theater) Tipp City, O., Sept. 26.
La Zellas, Aerial: Kennett, Mo.
Long, Leon: Atlanta 10-25.
Magrum, C. Thomas: Lostant, Ill., 17; Girard 18; Decatur 19-20.
McKennon Players, Marion: Hillsboro, Tex., 16-17; Itasca 18-19; Cleburne, week of Sept. 23.

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Miller's Brown-Skin Models, Irvin: Paducah, Ky, 16; Hopkinsville 17; Milan Tenn., 18; Carbondale, III., 19; Decatur 20; Gary 21; Kokomo, Ind., 22; Muskegon, Mich., 23; Peorla, III., 28.
Overman, Wally: Dinty's Terrace Gardens, Cohoes, N. Y., Sept. 25-Oct. 8.
Plunkett's Stage Show: Albany, Tex., 16-18; Anson 19-21.
Rellim, Blondin: Hutchinson, Kan., 16; (State Fair) Oklahoma City, Okla., 22-28.
Renfro Valley Folks: Washington, Ind., 16; Paoli 17; Salem 18; Seymour 19; Greensburg 20; Batesville 21; Milford, O., 22; Hillsboro 24; Greenfield 25; Washington C. H., 26; Mt. Sterling 27; Circleville 28; Chillicothe 29; Jackson 30.
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lentown, the Down East fairs alone will have contributed approximately \$250,000 to the season gross, not counting the take on concessions.

World of Mirth is the only railroad show to invade this territory for a number of years. But magnate brothers in the field haven't over-looked the possibilities, and annually there are numerous attempts to ease there are numerous attempts to ease in. Bergen has the obvious ad-vantage tho, as he and his former partner, the late Max Linderman, en-trenched early in this territory and built on a solid foundation. Some World of Mirth personnel has been touring the Upper East for so long that they know the first names of a cross section of the patrons. Future opposition would have to grab a ma-jority of the spots to make it worth while and there haven't been any reports of optimism along this line. reports of optimism along this line. On the other hand, Bergen is content with things as they are and hopes they remain that way.

Some of the less weighty units, in-cluding the Side Show and other pit cluding the Side Show and other pit shows, were gillied in here from Rut-land to make the Sunday (8) open-ing. Grosses on this day, with only a few shows working to the crowds attracted by Jimmie Lynch's thrill show, plus the stimulous of a pre-view day, were gratifying as always. Remaining units arrived by rail later in the day in time for Monday and in the day in time for Monday and the rush of some 33,000 kids on Tuesday (10). Bergen has a set price of nine cents for all units on children's days. Policy eliminates all tax and is a break for the kids who were given few concessions during war time.

Bergen supplemented his regular units here by booking 11 independent rides, mostly of the kid variety. Latthe ware spotted in the grove along the backstretch of the track. Total units, with many facing each other all of the outside circumference of the grandstand and infield area to make a spectacular showing.

Management's chief headache is concerned with the still existing help shortage. Not a single ride has a full shortage. Not a single ride has a tun crew, but the muscle boys are cred-ited with a commendable job by Bergen, who is still hoping that the situation will improve as the show heads South for a continuous string of fairs that will keep it out thru the middle of November middle of November.

Bucky Allen, concession manager, operated only flashers here as a re-placement for wheels. Latter were tried Monday (9), but took such a terrific snubbing from patrons that flashers replaced them the following day. Reason was thought to be that most patrons had been weaned on fiashers and wanted no substitutes.

#### **REID BUYS DUMAS**

(Continued from page 54) April 1, started to make hay in July, and business has been excellent since, bringing the season's gross up to last year's. Besides the date here, org played fairs at Travers City, Mount Pleasant and Caroll.

**Bought Show in 1928** 

Reid, now a veteran of 36 years in the biz, and Dumas bought the show from Guy Averill in 1928. Dumas had been with the Ferrari, B. H. Patrick, Bruce Greater and North-western shows, while Reid had been with the last-named show.

Visitors here included Eddie and Visitors here included Educe and Grace Le May. A former cookhouse operator. Eddie and his wife operate Eddie's Hut, a tourist cabin establish-ment at Gibsonton, Fla. Also on hand here was Walton King, King Amusement Company.

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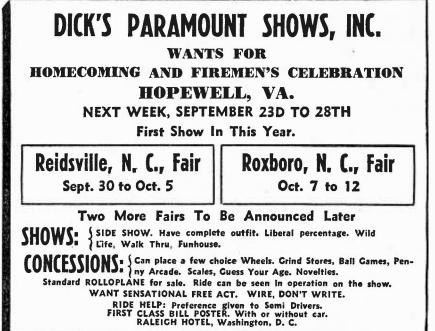
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## **Cetlin & Wilson Chalks Up Own Gross Mark at Reading**

#### By a Staff Correspondent

By a Staff Correspondent READING, Pa., Sept. 14.—Co-Owner Izzy Cetlin smiled happily here Friday (13) as he observed the milling throngs that made up the largest single-day attendance in Reading Fair's history, 51,347, noted that clear weather was predicted for tomorrow, and forecast the greatest gross business in the history of the gross business in the history of the Cetlin & Wilson Shows would result. As a matter of fact it was a good bet that Cetlin and his partner, Jack Wilson, already had an all-time show gross stacked in the office wagon. Two banner kid days, Tuesday (10) and Friday (13), helped to swell the total. Perfect weather has prevailed thruout the week and fair officials of 400,000 by tonight.

Shows were earning the biggest grosses with ridemen and concessionaires groaning at the paltry play that some of them were getting with so many people packing the midway. Fact remains that this part of the country is not good ride territory and most shows in a similar spot could do nearly as well with fewer rides if they stuck to the Merry-Go-Round, Ferris Wheels and a few

"While Cetlin wasn't quoting any figures he did point out that his show, on rails this year for the first time, had greater earning capacity than ever before and this fact was substantiated by grosses. Shows are in the 25-car bracket, five of which were added during this season. Cet-lin & Wilson are intent upon ex-panding and will add more cars, particularly flats, as they become avail-

Wagon building is progressing here and plans call for its continuance thruout the season as the 83 wagons Walnut Beach Amusement Park, Milford, Conn.

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in use now are insufficient for even current needs. Several army trail-ers were recently purchased and will be renovated for show use. Cetlin, acknowledging that he is still learning things about a railroad show, said that it took considerable experience to catch up on the elementary phases. But even with all of the problems encountered it's going to be railroad show or nothing from now on, ac-cording to Cetlin.

Visitors here included Earl Purtle, motordrome operator, Palisades (N. J.) Amusement Park, who also operates independent rides, and Gerald Snellen, contracting agent, World of Mirth Shows.

## Gross 1G at Cushing Fair

CUSHING, Okla., Sept. 14 .--Hvalite Midway Shows grossed \$1,000 in three days at Cushing (Okla.) District Fair, September 3-5, with after-noon attendance averaging 600, and

noon attendance averaging 500, and night performances close to 1,500. D. H. Fisher, fair's general chair-man, reported 600 persons passed thru the gates to the carnival grounds opening night. Attendance swelled to near the 1,500 mark the last two night showings night showings.

A rodeo, presenting two perform-ances on a one-day stand, drew 1,500 on its afternoon show, but slipped to 800 for the nightcap. Rodeo Chairman Walter Mills said the two rodeo shows netted \$1,000.



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## **SPEEDWAY ROUND-UP**

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LOS ANGELES—A flat tire in the 35th lap knocked Duke Nalon out of a clean sweep at the Coliseum midget auto races here August 31 before a crowd of 22,000, and allowed Ed Haddad to come in winner for the third time, with Danny Oakes second and Mack Hellings third, in the main event. Nalon had previously finished first in three races.

SAUGUS, Calif .-- Bill Zaring won SAUGUS, Calif.—Bill Zaring won the feature race at Bonelli Stadium here Friday (August 30) before 6,500, after setting a new qualifying mark of 58.72 seconds. Mac Hellings won the six-lap event in record-breaking time of 1:55.35.

GARDENA, Calif.—Combining a program of midget auto racing and roadster racing, the new Gardena Bowl speedway debuted with a La-bor Day (2) crowd of 14,000 Wally Pankratz won over Bill Cantrell in the 10-mile feature.

LOS ANGELES — Jimmy Gibb snared top money at Lincoln Park Stadium here August 30 when he won the four-lap scratch final motor-cycle race before 6,500. Stadium of-ficials are discontinuing Sunday night midget auto races to concentrate on their Friday motorcycle races.

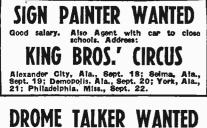
LOS ANGELES-Johnny McDowell scored his third main event vic-tory at Gilmore Stadium here Au-gust 29, before a crowd of 17,433. Henry Banks was leading until the last half of the final lap, when his motor fouled up, giving McDowell the lead the lead.

PASADENA, Calif.—Joe Garson sped to victory in the 50-lap main event in midget auto races at the Rose Bowl here Tuesday (3), with Johnny Parsons second and Ed Had-dad third. Gate was reported as 20,000.

SAN DIEGO, Calif.-Fighting his way from eighth place, Cal Niday, Los Angeles, won the 30-lap main event in midget auto races at Balboa Stadium Wednesday (August 28). Bob Barker, Los Angeles, was sec-ond and Edgar Elder, Fresno, Calif., third.

SANTA MONICA, Calif.—Kelly Myers, motorcycle racer, was rushed to the hospital after he cracked up in the four-lap feature race at Mu-nicipal Stadium here Tuesday (3) be-fore a crowd of 5,800. Myers hit a rut and crashed thru the wall during the main event, which was won by Ed Hinkle. Cordy Milne was sec-ond and Bud Morgan third.

LOS ANGELES—Bill White, pro-moter of midget races at the Coli-seum here, announced another 250-lap race to be held in the municipal bowl Sunday, October 13, for a guar-anteed purse of \$12,500. A 50-lap consolation race is also skedded. First 250-lapper, held at the Coliseum a few weeks ago, lured a crowd of 65,-128 and paid off a purse of more than \$28,000



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MECHANICSBURG, Pa. — Ted Horn, of Paterson, N. J., won the fea-ture big-car auto race at Williams Grove Speedway, Sunday (8), and set a new track record of 14:2.85 for the 30-lap feature on the half-mile track, breaking his own previous record of 14:11.91 for the 15-mile race. Pro-motor Roy E. Richwine set gate figure at 29,000.

PORTLAND, Ore.—Randolph Odne placed first in the helmet dash, first heat and Class A event before 2,400 midget racing fans at the Portland Speedway, Tuesday night (3). Class A time was 7:24.58.

LOS ANGELES — Harry Banks, New York, captured the Thursday (5) midget auto racing main event at Gilmore Stadium before 16,345 persons. Time was in 13:26.76.

#### **Frames Show for South Under Cody Bros. Title**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—W. C. (Bill) Dimsdale, who played the fair at Scotchville, Ky., after closing with his Side Show on Banard Bros.' Circus, announces he is framing a show to open around October 5 at Wood-ruff, S. C., under the registered title of Cody Bros.' Hippodrome Circus & Rodeo.

Dimsdale says show will have four trucks and three trailers, a 150 by 320-foot arena to seat 700, and that it will carry its own concessions and Side Show. Plans call for one-day stands thru South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama, with 30 to 40-mile jumps. Oscar Bloomfield is to be legal adjuster.

#### **Bradley & Benson Makes**

Jump From Tenn. to Miss. BATESVILLE, Miss., Sept. 14.— Bradley & Benson, making a 150-mile jump from Northern Tennessee this week, arrived at Oxford, Miss., and, according to Joseph W. Scharoun, treasurer, played to a straw house that night.

L. B. (Doc) Ford and his family, with Bell Bros., until it closed, were welcome additions to the big show at Oxford. Marion Gearhardt re-cently joined the Side Show, and Tex Dean is now presenting the concert Dean is now presenting the concert, featuring Pearl Snyder's Palomino horses.

#### Stock on Way Into N.Y. For Garden Rodeo

For Garden Kodeo NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—A special train carrying stock for the Madison Square Garden Rodeo will pull out of Dublin, Tex., Monday (16) for New York. Train, with 120 bucking horses, 105 wild bulls, 100 calves, 75 bulldogging steers, 60 wild cows with calves and 20 Texas Longhorn steers, will consist of Pullmans, diners and will consist of Pullmans, diners and 15 73-foot all-steel palace horse cars. Horses and cattle are from the Everett Colborn ranch at Stanford, Mont. Stock train will stop at Madi-son, Ia., for watering and feeding.

#### **Rex Ingham School Units**

RUFFIN, N. C., Sept. 14.—The Story of Birds, one of Rex M. Ing-Story of Biras, one of Rex M. Ing-ham's school units, began its winter tour recently at Roaring River, N. C. Program features more than 50 exotic birds, including four macaws, three parrots, a cockatoo and two toucans. Lecture is presented by Bobbie Jen-kins, a newcomer, and his mother, Mrs. Earl Jenkins. Dr. George Bar-rett is putting finishing touches an Mrs. Earl Jenkins. Dr. George Bar-rett is putting finishing touches on an Ingham unit in which he uses some 20 animals. Mrs. D. B. Shores, with Ingham many years, is ahead of two other units, one a snake pro-gram and the other a lecture on dogs, which will work North Carolina and Virginia. Virginia.

#### Pennsy Annuals Rain, Mud Harass Big for Prell Stevens in Iowa

LYNCHBURG, Va., Sept. 14.—Sam Prell's Broadway Shows, after two outstanding weeks as midway attrac-tion at fairs in Ebensburg and Huntingdon, Pa., bowed Tuesday (10) at the local American Legion sponsored the local American Legion sponsored annual to a paid gate of over 5,000, Allan A. Travers announced. Cam-bria County Fair, Ebensburg, gave shows a terrific Labor Day business when over 55,000 passed thru the fairgrounds gates. Travers said the ride grosses were phenomenal with the Caterpillar getting \$2,000 on the day, while the Ridee-O chalked up an \$1,800 count. Figures for shows was remarkable.

an \$1,800 count. Figures for shows was remarkable, Figures for shows was remarkable, said Travers, with the top draw going to the Motordrome, with an esti-mated \$1,500 count. Bob White's Scandals registered an outstanding day, while the Monkey Show broke its own single-day mark. Wild Life and Side Show also reported big business business.

Fair at Huntingdon proved a win-ner, Travers said, and shows per-sonnel enjoyed visits from numerous friends in this sector. On the long jump here from Ebensburg, trucks and tractors encountered much dif-figulty and made it impressible for ficulty and made it impossible for shows to open before Tuesday night. Local fair was sponsored by the American Legion.

Owner Prell left on a plane trip, is first, to visit fair secretaries in his Charleston and Lancaster, S. C.

#### Damage Suit Filed

**Damage Suit Filed** SAN DIEGO, Sept. 14.—A suit filed in Superior Court here named Sunset Carson defendant in a \$29.-738 damage suit, with Harry Golub and Horton W. Campbell as plain-tiffs. It is charged Carson failed to appear here June 15-16 in a rodeo in compliance with his signed con-tract. tract.

Prof. Willie J. Bernard has lined up circuit of fall fairs for his freak а animals, he advises from his home in Hancock, N. H.

DENISON, Ia., Sept. 14.—Stevens Bros.' Circus has run into plenty of rain and muddy lots in Iowa. Here Tuesday (10), the rains had stopped but lot was so soggy that the cook-house truck and others bogged down pulling on and matinee was an hour and a half late. Attendance was light in the afternoon but big at night.

At Avoca, Ia., show played to light crowds after morning of rain Satur-day (7) and laid over there Sunday to repair damage caused by a wind-storm at Emmerson, Ia., Friday (6). Show had rain at Corning, Ia., the day before. Country roads, made impassable by continued rains, hurt business there and at other spots.

#### **Dickman Heading South;** N. Y. and Pa. Biz Okay

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Sept. 14.—Bill Van Etten has returned to his home here after closing as agent for the Bob Dickman Circus at North Wales, Bob Dickman Circus at North Wales, Pa. He reports the Dickman show is heading for the South after a good season spent mostly in New York State. He says three shows a day had to be given at Fonda, Cobleskill and Conajohari, N. Y., and that busi-ness was okay in Northern Pennsyl-vania, with straw houses at Lake Ariel, Beach Lake, Hawley and Mountainhome.

Paris Indoor Season Starts PARIS, Sept. 14.—Indoor circus season got under way here with re-opening of Cirque Medrano last Sat-urday (7). Due to scarcity of good circus acts, opening bill was mixed circus-vaude fare. The Bougliones have renovated their big Cirque d'Hiver Arena, which reopens for the winter season today (14). Mau-rice Colleano, who has been work-ing in England for several years, ar-rives in Paris this week to fill enrives in Paris this week to fill engagements.

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**CAVALCADE OF AMUSEMENTS** 

Hutchinson, Kansas, this week; Laurel, Miss., next week.

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#### **Penn Premier**

MIDDLEPORT, O., Sept. 14.— Moundsville, W. Va., week ended August 26. Weather, good; business, excellent. Shows made a good run from Dennison, O., where they had an excellent week's business. Moundsville was the first fair since the war. Business opened slow Monday and Tuesday, but Wednesday found the midway jammed in the morning with school children. Exhibit hall officially opened and had the finest the fair ever had. Wheeling, W. Va., newspapers gave front page publicity all week. Ace Williams, drome rider, was added to the list of riders in the Globe of Death which is headed by Speedy Bowers, trick and fancy riding; Flash Davis, Ace Williams and Wild Bill Delaney, speed artists. Drome led all shows for the week, with Cliff Osteen's Hawiian Village and Scandals of '46 Hawiian Village and Scandals of '46 tying with the Side Show. Doc Cor-mier's Heaven to Hell Show tied with 'Roxana. Life and Monkey Shows finished in that order. New Octopus led rides with the Spitfire, Rolloplane and Ferris Wheel tying. The newspaper boys from The Moundsville Echo, and the Wheeling papers were treated to free rides and shows Thursday afternoon by the management. A new truck was purchased for the transfer wagon

purchased for the transfer wagon and Manager Lloyd D. Serfass made a trip to meet with several secre-taries in Virginia and North Caro-lina. He was accompanied by Cliff Osteen, who spent a few days in Spartinsburg, S. C., making arrangements for delivery on a new station wagon. James Davidson, who left when the shows made their initial opening in West Virginia, was re-placed by R. F. Inman as business manager. Mr. and Mrs. Davidson will go to Sulpher Springs to re-cuperate. Albert Bydiark left to visit his mother in Mt. Carmel, O., but was back in time for the fair dates. Con-tracts were placed with the Vanettan Pipe Company for six light towers ments for delivery on a new station

Pipe Company for six light towers to be delivered before the season closes. Also orders were placed with Berryman International Garage for three, 30-foot semis which will be

#### **Peppers Iowa Fair** Jaunt Successful; Paducah Bow Okay

PADUCAH, Ky., Sept. 14.—Frank W. Peppers' All-State Shows, which recently concluded a highly success-ful tour of six Iowa fairs, rolled in here this week following a 680-mile jump from Webster City, Ia. Billed to open Friday (13), shows got under way on Thursday night and business at the get-away was good.

Jack Martinkus said that altho Jack Marunkus said that altho business at all Iowa fair spots was good, stand at West Union was out-standing. At Webster City, the last annual played on the trek, fair lost the grandstand services of the All-American Hell Drivers because of an accident en route, and Texas Benny Doss and His Hillbillies filled in as the grandstand attraction to click the grandstand attraction to click results.

A new light tower, making a total of five on the shows, was delivered here. Owner Peppers purchased a new tractor, and Charlie Aldrich has his Monkey, Show in top shape. House trailers have been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Martinkus and Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Craig Mrs. Delmar Craig.

Jimmie Allen, son of Mrs. Martin-kus, is working on the shows. Mrs. F. W. Peppers and Mrs. Olive Mc-Annich enjoyed visits from their sister and daughter respectively. They were tendered a dinner by Owner and Mrs. Peppers. Mrs. Peppers pur-chased a new kiddie train.

used for the new wagon fronts. New Flying Scooter is to be delivered in Charlottesville, Va. Mrs. Serfass is leaving from Huntington by plane to spend a few days back home after recuperating from a recent illness. Shows final stand will end with the Knoxville, ARNOLD. Tenn., Fair.—ERNEST

Bill Powell, after three years in the Pacific with the army, visited his old boss, Max Goodman, owner Wonder Shows of America, during organization's stand in Omaha.

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-Georgetown Exposition, Georgetown, S. C. Week Sept. 23-Week Sept. 30-Wayne County Agricultural Fair, Goldsboro, N. C. (Car Given Away Saturday Night, Fearless Gregg's Cannon Act.) Week Oct. 7-Western Carolina Colored Fair, Winston-Salem, N. C. Week Oct. 14-Union County Fair, Union, S. C. Week Oct. 21-Lee County Agricultural Fair, Bishopville, S. C. Week Oct. 28-Marion County Fair, Marion, S. C.

Week Oct. 28—Marion County Fair, Marion, S. C.
 Week Nov. 4—Collecton County Fair, Waltersboro, S. C. Closing Thanksgiving Week.
 WANT—Cookhouse Help, Griddle Men, A-1 Chef, Jim, come back. Bingo Help.
 WANT—Ride Help for 10 modern new Rides, that drive Semi Trailers.
 WANT—One more modern Ride, Flyoplane or Spiffire.
 WANT—Colored Performers and Musicians, \$35.00 week salaries paid by office; Trumpet, Sax, Trombone, Singing, Dancing Comedian; brown skin Girls, best colored revue South.
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L. C. McHENRY, Manager Kingstree, S. C., this week.

## **BARNEY TASSELL UNIT SHOWS**

Can Place Side Show, Monkey Show, Wild Life Show, Fun House and Any Other Worth-While Attractions. Can Also Use Live Pony Ride.

This Week—Mechanicsville, Va. (Richmond)

- Week Sept. 23—Victoria, Va. Week Sept. 30—Keysville, Va. Week Oct. 7—Tobacco Festival, Brookneal, Va.
- Week Oct. 14-New Robeson Co. Fair, Fairmont, N. C.
- Week Oct. 21-Horry Co. Fair, Conway, S. C.
- Week Oct. 28-Colored Fair, Savannah, Ga.
- Week Nov.' 4-Elks Fair, Sanford, Florida
- Week Nov. 11—Chamber of Commerce and Legion Fair, Ocala, Florida.

## FROM THE LOTS

#### W. C. Kaus

DUNN, N. C., Sept. 14.—Show closed its 23d week at the Harnett County Fair here, this being one of the best spots of the season. Fair broke all attendance records. Only one day was marred by rain. The Sensational Royals furnished the free act.

Many of the folks are bothered with colds. Jack Perry was hardest hit and was confined to his room for several days.

Jack Korie's new Side Show top arrived and was used for the first time here. Mrs. David Fineman ar-rived to be with her husband, Dave, bingo operator, for the rest of the season. Roger Fingar put Mrs. Kaus's long-range gallery in action for the fart time hore first time here.

Lola Donohue flew to Detroit for Lola Donohue flew to Detroit for a visit. Junior Miller came on from Winchester, Va., to handle the griddle at Mac's Midway Cafe. Walter Rusch and Bob Coleman, World War II vets, joined the Legion Post while here. Slim and Bea Barry and Mrs. Barry's sister, Mrs. Eloise Walsh, are back on the show after a few week's became. Lil Flying has added condy back on the show after a few week's absence. Lil Elkins has added candy apples to her popcorn stand and re-ports business booming. Dick and Mary Dabney did big business here with Perry's frozen delight.

Tom Kaslin, who has had the pan game since the season opened, left the show here. Laugh of the week: Eddie Elkins, our legal adjuster, try-ing to interest a South Carolina sec-retary in a snow fence to block off a field for parking facilities.

Visitors included Ben Braunstein; Charlie Powell, general agent for the Harrison Greater Shows; Bob Hal-lock, of the Majestic Shows; Mr. Elliott, of the Morris Hannum Shows; Leo Bistany, Roy Gatto, Fred Myers and Mr. Rosenberg.—HERB SHIVE.

#### **Turner Bros.**

DECATUR, Ill., Sept. 14.---Org moved in here Tuesday (10) for a 10-day stand after a short week at Shelbyville, Ill., which followed close on the heels of a highly successful engagement at the Du Quoin State Fair

Fair. Visitors at Du Quoin included Mr. and Mrs. George Epps and Eddie Wellons, John Fabick Tractor Com-pany, St. Louis; Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Law, Law Bros. Insurance Company, Chicago; W. V. (Jake) Ward, man-ager of the Illinois State Fair; Claude Price, superintendent, of concessions ager of the Illinois State Fair; Claude Price, superintendent of concessions at the same fair, and Mrs. Sidney Belmont and her daughters, Alice and Lorraine, known professionally as the Bervedells. Midway at Du Quoin was meeting place for all of the grandstand acts.

It was a common sight to see Ted Fio Rito, Vic Hyde the Rigilletto Brothers, Dave Malcolm and others.



BENSON, N. C., Sept. 14 .- Show chalked up another red one here under auspices of the local fire department. Move here from Norwood was made without mishap and everything was set up in city park and ready to go opening day. Rides had a good opener and the last four days worked to capacity, exceeding last year's big gross. Ray Price said he had a couple of slow days with his concessions but in the end came out satisfactorily.

Owner Fred Hedrick was host to show personnel at a fish fry.

Everyone saddened by two deaths. Syl Boswell passed away in Winston-Salem, N. C., and Charles A. Veitch, concessionaire with the show, was electrocuted here Monday (2) while trying to disconnect the electric light wire from his trailer. Body was taken to Gastonia, N. C., for burial Wednes-day (4).—W. H. (BILL) SAR-GENT.



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BILL GULLETTE, Mgr. Pittsfield, Ill., 16 to 21; Auburn, Ill., 23-28; other proven towns to follow.

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#### World of Mirth **DICK'S PARAMOUNT**

BROCKTON, Mass., BROCKTON, Mass., Sept. 14.— Show arrived here in plenty of time for an early set-up Monday (9) and for an early set-up Monday (9) and most of the shows and rides shared in the Children's Day business. Shows and rides that trucked here in time to open Sunday (8) played to one of the largest Sunday crowds in the fair's history. Glenn Porter's Side Show, Blondy Mack's Monkey Show, Lew Hamilton's Hollywood Circus and Bob Hermines midgets were unable to handle the thousands of fun seekers. of fun seekers.

Fred Elkie, Ridee-O foreman, and Pete Chabot, Spitfire foreman, had those two rides in operation from early morning Sunday to late at night, having set up here earlier in the week.

Jim Bergen assumed Uncle Frank's responsibilities like a veteran. Owner Frank was ill with a cold most of the time here. Also on the sick list were Line here. Also on the sick list were J. L. Edwards, chief electrician, and Bill Shumway, Fly-o-Plane foreman, the latter nursing an injured foot. Beulah Molnar, *The Billboard* agent and mailman, is now handling tightes for Don Clark on the Hay-Day agent and mailman, is now handling tickets for Don Clark on the Hey-Day. A. M. (Little Red) Haffards, was visited by Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Cohen in Rutland, Vt., and also ex-changed visits with Kirk Adams. L. T. (Pete) Christian drove in here from Richmond, Va., and will be with the show for several weeks.—LEW HAM-ILTON.

#### Schafer's

7-TUB TILT FOR SALE With transportation; also SMITH & SMITH CHAIROPLANE. Both Rides in perfect condi-tion, can be seen set up in town below. RIDE HELP FOR ALL RIDES. All Concessions open. Out until Xmag.

**GREATER RAINBOW SHOWS** Lamar, Mo., this week; then per route.

**"SKIMMING CREAM"** 

This week, Fredericktown, Mo.; New Madrid, Mo., Annual Chamber of Commerce Festival follows. Annual Chamber of Commerce Festival follows. Want Kiddie Rides, Pony Track; two more good, clean Shows; 25%, we don't want it all. Stock Concessions — Custard, Penny Arcade, Grab open. Second Men on Rides, Connter Men for Binzo, other Agents for Stock Stores. Drunks, stay away. For sale, cash only, Super Roll-o-Plane with transporta-tion. Craving Cream, Contracting Cream, contact. **Dyer's Greater Shows** 

#### WANTED WANTED HIRAM BEALL WANTS

BRYAN, Tex., Sept. 14.—We got in here at the right time, population being swelled by 12,000 students enrolling at Texas A & M College. Playing under sponsorship of Veter-ans of Foreign Wars, co-operation was the best, both from the commit-tee and The Bryan Daily Eagle. General Agent C. A. Hensley opened his new Monkeyland here and it made quite a flash with new top, banners, cages and lighting ef-fects.

fects. Owner Schafer surprised his Mrs.

with a new house trailer. Especially happy about it are their two daughters, Jeanie and Janice, who now have their own bedroom and can use the trailer for play on rainy days.

McIntyre brothers have a new set of scales and Vaughn is guessing 'em closer than ever. John Evans, The Billboard sales agent, was welcome at Temple, where it rained three da Agents for Stock Concessions and PC. for Southern and folks fairly memorized The Bill-Fairs. Join at Farmville, Va., week of Sept. 23rd. Wire c/o Western Union, Winchester, Va., this week. board.—ART R. LANFORD:



#### DROME RIDERS

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#### CONCESSIONS—PHOTOS, CUSTARD AGENTS FOR COKE BOTTLES AND BUCKETS

MONTAGUE COUNTY FAIR, BOWIE, TEX., THIS WEEK. TEXAS' LARGEST COUNTY FAIR-WICHITA COUNTY FAIR, IOWA PARK, TEX., SEPTEMBER 23 TO 28. **CENTRAL WEST TEXAS FAIR, HASKELL, TEX.** LONGHORN CLUB FIESTA, WACO, TEX. CALDWELL COUNTY FAIR, LOCKHART, TEX. LITTLE WORLD'S FAIR FIESTA, YORKTOWN, TEX. VALLEY MID-WINTER FAIR, HARLINGEN, TEX., NOVEMBER 25 TO DECEMBER 2. **OPENING 1947 SEASON FEBRUARY 8---CHARRO DAYS** FIESTA, BROWNSVILLE, TEX. Address As Per Route Above

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JOHN QUINN, Mgr. Auburn, Ind., all this week.

#### JIMMIE CHANOS SHOWS WANT

For American Legion Celebration on the Street of Antonia, Ohio. Legitimate Concessions of all kinds—Fish Pond, Balloon Dart Store, Pitch-Till-U-Win. Hoop-La or any other legitimate Concessions. Shows with own outfit, also a Girl Show for Ansonia. I want to hear from a reliable Promoter that knows the South, Alabama, Georgia and Florida. Must have reference. We have six beautiful Rides. All replies to **JIMMIE CHANOS** 

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ASHEVILLE, N. C., ALL NEXT WEEK

Place Minstrel Show, few more Concessions, Ride Help, Shows not conflicting. Nine more weeks to go. Write or wire

JOHN GECOMA or L. C. HECK

Rocky Mount, Va., this week.

#### & D SHOWS B

Featuring 5 Rides, Sensational Romas Free Act. Wants for long season South—2 Flat Rides, Tilt, Octopus or Caterpillar. Can place few more legitimate Stock Concessions, any clean high-class Shows with own outfit, low percentage. If you want a winner this is it. Dillon, S. C., this week; Carthage, N. C., week Sept. 23rd, with big Legion Celebration in Concord, N. C., to follow. Mose Smith, Rex Barnes, get in touch. Shows, Rides and Concessions, contact.

C. E. Davis, owner; H. W. Thomas, concession mgr.; R. R. C. Parris, gen. mgr.

#### EAST COAST AMUSEMENTS WANT CONCESSIONS AND SHOWS

For Fall Festival, Savannah, Ga., September 28-October 13

Three Saturdays — Three Sundays This event sponsored by strong Civic Organization and will be first show in white section this year.

Can use good Platform Act for this date. Write or wire BOX 194, Savannah Beach, Ga.

#### **GROVES GREATER SHOWS**

Ville Platte, La., week September 20; Marksville, La., October 1-6. WANT Foreman for Ferris Wheel. Agents for Penny Pitch and Hoopla. Can place Cook House and a few Ten-Cent Stock Concessions. One or two Shows with own outfits, Snakes, Freaks, Illusion or Fat Show for five Louisiana Fairs and balance of season. Out until Christmas. All replies **ED GROVES** 

Ville Platte, La., September 20-28.

#### BULLOCK AMUSEMENT CO. WANTS FREE ACT FOR BALANCE OF SEASON

Thunderbirds, wire if at liberty.

Can place legitimate Concessions, Mug Joint, Fishpond, Bowling Alley, Hoopla, Darts, Bumper, Slum Stores or any other legitimate Concession. Will book Grind Show with own transportation. We own our own rides. Long season in the cotton and tobacco belt. Bennettsville, S. C., this week; Legion Fair, Red Springs, N. C., week September 23.

## BRANDENBURG, KY. (FAIR) - WEEK SEPTEMBER 23

WANTS LEGITIMATE CONCESSIONS Photos, Cotton Candy, Candy Apples, Guess Your Weight, Frozen Custard, Long and Short Range Gallery, Ball Games, Stock and Slum Concessions of all kinds. CAN PLACE RIDE HELP. All wire—don't write. C. C. GROSCURTH, Gen. Mgr.

#### Blue Grass State Shows

All this week, HardInsburg, Ky.; all next week, Brandenburg, Ky. GET ALL SET FOR THE BIG ONE OF THE SEASON—ELIZABETHTOWN, KY., FAIR, Week Sept. 30th.

#### JOYLAND AMUSEMENTS CAN PLACE

CAN PLACE For Louisa, Ky., Fair, around Court House, next week, Sept. 24 to 28, and Kingwood Buckwheat Festival, Kingwood, W. Va., Oct. 8 to 12, Inclusive. Shows of merit; Arnold Raybuck, wire. Penny Arcade and Monkey Show, also Girl Show for Kingwood, W. Va. Can place the following Concessions at both Fairs: Age, Scales, Jewelry, Novelties, French Fries, Candy Floss, Pop Corn, Candy Apples, Cigarette Callery, Long Range Callery, Short Range, Huckly Buck, High Striker, String Cames, Hoop-La, Custard, Rotary, Coca-Cola Bottles, Penny Pitches. Can also place Agents for Six Cats, Ball Games, Fish Pond. Out till Xmas. Long season. All wires to L. I. THOMAS Inverse City. Indiana, new; next, Louisa, Ky.

JOYLAND AMUSEMENTS. Hartford City, Indiana, now; next, Louisa, Ky.

#### ATTENTION

Due to ever increasing business, am enlarging Side Show. Can place one more Ticket Seller, Colored Musicians and Entertainers, Colored Oddities and Novelty Acts. State all in first communication. Write or wire

AL TOMAINI, Side Show Mgr., care Sparks Circus Tifton, Ga., Sept. 18; Cordele, 19; Albany, 20; Moultrie, 21.

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**City Rides** 

DALTON, Ga., Sept. 14.-Despite the fact there has been more rain this season than org ever experienced, business has been good. Rome, Ga., with the lot just a block from the main street, proved a red one. Same was true the following week at Cartersville, Ga., where we were set up on Tinsley park and golf course. Here this week under auspices of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, business was tops.

To date, not a single Monday night has been lost, thanks to Superintendent Curley Crandall and his crew. They usually have the rides up the day before.

The free act of the Four Sky High Alcidos is popular. Along concession row the Venners, bingo ops, are all smiles. Kentuck Archer is getting ready for some fishing in Florida. Mrs. Archer and daughter, Jo Ann, have been huddling over school plans have been huddling over school plans.

Jack and Leslie Coleman say this is the best season they've had. George White's popular Midway cafe is head-quarters for the Jack Pot club. Jack Scott and Shorty Matheny are seen daily comparing receipts and plan-ning buying expeditions. Mayo Tinsy's concessions, under management Margaret Crandall, continue to of stack it up.

Homer and Betty Scott are ex-pected to join with their long pistol gallery, which will offer competition to the Cooper Bros.' long-range gal-lery. Mike Gravas also advised he will join with frozen custard.

Kate Thompson and daughter, Myra Ann, returned from Columbus, Ga., where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Neal Massoro, who have deserted the road and are operating several fruit stores in Columbus stores in Columbus.

Now that Business Manager H. S. (Tommy) Thompson has the shows booked for the rest of the season, he can stay back with it. Owner Johnny Tinsley recently had a surprise visit from his mother and brother, who motored from Evansville, Ind.

Albert (Dummy) Rives has his ponies all set for the fairs.--H. SAW-VER

#### **Alamo Exposition**

and business topped last year, altho some of the attractions did not equal last year's gross.

Bill Tank, one of the old-timers with the shows, was given a surprise birthday party the final day here. Chink Ruback, brother of Owner Jack, flew in from Kansas City, Mo., to spend the week with the shows. Helen Pugal purchased Joe Rosen's photo booth and reports business good. Wilson Dugan is around again after being on the sick list for a few days. Marion Rubenstein was a nightly visitor here and also was host to the staff at his home during the week.--H. B. ROWE.

#### Page Bros.

SPENCER, Tenn., Sept. 14.-Shows split for this stand, one section play-ing at Petersburg, Tenn. Both spots proved big.

Lefty Levin joined with two concessions, and Sol Friedman came on from Kansas with three concessions. Abe Franks reports his bingo is still doing top business. Pete Hendrix, mechanic, has the rolling stock in A-1 condition. Mrs. Jess Pedergast reports business good.

Jerry Flinn, Monkey Show op, has Maggie, the tough monkey, on a chain, but says it won't be long before she'll be performing with the rest. Mr. Sterling, agent for Capital City Shows, visited here.—TOM BLAND-FORD.

**Amherst County Fair** Sept. 25, 26, 27, 28, Amherst, Va.

WANT Shows not conflicting. Ramsey Girl Show Man, write

Ramsey our check and place Grab, Palmateer. CONCESSIONS—Can place Grab, Ice Cream, French Fries, Ball Games, Corn Game, Fishpond, Bowling Alley, Palmistry, Hoop-La, High Striker, Penny Pitches or any 10c Grind Stores. Joe Harrison, Contact quickly.

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Reautiful 40-foot panel front studded with lights, mounted on Fruehauf Trailer. Dark Walk Thru Model. Complete in every respect. Can be seen in operation at Cobleskill, N. Y., Fair, Sept. 17 to 20; after that at winterquarters in Man-chester, Vermont. Can be erected in one hour. Can pay for itself in five weeks. Frice complete, §2,500; including 1940 Chevrolet Cab Over Engine Tractor, \$3,000. Address:

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Oct. 7 to 11 Oct. 7 to 11 Account of disappointment, Merry-Go-Round and any Flat Ride. Also Foreman for Ferris Wheel and Foreman for Leaping Lena. SHOWS — Good proposition for Minstrel Show, Snake Show or Monkey Show. Cus-tard open. Can place Pop Corn or any 10c Stock Joints. This week, Laurens, S. C., Colored Fair, Sept. 16 to 21.

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#### ROSEN AMUSEMENTS WANT GENERAL AGENT

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H. B. Rosen, Mgr. Cochran, Ga., this week; then per route.

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Advance Man with car, also Cook House or Grab. Book or buy Mixup, Tilt, Octopus, Shows of all kinds with own transportation. Stock Conces-sions, come on; will place you.

#### BREWER UNITED SHOWS Arp, Texas; then Lone Oak Fair, Oct. 2 to 5.

FOR SALE

Concession Trailer with living quarters, custom built, 20 feet long. Concession end equipped with Freeze King Automatic Frosted Mait or Custard Machine, like new. Fast money maker. Priced complete, \$2750. Contact

FROSTED MALT c/o Wilson's Shows Morton, Ill., Sept. 16-21; Eureka, Ill., 23-27.

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Marshall, Tex., Sept. 16-21; Paris, Tex., Sept. 23-28.

September 21, 1946

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#### **Jim Williams Gets** Well With Chi Show

Sept. 14.—James CHICAGO. Villiams, Cavalcade of Stars pro-ducer and promoter of thrill circuses, wrapped up in excess of \$20,000 profit as a result of his four-per-formance Labor Day week-end promotion at Soldier Field.

Reliable reports indicate the gross topped \$60,000, house being scaled at **\$1.20** and \$1.80.

Jimmie Lynch and His Death Dodgers were featured, augmented by motorcycle stunts and novelty races, the bike jockeys being mem-bers of the various cycle clubs of the Chicago area.

Venture enabled Williams to clean the cuff of the losses suffered at Soldier Field a year ago and at Buffalo two months ago.



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Gibsonburg, O., Homecoming **Registers New Gross Record** 

GIBSONBURG, O., Sept. 14.-Held for the first time since 1941, the home-coming and ox roast, sponsored by the Gibsonburg Volunteer Fire Department, broke all previous gross records, Frank Ottney, general chairman announces.

White Star Attractions were on the midway and free attractions included the Great Saal, magician; Elmer, walk around, and Professor Sniklefritz's clown band.

#### 15,000 Attend Admission Event at Jackson, Calif.

JACKSON, Calif., Sept. 14.—An-nual Jackson observance of Califor-nia's Admission Day was celebrated Monday (9) with 15,000 attending the parade, main street races, concert and official dance at the California audi-

torium. Fireworks and special attractions climaxed the event.

**Ex-G.I.** Cele Successful

CASEY, Ill., Sept. 14.—Celebration and ex-G.I. Jubilee here September 2-5 proved a big success, S. M. Rur-dett reports. Free acts included Lamont's Cockatoos and Macaws; Ames and Ansorg adagin act and Ames and Ansorg, adagio act, and J. E. Moore's Monkeys. A bathing beauty contest was a feature.

#### **Armory Houses Indoor Fair**

ST. JOHN, N. B., Sept. 14.—For the first time in years St. John Armory, owned by the government, was used for an indoor fair, sponsored by the Kinsmen's Club and St. Mary's Band. Free acts included Gypsy Treganza, acrobatic and folk dancer, and Auburn', magician.

## Club Fair Gets \$3,700

FAIRVALE, N. B., Sept. 14.—A one-day fair, promoted by the Fair-vale Community Club, netted \$3,700 to help build a playground and sports field as a memorial to men who lost their lives in World War II.

Maine Celebration Nets 1G HIRAM, Me., Sept. 14.—Annual Old Home Week and Fair, sponsored by the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars here, September 4-7, netted \$1,000, according to Albert F. Ward, secretary.



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FAIR SECRETARIES Let us handle your Midways for 1947. We will have 2 Complete Units, plus 3 DeLuxe Bingos. We only operate Legitimate Concessions and Sutaratee to sive entire satisfaction. Can refer you to any of approximately 20 Fairs that we have played in 7 States, some of which we have played for orer 14 years. We are now finishing our Biggest Spason in our 20 years in the Concession Busi-ness. I will be at the following Fair meetings during the winter months: Chicago, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee.

WANT FOR 1946 Concession Secretary who can had 20 to 30 Concessions. Must have experience and be bonded. Con-cession Builder. Concession Agents that can stand prosperity and do not drink. Will frame any Stock Concessions for Capable Agents.

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Dodge Cab-Over-Engine Truck, less than 22,000 miles, 16 ft. Stake Body, Covered. Chevrolet Truck, less than 17,000 miles, with 24 ft. Trailmobile underslung Semi, Van, Side and Back Door. Elcar House Trailer, 22 ft. long; 19-ft. by 45-ft. khaki brand new Sidewall; 1 14-ft. complete all Game, Milk Bottles; 1 24-ft. complete Ball Game, Milk Bottles; 1 Forschnér Chair Scales; complete Penny Pitch, Frame, Fly and Board: 2 Daisy Cork Guns (New).

All Address: JOHN GALLAGAN "One of America's Largest Independent Concessionaires" Playing Jackson, Ohio, this week. All people interested in Knoxville, Tenn., Fair, address me c/o Fair Office, Knoxville, Tenn., starting Sept. 18. Permanent Address: BOX 1270, KNOXVILLE, TENN.

#### BLANCHESTER, OHIO, ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL **ON STREETS, SEPTEMBER 23-28**

WANT-Carmel Corn, Taffy Candy, Jewelry, legitimate Concessions of all kinds. All replies to

W. S. CURL

Franklin, Ohio, Fall Festival on Streets, September 16-21.

John R. Ward's World Fair Show on Account of Enlarging Show For 1947

WANT TO BUY 6 72-FT. FLATS, 1 STOCK CAR AND 3 SLEEPERS ADDRESS JOHN R. WARD, Mgr. Tulsa, Okla., this week; Texarkana, Tex., next week.

4TH OF JULY VICTORY CELEBRATION Week of the Faurth, 1947

WANTED A complete Carnival, Rides, Shows and Concessions. One evening of Fireworks. This is Lenewee County's Biggest Event of the year, held at the Fairgrounds. A real money making opportunity. Don't miss this one. **DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS** 



#### **PARKS-RESORTS-POOLS**

Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill.

#### Pa. Spots Vie July Slump and Rain Prevent Rockaway Beach Notes ROCKAWAY BEACH, N. Y., Sept.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 14.—A sharp drop in business in mid-July, plus 15 days of rain, robbed Savin Rock of another record-breaking sea-son, altho a terrific Labor Day week-end brought the season close to last year's record breaker.

**Record Year at Savin Rock** 

Following an opening that bade fair to top all figures in the park's existence, business took a nose-dive right after July 4. The slump, which right after July 4. The slump, which reached huge proportions, continued thruout July, but picked up slowly around the second week in August. Three successive week-ends, plus a heavy spending holiday crowd actu-ally rescued the season ally rescued the season.

The seven-month season (March to October) was highlighted by the in-troduction of six new rides, includ-ing a 3,000-foot Roller Coaster, five ing a 5,000-100t Roller Coaster, five amusement centers, and the extend-ing of the midway several blocks along Beach Street, and was marred only by the burning of the Virginia Reel on the July 4 week-end.

Bumper games, offering practical prizes (foodstuffs, nylons and soap powders), led the field, doing a gross well over \$750,000, with rides and skill games close behind. Hot dog and refreshment stands felt the brunt of the sluff-off caused by the necessary raising of prices all around.

Plans for next season are in the gigantic class, with the Savin Rock Park Company planning on reviving the almost dormant White City by installing three or four new rides along with a seven-ride kiddies' park to operate along with the present small kiddle center. The first of the White City promotions took place this year with the building of Sky Blazer, which promoters claim is the

**Elitch Gardens** Has Big Season

DENVER, Sept. 14.—Elitch Gardens shuttered Sunday (8) with season's business running far ahead of last year, according to Arnold Gurtler, president and general manager.

Final promotion was a nickel day Final promotion was a nickel day with all rides, games and main gate on a 5-cent fare. Final night also was featured by the finals of the park's rumba contest. Previous to finals, contests were held each Sun-day afternoon, featured by instruc-tions by Arthur Murray Dancers, who selected the best dancing couple each Sunday. Winners the final day were tagged Rumba King and Queen of Denver by ork leader. Dick Jurof Denver by ork leader, Dick Jur-gens, and were given Arthur Murray Dance Scholarships, \$25 in cash and a contract with Ralf, local photo studio.

New Diesel miniature train, altho received in the middle of the season, drew top play, along with Roller Coaster and Jeep. Park had a nam-ing contest for the train, giving a \$50 savings bond for the name selected, Cactus Rose.

Elitch Theater closed its 55th sea-son with *Dear Ruth*. The 10-week program matched last year, which was the most successful in its history.

was the most successful in its history. Only dark spot on an otherwise bright season was the polio epidemic, which began in June and brought a ban on attendance of children under 18 at public gatherings August 21. Park officials co-operated with the polio committee and newspaper list-ings of the park ban hit family picnic trade.

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-A largest Roller Coaster in the East. A ly, Merry-Go-Round, which will be vin moved from Luna Park, will be in-ea- stalled in the center of the park next year.

Jack Tiernan, one of the biggest independent operators, has already completed plans for erection of a new midway which will contain 5 rides and 15 stands. The new park will extend more than 300 feet back from Beach Street and be completely land-concod and medormized

scaped and modernized. Present plans call for most operators to continue business on weekends until October.

**Cincy Coney Biz,** Crowds 18, 27% **Over Old Highs** 

CINCINNATI, Sept. 14.—Coney Island here enjoyed the biggest busi-ness year in its history during the season which closed Labor Day, Ed-ward L. Schott, president and genal manager, reported. Attendance exceeded the 1,000,000 eral

mark. At the automobile gate the increase in attendance amounted to nearly 30 per cent, but this was nearly 30 per cent, but this was slightly offset by a decline of between 2 and 3 per cent in passenger traffic on the steamer Island Queen. The

on the steamer Island Queen. The difference is accounted for by the end of gas rationing, which made it pos-sible for patrons to come all the way by automobile, instead of by boat. The increase in gross business amounted to about 18 per cent, Schott reported. Largest gain was in Moonlite Gardens, Coney's summer ballroom, where a 21 per cent increase in at-tendance and a 47 per cent advance in gross business were recorded. Sunlite Pool business was up 20 per cent, despite the fact that cool cent, despite the fact that cool weather the last three weeks ham-

Rides and concessions shared in the big increase in gross volume.

ROCKAWAY BEACH, N. Y., Sept. 14.—Estimated attendance for the Rockaways this summer, according to chamber of commerce figures, was 30,000,000. . . Playland Park's visi-tors were figured at 3,000,000. . . Laury Harris is the guiding force be-hind the Cornaga Grill in Far Rock-away. . . Art Johnson, former local scribe and press agent, is doing scripts for Mutual Broadcasting shows. shows

shows. Bill Bonselle is back ornamenting billboards after four years in G.I. clothes. . . Barrister A. J. Geist, president of Playland Park, is one of the town's leading civic workers. . . Tony De Rosa's dine-drink spot is one of Seaside's most attractive.

Tavernkeeper Jack O'Connell is marking his second decade at Sea-side....P. J. Carr's Bank Inn at Seaside occupies a building that once housed a bank.... Al Van Loan, local band leader, is marking his 15th year, virtually all of the time having been spent in this territory....Sid Kramer is out of service, where he was a lieutenant in Special Service, and plans to return to the music field.

#### **Flynn Maps Improvement Plans for Olcott Beach**

BUFFALO, Sept. 14.—Bert Flynn, owner of Olcott Beach Amusement Park here, which closed for the sea-son Labor Day, already is mapping improvement plans for next season. He hopes to add three new rides, Merry-Go-Round, Rocket and Tilt; landscape much of the park, increase the advertising budget and have a different free act each week.

Flynn says business this season was spotty. Things started off well and continued until July 4, when there was a noticeable let-down.

#### Fire Hits Midland

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—An early morning fire at Midland Beach, Staten Island resort, August 29, destroyed an open-air movie estab-lishment and several small buildings.

For Crowds With Fiddle Contests WEST CHESTER, Pa., Sept.

With only a few weeks remaining on the season's schedule, park ops ir this territory are competing vigor-ously for wind-up business. Of late, ously for wind-up business. Of late, attendance at most spots has dropped due to cool weather. Milder tempera-tures are expected, however, and prospects are bright for an upturn in biz to climax the season.

in biz to climax the season. Competition this season has been stiff in bidding for old-time fiddle.' patrons. Lenape Park started the ball rolling with its Old Fiddlers' Picnic, an annual event, August 4, pulling a big crowd. Crystal Springs, at Parkesburg, followed August 31 with an old fiddlers' day, managed by Mrs. Charles H. Davis. The event, which has been featured by Crystal Springs in one way or another the last 21 years, drew 8,000 people despite unseasonably cool weather. In what was probably the final fid-

In what was probably the final fid-dling jamboree of the season, Sunset Park, near West Grove, sponsored a musicians' jubilee festival today. In addition to rustic bowstring scrapers, park opened the gate to jitterbugs and all types of dancers, singers and musicians. Tickets went at 25 cents for adults, with kids free.

To vie with the Sunset Park festival, Lenape Park offered a farmers' picnic today. Same park will stage an all-colored picnic in two weeks. Idea has been tried with great success in past years by Manager John V. Gibney.

#### **Special Events Lure** 225,000 at Lakewood

ATLANTA, Sept. 14. – Special events at Lakewood Park here this - Special summer attracted 225,000 persons and the amusement area brought in 300,-000 to give the spot a total of 525,000 for the season, according to Mike we be a season of Southeastern Fair Association, which operates the park. Spot will close a week in ad-vance of the fair, scheduled Septem-ber 27-October 6.

Benton said the 1945 attendance at the park was 722,712 and he expects this year's final figure will be well over the 800,000 mark.

Special events here this year included Sam Nunis's auto racers, WGST Day fireworks, motorcycle races, Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers, speedboat races, Joie Chitwood's Hell on Wheels, All-Star Hillbilly Jamboree, Miss Atlanta beauty contest with Bob Jones's ork, midget auto races, harness races and time trials for the AAA national championship.

#### Nick Galbo Purchases Cohocton, N. Y., Funspot

HORNELL, N. Y., Sept. 14.—Nick Galbo, Hornell, has purchased the Palace Amusement Park at Loon Lake, Cohocton, N. Y., from M. G. Wall, spot's owner-operator the past 20 years 20 years.

Galbo plans to spend \$50,000 on improvements and additions for next season, including new rides, concessions and free acts. Spot has one of the finest ballrooms and roller rinks in this section.

#### **Spot Offers Free Movies**

ST. JOHN, N. B., Sept. 14. -Sig- ' nalizing the approaching of the end of the season, Gondola Beach Park here is offering free movies and dancing from 9 p.m. to midnight.

CONEY ISLAND, N. Y. By UNO -The 1946 season wound up Sunday

(15) with another Mardi Gras, the first since 1943. Unusually warm weather lured the crowds. Particularly outstanding in the nightly pageants were the new floats.

Natives are mourning not only the loss of Luna, but also the fact the site will become a housing center. The cry is once such a project gets a foothold in the heart of the amusea foothold in the heart of the amuse-ment area it will mean more such schemes. Surf Avenue, they claim, will gradually fade as a pleasure spot with the Bowery, or the midway, getting the cream of business. An-other chapter in the beef is why the Chamber of Commerce didn't step in, solicit subscriptions toward raising \$275,000 the price necessary to pur-\$275,000, the price necessary to pur-chase Luna, and save the park from getting into the hands of those not in showbiz

Bob O'Neill, magician, and Mary Haley, after their marriage Tuesday (17), join Penn Premier Shows. . . . Mrs. Neil Kyrimes celebrated a birth-day Saturday (7) at home with Neil's ban on attendance of children under 18 at public gatherings August 21. Park officials co-operated with the polio committee and newspaper list-ings of the park ban hit family picnic trade. Charles Robinson, who spent the season at Riverview Park, Chicago, is back at his home in Philadelphia. ban on attendance of children under day Saturday (7) at home with Neil's as guests. . . Jimmie Kyrimes has as guests. . . Jimmie Kyrimes has being readied at different points. In-cluded in the lot are a Whip, by Wil-liam Mangels; Cuddle-Up, Philadel-phia Toboggan Company; Boomerang, Harry Witt; Caterpillar, Allan Her-schell, and Aerial Joy Ride, Nor-

man Bartlett. Two more to come. Kyrimes's concessions will occupy remainder of the space. . . . Harry Nelson has purchased a Mack truck to transport his striking hammers to transport his striking hammers along the fair route. . . . Herman Wolff and Moe Levy' are partners in two guess-your-ages that will be part of fairs. For next season, to skirt one side of his Boardwalk Arcade, Wolff will share profits with Stanley Gersh and Sam Garber in 40 poker roll games from Perfect Games Comroll games from Perfect Games Company.

Morris A. Berns, prexy of the Hof-fie System, Inc., plans other eateries similar to the one he introduced this season on the Boardwalk. Leo Sto-ber, Isadore Rubenstein and G. Flori-mont, of Greyhound Amusement De-

mont, of Greyhound Amusement De-vices, have engaged space for a six-unit game in Chicago for the Decem-ber parkmen's convention. Herman Bakerman, arcade owner at Keansburg, N. J., has contracted for five greyhound games to be placed at different localities along Jersey shore fronts... Max Needle-men end Inving Foniebal of Fonemer Jersey shore fronts. . . . Max Needle-man and Irving Fenichel, of Fenamac Enterprises, have shipped two of their seven Pre-Flighters from Herman Wolff's arcade to Shaffer's Broadway (N. Y.) arcade. . . . Joe Jacobs, exec of Amusement Games, Inc., and ar-cade operator on Surf, has opened another, capacity 60 machines, in the Corr Blades Steting Arcora in Man Gay Blades Skating Arena in Man-hattan.... See you next season.

#### **Roseland Funspot Enjoys Best Season**

CANANDAIGUA, N. Y., Sept. 14.-Roseland Park on Canandaigua Lake here, owned and operated by William Muir, chalked up the best season in its history this year, Muir reports. Holiday biz was way up, spot draw-ing 20,000 July 4, and 15,000 Labor Day.

Because of business, Muir has decided to keep the park open thru September. Spending, he reports, is up 25 per cent over last year.

Muir recently purchased an addi-tional 25 acres on the opposite side of the road and plans a large picnic grounds and a new ballroom with 5,000 feet of floorspace. Improve-ments this year included a new shooting gallery, two new conces-sions and a large bingo lay-out. Dancing proved popular when Manasions and a large bingo lay-out. Dancing proved popular when Mana-ger Jimmy Miller switched policy from park to social plan—\$1.50 per couple. Wednesday, Friday, Satur-day and Sunday were dance nights, with territorial bands and the Bill Flanagan and Ken Renwick bands alternating.

#### **Toll Charge Removal** Hailed by Ohio Ops

SANDUSKY, O., Sept. 14.—Area resort operators hailed removal of toll charges for passenger cars and trucks across the Sandusky Bay Bridge as a great tourist trade in-ducement. ducement.

The span has been collecting vary-ing fees since 1929 and is a vital link in the highway which skirts the Lake Erie shore from Buffalo to Detroit, carrying most of the area's summer resort trade.

Cedar Point, Crystal, Gem and Terrace beaches are directly affected by the toll charge withdrawal.

Long Beach Notes

LONG BEACH, L. I., Sept. 14.--The 1946 season can be indexed among the most successful in history. among the most successful in history. Residence and amusement properties all commanded top rentals. Many beach improvements are planned for next year. Long Beach Stadium was a beehive of activity all season. Despite the shortage of automabiles Despite the shortages of automobiles, Roadside Rest, one of the largest motorists' stop-offs in the country, did a big business.

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## Savin Rock Notes

Season's closing shows most old-timers ready to pack and hi<sup>+</sup> the car-nival trail. Bill Corona is booked for shows in Reading and Hagerstown, Md., and Trenton, N. J., while Ralph Rullis hits the Jersey trail, taking big ball games enough the midurust Rullis hits the dersey train, taking his ball games around the midways. . . Ernie Panico is one of the few boys ready to call it a season. After 28 years of constant operation, he plans to sit back and let his two sons carry on. Ernie has plans for a doll store and some fishing, but no work. Sam Roth heads for West Palm Beach and his annual American Legion benefit which he has been Beach running the past three years. Dave Bakerman heads for Panama where he will operate during the winter. Sam Robbins, purveyor at the Rock's oldest hot dog stand, offers proof the war is over by announcing his famous charcoal broiled Viennas back to their original size and are quality.

#### Harless, Gregory **Utilize Former War** Weapon for Thrills

SEASIDE, Ore., Sept. 14.terprising operators here—Lyle Har-less and Ivan Gregory—are utilizing a former weapon of war for the amusement business, using a duck (amphibious automobile) for a thrill ride thru the surf.

The partners, new to the entertain-ment field, obtained the duck from army surplus supplies; obtained a franchise from the city of Seaside giving them exclusive use of the beach, and set up a new business.

Rides bring \$1.50 for adults and 75 cents for children. Altho craft was built to carry 25 troops and equip-ment, Harless takes only 14 because, he explained, "They like to stand up in back and watch." Boat has a can-vas cover, so riders inside peer out portholes and after the metal guard portholes and, after the metal guard in front is lowered for the return trip, thru the windshield.

Trip is thru the surf for about a mile into relatively smooth water and takes about 20 minutes. Allowing for loading and unloading, boat makes an average of two trips an hour. Heaviest going is on the out-bound run, when surf breaks over the bow, gently dowsing those stand-ing in stern. Sensation is akin to some of the milder dips of a Roller Coaster, bringing squeals from women passengers.

Altho he has been operating daily thru the resort season, Harless says operations will continue on week ends thru September and as long as pa-tronage holds up.

Operation is more at the mercy of weather than most outdoor amuse-ments as, even on fair days, surf may be too heavy to haul passengers.

#### **Indianapolis Riverside**

**Operating on Week-Ends** INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 14.-Riverside Park here is operating now only on week-ends. Spot opens Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 1 p.m. Policy will continue while weather is favorable.

Management says the regular season just closed was about equal to last year's. Weather early in the season hindered any record breaking.

William Powell, still under army william Fowen, stin under army medical care for wounds suffered in the Philippines, visited Frank D. Shean at Casino Park recently. Other visitors at Casino were Mr. and Mrs. David Endy and daughter, owner of Endy Bros.' shows, and Mrs. Jack Greensmoon Greenspoon.

#### **PARKS-RESORTS-POOLS**

**Illions Says Celoron Biz** Beat Last Season's Mark

The Billboard

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 14.-Harry A. Illions, who shuttered his Celoron Park Sunday (8), reports that business topped last year's despite cold weather which cut deeply into August attendance.

Bush & Laube, refreshment and games concessionaires at Celoron, re-ported their gross 35 per cent over last year's.

#### Lakeside Has Top Season

LAKESIDE, O., Sept. 14.—From the standpoint of attendance and number of conferences and conven-tions held, Lakeside's 1946 season was the largest in the 73-year his-tory of the resort, K. E. Miller, as-sistant manager, says. More than 12,000 attended the 25 conferences and conventions.

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#### **RINKS AND SKATERS**

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#### **ROADSHOW FILMS-REPERTOIRE**

#### **Hull Plans Return To Road; Predicts \$\$** for Class Units

BEAUMONT, Tex., Sept. Jimmie Hull, who formerly had out the Jimmie Hull Players, writes that he plans to hit the road again after four years spent in the real estate business in Orange, Tex.

Recently returned from a long trip Recently returned from a long trip which served as a looksee of the country, Hull advises rep men who want to clean up to put out a modern show that will eclipse the old-style candy shows formerly thought good. "Money is plentiful and folks are hungry for stage entertainment," says Hull, "but I don't think people will accept the old-time rep featuring Hull, "but I don't think people will accept the old-time rep featuring Jekyll and Hyde, Lena Rivers, etc. A show must be modern from front A show must be modern from from to rear, with special scenery, modern lighting effects and good actors who are paid enough so that a manager can demand top wardrobes. Then select real plays and give the public comfortable seats comparable to those in film bauses in film houses.

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"Forget the candy sales and reserve every seat at no extra charge. Pretty girl ushers (locals, if necessary) in classy costumes will help. If smoking is prohibited, furnish a special lobby is prohibited, furnish a special lobby for smoking, and a special section to care for crying children. Forget the concerts. Forget all legitimate gyps and bring them back on the merits of the show and modern ap-pearance and management. If you do, thar's gold in them thar hills."

#### Tribute for James E. Adams By T. F. Kirk, Showboat Fan

Georgetown, Md. Editors The Billboard:

James E. Adams, veteran operator of the James Adams Floating Theof the James Adams Floating The-ater, who died September 2, made showboat history on the Atlantic Coast. Truly, had it not been for the Adams boat, thousands of folks in our part of the country would produce to bely prover being compared to ably never have seen a showboat at all and would have missed all those vears of entertainment which, it brought to the little river towns. Tho the boat no longer comes, it is well-remembered for the many enjoyable evenings that were spent aboard it.

I have been a weekly reader of The Billboard since 1925, subscrib-ing 21 years ago, when a boy of 16, for the sole purpose at that time of following the route and a little news of the Adams boat of the Adams boat.

I would like to pay a tribute to all the Adams showfolk formerly with the boat, and especially to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hunter, to whom a great deal of the success of the boat was due. They and the James Adams Floating Theater will long be remembered in Maryland for the clean and wholesome entertainment which was advertised and delivered. T. F. KIRK

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## Ohio Burnt Corkers, 400 Strong, In Annual Shindig at Lancaster

LANCASTER, O., Sept. 14.—Lan-aster's Burnt Corkers, old-time minstrel group, staged another successful reunion and picnic Sunday (8) in Rising Park here, attended by more than 400, including families of members. Organized six years ago, the group has grown from 40 members to more than 300, according to John W. Vogel, vet ministrel man of Columbus, O., and includes amateur and pro ministrels and vaude entertainers from Ohio and six other States.

Elected for the ensuing year was George Evans, Lancaster, former balladist with the Dixie Doodle Minstrels, as president to succeed Loring E. Brown, vet interlocutor of Colum-E. Brown, vet interlocutor of Colum-bus. Brown became vice-president, while Dwight Denton and Ed Her-man, originators of the Corkers, were re-elected secretary and treasurer, respectively. Executive board mem-bers, all of Lancaster, are: Charlie McClintock, who served as program arranger; Elmer Jackson, Adolph Brown, Charles Armbruster, Perrin Hazelton, Karl Denton and J. L. Haberkorn.

Interlocutor Charles Lucks, Columbus, kept the two-hour unrehearsed program in the park shelter house moving, while Charlie McClintock moving, while Charlie McClintock lined up presentation as Corkers ar-rived. On the program were Ora Cattron, Lancaster; Columbus Quar-tet; Elvin Stickler, Amanda, O.; J. A. Hutchinson; Lancaster Quartet; Dick Miller, Lancaster; Guy See-holtz; Chuck Skiver, Lancaster; Jim Patton: Everett Sain and Company: Patton; Everett Sain and Company; Billy Wells, Columbus; Frank Hick-Patton; Everett Sain and Company; Billy Wells, Columbus; Frank Hick-man's 15-piece German band of Fair-field, O.; Bob Lawrence; Waldo Barnes and Joe Smith; Chuck Skiver Quartet; Paul Lang, Lancaster; Wal-ter Prather, and Merle Kimble, for-mer end man, Logan, O. Cilmax of the show was the appearance of comedians Haberkorn and Denton, known professionally as Hab and Denton. Denton.

Among visitors were Mayor Fred Von Stein, honorary Burnt Corker, who welcomed the group to Lan-caster, and Doc Waddell, "circus chaplain," who was appointed chap-lain of the Corkers and who read a tribute he wrote for the Corkers.

Charles Doble is readying a four-



LOGAN, O., Sept. 14 .- Bill Ketrow's tenter, housing the Renfro Val-ley Folks, winds up the season here October 5 and moves into winter quarters on the local fairgrounds.

Ed Hiler, agent, closed ahead of the show September 14, and is now in the threes of framing a sidewall can-vas layout to feature his Circle H Ranch, a Western hillbilly troupe, on a southern trek. Harry Kackley leaves the Ketrow show next Saturday (21) to join the Hiler org.

Business for the Ketrow show to date has been highly satisfactory, Hiler announces.

#### **UNDER THE MARQUEE**

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Wild West shows, he has operated a garage and gas station at West Chester since 1939 and served a stretch on the police force there. During week-ends, he does trick riding and roping at Sleepy Hollow Ranch, Quakertown and other ranch spots in the locality.

Stanley Dawson spotted these for-mer circus folks working the Ohio State Fair, Columbus: Billy (Bozo) Mack, Charles (Bright Eyes) Vail; Billy Nelson, partner of Louie (Wild Kid) Rosenberg; Denver Kline, Red Ball, Sweeney, Merkle, Carl Razzier and Joe Lewis. Joe and his partner had the ex on novelties, Bright Eyes on jewelry, and Bozo on ice cream sticks. All went to the Cleveland Air Races and planned to make Brockton, Mass.; Trenton, N. J.; Bir-mingham, Shreveport, La., and Dal-las. Stanley Dawson spotted these forlas.



## REP

RIPPLES

JACK SWEATMAN, drummer, is back in Chicago after winding up on a string of fair dates for the Boyle Woolfolk office. Al Tint, now in commercial lines in the Windy City, tells of spending several pleasant hours with Sweatman last week. The hours with Sweatman last week. The two formerly trouped together in the old minstrel days. . . . Clarence Aus-kings, veteran rep agent, has quit his job as room clerk at the Jackson Hotel, Fremont, O., to again handle the advance for Guy and Emilie Stanley, who open their school magic show September 20 in Utica, Mich. . . . S. M. Garlock opens around Cas-tle Rock, Wash., with religious pic-tures October 1. . . . Sellers Players, T. T. Sellers, manager and leads, will play auspices dates around Mil-waukee this fall, using three people. will play auspices dates around man waukee this fall, using three people. ... Cray Players, colored group, will again operate in the Camden, N. J., again operate in the Camden, N. J., area this season. . . Brownie's Fun Show reports business up to par in the Lewiston, Idaho, sector. Show the Lewiston, Idaho, sector. Show offers pix, small animals and vaude. . . . Leonard Greeley is readying a drama-film show at Shenandoah, Ia., to travel the Northern Missouri ter-ritory. Show will carry enough 16mm. film for a two-week stand. . . . Chestnut Hill Players, four peo-ple, will again operate in the Boston area. their second season in the area, their second season in the area.

CHARLES W. HOWELL will operate his pix show on a circle out of Rutland, Vt., after October 1, play-ing each town once a week. He had a concession at Northern fairs in rea concession at Northern fairs in re-cent weeks. . . . Gilbody's Show, pic layout, reports business satisfactory around Sarnia, Ont. . . . Willis Doucet has recently joined his own unit to do vaude specialties. Troupe plays week stands. . . . Rennel Play-ers, colored group, are in operation in the New Orleans sector. Four people unit plays under auspices. . . Fos-ter Gray will close his picture show and open his circle drama show near Baltimore October 1. . . Norfolk Players will operate in New England again this season. It's a three-people again this season. It's a three-people unit offering flesh bills under auspices.

STANLEY PLAYERS will operate around Milwaukee after October 1, offering E. F. Hannan's Okie From Oklahoma. . . Waltham Players will again operate under auspices in Middlesex County, Massachusetts....

people trick to operate in the St. Louis area under auspices. Louis area under auspices. . . Bernard Small has his school show around Atchinson, Kan. . . . Cray Players will make schools in the Spokane area. . . Others playing schools is the Ellis Novelty Show in Decatur (III.) territory, and George's Magic and Pix Show, which opened at Barber, N. C., to play Tennessee schools. . . Carlton Thomas writes from Magnolia, Ark., that he will have a 16mm. outfit on the road in that territory after October 1. Thomas recently visited New Orleans where he purchased his pic outfit. Thomas recently visited New Orleans where he purchased his pic outfit. The Thomas Fun Show has been playing schools in the Southwest for several seasons. . . . George W. O'Brien is booking school dates in Eastern Pennsylvania. . . W. H. McDonald will play schools in New England and New York State. . . . Griff's Pix and Museum Show is showing in the Lubbock (Tex.) area. Archie (Fat) Mellon has joined the Archie (Fat) Mellon has joined the three people trick to do comedy and magic. Show also has a small animal layout.

#### GAINESVILLE RESUMES

(Continued from page 47). (Continued from page 47). Garvin, Don Couch and Portis Sims; tandem high school horses, Gerry Murrell. 19-Two six-people teeterboard troupes, the Aces and the Starettes, trained by Glenn Wilcox, of Fort Worth. 20-Funny Ford, Benny Saylors and A. W. Wells. 21-Double trapeze, Bill Mash and Lawrencine Davis and Bill and Elsie Ritchie. 22-Hippodrome races, monks and ponles, clown carts and ponies, and Roman standing race, Buddy Gandillon and Billy Bob Alexander.

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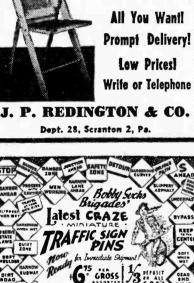




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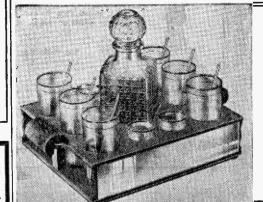
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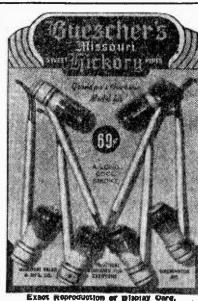
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ELMER (SPECKS) HIGGINS versatile pitcheroo, is currently op-erating his Victory Restaurant and Higgins Cafe at Staunton, Va., and reports indicate that he's doing well.

BLACKIE SHIFFLET ... former ace pitchman, is in the neon sign business in Staunton, Va.

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PAT MALONE the Virginia State Fair, Staunton, to click turns. Also garnering the



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parking lots in Atlanta to good takes with balloons is Jack Holiday. He's been going strong with the item for over five months.

### OLD-TIMERS

in the Middle West will miss Freddie Kjorlien, vet gadget worker, who died September 12 in Minneapolis from head injuries received in a fall. Details in the Final Curtain.

PHIL LANDAU . . . Lord's Prayer on a penny expert, is working to excellent returns at county fairs in Ohio, he reports from Sidney. He says the best of the eight annuals in Ohio that he worked eight annuals in Ohio that he worked was Montgomery County Fair. He plans to go into Columbus, O., Sep-tember 21 to work the Beulah Park races, where he has charge of *The Cincinnati Racing Record.* Follow-ing his Ohio trek, Phil plans to head for New Orleans to work local foot-ball games with powelties ball games with novelties.

WORD FROM .... Toledo indicates that O. E. Braddy is working novelties there to good returns.

## Al Blood By E. F. Hannan

DOC AL BLOOD was born in Eng-Lead and came to this country as a boy. His father used two horses and a rig to peddle household goods and tinware thru New England. The father wanted to make a musician of Al and Al learned some music, but went into dramatics and landed with various road shows.

He became acquainted with Redpath, and one night one of the lec-turers of Redpath's Lecture Bureau failed to show up and Al pinch hit for him with a talk entitled Tales of an Actor. Response was good and Al got some variety dates and then hooked up with one of the larger Kickapoo shows.

Doc Daniels heard him talk and hired him away. Al then obtained some money and joined forces with Andy Fe Forest and they formed the Pemaguid Show. Like others of his day, Al got horsey and bought trot-ters and got mixed in a jam with a ringing case at old Glenville, in

Cleveland A couple of Buffalo horsemen used Al as a front man and the fracus stung Blood so badly that he never was the same afterwards. He always was the same afterwards. He always contended that he knew nothing about the horse. Al finished up with such shows as Comical Brown and Al Martz, which played the sticks. Al goes into the books as a versatile showman and a fine med lecturer. He also rates a good fellow listing.



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### **3,000 AT HACKENSACK**

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Fusari, welterweight fighter; Arturo Godoy, heavyweight, and Rabbit Maranville, former major league Godoy, heavyweight, and Rabbit Maranville, former major league baseball player. Members of the Twin City and Boulevard Skating clubs, under the direction of Bill and Eldora Best, AOW pros, entertained with skating exhibitions.

Among visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Van Horn, Mineola, L. I., N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Giles, Muskegon, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Ambrose, Canandaigua, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holland, Bridgeport, Conn.; James Dolan, Worcester, Mass.; Mrs. Hoffman, Albany, N. Y.; Mr. Shultz, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Groice, former rink operators of Orange, N. J.; Mayor and Mrs. Nicholas Martini, Hackensack; Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Martine; James Morton, Journal-American promotion director, and George Apdale and Ozzie Nelson, president and secretary, respectively, Among visitors were Mr. and Mrs. president and secretary, respectively, of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association.

## **PASSAIC SPOT REOPENS**

( Continued from page 74) maxing the program was a grand march

march. Midway during the program Schmitz introduced the new Passaic manager, Joe Schneider. Other staff members are Miss Kreger, cashier; Dan Schneider, organist; Mr. Wein-berg, door; Tony LaManna, skate room; Luke DeServo and Steve Sou-kas, skate boys; Mr. and Mrs. Liptak, concession stand; Mrs. Weinberg and Ida Graziano, checkroom, and Froggy DePalma, floor manager, who was DePalma, floor manager, who was assisted during the evening by Ralph Canary, floor manager of Boulevard Arena, Bayonne, N. J., and Joe Smiraldi.





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## **Standardize Small Motor Production**

## **Goal Is Higher Output**

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.-New standards for fractional horsepower motors were adopted by the National Asso-ciation of Electrical Manufacturers who met here at the Hotel St. Regis. Adoption of the standards, intended to hasten production of the motors, was hailed by coin machine manu-facturers as a progressive step.

Officials of the association made public a fact well known to the coin machine industry when they said that the backlog of demand for small motors has been the chief bottleneck for many producers. Music machine manufacturers rely on the fractional horsepower motors, as do some types of vending machine makers.

Standardization program adopted by the electrical manufacturers is by the electrical manufacturers is expected to bring costs down in the long run. It will take an estimated eight to 12 months for the standardi-zation program to affect output of motors, spokesmen said.

### **Only Beginning**

First announcement of the new program concerned only standardizain terms of horsepower rating, speed, breakdown torque and service fac-tors. The manufacturers said, how-ever, that these were merely the initial steps in the standardization program.

This is not the first time an attempt has been made to standardize frac-tional motors. Up to now, all such attempts have been broken down because of producers who offered spe-cial equipment built specifically for a limited use.

Shortages of material, the motor manufacturers claim, showed them that they need not produce a large variety of motors. Case used as illus-tration was the washing machine industry, for which some 12 varieties of motors were formerly produced. At the moment, only one motor is being made for the washing machine manufacturers, and the association asserts no objections have been raised.

Once the current demand is satisfied, the program of standardization is expected to bring costs down sharply.

### Manufacturer Interest

In Chicago, meantime, juke box manufacturers and vending machine makers were watching developments in the standardization program with great interest.

"As far as the washing machine in-dustry is concerned," said one mem-ber of the trade who is interested in coin - operated washing machines, "standardization would be a good thing" thing."

Juke box manufacturers, however, Juke box manufacturers, nowever, were certain that they would still have to continue to make certain changes in the motors before they could be used. Just as they make changes in the tubes and amplifying equipment, juke makers have to have (See Standard Motors on page 122)



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## **News Digest**

**STRIKE**—New York and other port cities felt the effect of the shipping strike this past week. New York had additional headaches in the way of the truckers' strike, which way of the truckers' strike, which tied up all industry until the truckers began to filter back to work Septem-ber 12. Even tho the strikes are ap-parently on the way to being settled as this is written, the trade in some parts of the country will be feeling effects for some time to come.

**CHARTER**—Very little happened this week in the dispute over the granting of a charter to the Pennsyl-vania Music Operators' Association. Some Pennsylvania locals of the American Federation of Musicipan Some Pennsylvania locals of the American Federation of Musicians have contested the granting of the charter. So far, spokesmen for the AFM have been doing all the talking, since the operators had not had op-portunity to meet officially with their legal counsel.

CMI — Coin Machine Industries, Inc., announces that thus far some 133 reservations for exhibit space have been allocated. Space is for the 1947 Coin Machine Convention and show at Chicago's Hotel Sher-man. February 3-6 man, February 3-6.

SUCAR —Candy and soft drink vending operators heard this week the sugar situation was going from bad to worse. Department of Agri-culture announced quotas for indus-trial users would remain unchanged till the end of the year. Means soft drink bottlers and condu melerer will drink bottlers and candy makers will

operate at 60 per cent of pre-war capacity. Strikes in shipping will capacity. Strikes in shipping will have bad effects on the sugar supply. Price ceiling hike is coming from OPA before very long, and this will complicate the picture further.

ARCADES --- Arcade Owners' As-sociation of America announced results of a survey conducted recently. Said an executive of the association, commenting on reports of decline in play, "This doesn't mean that busiplay, "This doesn't mean that busi-ness was bad, as it was much higher than in pre-war years." Arcade owners everywhere according to the survey, say that business is on the upswing, will go higher if arcades can get quantities of new machines and if arcade managers plan their centers wisely.

**TOURISTS**—Resort locations are reaping benefits of the extra-long tourist season this year. Thousands of people, long pent up, postponed their vacations to late in the season to escape the bulk of the crowds. This tended to spread the tourist business out over a long time. Some ecasonal arcades are planning to star seasonal arcades are planning to stay open as long as possible for the same reason.

**VENDERS**—The growth of accep-tance of in-plant feeding is expected to bolster prospects for food vending machines. Cold sandwich vending machines are reported operating suc-cessfully in some Chicago factories. Two hot sandwich venders, with se-(Seen NEWS INDEX on page 122)

# Coin Machine Supplies Low

New York trade feels pinch as parts, lumber slowed by walkout-shows postponed

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—As the end of the two-week teamsters' strike seemed approaching, coinmen ex-pected to continue to feel the pinch of the walkout long after every driver has returned to work.

Like all other industries, coin ma-chines felt the full effect of the strike this week. Jack Fitzgibbon, Musical Minutes, Inc., was forced to postpone the showing of a new juke box be-cause of missing pieces. Earl Win-ters, Modern Music, reported a large shipment of new records "somewhere en route."

Lumber and parts shipments, caught by the strike, made it necessary for Pan Coast Amusement Com-pany to hold off presentation of a new roll-down game, according to Sol Wollman. Non-delivery of cabi-net parts is holding up another new machine at his firm, said Harry Berger.

### **Ops Feel Pressure**

Operators, as well as manufac-turers and distributors, have felt the effects of the walkout.

Paper cups, needed by soft drink cup vending operators, have become almost impossible to obtain in the city. Operators reported sirup for many machines was running low. Peanuts and popcorn, and all other supplies for vending machines, were in the same situation.

In the cigar field, where the cigar vender is just making headway, Samuel Blumberg, secretary of the Cigar Manufacturer's Association, reported many a cigar manufacturer closing his doors. In New York some re-tailers were putting the popular brand, popular price line under the counter as they did when tobacco was high on the scarce item list.

### **Ration Cigarettes**

Kation Cigarettes Cigarettes are not yet critically short, but they are being rationed by chains and some independents. One pack per customer is the customary rule. Jack Speidler, president of the Independent Operators' Association, Inc., said that certain brands were practically impossible to obtain.

inc., said that certain brands were practically impossible to obtain. The few operators of cigarette ma-chines who had kept their prices at 19 cents were switching over to 20 cents per pack Friday night, Spiedler said. H. P. Patrey, National Associa-tion of Tobacco Distributors, con-firmed this report. Pending complete and final settle-ment of the strike, many candy man-ufacturers closed their doors, laying off employees. This information came from Thomas Jefferson Miley, secretary of the Commerce and In-dustry Association, who added that neither raw materials nor finished products were being moved. Barnett R. Berkens, executive sec-retary of the Arcade Owners' Asso-ciation of America, said that the lack of local newspaper advertising has (*Teamster Strike Hurts on page 122*)

## **State Taxes** To Rest for Another Year

### **Legislators Going Home**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Special legis-lative sessions in Ohio and Nebraska were adjourned August 27 and August 29 respectively, which left only Missouri's Legislature remaining in session.

There seems little likelihood of any legislation being passed in Mis-souri because of the number and frequency of recesses. On September 9, Arizona met in special session 9, Arizona met in special session chiefly to consider legislation for old-age assistance and similar proposals. Observers expect there may be oth-er special sessions, for purposes sim-ilar to that causing the Arizona soc

ilar to that causing the Arizona ses-sion, but they say it appears that all of the State tax legislation is in for the year.

### **One New Ordinance**

On August 5, General Ordinance No. 3087 was passed at St. Joseph, Mo., imposing a tax of \$1 per thou-sand on cigarettes. A brief sum-mary of this action, as printed in the State Tax Review, follows:

"General Ordinance No. 3087, ap-"General Ordinance No. 3087, ap-proved August 5, 1946, imposes a tax of \$1 per thousand on all ciga-rettes, such tax to be paid by the purchase of revenue stamps, which are affixed to the package. Every wholesale dealer, jobber, retail deal-er, manufacturer or other person en-gaged in selling cigarettes within the gaged in selling cigarettes within the city is required to secure a license, the fee for which is \$1 for each place the fee for which is \$1 for each place of business, payable to the city comptroller. It is illegal to offer for sale any cigarettes that do not display the revenue stamps, and vending machines are included there-in. The comptroller is given special general powers to administer and enforce the ordinance, and violations are punishable by fines up to \$500."



The Billboard

HOUSTON SCHOOL, sponsored by S. H. Lynch & Company for maintenance and service of Seeburg music equipment, drew this sizable group of coinmen from the city and surrounding towns. Extreme left, standing, are Pete Otis, factory representative, and A. A. Sage, Houston branch manager for Lynch.

## **Announces** New **Bally Pinball** In Production

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.-Bally Manufacturing Company has now reached volume production on its new pinball machine, it was announced by George Lenkins, vice-president, and george Jenkins, vice-president and general manager.

Newest edition in the firm's line of amusement games, this one is called Big League and features a base-ball theme. Machine may be operated either as a novelty or repay, and three separate scoring systems are built into play.

Player may shoot for high-score, runs or special scoring roll-overs. Animated back glass records scores. Jenkins said that the game has been put thru tests on locations for periods varying from two weeks to a month and a half.

## **Gil Kitt Buys** Detroit Firm, **Robinson Sales**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.--Gil Kitt, of Empire Coin Machine Exchange, has acquired the Robinson Sales Company, 7525 Grand River Avenue, Detroit, he announced here this has Detroit, week.

Harry Stanton, of Detroit, will manage the Detroit firm for Kitt, according to the announcement. Stanton, the announcement said, is former chief field engineer for Cur-tis-Wright Aircraft Corporation.

Robinson Sales was formerly owned by Ben Robinson, who is well known to the trade nationally. Robinson at one time was a manufac-turer's representative both in this country and abroad, and he now has a distributing company in New Orleans.

Among products which the Detroit firm will distribute, Kitt said, are those manufactured by Keeney, Bell-O-Matic, Mills Industries, Chicago Coin, Gottlieb, Exhibit and United. Kitt will continue to make his home in Chicago

in Chicago.

## N. C. Sales, Beverage Taxes Up for August

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 14.—State Revenue Commissioner Edwin Gill recently announced that beverage tax collections, for August totaled \$528,-505. Amount surpassed August, 1945 beverage revenue of \$497,011.

Report showed that North Carolina's highway and general fund tax returns were up 24.41 per cent for

Shootin' Gallery NEW YORK, Sept. 14.— "Shooting Gallery Is a Shooting Gallery" was the headline across a story in *The World-Telegram* telling of a small panic in a Harlem amusement arcade when some youths fired at another youth who fled into the amusement center after a fight with the other boys. Three persons were injured by five bullets fired into the establishment, missing their intended mark.

## **Purchase New** Home for Chi **Bell Products**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14 .-- Al Sebring CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—AI Sebring announced that he has purchased a three-story building and two adjoin-ing pieces of property which will become the new, larger home of Bell Products. Building is on a corner location at 2165, N. Western Avenue, and Sebring hopes that moving day will be next May 1, or sooner.

Present location, at 2000 N. Oakley Avenue, will continue to be head-quarters for the firm until the new property is vacated.

Sebring said that the corner build-ing will provide about 15,000 feet of floor space. Extensive remodel-ing is planned, and as soon as building is planned, and as soon as build-ing priorities can be worked out, an-other three-story structure will be erected on the adjoining vacant 40-foot property. This, Sebring said, would have to wait until present con-struction difficulties clear up, but when the entire project is completed, the firm will have at least 30,000 feet of floor space.

Revamping of the building will include installation of elevator servfacilities for offices, showrooms and service department. "We feel that our new headquarters, situated in a center for coin machine firms, will make possible better service to our customers and provide for expanding activities," Sebring declared.

Meanwhile, the firm is making ar Meanwhile, the firm is making ar-rangements to carry on temporarily on Oakley Avenue with reduced space. Building has been sold and new owner is taking over a large amount of space immediately. To relieve the situation, warehouse fa-cilities have been secured, and all necessary adjustments will be com-pleted shortly, according to Sebring.

the same period or \$9,583,418 com-pared to \$7,702,837.

Greatest revenue producer in the general fund was the sales tax which brought in \$2,548,293. Return for same tax for August, 1945 was \$1, 744,386.

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## **Robert Greene** Will Back New Arts Magazine

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Robert Z. Greene announced this week that the Format Company, which he heads, has begun preparations for a new magazine concerning "the fine and lively arts."

Greene is president of the National Automatic Merchandising Associa-tion and of the Rowe Manufacturing uon and of the Rowe Manufacturing Corporation. M. Robert Rogers, edi-tor-in-chief and president of Click, Inc., until he joined the Office of Strategic Services in 1942, combined with him in humching the with him in launching the new publication.

Chief financial backer of the enter-Former presentation officer of the enter-prise, as yet unnamed, will be Greene. Former presentation officer of the Umited Nations, Oliver Lundquist has been retained as design consultant. The navy detailed him to the CSS during the war.

First issue of the new journal is slated for early 1947, Rogers said. He is now running pre-publication matters at the company offices which were opened at 250 West 57th Street.

## **NEMA's Survey Looks to 1947**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14. — The Na-tional Electrical Manufacturers' Astional Electrical Manufacturers' As-sociation reported recently that full-scale production for the electrical industry can be expected some time in March or April, 1947. Prediction was based on a survey made by 100 member companies of NEMA. Firms involved, representing every branch of the industry agreed unani-

Firms involved, representing every branch of the industry, agreed unani-mously that the material shortage problem has not changed substan-tially, according to the report. "There are especially marked shortages," the survey said, "in the production of materials needed in the housing field and small motors, which affect the production of electrical appliances." Press reports concerning material supplies have often been too optimis-tic, some manufacturers opined in the report. They also mentioned a labor shortage, women workers par-

labor shortage, women workers par-ticularly, as contributing to the out-put scarcity.

## **Coin Changer Output Rises**

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 14.— Vendo coin changer production is progressing "ahead of schedule," ac-cording to Alex Izzard, public re-lations director for the company. Firm's distributors are locating changers on either a sale or rental basis.

basis. New distributors named by the manufacturer were Barney F. Fred-ricks, Universal Distributing Com-pany, St. Louis, and John E. Berg-stedt, of the Bergstedt Sales Com-pany, Minneapolis. Izzard said that the changer company is studying fur-ther distribution appointments.

## Milw'kee Phone Men To Huddle Sept. 23

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 14.—A meet-ing for those interested in the opera-tion of coin machines will be held September 23 in the Eagles Club Red Room here, by the Milwaukee Phonograph Operators Association, it was announced this week. Speakers will be heard following a

luncheon.

## **OPA** Announces **Decontrol** for Plastic, Paper

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Office of Price Administration has sus-pended from price control various plastics and miscellaneous paper products, many widely used in the manufacture and packaging of coin-operated machines and phonographs, it was approximated last week it was announced last week.

The agency also announced amendments to the scrap metals regulations, increasing prices of cast iron scrap \$2.50 to \$7 a ton, setting newer lower ceilings on certain unprepared scrap and imposing ceilings for the first time on prepared scrap sold by first time on prepared scrap sold by industrial or government sources to dealers.

Meanwhile, OPA's 38-industry ad-Meanwhile, OPA's so-industry ad-visory committees entered a series of meetings with Deputy Administra-tor Geoffrey Baker on the recently issued rules for decontrol petitions and a proposed supplementary order on procedures for obtaining price adjustments under the new act.

Last week's suspension action came Amendment 53 to supplementary in Order 129 and was effective September 11. Action covered casein plastic products in the form of sheets, rods, tubes and preforms before fabrication or printing; milk bottle caps and hoods and photograph mounts such as those used in coin-operated photo galleries and booths.

and Show Time: February 3-4-5-6 Place: Hotel Sherman, Chicago For information about reservations and convention program contact las. A. Gilmore, secretary-manager, Coin Machine Industries, Inc., 134 North La Salle Street, Chicago 2, 111. La Salle Street, Chicago Booth reservations to date: 133

## **Mullininx Has Twin Debut in Georgia Cities**

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 14.—O. J. Mullininx, owner of Mullininx Amusement Company, recently an-nounced the simultaneous openings of new air-conditioned headquarters for the firm here and in Atlanta.

Distributing company's main offices here are now housed in a building of modern architecture on landscaped grounds at 302 West Victory Drive. New Atlanta location is at 233 Trinity Avenue.

Mullininx, a railroader who turned to the coin machine business, con-siders the twin opening a culmination

of progress he has made in the trade. Here in Savannah, he said, the firm's new home includes complete facilities for distribution of both new and used equipment. Layout includes display rooms, general and private offices, as well as shops for repair, refinishing and rebuilding of both amusement games and phonographs. Atlanta sales offices are equipped

like those here, with complete air-conditioning and a number of other conveniences for the firm's patrons.

At 37, Mullininx is a 13-year veteran of the coin machine trade. He got his start in 1933 working for (See Mullininx Debut on page 130)

## **Munves Ready To Produce in** New Chi Plant

CHICAGO, Sept. 14. - Munves Manufacturing Company has moved into its own three-story building at 158 East Grand Avenue and will have assembly lines rolling there this week, announced Joe Munves, presi-dent of the firm.

Munves said that completed units for one of the games to be intro-duced by this new firm will come off production lines within the next few davs. Other machines are being readied.

Thru purchase of the new building, which formerly was occupied by an automobile body factory, the firm has been able to secure facilities which will enable it to do a complete job of engineering and fabrication under one roof. Hard-to-get machinery was acquired in the same deal, according to Munves.

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Besides the main three-story fac-tory building, the property includes an adjoining one-story structure which will house offices and stockrooms.

Optimistic over production possibilities in the new layout, Munves extended an invitation to the trade to visit the close-to-the-Loop headquarters, guaranteeing a conducted tour to all comers.

At the same time, he said that the firm is maintaining its building at 2634 North Laramie Street in order to have adequate facilities for pin-ball machine conversions which have been in production there for some time time.

# Date To Remember 1947 Coin Machine Convention and Show

## Calendar for Coinmen

September 23-Milwaukee Phonograph Operators' Association, Eagles Club, Milwaukee. October 1-4-National Electronics Conference, Edgewater Beach

Hotel, Chicago. October 7--Wisconsin Phonograph Operators' Association, Madi-

- October 7—Junior Executive Division, National Association of Tobacco Distributors, Statler Hotel, Cleveland.
- October 10-Arcade Owners' Association of America, Park Central. New York.
- October 12-Independent Vending Machine Operators of Wisconsin, Dubuque, Ia.
- October 14-19—Electronics Industry Exposition, Grand Central Palace, New York

October 16-18-National Automatic Merchandising Association, National Convention, Congress Hotel, Chicago. October 21-26-Dairy Industries Exposition, Atlantic City.

November 11-14-National Hotel Exposition, Grand Central Palace. New York.

November 19-21-American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages, Miami. November 25-26-Packaging Industry's Annual Convention,

Stevens Hotel, Chicago. February 3-6-Coin Machine Industries, Inc., convention and exposition, Sherman Hotel, Chicago.

## Kolodny Keys First Meet **Of Trade Assn. Alliance**

WASHINGTON. Sept Convention of trade association officials launching the new National Whole-salers' Association here September 9 was keynoted by Chairman Joseph Kolodny, managing director of the National Association of Tobacco Distributors.

Group which is backed by about 25 wholesaler organizations representing a \$100,000,000 industry will initiate a research program with the object of compiling factual and statistical data to demonstrate the indispensability of the wholesaler's service to the public.

Kolodny, who is widely known in the vending machine industry, told the convention delegates new group should undertake a five-fold program designed to counteract popular mis-conceptions of the wholesale busi-ness. Adopted by the organization, the five steps in the program are:

## Story of Wholesaling

-Disseminate the story of wholesaling among representatives of the government, e ditors, economists, writers, schools, business clubs and other appropriate media for molding public opinion.

2 .--- Examine proposed national or State legislation which might preju-dice or circumscribe the wholesalers' position. Legislation effecting the in-dustry will be supported or opposed according to merit. 3.—Participation in all conferences

where wholesalers' interest are in-volved. Organization will act in a capacity similar to that of the National Association of Manufacturers, American Retail Federation and the al American Farm Bureau Federation. 4.—Undertaking of a continuous

study of the mechanics of wholesaling to develop more efficient and economical methods of distribution. 5.—Seek corrective action in any

case involving disparagement or misrepresentation of wholesaling.

Washington Headquarters

Kolodny explained that the Council of Wholesale Associations, which will be superseded by the new group had been a loosely-knit organization and failed to adequately represent the position of wholesalers. Initial budget for operations will be about \$100,000. National headquarters will be in this city, where a research bureau is to be formed. "No other major division of the American economic structure is so

Kolodny declared. "The public ap-preciates the vital need for agricul-ture, mining, manufacturing, processing and retailing, but has never showed any marked or intelligent interest in the operations which are necessary to move the goods from the factory, mine or mill thru the chan-nels required to reach the ultimate consumer."

He added that the public possessed the misconception retail prices of commodities would be lowered by elimination of the so-called middleman. Kolodny pointed out that without wholesalers, the cost of getting goods to almost 2,000,000 retailers and 140,000,000 consumers would be "fan-tastically high." He emphasized that wholesalers perform a service to both retailer and manufacturer.

retailer and manufacturer. "In the absence of wholesalers, producers would not only have to make an extraordinary number of individual shipments," Kolodny said, "they would also be obliged to hire so many salesmen that their selling and shipping costs would be almost prohibitive."

Data collected by the organization's research bureau will be made avail-able to government officials and educators wherever possible, he added. (Kolodny Keys Meet on page 130)

## Heller Company To **Pay Stock Dividend**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.-Walter E. CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Walter E. Heller & Company, which operates a coin machine financing division, declared a 15-cent quarterly divi-dend on its common stock, payable September 30. Other dividends in-cluded a quarterly payment of \$1.375 on, the firm's 5½ per cent preferred stock, and an initial dividend of 67 cents on the 4 per cent preferred. Latter also are payable September 30.

## **Biz Still Tops Prewar Levels**

AOAA Study shows seasonal arcades holding steadiest, city locations hardest hit

NEW YORK, Sept. 14 .- Reports from a survey conducted by the Ar-cade Owners' Association of America, trace the rise and fall of play in the country's arcades, showing some ar-cades have taken drops of from 10 to 60 per cent during the past few months, but are leveling off. Re-sults of the survey were made public by Barnett B. Borkens, computing by Barnett R. Berkens, executive secretary of the association.

Berkens pointed out that condi-tions were sectional. A few arcades, he said, showed a gain over last year's business, but the number re-porting increases was small.

### **Seasonal Steadiest**

Seasonal arcade business held steadiest this year, the AOAA survey showed. Maximum reported decline in play at seasonal arcades was 25 per cent, while permanent city ar-cades reported declines up to 60 per cent of last very's hybrid arcades the search of last very a survey are search of the searc cent of last year's business. Berkens pointed out one important

factor which all arcade men, and other coin machine operators as well, other coin machine operators as well, keep in mind. And that is that even-with declines in play reported this season, most arcade men are enjoy-ing bigger business than they did in pre-war days. Commenting on reports of decline in play at arcades. Berkens said,

n play at arcades, Berkens said, 'However, this doesn't mean business

was bad, as it was much higher than in pre-war years." Broadway and Times Square ar-cades, said Berkens, have improved their position as compared to reports made three months ago.

Word of Advice

Al W. Blendow, president of AOAA, had a word of advice about (See DIP LEVELS OFF on page 130)

## United Co. Off **Conversion; To Produce Games**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Billy De-Selm, general sales manager for United Manufacturing Company here, announced that his firm would withdraw from the game conversion field effective this week. Future production will be concentrated on new ma-chines, said DeSelm.

In order to clear production lines for new game output, scheduled to begin October 15, the firm is accept-ing no more machines for conversion after September 14, except those which already have been shipped by customers. DeSelm said that it would take a month to finish the backlog of conversion orders. Pointing to the approaching end

of a period of material shortages, during which some old producers turned to conversion work, announce-ment is the first step toward introduction by this concern of a new line of amusement games.

First of these new products, called "Sea Breeze," has undergone tests on location, and will lead off on forthcoming production schedules, it was said.

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# **2 STRIKES ADD TO SUGAR WOES**

## Quotas Low, **Price Higher**

See pinch hitting candy, soft-drink vending trade even after strikes clear

CHICAGO, Sept. 14 .--- The sugar headache went from bad to worse this week as struck shipping lanes and the Hawaiian growers' strike all and the nawaiian growers' strike all but cut off supplies to soft drink and candymakers. Soft drink vending operators were affected, of course, and candy operators appeared to be caught in the squeeze just as cool weather zoomed demand.

This new aggravation was pyra-mided on normal sugar troubles. Quotas to industrial users for the fourth quarter of 1946 had been set on the same low level as for previous months this year. A price ceiling hike was announced as imminent by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Even if the seamen's strikes were settled quickly, the situation was not bright. Sugar refiners who had been operating right along on a hand-to-mouth basis and depended primarily on imports of raw materials reached on imports of raw materials reached their lowest stocks in years, said a spokesman for Lamborn & Company, large sugar brokers. Candy and soft drink manufacturers in 27 Eastern and North Central States—where the industry is concentrated—were par-ticularly hard hit, this source said.

### Impact To Come

Sugar experts explained that after shipping returns to normal, the lapse of imports will continue to be felt. It will take some time, they say, be-fore supply pipelines are filled again, and stocks of industrial users can be built up built up.

Normally during past months pro-duction of sugar refiners has been barely a week ahead of immediate consumption. With the advent of the shipping strike and because of the snipping strike and because of the continuing strike of sugar workers in Hawaii, the country rapidly ap-proached the point of dependence on the domestic supply of beet sugar alone. These supplies usually ac-(See Two Strikes Add on page 94)

# Makers Hold Confab of popcorn vending machines, the veterans established a route.

turers' Association convention were near completion this week with members being urged to obtain reser-vations not later than tomorrow. The convention, the association's 39th an-nual meeting, will be held September 17 thru 19 at Whiteface Inn, White-face on Lake Placid.

face on Lake Placid. Dr. Israel Weinstein, New York City Health Commissioner, one of the three guest speakers, will discuss Sanitation in Soda Fountain Opera-tion. Other speakers include Fred-eric Snyder, international news com-mentator, and Sen. Styles Bridges, of New Hampshire.

The entertainment committee announced that the Empire Flyers are arranging to have all members as guests to a cocktail party September 17.

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careers of this pair of ex-GI's. Buddies thru the war, they're studying at the University of Utah, helping to pay the freight with a route of 300 popcorn vending machines. Dayton Hughes, left, is the psychology student; Arthur Ellis, the budding attorney.

## G.I. Pay Needs Bolstering, Two **Collegians Try Popcorn Route**

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 14—A psychiatrist and a lawyer on the business end of a popcorn vender? Well, it finally has happened.

The coinmen involved, Arthur A. The commen involved, Arthur A. Ellis and G. Dayton Hughes, were studying for law and psychiatry de-grees, respectively, at the University of Utah when war was declared. The two collegians enlisted in the army together, were commissioned at the

same time, saw combat in identical French battlefields, were wounded practically the same day and re-1y

Resuming the sheepskin chase, this time under the G. I. Bill of Rights, Ellis and Hughes soon discovered they would need more funds than the New York Ice Cream government was providing. Armed with a franchise and an initial supply Armed

**At Lake Placid Inn** NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Plans for the New York Ice Cream Manufac-turers' Association convention were

## **B. Rose Sells** N. Y. Coledrinx

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The new York Coledrinx Vending Company has been sold to the Colamat Cor-poration which will conduct the busi-ness from 791 Eleventh Avenue, according to B. H. Rose, former owner of the Coledrinx company.

Rose will enter the manufacturing field soon making a line of small soft drink venders, concentrating on the manufacture of 150 to 200 drink dis-pensers, according to the announce-ment ment.

route men and require fast moving locations to prevent wastage thru stale products. Best locations have been fairs and carnivals. The recent Salt Lake City Fair at Murray lo-cated a whole battery of the pop-corn venders.

Government school allowances, disability pay and the profitable vending route have combined handvending route have combined hand-somely to put Ellis and Hughes in the upper income brackets of the school-going ex-G.I. fraternity. After graduation they are counting heavily on the popcorn venders to help win the struggles they expect to encounter in establishing themselves in the law and psychiatry fields.

OMAHA, Sept. 14.—Some 200 in-dependent theater owners from Iowa and Nebraska, in a regional meeting of the Iowa and Nebraska allied theaters, brought vending machines into their discussion here. Meeting was held at the Fontenelle Hotel September 10.

Biggest issues discussed at the meeting were what the theater owners called "unjust sales methods of the big producers-distributors. It was in connection with this that Ben Berger, Minneapolis, president of the North Central Allied Theaters made mention of vender sales. "I don't believe" Berger said "in

"I don't believe," Berger said, "in having to sell peanuts and popcorn to make enough money to exisit. The present contract is wrong and is a violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act." (Contract to which Berger has reference involves distribution of motion pictures.)

## Workshop for Pop Venders, **NAMA**Feature

## **Convention Clinic Set**

By I. H. Houston (Spacarb, Inc., New York City) Probably the best definition of "work" is the application of the fac-ulties to accomplish something. With that definition in mind, I expect to see a great deal accomplished at the "workshop" for beverage machine-operators at NAMA's 10th anniversary convention. As chairman for the beverage ma-

As chairman for the beverage ma-chine workshop, I can say in truth that there will be no lectures or dis-course on theories. Instead, there will be a practical demonstration of know-how by operators of vending machines who will help iron out some of the mechanical and operation problems that have bothered opera-tors. An opportunity to contribute ideas

An opportunity to contribute ideas will be presented to all operators on Friday afternoon, October 18, in the beverage workshop. If this procedure can help an operator to do a better job, if it only provides him with one new idea that can be used to ad-vantage in his own business—then the convention will be a success.

Service Demonstrations

One of the interesting features of the workshop will be the service demonstrations of new machines. NAMA manufacturers have been in-vited to provide their latest models for use in the workshop and many

vited to provide their latest models for use in the workshop, and many operators will have an opportunity to view the new post-war equipment for the first time. Some of the problems and topics which will be discussed in the work-shop for beverages will be: Sanita-tion, training and supervision of per-sonnel, how to service a unit; ac-counting methods, including forms and systems; important methods of business management, including sales, merchandising and insurance; the five-day week, the wage and hour law and many other questions which beverage machine operators thruout the nation have suggested. the nation have suggested.

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# NAMA Planning

Mystery Award CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—One of the highlights of the National Automatic Merchandising Association's Tenth Anniversary convention will be the presentation of a special "mystery" award to the firm making the most outstanding single contribution in 1946 to that industry. Convention, which will be held Oct. 16 in Chicago, will feature the award annually in the future, it was said. NAMA's board of directors will select the firm to be honored. Pres-entation will be made by president R. Z. Greene of Rowe Manufacturing Company at the Congress Hotel, Oct. 18.

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## Seek \$12,000,000 From 3 Cig Firms Under Sherman Act

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Montecello Tobacco Company has filed suit in Federal Court here seeking \$12,000,000 damages against three major cigarette manufacturers alleging restrictive trade practices under provisions of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act.

Plaintiff has also asked that the amount of damages be trebled in accordance with provisions of the act. Complaint alleges that as a result of industry domination by the defendants, the Montecello cigarette and pipe tobacco production had been cut to the point where business was rendered unprofitable.



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Bunwich Is Latest Morsel for Vender

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The latest foods which have interested coinmen here this week are the "Hoffie Bunwich" and the "Hoffie Cakewich" produced by the Hoffie System, Inc.

According to the Hoffie System, unlimited possibilities are now open in the hot dog, hamburger and cheese sandwich field for vending thru coinoperated machines. The new food has a reamed out center with different fillings in the sandwich line and is packaged in a glassine bag.

Franchises are now being given, according to the firm. Under terms of the franchise, one dollar a day is charged the holder. National advertising by the firm is now being planned.

## Two Strikes Add To Sugar Woes

(Continued from page 92) count for not more than 25 per cent of over-all needs.

Two-way squeeze worked out so that both West Coast States and Eastern sections of the country were equally hard hit. Concerns which ordinarly received sugar imports thru Eastern Seaboard ports and New Orleans were hit, of course, by the shipping tie-up.

West Coast States, to which much of the Hawaiian sugar imports go, had received no shipments for more than two weeks. As the island strike continued, producers wondered how much of the 900,000 tons of sugar expected in 1945 from this source would be received. And because Midwestern sugar supplies had to be shipped to the Coast, both consumers and industrial users there felt a more acute shortage.

### Price Hike

Coming price hike, which will create additional problems for both the confectionery and soft drink industries, results from the Cuban-American agreement which provides that Cuban sugar prices shall be tied to cost-of-living increases in the U. S. No estimates of the amount of the increase were given by OPA spokesmen, but it was said that a boost of 1 cent a pound at retail would cost consumers another \$80,000,000 a year.

For manufacturers of vending machine supplies, a sugar price rise will represent another in a series of cost increases which have been piling up over a period of years. For sugar alone, costs to these concerns have risen from 4.6 cents a pound in 1943 to the current level of 6.1 cents per pound.

As other materials such as corn sirup, fats and oils, chocolate, peanuts and dairy products also followed the spiralling cost trend, these producers have been forced to sell their products at a fixed ceiling price.

### More Relief

While OPA authorized recently a general adjustment of price ceilings for confection makers, it was based on a profit-and-loss formula which ruled out actual price relief for most firms. More positive relief is expected early next week when release of a new candy bar price formula is expected.

Whatever developments come with respect to prices of either sugar or of soft drink and candy products themselves, the problem of sugar supplies will still harass these manufacturers and, in turn, the vending machine trade.

## Wrigley Tells Story Behind NewWrappers

## **Juicy Fruit Back Again**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Story behind the new bright yellow wrapper for Juicy Fruit chewing gum was disclosed by Philip K. Wrigley, president of the William Wrigley Jr. Company, as vending machine operators began to receive their first post-war supplies of this flavor. Re-introduction of the pre-war flavor, in its new package, came early this month when the firm's wholesalers received quota cards for Sep-

Re-introduction of the pre-war flavor, in its new package, came early this month when the firm's wholesalers received quota cards for September. Shipments were then set at a ratio of 60 per cent Juicy Fruit and 40 per cent Wrigley's Spearmint. This was a turnabout from previous policy, which had been to confine production to a single flavor (Spearmint), making twice as much of it as was sold before the war in an attempt to satisfy the market.

Wrigley listed three primary reasons for abandoning the familiar green-striped Juicy Fruit wrapper: (1) Old package did not lend itself to poster and other advertising, whereas the new wrapper will stand out on posters; (2) change over to a laminated overwrap cut down the dressy features of the old design, made it necessary to simulate color of individual stick wrappers, and (3) new color scheme is part of an overall plan to make colors of all three Wrigley flavors complement one another when the third, Doublemint, returns.

In a letter to wholesalers, the firm painstakingly explained changes in production plans involved with the reintroduction of Juicy Fruit.

production plans involved with the reintroduction of Juicy Fruit. Recalling the original return of Spearmint last spring, Wrigley wrote that production schedules then set up called for output of three times the amount of spearmint-flavored gum which the firm had been able to sell before the war. It was hoped at that time that this unusual amount of one flavor would satisfy demand.

### Demand Too High

Suggesting that the estimated postwar demand for this flavor alone had been too high, he also explained why production of the spearmint flavored product could not be continued at this level.

this level. Oil of spearmint, an essential ingredient, is a farm product which cannot be increased within a period of weeks or months. When the company reduced production for this in July to an amount double pre-war levels, it was still consuming its available supply of the spearmint crop at double its present growing rate, he said. New schedule brings into balance gum production rate and growing rate.

into balance gum production rate and growing rate. Because Juicy Fruit requires a higher sugar content that the spearmint-flavored gum, no overall increase in shipments is possible now. Instead, the effect of shipping a second flavor is to fill the void created with the cut in Spearmint production.

### Shift Stress

Advertising on outdoor boards has been shifted entirely from Spearmint to Juicy Fruit and this emphasis is expected to continue well into 1947. This will have the effect of familiarizing the public with the new package design, and is not intended specifically as a stimulus for sales. Wrigley declared that billboards would be the only advertising means until "we need to try to sell something."

Wrigley's Gene Autry broadcast (CBS, Sundays), however, will continue to plug Spearmint. September 21, 1946



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Candymen Book Chase Candy Buys NCWA Meetings For 12 Cities

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14 .- On October 16, meetings of candy whole-salers will be held simultaneously salers will be held simultaneously in 12 cities in the country, according to C. M. McMillian, secretary of the National Candy Wholesalers' Asso-ciation, Inc., announced this week. These regional council meetings of NCWA will include the 31 mem-bers of the board of directors and the newly elected State councilmen. Among other things, the proposed FTC rules prohibiting unfair trade FTC rules prohibiting unfair trade practices will be under discussion at the first meeting of these councils. Meetings are being held at the same

Meetings are being held at the same time, McMillian states, "to emphasize the unanimity of action." The chairmen of the councils are as follows: Region 1, William Ne-porent, Hartford, Conn.; Region 2, Elmer Kreher, Buffalo; Region 3, John Casani, Philadelphia; Region 4, J. Rogar Ozmon, Baltimore; Region 5, C. E. Morgan, Asheville, N. C.; Region 6, E. D. George, Monroe, La.; Region 7, Rogar A. Corey, Houston; Region 8, E. W. Stanley, Santa Ana, Calif.; Region 9, M. L. Schwary, The Delles, Ore.; Region 10, M. W. Pierce, Aberdeen, S. D.; Region 11, J. V. Balocca, Paola, Kan., Region 12, L. C. Parman, Chicago.

## **Dixie Cup Division Builds New Factory**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Individual Drinking Cup Company, wholly owned subsidiary of the Dixie Cup Company, will begin work soon on construction of a factory at Fort Smith, Ark., it has been announced. New plant will be comparable in size to firm's factory at Darlington, S. C., according to C. F. Dawson, vice-president and chairman of the executive committee. The Darlington plant normally produces about 10 to 15 per cent of the company's cups, and the Chicago factory, others in and the Chicago factory, others in Easton, Pa., and Fitchburg, Mass., account for the rest.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—A new hot nut vending machine, featuring a "different coin detector and a sani-tary, removable adjusting baffle" is now entering Automatic Machine Company's production lines, accord-ing to Harry Wartell, firm execu-

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National is expected to be purchased for a figure in excess of \$5,000,000. William A. Yantis, president of Chase, announced that his company would take over active management during October, if purchase is ap-proved by stockholders. Transaction is of special interest to the candy vending machine trade be-cause Pan Confections, a sub-division of National Candy Company, has

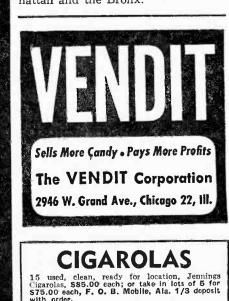
been an important supplier to opera-tors. Firm featured a vending ma-chine division, and did much to de-velop packaged candies suitable for vending machines.

panies will now have a candy pro-duction capacity well in excess of 100,000,000 pounds annually, and that they had total sales during 1945 of

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pounds. New combine is expected to make Chase Candy Company one of the country's biggest candy wholesaler-manufacturers. Its \$11,000,000 sales potential compares with the Depart-ment of Commerce report that only 35 wholesaler-manufacturers hit over \$2,000,000 is relax to be the comparison of the c \$3,000,000 in sales last year.

week that they have negotiated and sold the established nut vending machine route of Ernest Cohen. The route, according to Edward W. Bar-nett, president of Cameo, has over 140 machines and is located in Manhattan and the Bronx.



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## Chicago Will **Be 1947 Host** IF IT IS QUALITY BULK MERCHANDIS-

## **Vote Dues Differential**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.-Chicago's Sherman Hotel was decided upon for the next convention of the National Candy Wholesalers' Association, Inc., April 10-12, 1947, according to de-cision of the board of directors' meeting held here September 7 and 8. Chicago was selected mainly because unsatisfactory dates were available in other cities considered. The board authorized C. M. McMillian, secre-tary, to, reserve tentative dates in both Chicago and New York now for 1948. 1948.

Twenty-four of the 31 members of the board, plus McMillian, attended the meeting. J. Rogar Ozmon, board chairman, was prevented by illness from attending and Clarence E. Mor-gan, Morgan Bros., Inc., Asheville, N. C., was elected presiding officer for the meetings. Sessions were con-tinuous for two days, beginning at 10:30 a.m., Saturday and adjourning at 4 p.m., Sunday, with all meetings being held in the Sherman Hotel. Twenty-four of the 31 members of

Standing Committees H. W. Loock, NCWA president, opened the meeting with brief comments on the importance of the meet-ing and announced the appointment standing committees of the board of with the following chairmen: Finance, M. J. Herrick, Bismarck, N. D.; plat-form and objectives, C. F. Morgan, Asheville, N. C.; signs and insignia, Elmer Kreher, Buffalo; by-laws, John F. Poetker, Cincinnati; convention and meetings, Joseph Bianco, Detroit. and meetings, Joseph Bianco, Detroit. Board surveyed the present total of 1,352 jobber members and re-vised the volume basis for dues slightly so as to make a differential in favor of the "very small jobber." An interim of \$75 was inserted be-tween the original rates of \$50 and \$100, but the maximums and mini-mums of \$25 and \$150 were kept in-tact. Complimentary memberships tact. Complimentary memberships were voted for members of certain trade papers and for local, State, and sectional association secretaries who are not eligible for active member-ship. A fall membership campaign ship. was outlined with the goal set for 2,000 jobber members, McMillian states.

Time was devoted to the prepara-tion of a platform of beliefs and con-

## West Coast Sugar **Users See Silver** Lining to Muddle

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 14.—Bev-erage bottlers and candymakers in the West are looking hopefully to a source of misfortune for others—the railroad boxcar shortage—as a pos-sible avenue of more sugar receipts. Representative Walter Horan, of Washington, has urged that surplus sugar be released in the Pacific Northwest if insufficient freight cars are found to ship the supply to the Erst and Midwest East and Midwest.

"If boxcars are not available I have been promised that it (the sugar) will be disposed of in this area," said Horan.

Noting that the world beet sugar production is at its lowest ebb in 23 years, Horan pointed out the Pacific Northwest is the only area in the U. S. producing more sugar than re-quired locally, but government offi-cials have decreed that, if transpor-tation is available it should be moved tation is available, it should be moved into areas of shortage.

victions on the industry. These are being checked with legal counsel, McMillian adds, and will be an-nounced by the organization soon to supplement the purposes and objec-tives of NCWA. Among new activi-ties to be inaugurated soon will be Of Candymen as system of financial and operating ratios to enable members to compare their various operating costs with other members of a similar type.

Members of the board voted to accept the invitation of the National Confectioners' Association for an NCWA representative on the council on candy, and authorized the president to appoint such a representative in time for attendance at the next council meeting September 27. This appointment will be made shortly, Loock stated.

decided upon to be held in Chicago January 18-19, 1947. In addition to Morgan, Loock, and McMillian, the following board members were pres-ent: M. J. Herrick, Bismarck, N. D.; ent: M. J. Herrick, Bismarck, N. D.; Glenn A. Baldwin, Lincoln, Neb.; William Neporent, Hartford, Conn.; Peter Kramer Jr., Boston; Elmer Kreher, Buffalo; I. L. Saffer, New-ark, N. J.; John Casani, Philadel-phia; John F. Poetker, Cincinnati; Joseph L. Kantor, Norfolk; Sam E. Sawyer, Elba, Ala.; Frank P. Corso, Biloxi, Miss.; E. D. George, Monroe, La.; Roger A. Corey, Houston; Jack Beaty, Albuquerque, N. M.; J. P. Fritz, Newport, Minn.; M. W. Pierce, Aberdeen, S. D.; J. V. Balocca, Paola, Kan.; L. C. Parman, Chicago; Joseph Bianco, Detroit; A. Applebaum, New York; Edgar McCoy, Canton, O.; J. Next meeting of the board was Knox McConnell, McKeesport, Pa.





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QUESTION OPS ON NEEDLES

## **Debate Jewel Versus Steel**

Trend to lighter pick-ups seen bettering performance for all types of needles

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Operators of music machines, looking at latest de-velopments in longer lasting, better reproducing phonograph n e e d les, have their own favorite needles which they use consistently and which they champion. But a survey of juke box operators in the Chicago metropolitan area discloses operators generally are agreed on one thing-the smart music machine operator will never buy a cheap needle. Every operator champions his own

Every operator champions his own brand preference, the survey showed, and each has his own definite opinion about the kind of needle point he prefers to use.

Operators queried said that they used sapphire, osmium and steel-point needles, with the users of steel needles generally disliking the jewel points and vice versa.

Each operator offers a variety of reasons for his preference—ranging from better reproduction to longer life and fewer service problems.

## Pick-Up Weight

Survey pointed up the fact that the weight of the phonograph pick-up arm has a great deal to do with the success or failure of jewel-point needles. Operators using older model juke boxes often expressed prefer-ence for steel needles of good quality, because the pick-up head of their (Question Ops On Needles page 106)

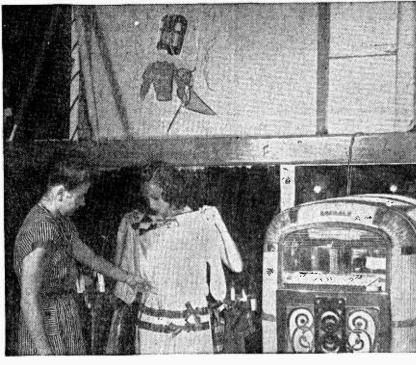
## Set Hearing On Robinson introduced veteran opera-tors and jobbers to the assemblage. Penn. Music Ops Assn. Charter

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 14.-Reports here indicate that a Harrisburg ports here indicate that a Harrisburg attorney has been appointed as mas-ter to take testimony in the dispute involving the granting of a charter to the Pennsylvania Music Operators' Association. Thus far, bulk of the news concerning the charter has come from the contending AFM. An official for the operators' association declared that the operators have not yet met in a body with their counsel and are therefore unable to comment and are therefore unable to comment on the situation.

Previously, according to reports available here, the conference of Pennsylvania and Delaware AFM, to-gether with Philadelphia Local No. 77 and Harrisburg Local No. 269 first took verbal objection to the granting then, the reports say, these groups have filed formal opposition with the courts.

AFM locals are endeavoring to show that the proposed charter for the operators is contrary to the non-profit charter act in Pennsylvania.

Counsel for the musicians' union, which has done all the talking so far, said it objects because it alleges that the "objects of the Operators' Asso-ciation relate to the increase of business and profits of owner-operators of the music business."



BOBBY-SOX HAVEN IS THE TEEN-AGE SHOP of Lansburgh's department store, Washington, with a brand-new juke box serving up new tunes, and the same theme carried out in decorations. Machine belongs to Quality Music Company, of Washington.

## **Prices, Ethics, Percentage Highlights of AOLAC Meet**

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 14.—Incum-bent members of the board of direc-tors were renominated and unani-mously elected for another term at the last meeting of the Associated Operators of Los Angeles County. Meeting was held at the Rodger Young Auditorium here.

Managing Director Samuel(Curley) Among those introduced were Mac Sanders, Al Silberman, Lucille and Paul Laymon, Bill Leuenhagen and Len Micon.

Robinson gave a resume of the in-ception of the association, read its preamble and discussed the functions of the group down thru the years. Letters of commendation from local as well as national sources were read. to the group, and past and future charitable activities were outlined.

### **Discuss Methods**

During the business meeting Robinson conducted a general discussion regarding juggling of machine prices by some manufacturers and jobbers.

## **Runyon Opens Branch** Office

BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 14.—Grand opening of Runyon Sales branch of-fice, located at 956 Main Street, Buf-falo, was celebrated September 9-10, with between 150 and 200 operators on hand for each day.

Hy Singer and Murry Farber are in charge of the Buffalo branch, and were on hand with Jack Mitnick of the New York office to greet operators.

In connection with the opening, Runyon's Buffalo office also held a showing of the AMI juke box on both days. Showing was staged at the days. Showi Hotel Statler.

Also under discussion was the prac-tice of direct selling of machines by operators.

Excise taxes were gone over, and the managing director warned the whole group that any malpractices by members of the association, with ref-erence to licensing, would hurt the action association entire association.

Robinson stressed the fact that the full letter and spirit of the law must be observed. He read pertinent State articles, county ordinances and sec-tions of the penal code to back up his statements.

Art Moore, attorney for the asso-ciation, gave a short address. He was followed by Ray Adams, managing director of the Southern California Tavern Owners' Association. Adams spoke to the group regarding the seriousness of certain operator practices.

### **Minors and Games**

Minors and Games Robinson informed the membership of the new Juvenile Crime Preven-tion Bureau currently being formed by the county sheriff's office to take action to eliminate play of games by minors. Along this line, operators everywhere will be interested in reading a letter the association ad-dressed to its members concerning play of games by minors. The letter follows: "We are again taking this means of informing you that not only is it

## Weigh Action **On Challenge** Juke, Vender

## **Conferences Still On**

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—At the end of a week of conferences, future of the Challenge juke box, and the cup beverage vender of U. S. Challenge Company, is still undecided, accord-ing to I. G. Grawoig, new president of the firm.

Grawoig and officials of the company met with engineers and pro-duction specialists September 9 and again on September 12 to assess pros-pects for resuming manufacture of the two coin machines. Meetings will continue until a thoro analysis is completed and a decision reached, said Grawoig.

"A tremendous fortune was spent by the former owners of Challenge in getting into production on these machines," he declared, "and we must weigh carefully every side of the curation." question."

### **Costs To Decide**

Grawoig emphasized that produc-tion of both products involves a great number of important compo-nent parts, and that the final deci-sion will depend on costs, availability and present manufacturing facilities and present manufacturing facilities for all of these parts.

After these technical problems have been thrashed out, he said, the final question will be whether the best interests of U. S. Challenge Com-pany, as well as affiliate companies of the Batavia Metals Product Com-

of the Batavia Metals Product Com-pany group, will be served by dis-posing of coin machine manufactur-ing facilities controlled by the firm, or by getting into production again. Grawoig, who also heads I. G. Grawoig Associates, is a specialist in industrial reorganizations and indus-trial management. As a professional in the field, he takes an analytical approach to the Challenge problems. Some trade members have indicated their confidence that, for this reason, the two coin machines may come the two coin machines may come back on a firm business footing, if it is decided to resume production.

## **Cincy Juke Ops** Hold Conclave

CINCINNATI, Sept. The

tion Bureau currently being formed by the county sheriff's office to take action to eliminate play of games by minors. Along this line, operators everywhere will be interested in reading a letter the association ad-dressed to its members concerning play of games by minors. The letter follows: "We are again taking this means of informing you that not only is it your duty, but your obligation, as a member of this association and one engaged in this business, to make it a definite point to see that no minors in any of your locations under any circumstances at any time. There is a rigid ordinance adopted by the county of Los Angeles concerning minor play and strict observance of this must be compiled with by you and your location. "There will be no further warning sent you regarding minor play. Any (See OALAC Highlights on page 106)

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TUBBY (TAB) SMITH (Queen 4135) Morning Blues—FT; V Jumpin' at the Track— FT.

Honking sax, followed by some blues piano, starts the blues side off with a good kick, but the record fades in the middle and is unaccountably marred by inattentive engineering. Unidentified vocalist chants the blues to no avail. Side should not have been issued. The jump tune is reminiscent of Basie in spots, but the riffs tend to be a little dog-eared. Beat is solid enough, however, and Tab's tenor romps all over the place.

No appeal for jukes or anywhere else.

## LEON RUSK (King 546)

Until Dawn—FT; V. Dream Train Engineer—FT; V.

Rusk's hillbilly crooning is melodically backed by ork and fiddle ob-ligato on *Until Dusk*, a catchy, sen-timental tune. Steel guitar takes a solo following first vocal chorus, and Rusk returns to finish the side. Dream Train Engineer has the same type of complex lyrics, but the tempo is a little faster. Second chorus is split by fiddle and guitar.

Either side should get fair share of nickels on the folk phonos.

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listening for those who are fans of the all-girl ork. Mass chirping by the girl choir, with Francine as featured

soloist, takes up nearly entire side.

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and tempo is changed so frequently as to be distracting. But there's no denying the lasses capture quite a bit of the lyrics' flavor. Same elegance is found in the all-instru-mental version of *Seville* on the flip-over in the *Tico-Tico* vein.

Both sides should be great retail sellers.

Lacking even the implied beat of

the Phil Spitalny records, also re-cently issued by Vogue, these sides are even less apt to be of nickel-catching value on the jukes. Basically, there's nothing wrong with the idea of a chorus alone waxing popular

serve extra praise as being particu-

Chalk up this one for home consumption

Slick and dancey versions of a cou-

Slick and dancey versions of a cou-ple of pop tunes, one of which should go places, are here carved by the Fields crew. I Guess I'll Get the Pa-pers hasn't been fully tested for strength yet, but is being plugged heavily. Jack Prince takes a slow vocal chorus, then returns toward the end of the record for a faster-paced encore. Reeds followed by piano

encore. Reeds followed by piano score the opening of Whatta Ya Gonna Do! and Jack Prince's tenor

voice takes a lively vocal. Arange-ment on this side is the superior one, but the tune has been around three

months without going anywhere.

Jealous Women Blues-FT; VC. Da-Doo-Da-Ru-Da'y-FT; VC.

Buffalos should flow for both sides. HERMAN AUTRY (Sapphire 703)

Da-Doo-Da-Ru-Da'y—FT; VC. Another new record label in Phila-delphia, this spinning introduces the Herman Autry Sextet. However, the emphasis is on Autry's singing. For-mer trumpeter with the late Fats Waller, there's a definite Waller in-fluence in his chanting, particularly for the riff ditty, Da-Doo-Da-Ru-Da'y, which instrumentally has the maestro's trumpet taking a back seat

DON LARGE CHORUS (Vogue R710)

The Bells of St. Mary's-V. Star Dust-V.

larly appropriate.

SHEP FIELDS (Vogue R764)

I Guess I'll Get the Papers—FT; V. Whatta Ya Gonna Do!—FT; V.

also.

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DELMORE BROTHES (King 548) Midnight Train-V. Don't Forget Me-V.

Simple arrangements of two ditties in the ridge-runner vein feature the Delmores' two sides. On Midnight Train, one voice croons the verses while both brothers chime in on choruses. Musical background is twin guitars which are miked more loudly between vocal choruses. Don't Forget Me is a plaintive love-ballad, but not torchy. Treatment is same, but beat is slightly less snappy. Not quite solid enough for jukes.

Both sides shape up better for over-thecounter sales.

## ANNISTEEN ALLEN (Queen 4128) Arkansas—FT; V. Know How to Do It—FT; V.

Bass and rhythm kick off top side, saxes take up the chant for a stanza, and then Annisteen comes in for the and then Annisteen comes in for the lyrics which constantly repeat the line "Rock Me in Little Rock, Ar-kansas." Tenor sax solo, and some ensemble lyricizing which is a wee bit sour, follow. Better side for the race location jukes is the peppy, I Know How To Do It, on the flipover. Tune like its mate is a Lucky Mil-Tune, like its mate, is a Lucky Mil-linder composition and has been waxed before—but seldom with as linder much enthusiasm. Side, however, tends to be slightly marred by the roughness and varied quality of the band.

"Arkansas" ditty strictly of local interest; other side will get play on race boxes.

### HANK PENNY (King 551)

Time Will Tell-FT; V. These Wild, Wild Women-FT; V.

Full-sized rhythm section provides an adequate beat here, and the back-ing orchestra—boasting clarinet and

ing orchestra—boasting clarinet and guitar intervening — gives Penny's records a class hard to equal in the folk music field. The lad himself is still hot on the jukes as result of *Steel Guitar Stomp* and *These Wild*, *Wild Women*, taken at a wild, wild pace, will help boost his stock. It's a natural for the trade. *Time Will Tell* on the A side also will nab nickels, but probably not as many. The Penny name will draw biz; material will hold the biz.

PHIL SPITALNY (Vogue R733) Blue Skies-FT; V. Seville-FT.

And still another treatment of Blue Skies. Hardly geared to the dance-able pace demanded by the phonos, this arrangement will make elegant

## ADVANCE RECORD RELEASES

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THE HORNET Artie Shaw (HOW DEEP)Musicraft 409 THE KAYCEE KID
THE MERRY HA! HA! Ella Mae Morse (Ray Linn Ork) (THAT'S MY)
THE TEXAS STORY Eddie McMullen (Original Hillbilly Ork) (HEADIN' DOWN)Continental C-5066
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YOU GOTTA MAKE, A CHANGE Mae Johnson (Austin McCoy Sextette) (YOU CAN)Sterling SR110
YOU, SO IT'S YOUDinah Shore-Xavier Cugat (I'LL NEVER)
ZIP-A-DEE DOO-DAHSammy Kaye (The Three Kaydets-Chorus) (SOONER OR)Victor 20-1976

to the tenor sax, which with the rhythm instruments round out the sextet. For song selling, Autry is in better element for the race blues. With a fine rhythmic flair in his lyricizing, and without depending on shouting or who-ees, sells the word-age strong for Jealous Women Blues. Again, Autry displays none of his trumpet capabilities.

Race spots will show interest in lealous Women Blues.

JOAN EDWARDS (Vogue R761)

More Than You Know—FT; V. Go West, Young Man, Go West—FT; V.

Vincent Youmans's great standard is given its umpteenth waxing. Window dressing for Joan Edwards's pashy vocal is pretty but uninspired. pashy vocal is pretty but uninspired. However, the chirp turns in a first-rate job on her handling of lyrics, and the side makes for fancy fire-side listening. Go West is a novelty tune, semi-Western in vein. Not Joan's type of song, but she tries hard. She is assisted by a male vocal ensemble. Vogue's pick-up ork carves out a stronger heat here out a stronger beat here.

"Go West" likely to hold a more novel appeal for jukes.

## JUDY CANOVA (Sterling SR-106) St. Louis Blues-FT; V. Time For Jookin'-FT; V.

of a chorus alone waxing popular standards, and the arrangements make for easy Fred Waring-type lis-tening—at the fireside. A tenor voice croons the lead here, and *Star Dust* is the better but shorter side. Il-lustrations on this picture record de-

From an old master, there's still plenty of freshness in Judy Canova's country-style jive singing with yodel-ing licks that first attracted so much ing licks that first attracted so much attention to her comedy efforts in song. Assisted by a male foursome, she cuts a toothsome corn version of *St. Louis Blues* which should tickle the palates of those out of the corn belt as well. On her own, she whips up some real and wholesome barn-yard jive for *Time for Jookin'*.

For the Judy Canova following, which must be legion, both of these standbys will sell in the machines.

JAZZ GILLUM (Victor 20-1974) Reckless Rider Blues-FT; V. Look on Yonder Wall-FT; V.

An old hand at selling the race An old hand at selling the race blues, Jazz Gillum gives off-moments for these sides. Race material is plenty good for grooving, but Gillum is entirely without expression or en-thusiasm. Nor does the accompany-ing piano, bass and guitar give the blues shouter any more encourage-ment. Reckless Rider Blues is the saga of a contrary chick, while Look on Yonder Wall is the blues wailing of a one-woman man who has been crossed by his chick. crossed by his chick.

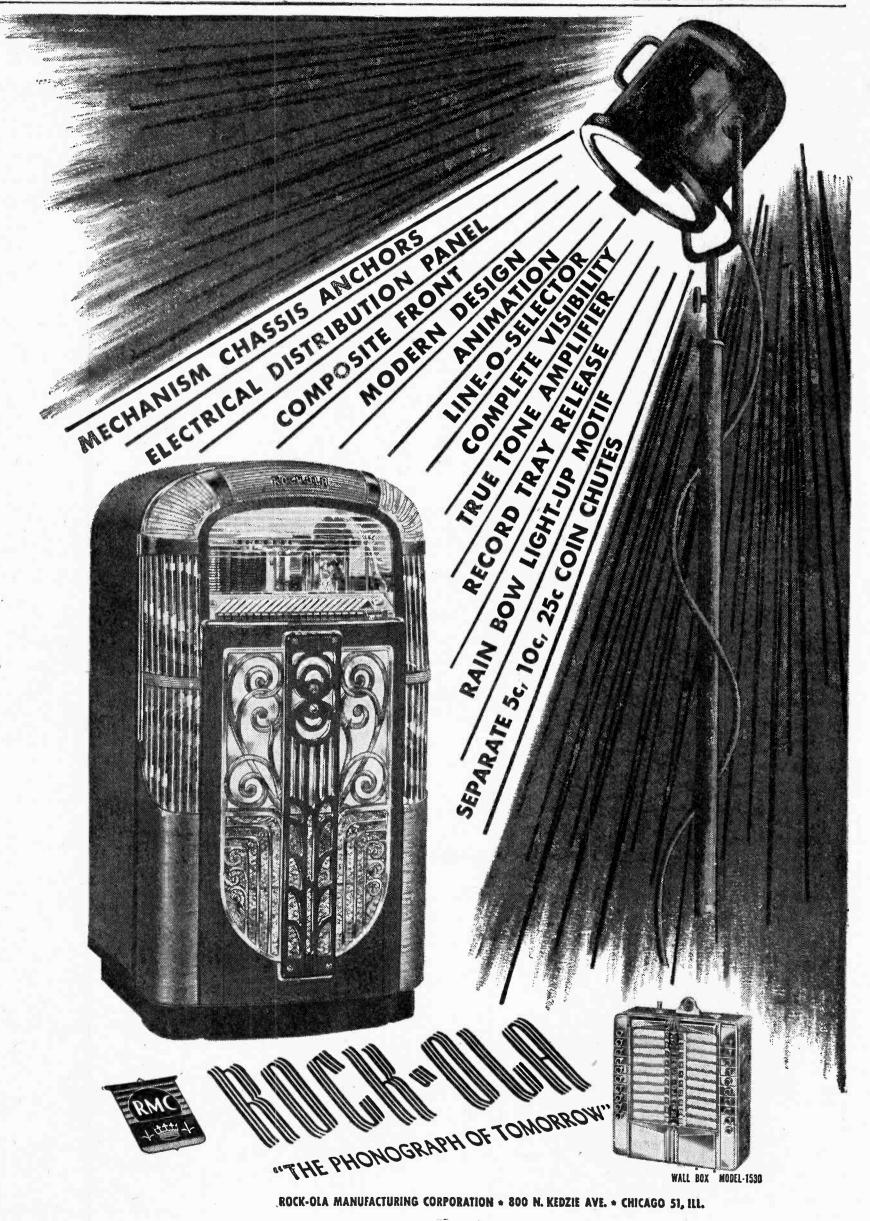
Songs stack up swell for the race spots rather than the efforts of the singer.

MURRAY SISTERS (Cowboy CR-101) Rose of the Alamo-FT; V. Cowboy Dad-FT; V.

This fem twosome, long identified with the Sleepy Hollow Gang in Eastern Pennsylvania, make its disk bow for this new Western label coming out of Philadelphia's hill country. While the Murray Sisters harmonize pleasantly enough, according to Western standards, gals whip up no real enthusiasm for either the southof-the-border styled Rose of the Alamo or for the sad and sob saga of the departed Cowboy Dad. Nor do the strings of the Sleepy Hollow Gang add any musical zest to the spin. Bad balance also hurts both singers and players.

Popularity of the singers might bring some coins to boxes in Eastern Pennsylvania





## **Name Williams Wolf Manager**

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 14.—Golden Williams has been named manager of the Seattle branch of the M. S. Wolf Distributing Company, Al Silberman, general manager, revealed today. She replaces Bert Beutler, who joined the firm about 18 months ago.

Mrs. Williams joined the Wolf enterprises six years ago in San Diego and was office manager of the California Amusement Company, the Wolf company there, for approxi-ties of the juke business below the Rio Grande. Help in translation of Wolf opened his initial distributing point here she became office manager. Her post is being taken by Bill Smith, who was transferred here from San Diego. Mrs. Williams is well known in

Mrs. Williams is well known in the coin machine field. During the time coin machine field. During the time that she has been with the Wolf company, she has handled con-tracts, time arrangements and has been praised by operators for her sense of value of new and used equipment.

Assuming her duties in Seattle September 9, Mrs. Williams will be assisted by Vera Jones.

LOWEST PRICES



## Juke Jive to 4c a Play for Mexican Fans, Distrib Says

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—The price of long rides thru the countryside. juke box music is going up in Mexico. Spas themselves are little n It'll soon be 20 centavos a play, in-stead of 10 (or four cents instead of king, he declared. Playing t two), according to Jose Luis Garcia, of Guadalajara, Mexico, who was in town recently on a phonograph buying mission for his firm, Impor-

ters of the Occident, Inc. Typical "small-town" Mexican coinman, Garcia elaborated to trade members here on this development,

### **Farming Region**

Guadalajara, said Garcia, is the main city of the province, centered in an agricultural region which cur-rently supports about 350 coin-op-erated phonographs. Typical loca-tions in the villages are the native tions in the villages are the native taverns or canteens. With slow, d o n k e y-back transportation, the Mexican farmers enjoy relaxing with juke music and a cool glass after

## **Persecution Charged By Phoenix Operator**

PHOENIX, Ariz., Sept. 14.-A coin PHOENIX, Ariz., Sept. 14.—A coin machine operator here, in court on charges of having failed to procure city licenses for four juke boxes, protested against what he termed persecution tactics by city officials. City license inspector, who signed complaints, asked the court for maxi-mum fine of \$300 on each of four counts, but the magistrate held such a fine excessive and gave the

such a fine excessive and gave the operator a \$25 fine.

Thru his attorney, the operator first asked the court to quash charges on a technicality, then explained why he believed the city officials were dealing unfairly with him. He testi-fied that the city treasurer had refused to accept money for the licenses.

License inspector testified that the License inspector tesuined that the operator's firm recently had pur-chased 28 licenses, but that the juke boxes had been operating without license for more than a week. City's coin machine license is \$5, both for juke boxes and pinball ma-

chines.



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Spas themselves are little more than shelters, but the juke box is king, he declared. Playing tipico or traditional Mexican tunes, almost exclusively, the phonographs are growing rapidly in popularity. Many are more could be used. And Garcia thinks his fellow citizens willingly will pay another 10 centavos to enjoy the music box.

According to Mallegg, Garcia can hope for only a few machines this year. Next year, when the firm hopes to raise its exportable output, chances are better.

### Also Operates

Garcia, like most other coin machine distributors in Mexico, also op-erates machines. Idea is to build up routes, make attractive businesses of them, and then sell them to enterprising natives.

Other American products for which Garcia's firm is a Mexican outlet include those of Fairbanks Morse, General Electric and Philco.

## **Johnson Sells** 600-Box Route

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 14.--G. F. Johnson Music Company, operator of 600 coin-operated phonographs here, announced recently that it has sold its entire route.

Now a retail musical instrument outlet, dealing in radios and pianos, the firm has withdrawn from the coin machine trade.

## \$25 Plus Juke Box **Occupation Tax Up** In Lincoln, Neb.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 14.-An ordinance providing for an annual oc-cupation tax of \$25 on juke boxes, plus \$1 for each "coin receptacle," is receiving city council attention here.

Tax is expected to bring in an esti-mated \$3,000 a year from Lincoln's 100 juke boxes. Additional amount over \$2,500 will be returned thru the extra tax on coin slots. According to city officials, machines have a total of 300 of what they term coin receptacles.

Amendment to the ordinance would require the city clerk, on pay ment of the occupation tax, to attach a tag to the machine showing tax clearance. Tax year is set from June 1 to May 31. Since it is not pro-rated, operators here will be forced to pay the full tax for a short year, it was caid it was said.

## Multnomah Music **Concentrates Routes Close to Portland**

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 14.—This rea's largest juke box operation, area's largest juke box operation, Multhomah Music Company, instead of reaching out for more territory, is pulling in closer to the Portland territory the better to supervise ac-tivities, according to Manager H. H. Eeckett. area's largest

Company has sold its 38-machine route at Longview, Wash., to Clark & Radcliff, couple of ex-servicemen just launching into the coin machine field.

## **Denver Daily Pictures Tele Music Layout**

DENVER, Sept. 14.-Henry Milstein and Irving Nathenson, of Rocky Mountain Telotone Company, had their telephone music system explained to readers of *The Denver Post* which recently carried a story on "where the music comes from."

Pictures with the story showed the madonna Fogerty and Colleen Econo-man changing disks and announcing titles. Other picture showed a location with two girls listening to the music.

First installations by the firm were made in July. Century Music Com-pany, of Denver, is handling local installations.

The Post story, written by Charles Little, is reprinted below:

"If you have wondered where the music comes from when you drop a nickel into one of the automatic music boxes becoming fixtures in various cafes, taverns and drugstores, the answer is that it is 'piped' in by telephone and leased wire.

"It's a new wrinkle in the business of vending music in public places— one its proponents believe could make the hardy juke box play a subv one dued second violin.

## Three in Business

"The music that emerges from the little boxes and which can be heard in your immediate area only is played in a centrally located studio somewhere in the city, and is transmitted by individual telephone wire to its destination. The wires are leased full-time on a monthly basis.

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"At each of the 14 installations thruout the city customers hear the announcement of the selection to follow—whether or not they have de-posited money.

" 'There is much more chance they will want the number after hearing the title,' director Henry Milstein explained.

"At the end of each recording the girl throws a switch which causes any nickels which may have been deposited to drop into a coin re-ceptacle, much like a pay phone operates.

"'This is nickel kicking,' she ex-plains. 'If we forget to throw the switch they all get a free record.'

"Perhaps the customer decided to deposit his nickel halfway thru a recording: does he get less than a whole record?

"No. The coin is held in working position until the customer hears the number then playing and another full record, too.

### **Music by Contract**

"An equally novel version of chan-neled music is 'music by contract,' which is wired not only to places of public meeting, but to offices, shops and factories.

"The contract concern, according to its spokesman, Eugene P. O'Fallon, broadcasts two types of music— somewhat classical for the public and more 'bouncy' to the worker. Several business houses, including banks, have subscribed.

"Telephone rates for line leases, a spokesman said, vary with the dis-tance from the telephone company offices to outlet. Volume control is handled both in the studios and by the subscriber."

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## AMERICAN FOLK TUNES **Cowboy and Hillbilly Tunes and Tunesters**

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Reading, Pa., with a population of Reading, Pa., with a population of 112,000, is far from being a country hamlet. Yet rural American folk tunes have captured the hearts of moviegoers, radio listeners and amusement park patrons there. The large farm population of this part of Pennsylvania may account for part of this western music mania, but it cannot account for the almost unbelievable hillbilly slant in the last six months six months.

Every double-bill movie house al-most invariably runs a Western as one of the features. Even first-run houses are swinging toward Western musical films, with at least one on the bill every month.

On the air waves, WEEU and WRAW in past years usually could not boast of more than two or three western music programs between them. Today, the number is nearer five or six. It is significant that one of the eldest programs Ungle Lack of the oldest programs, Uncle Jack, Mary Lou and the Minex Gang, who have been broadcasting from WEEU since 1937, are also operating the fastest growing parks in the Reading area.

### Here and There

Barbara Foster is guest every Thursday night on WSPR's 10 o'clock western program, The Trail Herders, originating in Springfield, Mass. The show consists of five musicians who play everything from western to classic, led by Peewee Menard, forto

mer fiddler with Roy Rogers. Lucky McCoy, new in the field of folk music, is a busy man. He has a 15-minute broadcast as a single daily over KCOR, San Antonio, and



then does the vocals and guitar play-ing with Sleepy Short and the Texas Buckaroos, a program following his. They use separate studios and McCoy rushes from one to the other to sing the different theme songs.

Johnny Smolen's new western, Bury Me Beneath the Western Skies, will be released soon by M. M. Cole Music Company, Chicago. The Radio Rangers, an all-veteran

outfit, are currently the feature act at KFAB, Lincoln, Neb. The boys are building up a good air audience. The act consists of Kelland Clark, accor-dion; Ray Bush, steel guitar; Eddie Sosby, rhythm guitar and emsee; Bob Norton, bass viol, and Hal Clark, electric guitar.

Bill Nettles's latest release in sheet music is Darlin', Do You Want To Say Goodbye? published by Hill and Range Songs, Inc.

The Bronx Music Publishers are publishing a new tune this fall, I Never Worry 'Bout Tomorrow, writ-ten by Jerry Lama and Jack Fried, writers of What Good Are Dreams and There Was a Time.

and There Was a Time. Clarence Stout recently placed four tunes with Leeds Music Corporation of New York: I Wanna Go Back to Old Wyomin', Round-Up in the Sky, Here Comes the Glory Train and Swingin' on the Pearly Gates.

## Williams Signed

Tex Williams and the Western Tex Williams and the Western Caravan have been signed by Dave Mig for a series of Monday and Tues-day night engagements at the 97th Street Corral. Band which previous-ly operated dances at the spot of its own, will broadcast over KXLA, Pasadena, Calif.

Tex Ritter has signed singer Coby Jones for his western and hillbilly jamboree now touring Texas. Bob Wills and His Texas Playboys

in Hollywood for their semi-annual recording session for Columbia Rec-ords. Wills and his band just com-pleted a tour that took them thru the

Midwest and South. Art Satherly, folk music director for Columbia Records, returned to Hollywood to supervise Wills's re-cording session. Satherly had been on a national tour and has found considerable new taloat

considerable new talent. Gene Autry's Columbia network program will originate in Chicago, New York and Boston during the eight weeks he will be on the road with his World's Championship Rodeo. September 22 he broadcasts from Chicago and September 29, October 6, 13 and 20 from Madison Square Garden, New York. He may also broadcast his October 27 show from New York, but this date has not been definitely set. On November 2 and 10 he will be in Boston and will actume to Hollwared for his November return to Hollywood for his November 17 airing.

### San Joaquin News

Ford Lewis (The Wonder Valley Cowboy) is now doing a solo five times, weekly over Station KFRE. He features all request songs. He also appears nightly at the New York Club.

Club. Latest of the midwestern cowboy bands to locate in the San Joaquin Valley is Jerry Summerlin and his Cookson Hills Cowboys. Jerry is well known around Oklahoma and the Southwest. While the war was on, Jerry and the cowboys toured 32 States with a USO Camp Show. The Cookson Hills Cowboys are broad-casting every Saturday afternoon for casting every Saturday afternoon for 30 minutes at 1:30 over KMJ, Fresno, and play an all-request program which features at least one hymn.

## New Roy West Song

New Koy West Song It's Raining on My Heart, written by Roy West, Ernest Benedict and Lenny Sanders, will be published soon by Hill & Range Songs, Inc., Hollywood. This song will be re-

## **Jack Cohen To Head Cleveland Op** Association

CLEVELAND, Sept. 14.--Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' As-sociation held their annual meeting and election of officers September 5 at the Hotel Cleveland.

Following officers were accepted for office by acclamation: Jack Cohen, President; James Ross, vice-presi-dent, and Leo J. Dixon, secretarytreasurer.

Following were elected to the ex-Following were elected to the ex-ecutive board: Robert Pinn, Hyman Silverstein, Sanford Levine, Gary Weber, Nate Pearlman and James Burke. Harry Lief was appointed an honorary member of the execu-

an honorary member of the execu-tive board, and Joseph Solomon was elected sergeant at arms. For September, October and No-vember, three members were ap-pointed to the executive board. They were Milton Cousin, Frank Leseook and Joseph Lukin

Association president, Jack Cohen, presided at the meeting.

## **Central Tradio** In New Office

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Sept. 14. Change of address of Central Tradio Distributors from 809-811 Sixth Ave-nue, New York, to the Hotel Garfield, Prospect Avenue and 36th Street, Cleveland, was announced this week by George and Victor Trad, manufacturers of the Tradio coin-operated radio.

Firm will continue to handle Ohio, Indiana and Michigan as distributors and the move is really from a tem-porary address in New York to a permanent one in Cleveland, the Trad brothers state.

## Geo. Milburn Route Bought by Frankel, **Omaha Distrib Firm**

SCOTTSBLUFF, Neb., Sept. 14 .-George Milburn, who has been operating music and pin machines since

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der the name Bluffs Music Company. Offices are at 1506 First Avenue. Routes include operations at Ger-ing, Minatare and Bridgeport as well as Scottsbluff. Operation was said to include about 100 machines. Milburn now is operating a radio and electrical appliance shop and record store, which he established four years ago.

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corded by the group shortly on Con-tinental Records.

Bobby Gregory and His Cactus Cowboys are in Ottawa where they are the featured musical act with a rodeo. Act broadcasts three times daily over Station CKCO. Eddie McCullen, "Cosmo recording artist," daily over Station CKCO. McCullen, "Cosmo recording is featured on the steel guitar.

Cleo Landolt, the Dallas beauty who has been featured on WRR with her Farm Hands, has been signed by USO for a six-week tour of eastern hospitals, and then flies overseas for athree-month tour to entertain the boys in Europe with a breath of Texas. Bob Atcher, WBBM singing star,

Bob Atcher, WBBM singing star, who is famous for his heart-torn in-terpretations of legendary melodies and lovers' laments, has written a new song, I Traded My Heart for a Tear, which promises to become as popular as his I Want To Be Wanted.

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## Question Ops on Needles; **Debate Jewel Versus Steel**

(Continued from page 98) machines is considerably heavier than late model music machines. Trend in the music machines in

Trend in the music machine in-dustry itself seems definitely toward the lighter pick-up. Besides giving better needle results, lighter pick-up heads are inclined to be easier on the disks themselves. Operators say that once pick-up heads are uniformly light, the question whether to use a steel point as compared to the jewel point will largely resolve itself to operator preference and past performance.

Operators queried said that they have noticed some variation in the quality of phonograph needles, both during and since the war. This held true of operators who used steel as well as jewel points.

### **Occasional Dud**

One operator pointed out that he uses jewel-tip needles exclusively and "wouldn't have anything else" on his machines. But he added that he occasionally finds a needle in the lot he buys which does not hold up as well in performance as the needle just preceding it in the package. Op-erators who prefer and usually use steel-tip needles reported having the same experience. All of them felt same experience. All of them felt production difficulties, labor and the scarcity of materials were the factors behind this variation in needle performance.

Retail record stores in the Chicago area, according to a report made re-cently on their business, have the same opinions about phonograph needles as those held by the juke box operators. One music store clerk said that the trand in pacelle buying said that the trend in needle buying is definitely toward the higher priced needles; another, in a store just one block away, said that the inexpensive

tail survey which was conducted by Retailing magazine, say they are "overstocked in number of brands carried and are rapidly weeding out

the poor sellers. "Buyers say," the survey con-tinues, "that there is too much duplication with much inventory trouble as a consequence and point out that they had many off-brands thrust up-on them during the early stages of the war when needle salesmen went around proclaiming: "There aren't going to be any needles after a while, so you had better stock up now."

### Start Promotion

Start Promotion The big needle manufacturers have sensed the retail trend, and are now making plans for promotional campaigns to push their products. Chief among the campaigns an-nounced so far is Permo's \$30,000 motion picture which presents the needle production and sales picture from start to finish. The picture, which will be exhibited nationally, has already received considerable fa-vorable attention. Other needle manvorable attention. Other needle man-ufacturers are expected to launch promotion campaigns of their own, following the success of this movie.

Actually the current demand for the "permanent" needle can be traced almost directly to the juke box in-dustry. Much of the difficulty early juke box operators encountered with faulty reproduction and service headaches came from imperfect needles, as well as imperfect disks. As both needles and disks improved, and con-tinue to improve, juke box mechan-isms will render more faithful reproductions.

## Aireon the Air NEW YORK, Sept. 14 .- An Aireon juke box was featured tonight on Ralph Edwards' Truth or Consequences program over the NBC network.

## 100 Kids Have **Gay Time With MPOA** as Host

DETROIT, Sept. 14.—The Michi-gan Phonograph Owners' Association recently played host to over 100 youngsters of the Evangelical Home

for Orphans and Old People. The big day began with a bus ride to the boat docks. There the orphans embarked for a trip down the Detroit River to the Bois Blanc Amusement Park.

After a meal in the park restaurant the children were given rides on the park attractions and tickets to the various games. In-between refresh-ments also played an important part in the all-day outing.

In the all-day outing. Event was handled by William A. Hall, MPOA field representative, and Victor A. De Schryver, of the Mar-quette Distributing Company. The orphans expressed their appreciation thru Rev. Fred Luekhoff, home superintendent superintendent.

### **AOLAC HIGHLIGHTS**

(Continued from page 98) infraction of this rule will be sub-ject to action by the board of direc-tors."

Percentages were discussed from the floor at considerable length, and

all operators present took part. The managing director issued а warning that unless certain percent- ing's adjournment.

## September 21, 1946 **Deny Halt on**

## **Phono Pickets In Newark Case**

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 14.—An oral decision was handed down here September 9 by the vice chancellor denying temporary injunction denying a temporary injunction against picketing of juke box loca-tions by a local of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. A permanent ruling is expected by the end of next week, counsel for the union said.

Action was brought by a Passaic, N. J., tavern and by a resident of Garfield, N. J., who declared their location had been picketed since Au-gust 30. Spokesman for the union here said the tavern owners claim they own their own juke boxes and do all of their own repair work in-stead of hiring outside help.

(This is the first recent case re

(This is the first recent case re-ported involving tavern-owned juke boxes, and as such is being watched with great interest.) Union spokesmen say that the union wants the tavern owners to hire union members. The tavern owners, on the other hand, say that they can prove that they do their own servicing and are therefore within their rights.

age agreements, already voted into practice at an earlier meeting, were adhered to, 50 per cent of the present members would be out of business

members would be out of business within 12 months. Robinson said he was basing his percentage warning on increased costs, longer life of machines and de-creased receipts. The group moved unanimously to follow thru on the agreed percentage practices. A buffet supper followed the meet-ing's adjournment.



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### New York:

Final touches are being added to the bar being installed in the headguarters of Jack Fitzgibbon and Leo Knebel's Musical Minutes, Inc. Show-Knebel's Musical Minutes, Inc. Show-rooms are shaping up to be the dream of what a post-war showroom should look like. . . "Hi-Score." new roll-down game by Pan Coast Amusement Company, will be ready soon, accord-ing to Sol Wohlman. Harry Berger, West Side Distribut-ing Corporation, took over his new building this week. . . Al Gold-man Bronz juke on: L F. Cleke Nor-

ing Corporation, took over his new building this week. . . Al Gold-man, Bronx juke op; J. E. Clake, Nor-folk, Va.; Ally Gassner, Long Island; Walter R. Conrad, Rockland County; R. C. Carpenter, Chester, N. Y., and P. W. Worthy, Salisbury, N. C., were some of the many visitors to Coin Bow last week

some of the many visitors to Coin Row last week. Al Schlesinger, Square Amusement Company, talked things over with Jack Fitzgibbon. . . Bob Charles, Binghamton Amusement Company, was one of the first visitors to see the was one of the first visitors to see the new home of Musical Minutes, Inc. ... H. Rosenberg, of the firm of the same name, left last week-end for Chicago to close some pending deals, but expected to be back early this week week.

A Spanish stena to handle South American accounts will be an addi-tion to the staff of West Side soon. . Earl Winters, Modern Music, is waiting for the truck strike to end-along with the rest on coin machine -so that deliveries can be started tow again on Vogue. . . Edwin Barnett Is running himself ragged closing vending machine deals. . . Hamel C. Joscelyn, Harlem juke box op, has aken Steve Ramos on as a pariner. Al Meyers, arcade owner, took 35 (See New York on page 108)

### Indianapolis;

J. I. McClelland, district manager J. P. Seeburg Corporation, made personal calls on Indiana operators dur-ing the past week. . . Bob Erskine is the new addition to the Janes Mu-sic Company service department. . . Clarence Hohman, of the Janes Music Company, and Harold Smith, of the Smith Music Company, are plan-ning a fishing trip at Driftwood, Ind.

Tex Holly, operator of the Vending Machine Exchange, and head of the Capital Air Service, is busy instructing local coinmen to pilot airplanes. . . . D. & C. Novelty Company, operators of pinball machines, has moved its headquarters from 618 Massachusetts Avenue to 821 North New Jersey Street....Calderon Automatic Sales Company, operators of coin-operated machines, has moved from 614 Massachusetts Avenue to 1300 South Meridian Street.

Joe White has opened a distributsouth Illinois Street. . . S. T. Fowler, of the Fowler (Ind.) Music Company, was looking around for new equipment, calling on distribu-tors here. . . Erving Eystes, Eystes Music Company, Terre Haute, Ind., was a business visitor at several dis-tributing company. tributing concerns. . . . C. A. Shry, Anderson (Ind.) operator, was a visitor during the week seeking some new equipment.

Robertson & Johnson opened a branch here for the distribution of Majestic Records, formerly handled by Kiefer & Stewart, wholesale drug concern. New store is located at 2110 Northwestern Avenue. Peter Stone, of Indiana Automatic Sales Com-pany, Rock-Ola distributors, is suffering with a sprained back.

### **Baltimore:**

Steve Bodzer, at Victory Sales Company is the proud papa of a six-and-a-half-pound son. Said headman Jack Berger: "Steve seems to be grinding much harder now that there is another mouth to feed."

there is another mouth to feed." Blanche, who presides over Victory offices, is enjoying a romantic rush currently, with two staffers trying to outbid one another for dates. Odds night now are on a certain Ray, last name undisclosed.

### Kansas City:

Frank Fasone, of Acme Candy & Tobacco Company, and Nick Evola, Paramount Music Company, are spending their spare time out at the old Mission Golf Course. Nick, one of the best golfers in the trade, shoots the course in 70, with Frank trying to whittle his score down from 80. Mrs. William Manzella has been

added to the office staff of the Acme Candy & Tobacco Company. After one week's work she's handling the job like a veteran. Freddie Fasone has taken over the delivery servicing of the venders.

Back keeping Paramount Music Company machines in top playing or-der is Gilbert Albee. He's the best serviceman on pins and jukes in Kan-sas City, says Nick Evola. Their new collector is Phil Evola. Nick and his partner, Mike Harris, like the new location at 1430 Main much better than their old spot at 1219 Grand. For one thing they now have a place to park their cars and that cuts down on the number of over-parking tick-ets they used to get. New records department has been discontinued since they moved to the new address.

### **Detroit:**

Pontiac operator, Glen Yuille is opening the Wolverine Music Com-pany at 220 West Warren Avenue here. Firm will handle musical inhere. Firm will handle musical in-struments...Joseph Brilliant, presi-dent of the Michigan Automatic Phonograph Association, is back on the job after being confined to his home by a severe cold....Moss Music Company business is on the upgrade now that the local beer shortage has eased, according to Irving Moss.

Gordon McBain has returned from Northern Michigan, where he is build-ing a cottage, to work on his new book match vender. . . . American Nov-elty, thru James Ashley, reports improved business but a slim flow of merchandise is viewed as a threat. Good news from the Advance Service Company is based on the recovery of Ben Liddon. He was hospitalized 18 months.

Serious injuries to the Charles H. Stapletons were narrowly avoided when their trailer overturned near Millington, Mich.... Arnold Fleisher, Music operator's union officer, retired as finance officer of the theatrical post of the American Legion. He is the first World War II veteran to complete his tenure of office...Coin Machine Industries has the full membership of Edelman Amusement De-vices, says Isidor Edelman, who heads the firm. . . Harry Ryther, of the Detroit Amusement Company, and Ryther Amusement Company, died recently. George W. Luce, who has just started a telephone music firm here, was busy this week attending the annual convention of the Nebraska Federation of Labor (AFL). George, who has been president of Local No. 21401, Sugar Workers' Federal Union, for the past two years, also repre-sented his union at the convention. In his spare time, between music op-In his spare time, between music op-erations and union business, Luce also is chief electrician at the Great Western Sugar Company's refinery here.

D. Moran, manager of the M. Bluffs Music Company, had a little bad luck with his car on the way back from a trip to Aberdeen, S. D., but he got back safely. Car was re-ported damaged considerably, but Moran was unhurt. . . . George Mil-burn, veteran Scottsbluif operator, who recently sold his music and pin game route, has a flourishing radio and electrical appliance and repair shop. . . . Gale Powles, his son-in-law, however, is seeing that the family continues to be represented in the coin machine business. He is starting a route of music boxes in the area.

A. K. Campbell, long-time operator here whose health was bad for a time, is reported recovering nicely and back in the business actively. ... R. C. (Bob) King is reported to have had one of his pinball games robbed by a man posing as service-man, and L. A. Hangartner said one of his games was robbed of about \$40 by a group of pretended players who managed to pry the lock lose. . . . Hangartner and his wife, who helps with the business at Modern Music Company, returned from a business trip to Omaha. . . M. L. (Lefty) Merritt, who has the Frontier Music Company at Sidney, Neb., is reported keeping pretty busy with his music and pin routes.

### **Rockport**, **Tex.**:

Ted Brooks, of Sammy K's Record Shop, Aransas Pass, Tex., added two young coinmen to his staff recently when Mrs. Brooks presented him with twin boys, Terry and Randy. Brooks and Sam Kaufman operate 40 juke boxes and cigarette venders in Aransas and San Patricio counties.

### **Cleveland:**

Gary Weber is spending several weeks in Chicago with his mother, who is seriously ill ... At the annual meeting of the Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' Association, Harry Fink meeting of the Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' Association, Harry Fink was accepted as a member. Fink is with Sandusky Music Company, and he purchased a portion of the Ameri-can Amusement Company, Lorain, O.

RELAXING WEEK-END FOR EASTERN COIN COTERIE was climaxed with this party at the Cliquot Club, Atlantic City. Left to right: AI W. Blen-dow, Internaional Mutoscope; Mrs. Blendow; Barnett R. Berkens, executive sec-retary, Arcade Owners' Association of America; Mike Munves, of the firm of Mike Munves; F. McKim Smith, Smith's Gameland, Atlantic City; Miss Vaughn and Mrs. Berkens.

## Chicago:

Latest word received at Buckley. Trading Post from Pat Buckley is that he is currently making head-quarters in Paris. Buckley, who quarters in Paris. Buckley, who is in Europe making a survey of locations suitable for establish-ment of a European plant and finding out first-hand consumer preferences for coin-operated machines, reports the Scandinavian countries most likely buyers of all types of equipment. Trade restrictions there have eased within recent months opening a huge potential market, Pat reports. Ac-cording to G. F. Haley, Buckley is expected back in Chicago within a short time.

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Ed Hughes, plant superintendent at Exhibit Supply Company, is spending a long-delayed vacquion visiting at Buffalo and Rochester, N. Y. Perc Smith, of Exhibit, is doing plenty of head-scratching these days trying to

make lumber ends meet. Rock Island, Ill., contributed a fair share of visitors to coin machine distributors here last week. Included among them were Harold Johnson and Bill Parrish, juke box operators, Fay Gardner and Max Langer. Max Stith, recently discharged from the service was in town seeking equipment for his firm in Mount Pleasant, Ia... Al Mallot from Rockford, Ill., was also making the rounds.

Noticing people on the sidelines pointing and laughing at his plane as he circled for his first landing at Wunicipal Airport this week, Harry Williams, of Williams Manufacturing (See Chicago on page 110)

### Cincinnati;

Leonard Kanter, son of Charles Kanter, Ace Sales Company and seca Sales Louise Automatic Phonograps Automatic, was married Buth Galretary of Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association, was married Sunday evening to Helen Ruth Gal-pin. A large reception was held in the Marie Antoinette Room of the Hotol Almos here with month dis Hotel Alms here, with many dis-tributors and operators present. Among those who helped make the wedding look something like an operators' convention were Joe Wein-berg, Southern Automatic Music Company; Ben Goldberg, Sicking Manufacturing Company; Ray Votaw, Argo Distributing Company, Dayton, O: Sam Chaster precident of Auto-O.; Sam Chester, president of Auto-matic Phonograph Owners' Associa-tion; Ray Bigner, of Wesco Novelty Company, and Charles McKenny, of Ohio Specialty Company.

Away for a two-week vacation to visit her son in Pensacola, Fla., this week was Mrs. Elinor Batte. Mrs. Batte is a secretary in the Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association office here. Her son is in flight training.

### **Buffalo:**

Operator Jim O'Neill, who specializes in colored locations, said he did a land-office business during the recent Colored Elks' National Conven-tion. Conclave attracted about 30,-000 visitors, whose lush spending was also felt in downtown locations and stores, according to O'Neill. He was especially happy about winning a raf-fle "for the first in my life"—a radio.

Art Connors reports that his Globe Distributing Company is going to han-dle all types of vending equipment thruout the Empire State with the ex-ception of the metropolitan area. General manager and treasurer of the firm, Larry Roehm, has already lined up distributorships for nut, cigar, candy, cigarette, among other venders. He is now dealing for a beverage dispenser. Globe has set up operations in its own building at 265 East North Street, where extensive remodeling was the rule, according to Con-Sales Manager Judson Rosennors. grant heads a staff of seven traveling salesman. Cosmo, Mercury and Na-tional disk promotion by Boss Connors really rates a bow. Latest plans call for a Utica Street record shop under the shingle of A. Connors Distributing Company, Inc.

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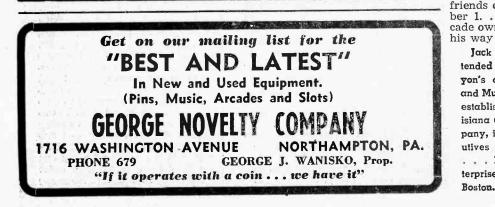


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COINMEN YOU KNOW

### Chicago:

(Continued from page 107) Company, glanced around. He nearly blushed. Two DC-4's-huge planeswere on both sides of his little Er-coupe. He said he felt like a fly in their ointment. Harry plans to fly to the West Coast this coming week for a 14 to 21-day tour of his business there. In preparation for the trip he took his radio-telephone licence test. He won't know until Monday if he passed. Tony Gasparro, sick this week, is expected back to work next week.

week. Jimmy Johnson, of Globe Distrib-uting Company, is back from Macki-nac Island, diving into work again while his family vacations there. With a new Lincoln to play with, Jimmy drove Mrs. Johnson and his two daughters to Mackinac, where he hopes the clear air will help re-lieve his daughter's hay fever. . . . Bob Warner was in town on a buy-ing trip. He's with American Vend-ing Company, Columbus, O. Murray Rosenthal has been gone a week now on a longie trip which will

week now on a longie trip which will take several weeks to complete. Betake several weeks to complete. Be-fore he returns, Murray expects to have covered the New England States, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana to the east, and Wis-consin, Minnesota and South Dakota to the north. He'll visit coin ma-chine firms, put the finishing touches on a distributor list for Coinex Coron a distributor list for Coinex Cor-poration's new hockey game. Here at the Coinex office, Eddie Hauswirth, of the shipping department, is being congratulated on finding one of those hard-to-get items—an apartment.

(See Chicago on page 112)





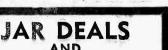
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## **Chicago:**

(Continued from page 110) at Bell Products headquarters over the problem of moving the firm into three-fifths of the floor space used to date. according to Al Sebring, has had its building sold out from under it, must vacate two rooms immediately. Bright spot: Bell Products already has western Avenue..., Jim Drew came down from Manistee, Mich., where he heads Modern Coin. Calling at several coin machine offices, he gave the lowdown on operating conditions there.

Gus Brieske, of Amusematic Cor be in production within a week. Ted Kruse, Vince Conners and Marty Bus-sert, of the same firm, are rounding up bigger and better bait for their week-end fishing trip in Minnesota. . . . Harold Klein came down from Milwaukee to check the coin machine capital on new developments for his Klein Distributing Company. . . Cheyenne operators, Herbert Hurst and Leonard Giersh, called on Parker Brown, of the Central Coin Machine Company. Brown claims his com-Company. pany has 300 machines on order from Reliable Skee Ball.

Everything is jungle fury over at Coin Amusement Games. Bernie and Charley Schutz, together with Aubrey Weinzelbaum, of that company, are

\_\_\_\_ Music and Automatic Equipment

whipping up a storm of interest concerning a one-target game they are converting. Adaption changes game to three moving tagets, and will be handled on an already converted sale or send in game for conversion basis. Among the interested distributors are: Jay Calcutt, of Fayetteville, N. C.; Ban-ner Specialty's Rothstein, Philadelphia; Cliff Wilson, Tulsa, and Los Angeles' Paul Laynor. Operator Warner dropped in from Grand Rapids, Mich., to view the new conversion.

Like everyone else, Nate Gottlieb, D. Gottlieb Company, found the un-seasonably chilly Chicago weather almost too much for his blood last week. Visiting at the company this week were Hy Greenstein, Hy-G Amuse-ment Games, Minneapolis; Ed Heath, Heath Distributing Company, Macon, Ga.; Bill Alberg and Charley Aaronson, of the Brooklyn Amusement Ma-chine Company, Brooklyn.

The Manhardts, of Milwaukee, came down in force to visit Charlie Schlicht, of Mills Music Division. Vic Manhardt Sr., and Vic Jr., with his wife, were here. Other callers at Mills Music Di-vision this week included Meyer and Art Marcus, Markepp Company, Cleveland; Ben Robinson; and Ed Ravreby. Associated Amusements, Boston.

Leo Huyett and his partner, Jim Ryan, of Rock Island, Ill., dropped in at the O. D. Jennings plant. Huyett and Ryan have announced their in-tention of rebuilding equipment and have set up a plant at Rock Island, Ill. Leo spent some five weeks here at the Jennings factory working for free at the assembly bench to get additional lowdown on production and mechanical problems.

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#### **TEAMSTER STRIKE HURTS**

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(Continued from page 89) kept attendance at a low level in arcades.

#### Disks at Premium

Disks were at a premium for juke box operators, record distributors re-ported. The three-day cut in beer delivery and the threat of future cuts made the juke box intake here "wob-ble," said Barney Schlang, manager of Automatic Music Operators' Association.

Business in new and used coin ma-chines was forced to a slow-down this week. One distributor reported that he had purchased 12 jukes in New Jersey, which he has sold, but they were "somewhere on the way."

Effect of the strike on the Way." York and East Coast region is ex-pected to be wide and perhaps long-lasting. Manufacturers and distrib-utors, of course, have been unable to get trucks to make shipments to the trade in other parts of the notion

trade in other parts of the nation. Observers here predict the slow-down on shipping will last as long as a month after the strike is settled, because of the huge backlog of orders pilling up meantime piling up meantime.

#### **NEWS INDEX**

(Continued from page 89) lectivity, are in production. Several companies have been working on hot coffee venders. Eventually, factories may boast whole batteries of vending machines to provide a quick, wholesome lunch.

LAUNDRIES -- Automatic laun -LAUNDRIES – Automatic laun – dries, some equipped with coin chutes, others awaiting that equip-ment, are springing up in great numbers in the nation's principal cities. Laundry owners, judging from their interact are conjugated. their interest, are seriously consider-ing their launderettes as locations for various types of vending ma-chines, perhaps in the future even music machines.

#### STANDARD MOTORS

(Continued from page 89) motors changed to meet their specifi-

cations and demands. On the other hand, vending machine manufacturers who may use fractional motors in compressor units for refrigeration and the like, say standardization of the motors would only serve to help boost production in the long run, and would have no noticeable effect on engineering.



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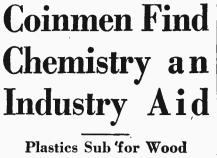
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Macon, Georgia









CHICAGO, Sept. 14 .-- Interest of coin machine manufacturers centered coin machine manufacturers centered last week on the fourth annual Na-tional Chemical Exposition held here at the Coliseum in concurrence with the 110th meeting of the American Chemical Society. With every available inch of ex-position space devoted to exhibi-tions of the latest chemical develop-ments designed to simplify, beautify or add to durability of almost every

or add to durability of almost every manufactured product, industrialists admitted they would find it difficult to keep production methods apace of scientific advancements.

Latest types of machinery used in the manufacture of chemicals and by-products as well as the finished goods were on display. Among them were many used in the manufacture or packaging of coin-operated machines and juke boxes.

#### Plastic Substitutes

Chief concern of coin machine men were latest types of plastics intended to substitute for more scarce ma-terials—paints, which chemists de-clare are impervious to weather conditions, rust, salt air, hard wear and rough handling; ceramic products, which under new chemical processes can be adapted to many phases of can be adapted to many phases of coin machine manufacture and op-eration; spectrophotometers, which perform varied tasks such as check-ing candies, soda water and ciga-rettes for purity or detecting im-perfections in machined parts.

During the course of the convention burning the course of the convention more than 700 papers on scientific subjects, ranging from nuclear science to practical application of machinery, were read. Four con-ferences were held which covered the field of atomic chemistry. Manufacturers were chielfy concerned with the aspect of atomic energy which related to industrial research

Among machinery exhibited at the show were several for removing dust and other impurities from the air in and other impurities from the air in factories and shops. Chemists pointed out that in many phases of manu-facture, impure air accounts for a large percentage of absenteeism due to colds. In other industries im-purities cause silicosis, while it was pointed out by insurance under-writers that dust clouds can cause eventsions and firm

explosions and fire. Also displayed were numerous re-cently developed lubricants which scientists claim will add many addiscientists claim will add many addi-tional work years to industrial ma-chinery. Other chemical machinery included equipment for simplifying quick freeze processes, water puri-fication apparatus and refrigeration gases and chemicals.

According to chemists, knowledge acquired under the pressure of wartime necessity has led the entire in-dustry from research and experiment to practical application of the science to the requirements of industry and manufacture.

#### New Wood Bonding

Manufacturers plagued by the current lumber shortage showed great interest in new methods of bonding woods to produce plywood of extreme water resistance. According to en-gineers, new type of plywood can be used successfully in most cases as a substitute for other types of hard-to-get lumber, and in many

instances it is more versatile. Show also featured phenolic resins designed primarily for the bonding of fibrous materials such as paper,

# Coin Biz Via Air Coming Fast, Says K. C.'s I. Weiler

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 14 .-Irving Weiler, president of the Consolidated Distributing Company here, is convinced that the airplane is going to play a large part in the distribution and servicing of coin machines in the immediate future. And he speaks from experience.

Weiler, who now has his fourth plane and has two more on order, plane and has two more on order, has been flying since 1927. He has logged a total of 3,000 hours in the air during those 19 years, and he re-ports that he has used his planes steadily in the business.

Most recent aerial exploit of his company was to fly a serviceman to Warrensburg, Mo., and he says that he expects to do most of the business over his territory by air. He now flies frequently to Chicago, Wichita and other points where he has business.

His present plane is a two-place Cadet, but the machines he has on order are both four-placers. Planes, however, are just about as hard to get as new coin machines. One of the new planes was promised for delivery May 1, but he is still looking for it.

Recently, his Cadet gave him a little trouble on a vacation trip to Lake Hubert, Minn. Trip up went fine, but on the way back a gear off the magneto flew thru the cowling. But Weiler managed to make a forced landing at the airport near Brainerd, Minn., get new gear, and proceed to Kansas City.

canvas, asbestos and to build up phenolic laminates such as fiberglass.

Phenolic resins are also used to make laminated plastic, now widely used by coin machine manufacturers. Material is light and water-resistant and registers high degree of strength, according to engineers.

Also of interest to coin machine men was the chemistry industry's solution of a vexing export problem. Use of old-fashioned packaging methods sometimes resulted in great damage to coin machine shipments abroad. Salt sea air, which has great corrosive action frequently re-sulted in damage to metal parts of machines, and dampness sometimes caused wooden parts to warp ir-reparably.

#### Treated Paper

Modern' chemistry has solved the problem by development of chemi-cally treated paper, cardboard and wood, which successfully resist and counteract dampness and corrosion. Use of high adhesion glues eliminates the need for nails in crates and mod- $\mathbf{ern}$ export packages are almost airtight.

Development of new refrigeration Development of new refrigeration chemicals were studied closely by manufacturers interested in develop-ment of ice cream venders. They pointed out that most persistent trouble with most machines is that ice cream requires an extreme cold in order to remain salable but curtime unsatisfactory because of the tendency to frost the dispensing mechanism. Self-contained chemical freezing units may be the answer to the problem, it was said.

Also shown were odorless laminating varnishes for the rapid produc-tion of refrigerator parts such as breaker strips and door liners. Cermic research has also found new uses for the material as a finish for refrigerators and other types of equipment.

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# Levy Too High; Eugene Tax **On Pinballs Not Enforced**

EUGENE, Ore., -Altho Sept. 14. city council here has enacted an ordinance with an emergency clause making a pinball tax effective im-mediately, the ordinance has not been enforced owing to the steepness of the levy.

Passed by common council August 12, 1946, Eugene's ordinance would place a \$20 monthly tax on pin games.

The city's assistant finance officer explains that the ordinance is being held in abeyance pending considera-tion of suggestions from the inter-ested parties. He says that a decision will be forthcoming.

Referring to the fact that the ordinance has not been put into effect, the assistant finance officer said:

#### Fee Is Reason

"The prime reason for this is the amount of the license fee. As the machines in Eugene are operated on a free-game basis and not on a payoff on total points, it is felt that the license fee is a bit too stringent. Some operators have indicated that they will be unable to keep their that machines functioning under such a heavy fee."

(The assistant finance officer and a particular point of the fact that this city's pin games are free-play games, not making pay-offs. His statement, as read by the trade nationally, is taken to mean that the only way operators in Eugene could meet the high license tax would be to convert their machines to pay-outs. Play on the free-play machines, according to this point of view, would not be sufficient to allow operators to meet the tax.)

Unusual in its tax requirements, the complete text of the ordinance is reprinted here for the trade's in-formation:

WHEREFORE, it is deemed for the best interests of the City of Eugene, Oregon, and for the welfare of the inhabitants thereof that the machines and devices hereinafter referred to be licensed and regulated, rather than to have the same operated without po-lice regulation and licensing, the Common Council enacts the following:

#### Ordinance No. 8931

An Ordinance regulating and li-censing pinball machines and similar devices and games operated by de-positing of inserting a coin or slug, provided such machines or other games are played for amusement only, and providing penalty for viola-tion of the provisions hereof and declaring an emergency.

THE CITY OF EUGENE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS: Section 1. (a) The term "person" whenever used in this ordinance shall mean and include a person, a firm, a corporation or copartnership, and the singular number shall include the plural.

(b) The term "machine" whenever (b) The term 'machine' Whenever used in this ordinance shall mean and include any pinball game, marble game or similar device or game, or other game, device or machine in which coins or slugs are deposited.

other game, device or machine in which coins or slugs are deposited. Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to maintain, keep, operate or permit the operation or playing of any machine described in Section (b) of Section 1 hereof on any premises within the City of Eugene, without first obtaining a license therefor in the manner hereinafter provided; and further provided that no such machine so licensed shall be oper-ated or permitted to be operated as a gambling machine or device. Section 3. Any person desiring to obtain a license to operate or main-tain any such machine, shall make application therefor at the office of the city recorder on blanks to be fur-

nished for that purpose, and shall describe the place of business or premises where such machine is to be operated or maintained, and also de-scribe the kind and type of such scribe the kind and type of such machine. Each license shall be ap-proved by the city manager and/or the city recorder before issuance thereof for the patricular machine as licensed. Provided, however, the city manager and/or the city recorder may in his discretion with concur-rence of the chief of police reject any or all applications for licensing hereor all applications for licensing here under for any reason or cause deemed sufficient.

sufficient. Section 4. LICENSE FEE. A li-cense fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per calendar month or portion there-of shall be charged for each and every machine so licensed hereunder, each such license the evolve on the each such license to expire on the

each such license to expire on the last day of the calendar month for which the same is issued. Section 5. Upon the approval of application 'for license hereunder, and upon the payment of such license fee, the city recorder shall issue to each applicant a suitable sticker li-cense, which shall be securely pasted by the applicant on each such ma-chine during the period for which the same is licensed. The license so same is licensed. The license **so** issued shall not be transferable from

one machine to another. Section 6.'(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to display in his or its place of business any such machine upon which any such license is

chine upon which any such license is not attached as herein provided. (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to permit or allow any such machine then in his possession or under his immediate control to be played or operated by any minor under the age of 18 years, or any person of unsound mind. (c) The proprietor of any place of

(c) The proprietor of any place of business or premises wherein any such machine is operated or dis-played shall be conclusively presumed to be the one in possession and control thereof for any purpose.

control thereof for any purpose. Section 7. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordi-nance shall upon conviction thereof in the Municipal Court of the City of Eugene be punished by fine not ex-ceeding two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and cost of prosecution, and may be imprisoned in the city jail one day for each Two Dollars (\$2.00) of such fine unpaid. Any machine as herein described which shall be operated or displayed for operation without a license attached thereon as herein provided, or in any wise contrary to the provisions of this ordinance shall be confiscated.

the provisions of this ordinance shall be confiscated. Section 8. WHEREAS, machines as described in this ordinance are now being operated within the City of Eugene, and it is hereby deemed to be necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City of Eu-gene that this ordinance take effect immediately upon its passage, there-fore an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be-come effective immediately upon its come effective immediately upon its passage by the Common Council and approval by the mayor, and it is so

approval by the Common Council Passed by the Common Council this 12th day of August, 1946. (Signed) John Fields, City Recorder.

Approved by the Mayor this 13th day of August, 1946. (Signed) Earl L. McNutt Mayor.







# **Chemical Industry** Kentucky Operators **Slants Sales Aims** At Small Coin Biz CHICAGO, Sept. 14.-That the giant many-million-dollar chemical industry-which formerly dealt in tons-could slant its sales toward coinmen and the 10-cent store had evidence at the Fourth Chemical Exposition being held here. This trend toward more consumer

distribution developed as a new goal of the exposition, sponsored by the American Chemical Society. One of the highlights of the showing was chemical specialties in tiny glass vials, wrapped for small sales. One manufacturer declared, "When

Union Carbide & Carbon Corporation goes after 10-cent store sales you know that there has been a sizable change in the industry."

Union Carbide & Carbon's subsid-iary, Carbide & Carbon Chemicals Corporation, is displaying its "6-12" brand insect repellent at the exposition. Several other companies are also showing specialties which range from household disinfectants and air deoderants thru special chemicals for

Altho the quantities of spécialties in chemicals are compartively small compared with the vast tonnages of such heavy chemicals as nitric and sulphuric acids and others used by the industry, the specialties alone have an annual sales volume of at least \$1,500,000,000, according to leaders of the chemical business.

According to one manufacturer, the firms have gone into the new field unwillingly, preferring to have or-ganizations with more experience in mass merchandising take over these specialties, with the chemical company supplying the raw materials.

# U. S. Tax Paid for 532 Arizona Bells

PHOENIX, Ariz., Sept. 14.—Fed-eral excise tax was paid on 532 Bell machines and on 1,911 pinball ma-chines and juke boxes during the last fiscal year in Arizona.

Report was included in the Treas-ury Department's annual statement on special tax stamps issued for the year ended June 30.

#### Venezuela Beer 60 Cents Bottle But Still Popular

CARACAS, Venezuela, Sept. 14.— Cerveceria Caracas, largest brewery in Venezuela, is planning to open another beer plant, this time at Maracay, capital of the State of Aragua. Company plans to spend about \$2,000,000 on the structure.

Average bottle of beer in Vene-zuela costs 60 cents and contains two glasses. Cerveceria already has two large plants at Caracas and Mara-

#### Milwaukee Coin Ops Ass'n Launches Monthly Bulletin

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 14.—Follow-ing a discussion at their last meeting here the Milwaukee Coin Machine Operators' Association announced that it will publish a monthly bulle-tin which will contain news on asso-intion participation

First edition will be issued soon, according to the association, and will also contain personal news of mem-

## **O'Conner Company Opening**

BEAUMONT, Tex., Sept. 14.— O'Conner Sales Company announced its opening this week at 502 Louisiana Street. Company will specialize in record, pin ball and other coin- operated machines.





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Wisconsin Enterprise MULLININX DEBUT Morry Zenoff Says (Continued from page 91) Morry Zenoff Says Morry Zenoff Says

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 14.-The Wisconsin Enterprise Corporation is ex-tensively remodeling its portion of the Plankington Arcade, according to WEC President Morry Zenoff. As-WEC President Morry Zenoff. As-sisted by Paul D. Berger, Zenoff is converting his firm's space into an amusement spot stocked with 60 coin-operated machines. Additional installations, the executive revealed, include a well-stocked gift section, an out-of-town newspaper stand and the largest magazine stand in the city.

When alterations were begun in July, ex-merchant marine Zenoff said July, ex-merchant marine Zenon said his equipment consisted of a hand-ful of coin machines and a small gift and souvenir counter. Steadily he increased his stock. Now he has two self-operated photo machines, card-holding machines and many games of skill. The gift section re-sembles a smart metropolitan shop, according to Zenoff.

Department housing magazines and newspapers is expected to be one of the main attractions, Berger said, for it will feature about 200 out-of-city newspapers and virtually all magazines.

Zenoff and Berger claim to be the only arcade owners using radio to boost patronage. Three weekly spot announcements call the public's at-tention to their location. Final re-modeling, they believe, will be com-pleted in about three months.

### Harry Ryther Dies in Detroit

DETROIT, Sept. 14. Harry Ryther, owner, Detroit Amusement Company and formerly of Harry's Music Comand formerly of harry's music com-pany here, died September 5 after a protracted illness. He had been a music machine operator for many years. Survived by his widow.

#### **DIP LEVELS OFF**

(Continued from page 91) what might be the cause of declines in play. Blendow, after taking into consideration the drop in the num-ber of servicemen passing thru ar-cades, said arcade owners and mana-gers can trace some of the decline right up to their own doorsteps.

There is more to running a profitable arcade, said Blendow, than putting machines on the floor. Arcade men have to plan their amuse-ment centers carefully, and should study where and how to best place different types of arcade pieces, Bledow said.

Bledow said. Of the trend in arcade makeup, Blendow pointed out that the Penny Arcade no longer predominates. It has made way largely for the amuse-ment arcade, he said, with a variety of machines ranging from penny to nickel or more-per-play equipment. Meantime, he added, arcade pro-prietors are giving more attention to a design or pattern for placing their a design or pattern for placing their machines so as to increase play.

#### **Equipment To Help**

Blendow said he felt the strictly Penny Arcade was far from out of fashion, that new penny equipment would help many of them step up their business.

AOAA's survey disclosed that Midwestern arcade owners reported a bigger decline in play than those on the West Coast, while southern arcades took an even bigger drop. But arcade owners everywhere report business definitely on the up-swing. Most feel play has leveled out, and will take on a constant pattern from now on.

New equipment and proper location choosing and planning are the two things which arcade men look to bring play up to new highs.

backslid temporarily to his first love, railroading. He went back to work for Atlantic

Coast Line Railroad, for which he had worked for eight years previously. But almost as soon as he took over the job in Savannah he was back in coin machines. Within a short time he was operating a route of 55 pin-ball games here, at the same time he held down an eight-hour-a-day job with the railroad company. By 1936 Mullininx's coin business had group too big for part-time work

had grown too big for part-time work. Giving up the railroad business for good, he gradually swung from oper-ating to distributing.

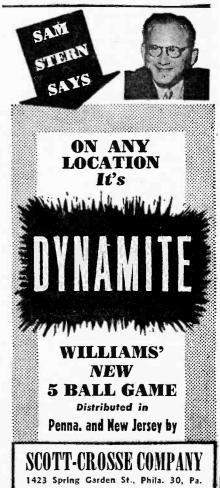
Today he reports his distributor-ships include Rock-Ola phonographs. Bally and A.B.T. Games.

#### **KOLODNY KEYS MEET**

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begin at once. Among organization meeting at-tendants were representatives of the following organizations: National Wholesale Garment Asso-ciation, Wholesale Dry Goods Insti-tute, National Wholesale Jewelry Association, National Wholesale Fur-niture Association, National Leather and Shoe Finding Association, Na-ation, American Coal Sales Associa-tion, Beauty and Barber Supply In-stitute, Motor and Equipment Whole-salers Association, and National Assosalers Association, and National Asso-ciation of Tobacco Dealers.

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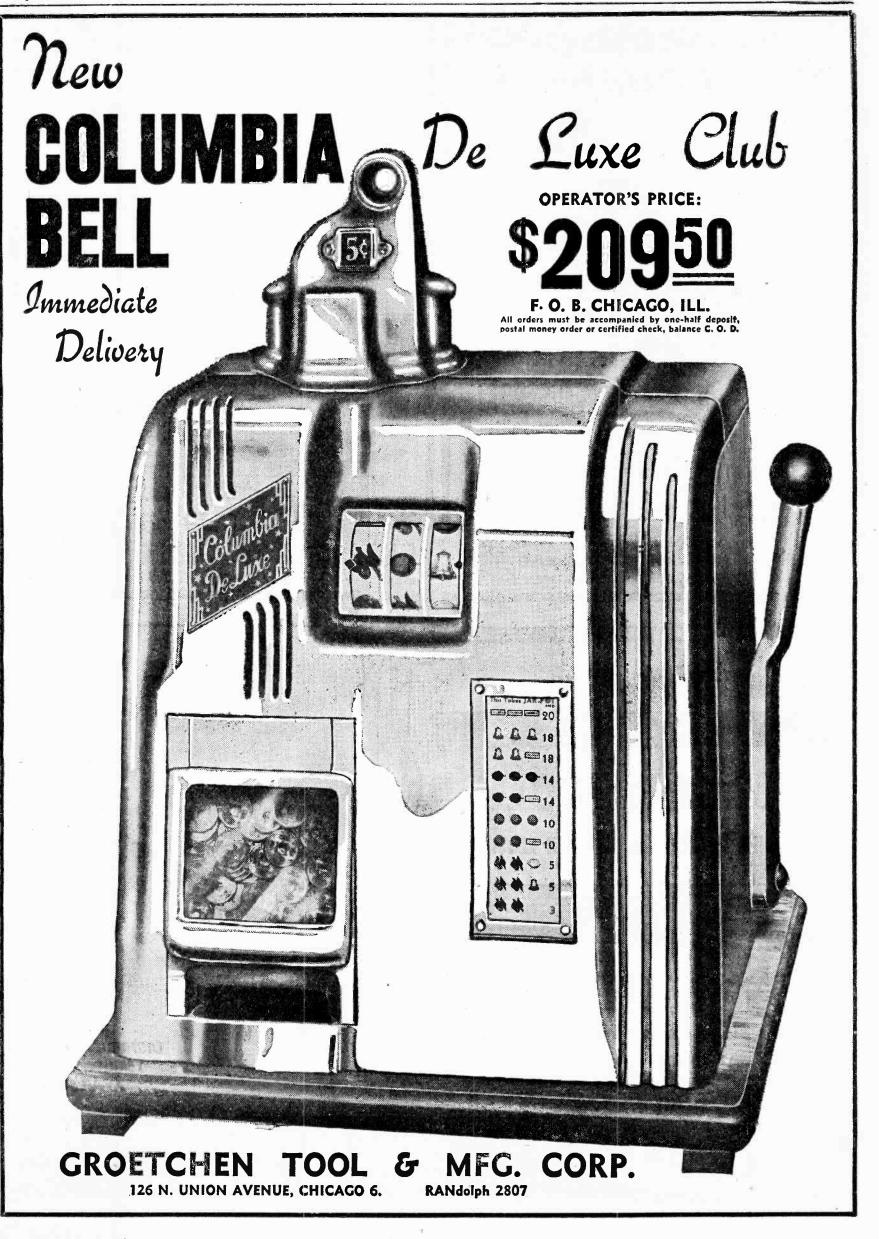
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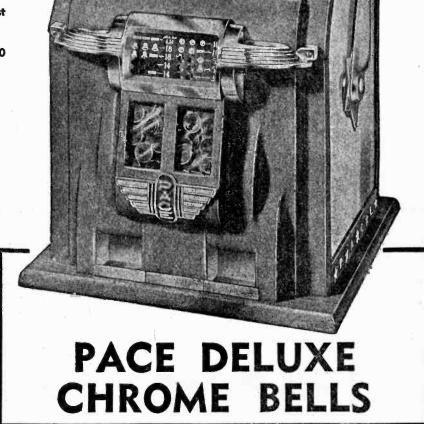
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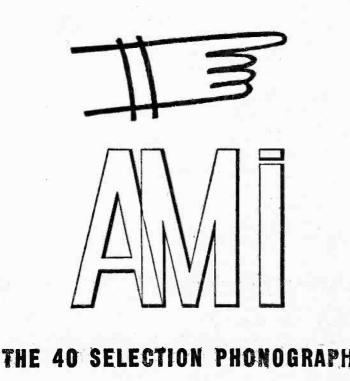


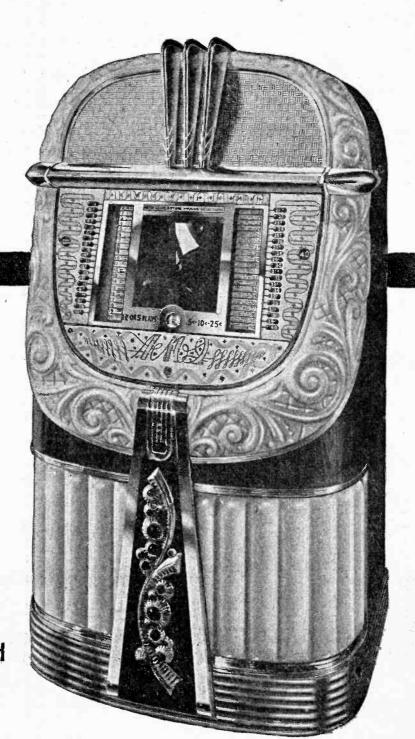
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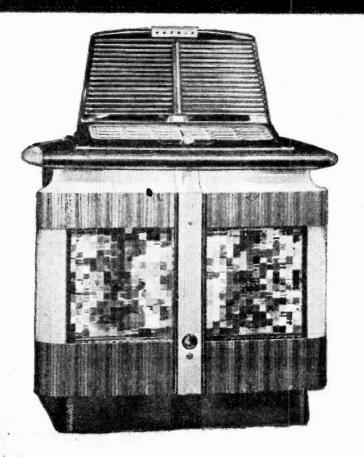
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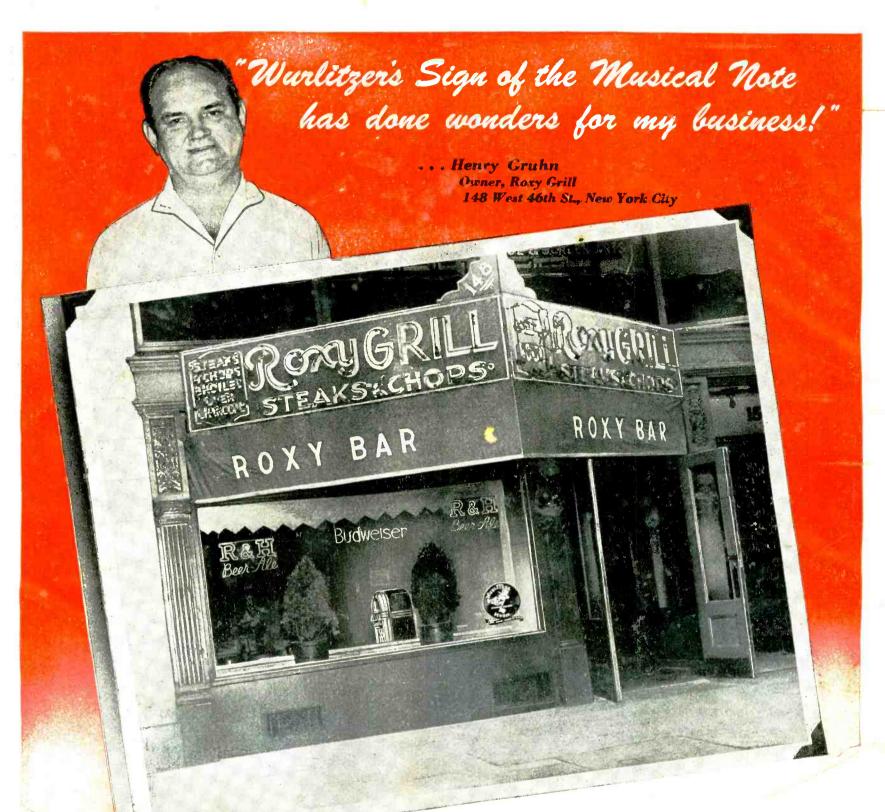


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