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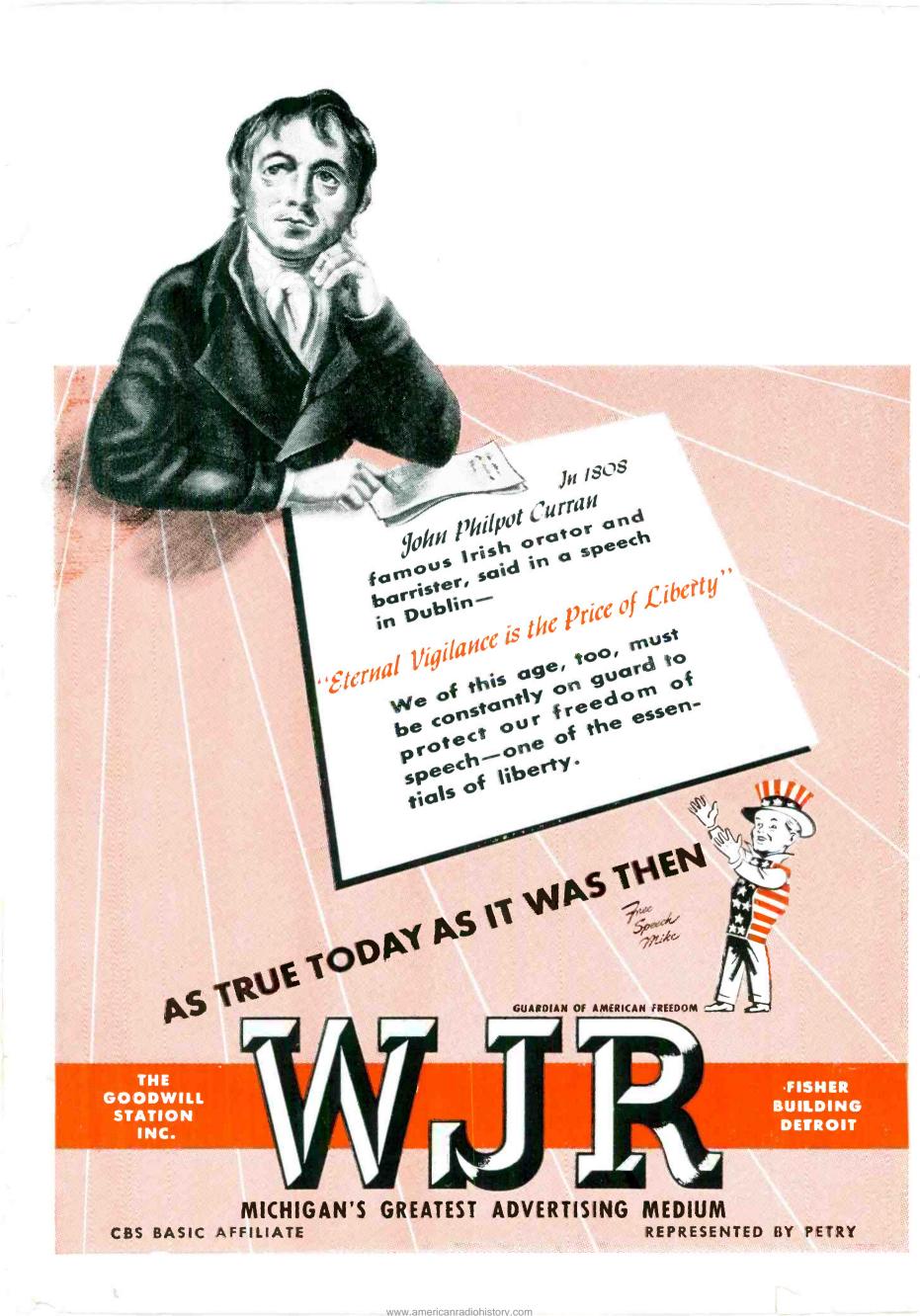
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# **Critical Emphasis, Less** StraightReporting, Seen As New Tack for Air Editors

**Execs Call for More Mature Comment as Industry Need** 

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Belief spreading thruout the industry that pub-lishers will increasingly force radio editors to switch the emphasis from news reporting to criticism gained additional credence this week when news reporting to criticism gained additional credence this week when Arthur Pryor Jr., vice-president in charge of radio for BBD&O, and Mildred Thompson, dean of Vassar College, both voice the need for constructive criticism during a luncheon of the Radio Executives' Club Thursday (3). Speaking on the subject of *Responsibility in Radio*, Pryor stated, "The advertiser is entitled to more constructive criticism. Radio, of all media, lacks this," he said, and added, "such criticism would help us more than anything else." Miss Thompson, approves of the

Miss Thompson, apropos of the responsibility of the public in radio, stated, "Radio has gone beyond a business . . . it is an art . . . and it needs from the public the expert free criticism the theater has. I wish we (the public) had developed seriwe (the public) had developed seri-ous criticism, independent of adver-tisers." She added, "This must come from the pressure of the public . . . this is our chief job."

Miss Thompson's views were, in general, not directly slanted at news-papers, but at the public. She stressed, for instance, the belief that the public, in fulfilling its responsi-bility to radio must develop organbility to radio, must develop organ-izations for better qualitative ex-pressiveness. We must, she said, "explain ourselves qualitatively" in explain ourselves qualitatively" in order that radio might develop to its fullest as a growing force for con-structive demonstration structive democracy. Both Pryor's and Miss Thompson's

(See EDS TO TURN on page 6)

#### Dimitri Mitropoulos To Face Union on **Crossing Picket Line**

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 5.—Dimitri MINNEAPOLLS, Oct. 5.—Dimitri Mitropeulos, conductor, and Jennie Cullen, violinist, of the Minneapolis Symphony ork, Friday (4) were sum-moned to appear before the executive board of the Minneapolis musicians' union to explain why they crossed a picket line set up Wednesday night (2) by the stangehands' local union at opening performance of North (2) by the stangehands' local union at opening performance of North Star Drama Guild here. Stanley Ballard, secretary-treasurer of the musicians' local, of which Mitropou-los and Miss Cullen are members, said the hearing was set for next Thursday (10).

Thursday (10). Mitropoulos and Miss Cullen at-tended the performance after dis-cussing the matter at the door of the Women's Club Auditorium with pick-ets, and the conductor protested fail-ure of the union to picket places where ducats were sold. He said he already had bought tickets and was unaware of any dispute. Row be-tween Drama Guild and stagehands broke when the Guild refused to hire upion grips, pointing out that the union grips, pointing out that the venture was non-profit and workers Robert Gaus, Guild director, said (See Mitropoulos Union on page 17)

# As Rival Terpers Wage B.-O. Battle

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Competitive salvos opened up this week North and South of 42d Street in another "battle of the ballets." A couple of years back the Ballet Theater bowed in at the Metopera and the Ballet Russe De Monte Carlo teed off to a season at the City Center on the same night. This time the terping adversaries are the "origi-nal" Ballet Russe, under the aegis of Sol Hurok and the Ballet The-ater, latter opening its first season after tossing the Hurok banner over-board. The Hurokers started a four-week stretch of entrechats and eleweek stretch of entrechats and ele-vations at the Met Sunday (29). The Lucia Chase-Oliver Smith tulle- and-tights brigade turned on the lights at the Broadway Theater, 14 blocks north, for a five-week stay.

north, for a five-week stay. Coinwise, under the opening guns, situation looks like a toss-up. With both sticking to a \$1.20 to a \$4.80 scale, Russe preemed to a claimed 100G advance. Uptown troupe had 35G in the till prior to opening night. However, the Russers' operating nut averages around \$44,000 in the 3,500 seat Met, while the Ballet Theaterites can break even between 16 to 20G, with the Broadway's 1,900 pews. Operating spread, too, stems from the fact that Russe cast-roster hits over 80 steppers, not including guest artists and Theater balleteers have only half that number on the pay-roll. So cash sale futures seem to

only half that humber on the pay-roll. So cash sale futures seem to strike a fair balance. Critically, the North-of-42d Street group have had the edge in the early skirmishes, with most of the dance experts giving them the nod over (See N. Y. Tulle Tizzy on page 19)

# 'Shall We Dance?', AGVA Asks Philly Rumba Teachers

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.—Nitery ops were served notice by Dick Jones, AGVA exec-secretary here, that rumba tutors invading the after-dark scene with terp "exhibition" will scene with terp "exhibition" will have to hold AGVA cards. Since the season's start, several of the town's niteries, particularly the better mid-town spots, have brought in dance teachers to stage rumba exhibitions and contests. Tutors welcome the opportunity, as it provides leads for new pupils.

Nitery op usually pays off with champagne for the winning dancing couples and at the same time counts the terp tutors as an extra act he gets on the cuff. Union takes the position that the tutors represent a regular act, and either they hold AGVA cards or the entire floorshow will be pulled. One midtown spot will be pulled. One midtown spot presents the terping tutors as its regular floorshow.

#### Legion Conv. Tame; Biz Sad for S. F. Ops

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5 .- The American Legion brought a goose to its convention and it didn't exactly lay a golden egg. In numbers, the attendance fell way short of the pre-convention figure of 150,000. The layout just wasn't here, and it wasn't long before showbiz ops learned that the Legionnaires brought along their own entertainment and didn't have time to take in the shows.

Predictions were that the big spots would get a lot of the folding stuff, but the hoopla didn't come off. Rea-son was hard to find. Some spots even found out that Legionattractions (Legion Confab Tame on page 17)

#### AGMA-ATAM Vs. Chi **Opera on Pay Scale**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Chi Opera Company stepped into double trouble this week when both AGMA and ATAM presented demands in no kind of double talk. AGMA wants a 14 per cent raise for all talent, and ATAM a union flack to tub thump for the non-ATAM Chi Opera.

Irving Myers, attorney for AGMA, said union's demands were based on a survey of the Chi area, which showed cost of living had increased 14 per cent since December, 1944.

# **Cuts Would Be MinorButEase** War - Hi Load

#### Truman Approval Seen

By Our Washington Bureau WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.-Des -Despite administration policy to hold the line on taxes, it has been learned reliably that the Treasury Department is now that the Treasury Department is now blueprinting a plan to overhaul ex-cise levies and give relief to show-biz, which is still paying at war-peak rates. In the event the Treas-ury completes its blueprint in time, efforts will be made to get President Truman's okay prior to elections. This would be an attempt to counter Republican promises to bring tax re-lief thru a GOP victory at the polls. Treasury's revision plan on taxa-tion is being shaped in high secrecy because Secretary of the Treasury

because Secretary of the Treasury Snyder does not want to embarrass Snyder does not want to embarrass the Truman administration in ad-vance of election day by a White House rejection of the blueprint. However, Treasury insiders believe that Truman will approve the plan, inasmuch as in its present shape the blueprint does not call for drastic cuts. Treasury officials, according to informed sources, believe that nu-merous minor adjustments can be made on admissions taxes and similar made on admissions taxes and similar

levies, now at record peaks. Some politicians are pressuring for the blueprint, fearful that Democrats the blueprint, fearful that Democrats are risking votes by having no coun-ter-measures against GOP promises of tax cuts up to 20 per cent. Ad-ministration fiscal experts say a siz-able cut in levies is out of the ques-tion if inflation is to be headed off and if the federal budget is to be maintained on a businesslike basis. At the present stage of tax studies in the Treasury Department, heav-iest emphasis is being placed on relief for businesses and wage-earners in for businesses and wage-earners in medium-sized brackets, with relief on a much more reduced scale in the excise field, where entertainment biz is more directly affected. Latest public stand of the admin-(See Showbiz Tax Relief on page 18)

Chi Cafe Ops Seek Change In State Compensation Law

In State Compensation Law CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Ted Raynor, general counsel for the Chicago Cafe Owners' Association, told The Bill-board this week that the nitery org will meet Monday (7) with the II-linois State Unemployment Compen-cation Committee to discuss changes with meet Monday (7) with the II-linois State Unemployment Compen-sation Committee to discuss changes in the State set-up. A proposed change would include acts under the bill's aegis, giving them unemploy-ment compensation, with operators presumably being nicked for part payment. Raynor intimated that the proposed bill, if not altered, might put owners on the spot and make them liable under legal action when acts were laid off. CCOA has also set a general meet-ing for Thursday (10), with ques-tions dealing with AGMA, AGVA and revised licensing laws on the agenda. Cafe men want tighter li-censing provisions to keep alleged fly-by-nights from getting liquor tickets.

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**GENERAL NEWS** 



# Ask Showbiz Aid For Handicapped

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—An appeal is being made to showbiz, as well as is being made to showbiz. as well as every other phase of business in this country, to give a lift to the handi-capped. The week starting tomorrow (6) is being designated as "Na-tional Employ the Handicapped Week," and the headquarters of Fed-eration of the Handicapped in this city is going out after jobs for those who are crippled. The showbiz phase stems from the number of handicapped the federa-tion has who could fill adequately jobs in showbiz as cashiers, ushers, clerks, switchboard ops, elevator men,

jobs in showbiz as cashiers, ushers, clerks, switchboard ops, elevator men, character actors for radio, etc. A number of ex-showfolk are employed now by the federation at its head-quarters, 163 West 57th Street. There are in all 28,000,000 handi-capped people in this country. Of these, 2,500,000 are persons whose handicaps prevent their being gain-fully employed. Among these are many vets who are not yet fully trained to make use of their war defects. defects.

A special drive is being made to acquaint the public with the poser that 83 per cent of all industries employ handicapped persons who have a record of less absenteeism and fewer accidents than the average in industry.

#### **Pennsy Tax Resolution**

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 5.—En-abling laws to permit Pennsylvania cities to levy taxes on all types of admission tickets will be sought by the "League of Third Class Cities in Pennsylvania" during the 1947 Leg-islature. Plans of the city govern-ments were adopted by the recent convention in a resolution "to pro-vide for a tax on admissions to all public amusements, entertainments public amusements, entertainments or exhibitions, which tax shall not exceed 5 per cent, and shall in no case be less than 1 cent per ad-mission."

#### Danny Kaye as 'General'?

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 5. — Holly-wood's Actors' Lab will go into pix production and is reportedly nego-tiating with Danny Kaye to play title role in its projected film version of Gogol's *Inspector General*. Kaye will fly here from New York to study several performances of lab's stage production of play which opens Tues-day (8). Org expects to use pic profits for building a house theater and workshop. and workshop.

#### SKATING VANITIES OF 1947

#### STADIUM, CHICAGO

(Opened Friday, September 27) Fifth edition of this roller skate classic is the fastest two-and-a-half hours of spectacle, novelty and comedy skating and general melange of strong vaude novelty acts that have played across the country under the show's banner. Specs were strong, with 24-girl and 18-boy lines workwith 24-girl and 18-boy lines work-ing good precision on production bits that had good continuity and didn't once have to depend on the over-used Strobe light for effect because of some colorful and unusual color contrasts in wardrobe. Production contrasts in wardrobe. Production numbers weren't boringly filled with gliding lines of skaters, but were frequently interspersed with a sock comedy or novelty bit which fitted easily into the story being told in the number. Spotting the Trio Daresco, stellar threesome, European adagio, in a jungle drums number and having the girl leap off a lofty African tribal tower into the arms of two partners below, was one of a (See Skating Vanities on page 49)

# **Showdown Near** For AFM-House **Body on Report**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Irate over refusal by James C. Petrillo's Amer-ican Federation of Musicians to sub-Ican Federation of Musicians to sub-mit political activity report as re-quested by the House Campaign Ex-penditures Committee, Chairman J. Percy Priest (D. Tenn.) of the Com-mittee said today that a subpoena will be served if AFM persists in its refusal. The House Committee had set a deadline of Tuesday (1) for first reports, and AFM not only re-fused to comply, but has now become first reports, and AFM not only re-fused to comply, but has now become the first national organization to challenge the House Committee's authority for taking the unprece-dented step of collecting political activity info on all orgs. The Petrillo challenge is fast gain-ing to importance here size in the

ing top importance here since, in the opinion of some legalists, AFM might force the issue into courts. The sig-nificance of the AFM prexy's stand is viewed by some congressional spokesmen as paralleling in impor-tance the current court row in which Petrillo is trying to have the Lea-Vandenberg Act invalidated. AFM's vandenberg Act invalidated. AFM's refusal to co-operate with the House Campaign Expenditures Committee has left leaders of that group highly indignant, and the Committee has served the Petrillo group with one more notice which, if refused, will be followed by a formal subpoena. The latest request for a report to The latest request for a report to the Committee went to Joseph A. Padway, AFM counsel.

the Committee went to Joseph A. Padway, AFM counsel. AFM is far from being exclusive, however, in its delay on submitting a political activity report. Box score on currently reporting organizations reveals that of some 270 question-naires sent out, 72 replies have been received. Fifteen outfits, including the Independent Citizens' Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, have admitted to political activity, while 49 others have registered no political affiliations or intentions. Three American Federation of Labor Unions which have not yet complied with the House Committee's request have indicated readiness to take a stand alongside of AFM. In the event the three AFL unions join with AFM, the latter will be ex-pected to carry the ball. It is un-derstood AFM legalists, however, are keeping mum on their future moves. In congressional circles it is felt that Petrillo, will not be able to buck

The Billboard Presents . . . By Leonard Traube

 $\mathbf{T}_{Billboard}^{\mathrm{HE}}$  outdoor departments of *The* developments in the field, large and *Billboard* reflect the personality of small, hot and cold. their editor, James A. (for Alex-ander) Purcell. James A. Purcell is him Pat (it's always "Jim"), is one long for Pat Purcell.

Purcell joined The Billboard on Lincoln's birthday — February 12, 1945—a significant date in that it 1945marked his own emancipation. After many years as newspaperman and sportscribe, in which he had to placate herd-riding editors, and as press agent, in which he had to cater to practically everyone, he now has a job in which all he has to pacify or satisfy is his own conscience. He is the fearless type with a direct ap-proach to people and things.

Outdoor Editor Purcell is probably the most traveled of his and many another profession. He has visited every State of the Union and the provinces of Canada—some of them several times over—and in his long career has worked as newspaperman in many of the largest cities in the country. Seldom a week goes by that PP isn't on a plane or train doing a head-on collision with the news; more often then new he is meeting the meeting often than not he is meeting the news when it isn't meeting him. Thus he is equipped to talk about any area of outdo r operations-which is to say the v hole U. S. and Canada-with authority and experience gathered first hand.

To Pat, the people in his depart-ments are "my kids"; not "my staff" or "my gang," but "my kids." Some of his "kids" are Herb Dotten, not far from 40; Henry (Hank) Hurley, in his 30's, and Justus Edwards, past 40. They are his regulars at outdoor headquarters in Chicago. His New York "kids" are Jim McHugh, push-ing his middle 30's, and Ted Wol-fram, our former Paris correspondent, who is in his heto 50's who is in his late 50's.

At 46, the red-haired ample-girthed Purcell is the most boyish of the lot. He has never lost his youthful en-thusiasm, is always on the prowl for

the Committee request, especially in the Committee request, especially in view of the subpoena weapon. On the other hand, AFM spokesmen say they "don't frighten easily" at pros-pect of subpoenas. Supplemental questionnaires are skedded to go out to 48 other organizations next week, with more to follow according to In congressional circles it is felt with more to follow, according to that Petrillo will not be able to buck Chairman Priest.

in this publication's ever-increasing sorority of spouses who wait pa-tiently for their men to come home. Some of us are about at the point where we will have to reintroduce ourselves to the wife and kids.

#### **Chi Stage for Action Skeds** Names, But Hunts Theater

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—A number of local radio and legit names have been signed on to handle fall season been signed on to handle fall season of Chicago Stage for Action, which will preem just as soon as it can find a house. Sherman Marks, a top air-legit pilot, will produce all plays for the season. Louis Gilbert, of *Dream Girl*, will assist, helped by Directors Sid Breese and Allan Pe-ters. Theons will be from pre redia ters. Thesps will be from pro radio and legit. Everyone works for free.

Fall sked, so far, consists of Open ecret, an adaptation of Prof. Louis Ridenour's Fortune mag story; Dream Job, from the radio seg, The Glass and You're Next, by Arthur Miller, scribe of Focus.

Meanwhile, the search for a the-ater continues. Thorne Hall, owned ater continues. Thorne Hall, owned by Northwestern University, where last year 40,000 persons saw 65 SFA productions, has been nixed by the college. Goodman Theater, ama-teur training school, has likewise vetoed group. Only possibility, and it's a good one, is the Auditorium Theater owned by Boosevelt College Theater, owned by Roosevelt College.

#### Herman Bess to WMCA

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Herman Bess has moved in as sales head of WMCA here, coming over from WNEW. Bess, who formerly had his own agency, is rated as one of the top local time peddlers, and is credited with much of WNEW'S SRO biz.

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Produc-tion of radio sets hit a new high in August with an estimated total output of well over 1,500,000, according to Radio Manufacturers' Association. August figure was about 350,000 sets above industry's pre-war monthly rate and over 400,000 over July totals. Console and radio-phonograph pro-duction was up more than 30,000, and table models continued to dominate with more than a million sets, of which 132,000 were radio-phonograph models.

FM set production 'dropped under July's output, reaching less than 14,000 sets as compared with almost 20,000 in the preceding month. Manufacturers, however, are plan-ning on bringing out new FM models this month or lator in the fall. Only ning on bringing out new FM models this month or later in the fall. Only three television receivers were re-ported by RMA but newer models in tele sets are expected this month. Battery set receivers, all portable or table models, were almost up to 185,000, and auto sets totaled 125,000.

# FCC Due To Set **Clear** - Channel **Confab for Nov.**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Federal Communications Commission is pre-paring to issue a 30-day notice for November hearings on clear channel, as predicted by *The Billboard* last August. Testimony will revolve about the findings of engineering surveys the findings of engineering surveys the findings of engineering surveys by clear-channel broadcasting serv-ices and FCC technicians. Hearing is expected to be concluded within four to eight days in sufficient time to allow preliminary recommenda-tions for the North American broadcasting agreement deadline, now set for January 2, 1947, with final de-cision on clear-channel issues not expected for six months after closing of record.

Long lapse between final hearings and decision is attributed by FCC legalists to the sheer bulge of the testimony, numbering 6.000 pages and some 400 exhibits, one weighing 50 pounds. Meanwhile NARBA dis-cussions are expected to go right thead, with commish pointing for the original September 15, 1947, meeting date despite delay in getting an American proposal American proposal.

#### **Nielsen Testing New Type** Audimeters in Chi, N. Y.

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Whether A. C. Nielsen Company will order thous-ands of its new instantaneous audimeters for installation all over the country will depend on results of tests which will be carried on in New York and Chicago. Company, which is making a strong bid to cop the radio survey business from Hooper and Broadcast Measurement Bureau, is setting 25 "automatic" machines in the Windy City and the Main Stem When results are tabulated, expected sometime early next year, decisions sometime early next year, decisions on the simultaneous system will be made. Meantime, this will not inter-fere with the present Nielsen survey system which uses an older, less costly type machine.

# **Does a Brodie**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—ABC's long-time dream of getting a full-time outlet in Chi went up in smoke this week when Prexy Mark Woods and C. Nicholas Priaulx, v.-p. and treasurer, failed to reach an agreement with Burridge Butler, owner of WLS and The Prairie Farmer. Negotiations which went on the early part of the week fell flat because Butler wanted more than the web was willing to pay.

Rumor has it that the station's prexy asked for about \$1,000,000 more than ABC would sign for which is supposed to be around \$4,000,000 for both The Prairie Farmer, a rural pub-

lication, and the radio station. One factor in ABC's refusal to one factor in ABC's refusal to meet the price is that it didn't want to own *The Prairie Farmer* and planned on selling the publication if the deal had gone thru. How-ever, value of the *Farmer* would have declined appreciably without a powerful station to back it. Another factor was the \$1,500,000 estimated assets of WLS-Prairie Farmer. Mc-Graw-Hill interests which were dickering for purchase of the company are reported to have backed down after a bid of \$4,500,000 when it was learned Butler wasn't going to throw in the current assets with the buy.

Doubt was expressed in some trade quarters that even if the fabulous deal had gone thru, the FCC might not have approved of such a sale since a lot of fire in FCC high places was evoked over ABC's King-Trendel purchase (*The Billboard*, September 28). This sale for two big stations amounted to only about \$3,500,000, and the trade boys are saying the commissioners who approved this probably would balk at \$4,000,000 for a single station, even with a newspaper thrown in.

Further, this figure would be about half of what Prexy Ed Noble paid for the entire American Broadcasting Company, and no mater how much the web needs a full-time operation in the Midwest, Noble probably wouldn't go for that. Web execs still hope Butler will

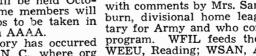
come down.

#### **RWG** Opening Confabs With YZR, WMCA Re Scribblers

NEW YORK, Oct. 5 .- Radio Writers' Guild is starting negotiations with Young & Rubicam and WMCA, agency and local indie, on new con-tracts covering staff scripters.

RWG meeting to report on na-tional executive confab in Holly-wood last month will be held Octo-ber 15, at which time members will be informed of steps to be taken in RWG's conflict with AAAA. Latest Guild victory has occurred at WPTF, Raleigh, N. C., where org won an NLRB election and was rec-ognized as bargaining agent for corritors. Vote was 4 to 1.

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#### Salvation Seg on 6 Outlets

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.—Salva-tion Army once again has lined up a regional network to air its efforts. Originating Saturday mornings on WFIL here, Army sponsors a half-hour Women's Home League of the Air, featuring hymns and interviews with comments by Mrs Samuel Hepwith comments by Mrs. Samuel Hep-burn, divisional home league secreburn, divisional home league secre-tary for Army and who conducts the program. WFIL feeds the show to WEEU, Reading; WSAN, Allentown; WGAL, Lancaster, and WHGB, Har-risburg, Pa., and WILM, Wilmington, Del Del.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 5.—A group of radio and newspaper men had gathered to tell the audience, gathered to tell the audience, via e. t., what had been done during the polio epidemic. Each announcer, as he took the mike, gave as graphic a view of what his station had done as was possible in the limited time.

Then it came the turn of Ed Vieh-man, ace gabber for WCCO-CBS, which long has played down its CBS o & o set-up locally, speiling loudly about its service to this area as "the Neighbor of the Great North-west." Mouths of the other radio west. Mouths of the other radio men present gaped in amazement as he declared over the air: "Altho a station such as WCCO with its orders all coming directly from New York, is somewhat limited in the local time the output of the output of WCCO it can give to such coverage, WCCO is pretty proud to say that never once was a request for time or announce-ments turned down." It was re-ported that those WCCO staffers who chanced to hear the program nearly became victims of apoplexy.

# White Collarites

**Open CBS Confabs** NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Following recent certification of the United Office and Professional Workers of America (CIO) as the official bar-gaining agent for CBS white-collar workers, the union this week elected a temporary seven-man negotiating committee and opened preliminary conferences with network's management. Permanent committee is expected to be ratified by a general vote of the CBS membership soon.

Committee includes Myra Jordan, secretary to William Shirer; W. C. Hubbard, supervisor of billing in the accounting department; A. B. Des-marteau, chief of television account-ing department; Dela study marteau, chief of television account-ing department; Donald Polz, study director, research; Rupert Graves, assistant in music copyright, and Margaret O'Connell, music editor, press information department. Alter-nate is Rose Marie O'Reilly, of research.

be headed by Aaron Schneider, Norma Aronson and Paul Lubow, respectively UOPWOA regional di-rector, director of organization, and Radio Guild rep.



#### **Diskers Plan Own Demands**

NEW YORK, Oct. 5. — Virtually every important transcription pro-ducer in the country attended a sotto voce meeting at the National Broad-casting Company last week for the purpose of maintaining a united stand to deal with imminent demands of to deal with imminent demands of the American Federation of Radio Artists. Meeting of the wax men, who represented companies from such far-flung production centers as New York, Boston, Chicago and Hollywood, was of added significance, inasmuch as the confab considered the advisability of setting up a trade organization in order that the indus-try might present a united front. As organization in order that the indus-try might present a united front. As one transcription producer explained this week, a trade org has often been considered by individuals within the industry, but heretofore cut-throat competition and rugged individualism has prevented an anschluss. Confab last week was the closest indication yet of a desire to get together.

Last week's meeting was concerned with AFRA primarily, and a com-mittee was set up to "investigate" the AFRA demands. These demands, incidentally, have not yet been pre-(See E.T.'S UNITED on page 14)

## **Crosley Broom Will** Sweep WINS Shows In Competish Surge

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—With approx-imately 75 per cent of Crosley's new-ly acquired WINS program set up to be completely revamped and be completely revamped and re-scheduled, Prexy J. D. Shouse and Manager R. E. Dunville will make their permanent headquarters in New York. Space is now being set up for them at WINS. Move indicates that Crosley means business in building Crosley means business in building up new and re-scheduled shows and that money is no object in lining up programs that will offer stiff compe-tition to such leading New York indies as WHN, WMCA, WNEW, WOV and WQXR. Following in wake of new set-up will be station's jumping from 10,000 to 50,000 watts around Novem-ber 1 ber

ber 1. In an effort to hypo the New York station as well as WLW, the Crosley station in Cincinnati, programs short-ly will be swapped between the two stations. Starting October 14, WLW will feed programs via direct line to WINS and some time in November WINS will start feeding shows to Cincinnati. To co-ordinate activities between the two stations Wilfred Cuerther her her ward station rebetween the two stations Wilfred Guenther has been named station re-Guenther has been named station re-lations manager of Crosley Broad-casting Corporation as well as acting manager of Crosley's FM outlet in Cincinnati, transmission from which will begin within 45-60 days.

Crosley last week brought in Jerry Danzig, ex-navy lieutenant and in pre-war days with WOR, as program director. He fills spot vacated by Bob Herginson last January. Danzig has been given the green light on the revamping and building up of all programs.

# **Eds To Turn** To Criticism, **Mature Stuff**

#### **Cut Straight Reporting**

(Continued from page 3) thinking are regarded as indicative of what is being felt thruout the industry, namely, that the day of straight news reporting by radio edi-tors is coming to an end. In the past, nine-tenths of all radio columns have been primarily news—editors even boasting of the fact that they rarely listened to the medium. Infer-ence is that in the future the eds will have to listen more, with pub-lishers cracking down if they don't. Interesting angle on the whole

lishers cracking down if they don't. Interesting angle on the whole situation is the emergence in New York of John Crosby's Herald Trib-une column as a prestige pillar on a plane comparable to Jack Gould's critical writings in The New York Times. Level of both the Times and Tribune critiques is causing much consternation, admiration and won-derment, not only locally, but in areas far removed. It's believed and hoped this is only the beginning. As for the publishers, there are

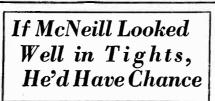
As for the publishers, there are two schools of thought regarding the role they will play in the picture. One is that a vigorous rap-radio wave is in the offing, to be aided and abetted by numerous columns slated to debut when the newsprint short-ore coses. Other argument is that to debut when the newsprint short-age eases. Other argument is that the coming columns will reflect a changed attitude toward radio — namely, to make it pay from the standpoint of amusement advertising. Tying in with this argument is the fact that more and more publishers are getting into AM, FM, and tele-vision vision

It is also significant that The Sat-urday Review of Literature, The Nation and New Republic each has inaugurated weekly radio coverage within the past month or so. New York Post is scheduled to resume its radio column shortly with Paul radio column shortly, with Paul Denis editing. At the same time, *The Herald Tribune* syndicate has found surprisingly good market for Crosby's pillar.

#### **Anticipated Squawk Re Wholesale Grants** Spiked by Commish

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5. — With broadcast grants now over the 1,000 mark, Federal Communications Commission Chairman Charles R. Denny is seen as anticipating a new wave of outeries against the commish for wholesale grants. FCC's 1,000th grant last week (25) was accompanied by Denny's pointed remark that "every additional radio station provides the American neople with a new instru-American people with a new instru-ment for vitalizing our democracy and for access to wholesome entertainment and education."

Some observers view Denny's offi-cial declaration as a pointed attempt also to bolster FCC's Blue Book, with Denny regarded as implying that new stations add to the competish for good programing. This was seen especially in Denny's assertion that "these stations have great op-portunities to provide the means for local expression." The 1,000th grant went to Indian River Broadcasting Company's WIRA (Fort Pierce, Fla.). In addition to the big heap of AM grants, there are 65 FM stations operating, full time, 48 others with regular licenses, 531 with conditional grants or CP's, and 328 pending FM applications. Some observers view Denny's offi-



AKRON, Oct. 5.—Don McNeill's Breakfast Club scheduled to do two broadcasts here October 26, won't show. Reason: Walter Moore, local promoter, thinks his regular Saturday night wrestling matches are more important important.

While some Akron radio critics might agree with the grunt and groan impresario, Akronites who have been yapping for a new public auditorium now are more vociferous than ever. City's only available spot for such shows is the armory, which Moore has under contract for 52 Saturdays a year. Having built his rassle biz up after a long time in the red, Moore opined he saw no reason for cutting his possible gross by \$500 or more by shifting his tea dances to a Friday night Friday night.

#### Int'l Congress for **Freedom of Speech Nixes Govt. Outlets**

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 5.-Freedom of speech over the air and minimum government control were principal themes at first Interamerican Radio themes at first Interamerican Radio Broadcasters' Congress which closed today with permanent organization and headquarters for next two years in Montevideo, Uruguay. Lorenzo Balerio Sicco, of Montevideo, was elected permanent honorary presi-dent in recognition of his long work for organization, and today was for organization, and today was chosen active president with power to name a general manager or secre-tary general for Uruguay headquarters.

Directors named were Eneas Machado Assis, of Brazil; Goar Mes-tre, of Cuba; Marco Gandasegu, of Panama, and Temilio Azcarraga, of Mexico. Delegates insisted on freedom of speech by radio and voted against admitting government-owned radio admitting government-owned radio stations to membership in the permastations to membership in the perma-nent organization known as Asocia-cion Interamerican de Radiodi Fusion. They want competition by govern-ment stations eliminated as much as possible. International agreements on rights of authors and composers, suggested interchanges of talent and arbitration arrangement to settle disputes over wavelengths in absence of government action and free im-portation of needed radio equipment is also wanted. is also wanted.

A code of ethics was proposed, but it may be tabled a while to get opinions from hemispheric delegates. One point which brought bitter de-bate and which was finally eliminated would have forced registration of station tariffs with national and

# **AFRA-Web Talks Stalemated;** Six Points Under Dispute

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—End of the first week's negotiations between AFRA and the four networks finds both sides deadlocked over six of the union's demands. Web execs refuse to proceed with the talks until the status of these points is settled, while AFRA refuses to modify its demands until it is advised as to the nature of the chains' counter-proposals. The pix noise here the chains' counter-proposals. that networks cease feeding outlets which refuse to negotiate with the union; (2) equalization of commercial and sustaining rates, a long-time AFRA objective; (3) elimination of the Pacific Coast regional differen-

#### **Expect Quick Peace** In Chi RDG-Web Tiff

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Negotiations between the Chi chapter of Radio Directors' Guild and three major webs, NBC, ABC, and CBS, struck a snag this week over the question of commercial fees for producers. Webs commercial fees for producers. Webs are solidly aligned on the principle that producers on salary with the nets are not entitled to extra fees just because the, show is commercial. Even tho all pay bonuses for commer-cials, webs feel they shouldn't be forced into paying off by contract. Guild's stand is that nets bill adver-tioned for producer's for for

tising agencies for producers' fees for commercial show and that producers, despite web salaries, should get extra dough by contract. Either that or nets shouldn't charge sponsor and agencies extra dough.

Spokesman for the Guild said org was more interested in getting at the root of the problem, which it feels is standardization of producer-direc-tor prices in packages done by ad agencies. For this reason, he said, Guild would probably come to a "workable agreement" with the webs on commercial fees, with the idea of striking at ad agencies.

international associations. All American countries were represented ex-cept Santo Domingo, Haiti and Paraguay in the first session of its kind. Among those participating were Ed-mund Chester, A. M. Martinez, Eli-nor McNaughton and Dick Rice, of the United States, and Harry Sedg-

wick, of Canada. There were others here from the United States listening and trying to interpret the future of the association. From all indications it was a Latin-American meeting. Mexico's it was greatest radio, television and elec-tronics show, as part of the Congress, proved almost a sensation, espe-cially the RCA televising of the first cially the RCA televising of the first bullfight in history as well as fashion shows and other events seen here for the first time. Number of RCA officials were here for the show and convention. They predicted that Mexico would get a big play for television because of colorful scenes as soon as cables are available to permit transmission of airpix to the United States.

tials; (4) mutual cancellation rights, by which artists, as well as pro-ducers, could cancel contracts; (5) commercial fees for sound men; (6) payment for non-pros at AFRA rates. Last point refers to audience participation shows where studio participation shows where studio members of the studio audience are called on to do turns.

AFRA has yielded on some of these points in prior negotiations and presumably wants them more than ever now, having given in once. This applies to the commercial fees for sound men; the Pacific Coast leveling off, and above all, the equalization of rates on commercials and sustainers and sustainers.

and sustainers. Networks claim, among other points, that they cannot dictate policy to affiliate, non-web-owned stations and that therefore AFRA cannot expect them to violate affilia-tion contracts by discontinuing pro-gram service to an AFRA-involved station. Web execs state flatly that commersh rates for sustainers is im-possible and that it would throw all operation costs far out of joint. operation costs far out of joint.

AFRA is asking for a 35 per cent boost on every dollar. Thesps also want announcers to be paid for cow catchers and hitch hikes and wants all doubling discontinued. Despite the stalemate, negotiations have been amicable. Ad agency reps have been sitting in on the confabs. sitting in on the confabs.

AFRA has set October 15 for a special meeting to consider an anti-communist resolution, presented by 315 members.

# **Gen. Mills Burns** As Morgan Ribs

CHICAGO, Oct. 5 .- Altho the trade is calling Henry Morgan the comedy radio find of the year and is giving ABC orchids for selling him to Eversharp, indications here, at least as they are developing since ABC sold the show, are that the net might have caught on to something that could give them plenty of trouble.

Reason for all this speculation, ac-cording to talk, is that Morgan's habit of burlesquing other radio programs, most of them sponsored, might nettle ABC's other advertisers. might nettle ABC's other advertisers. Prime example talked about is the case wherein recently Morgan did a parody of the ABC program Jack Armstrong. Morgan called his bur-lesque Jack Footstrong and then proceeded to give the program a going over. As a result, boys at General Mills, Armstrong sponsor, have been "talking" about the pro-gram. gram.

gram. Trade execs here say that ABC has a piece of talent that has to be watched very carefully. Morgan might earn a high Hooper and gar-ner a large audience, but on the other hand, they say the kickback from ABC advertisers whose shows he burlesques could produce plenty of headaches and the net could suffer where it hurts, in the pocketbook. Info is that Morgan's scripts will be kept under close scrutiny, and if they don't measure to expectations, will be "corrected." Corrected, the man said.

man said.

# Where There's Life There's Hope

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Two top prestige radio editors, Jack Gould in *The Sunday Times* and John Crosby in *The Herald Tribune*, carried reviews of Bob Hope's first show of the season and came to diametrically opposed conclusions. Gould stated that the seg was a terrific turkey; Crosby praised Hope as tops. Interestingly enough, both reviewers quoted Hope's gags, Gould to indicate the low level hit by the show, and Crosby to indicate exactly the opposite. Gould (Sunday, September 29), after dipping into Hope's script, concluded: "Surely, Mr. Hope is more familiar with the facts of broadcasting. It is not true that listeners have the average mentality of three-year-olds. The accepted statistics have always shown that

of three-year-olds. The accepted statistics have always shown that they are the equal of the 12-year-old, Mr. Hope." Crosby (Monday, September 30), quoting the gags, mentioned the "thunderous applause" and "hysterical laughter" of the audience,

but neglected to indicate it was merely the studio audience. Studio audiences are known to rock with laughter rather easily. In any event, such forthright difference of opinion tickled the

palates of local radio men, one mentioning that the reviews reminded him of "some of the dog fights in legit."

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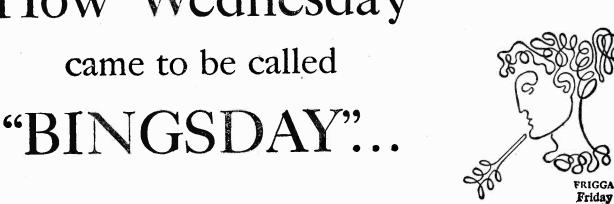
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How Wednesday came to be called

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WODEN Wednesday

LL SORTS of things have been named after . great people-cigars, candy bars, public parks and skyscrapers. Cities, too. And states. Even countries.

But the days of the week were named in honor of the Sun, the Moon and several ancient gods. Tuesday is Tyr's Day. Thursday is Thor's Day. And Wednesday, up until now, was Woden's Day.

But not any more.

Wednesday is Bingsday now.

"I guess you've had your day, Woden, old man," cracked Thor when the gods heard the news.

"But they can't DO this to me!" Woden roared.

"They can't, eh?" beamed the Moon. "You just don't know this man Crosby! I used to think I had tremendous drawing power-but for the last three years Bing has been acclaimed the biggest box office money draw in the entertainment world."

#### "But-"

"And besides," added Tyr, "last year his phonograph records sold to the tune of eight million platters—which makes your mythical records look

#### pretty weak, indeed!"

"But-"

"Not only that," said Saturn, "but his movies have played to millions of paying customers. And he's piling up more awards in movies and radio than you could in a month of Wednesdays-I mean Bingsdays."

"But why did he have to pick on my day," persisted Woden. "Why not Sun Day, or Thor's Day, or Tyr's Day?"

"Because everybody knows that Wednesday is the night. It's his night. On the air, you know."

"What air?"

"The American Broadcasting Company's air, of course! Sponsored by Philco, the world's largest radio manufacturer, Bing sings as only Bing can sing every Bingsday night from ten to ten-thirty in the East and from nine to nine-thirty everywhere else across the country.'

"You know," Woden decided, "I'm beginning to like this. Now, instead of working so hard at being Wednesday, I can stay home Bingsday night and hear Crosby sing!"

"Which," added Thor, "is what just about everybody else in creation will be doing!"

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#### 8 RADIO

# **CBS** Seeks Production Fillip With 'Editor-Producer' Group

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Increased emphasis on the importance of writing in contributing to good programing is due from CBS this fall, with the in contributing to good programing is due from CBS this fail, with the networks program chiefs establishing a new production category, that of "editor-producer." First staffer to occupy such a post is Jim Hart, who handles the Joe Powers vaude show for the web. Others are on the way. J. Davidson Taylor, CBS program v.p. in explaining the editor-producer idea, stated that it stemmed from a decision to tackle one of programings major weaknesses—poor writing, complicated by the inability, frequently encountered, of straight director-pro-

ducers to tighten up wobly scripts. CBS now figures that since virtually all programs originate with the writ-er, under the new deal, the writer will, as he should, be top man.

Columbia's action ties in closely with the addition of some months back of Goodman Ace, as supervisor of comedy and variety stanzas. Ace has been thumping for more atten-tion to writing almost since his start in radio, and he and Taylor share the belief that not only is good writing a basic necessity in programing on its own, but that it is urgently needed to attract top talent. Chances are the CBS development will be closely watched by other web production execs.

"Editor-producer" plan is tied in with CBS's general scheme for fall programing. Web, Taylor asserted, is more than ever on the lookout for public service segs of sufficient cal-iber to expand the audience which favors such listening, with the recent formation of a documentary unit a manifestation of the hypoed public

slant. Daytime problem still rates high priority. CBS wants new, different and better day shows, with audience and better day shows, with audience participation held strictly n.g. While the Columbia program topper sees no need for new dramatic shows—he figures "We're rich in dramatic material"—it is giving more and more time and attention to the problem of creating new comedy airers. Dismal nature generally of summer replacement programs have heightened activities in this direction. heightened activities in this direction. School is addin CBS has high hopes for the new as guesters, and Sweeney and March Saturday night be added soon.

#### N. Y. Summer Listening Up Since 1943, Says Maddux

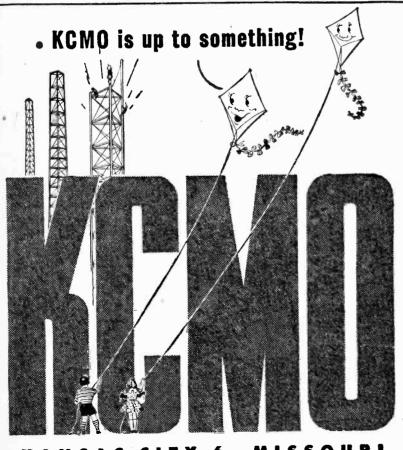
NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Assump-tion that radio listening in the New York area fell off beyond the normal seasonal decline during the past months is unfounded, according to R. C. Maddux, WOR vice-president.

Maddux, in a report based on four years of listening records prepared by the WOR research department, states that both day and night listening during July and August of this year showed an increase over each year since 1943.

year since 1943. "Of course," say Maddux, "allow-ances were made for the daytime V-J Day influence of 1945. "The same trend," he added, "is indicated with respect to May and June of this year."

session, and also is reported trying to get Danny Thomas back on its schedules

Taylor said that several oldies in the 5:30-6 p.m. slot, which has been set aside for the development of shows needing a run on the air, will be dropped. First to lam will be *The Chicagoans*, which powders Tuesday Chicagoans, which powders Tuesday (8). CBS also is spotting a series of longhair stanzas in the 11:30 p.m. spot, Sunday thru Thursday. Tomor-row, (6) Alfred Antonini starts a series tabbed *Music You Know. Invi-tation To Music* (Wednesday), done in co-operation with the Juilliard School is adding top musical names as guesters, and other shows are to be added soon.



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#### **Programs With Top Evening Urban Circulation**

Program	Hooper- ating	Net	Agency	Sponsor	Product	Urban Listeners*
Radio Theater	16.2	CBS	JWT	Lever Bros.	Lux	5,954,900
Edgar Bergen	14.5	NBC	JWT	Standard Brands	C&S Coffee	5,563,589
Screen Guild Players	15.9	CBS	Blow	Lady Esther	Powder	5,518,629
Red Skelton*	15.3	NBC	Seeds	Brown & Williamson	Rateigh Cigs.	5,467,225
Walter Winchell**	13.5	ABC	L&M	Jergens	Lotion	4,843,793
Mr. D. A.	13.4	ABC	DC&S	Bristol-Myers	Vitalis	4,533,176
Take It or Leave It	11.9	CBS	Blow	Eversharp	Pens	4,531,125
Your Hit Parade	11.5	CBS	FC&B	American Tobacco	Lucky Strike Cigs.	4,530,393
Tommy Dorsey & Company	11.6	NBC	JWT	Standard Brands	Tenderleaf Tea	4,518,823
Maisle*	12.2	CBS	Blow	Eversharp	Pens	4,270,159
Judy Canova Show	12.0	NBC	S&M	Colgate-Patmolive	Soap-Tooth Powder	4,252,879
Hollywood Players	12.8	CBS	BBD&O	Cresta-Blanca	Wine	4,105,252
Suspense	12.3	CBS	Biow	Roma	Wine	4,088,996
Kay Kyser (10:30)*	12.2	NBC	Bates	Colgate-Palmolive	Soap-Tooth Powder	4,055,752
Burns and Allen	10.7	NBC	B&B	General Foods	Coffee	3,964,515
Truth or Consequences	10.6	NBC	Compton	P. & G.	Duz	3,927,468
Great Glidersleeve	10.5	NBC	JWT	Kraft Foods	Parkay	3,905,789
Crime Doctor	10.5	CBS	Blow	Philip Morris	Tobacco	3,859,658
Man Called X	11.3	NBC	FC&B	Lever Bros.	Pepsodent	3,822,752
Blondie	9.6	CBS	Esty	Colgate-Palmolive	Super Suds	3,739,716

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Radio Theater	16.2	CBS	JWT	Lever Bros.	Lux	2,965,588
Screen Gulld Players	15.9	CBS	Blow	Lady Ester	Powder	2,933,958
Edgar Bergen	14.5	NBC	JWT	Standard Brands	C. & S. Coffee	2,611,914
Red Skelton*	15.3	NBC	Seeds	Brown & Williamson	Raleigh Cigs.	2,576,76
Walter Winchell**	13.5	ABC	L&M	Jergens	Lotion	2,550,40
Your Hit Parade	11.5	CBS	FC&B	American Tobacco	Lucky Strike Cigs.	2,374,66
Take It or Leave It	11.9	CBS	Blow	Eversharp	Pens	2,265,56
Tommy Dorsey & Company	11.6	NBC	JWT	Standard Brands	Tenderleaf Tea	2,259,41
Mr. D. A.	13.4	ABC	DC&S	Bristol-Myers	Vitalls	2,197,90
Hollywood Players	12.8	CBS	BBD&O	Cresta-Blanca	Wine	2,193,21
Songs by Sinatra	10.0	CBS	L&M	P. Lorillard	Old Gold Cigs.	2,094,21
Maisie*	12.2	CBS	Blow	Eversharp	Pens	2,072,54
Kay Kyser (10:30) *	12.2	NBC	Bates	Colgate-Palmolive	Soap-Tooth Powder	2,036,81
Suspense	12.3	CBS	Blow	Roma	Wine	2,017,47
Burns & Allen	10.7	NBC	B&B	General Foods	Coffee	2,005,76
Judy Canova Show	12.0	NBC	8&M	Colgate-Palmolive	Soap-Tooth Powder	2,003,41
Truth or Consequences	10.6	NBC	Compton	P. & G.	Duz	1,955 <b>,97</b>
Dr. I. Q.*	10.6	NBC	Grant	Mars	Candy	1,909,39
Man Called X	11.3	NBC	FC&B	Lever Bros.	Pepsodent	1,903,10
Great Glidersleeve	10.5	NBC	JWT	Kraft Foods	Parkay	1,860,63
Life of Riley	10.5	NBC	Blow	P. & G.	Tooth Powder	1,860 <u>.</u> 63
An Evening With Romberg***	10.0	NBC	Seeds	Brown & Williamson	Rateigh Cigs.	1,859,90
Jack Haley with Eve Arden	10.4	NBC	M&A	National Dairy	Sealtest	1,858,14
Programs	Witl	h Top	Male	<b>Evening Urba</b>	n Circula	ation
Edgar Bergen	14.5	NBC	JWT	Standard Brands	C&S Coffee	2,123,50
Walter Winchell**	13.5	ABC	L&M	Jergens	Lotion	1,937,51
Radio Theater	16.2	CBS	JWT	Lever Bros.	Lux	1,874,25
Screen Guild Players	s 15.9	CBS	Blow	Lady Esther	Powder	1,839,54
Take It Or Leave It	11.9	CBS	Blow	Eversharp	Pens	1,707,88
Red Skelton*	15.3	NBC	Seeds	Brown & Williamson	Rateigh Cigs.	1,658,09
Judy Canova Show	12.0	NBC	S&M	Colgate-Palmolive	Soap-Tooth Powder	1,651,94

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Program	Hooper		Agency	Sponsor	Product	Urban Listeners*			
Tommy Dorsey & Co.	11.6	NBC	JWT	Standard Brands	Tenderleaf Tea	1,579,889			
Your Hit Parade	11.5	CBŞ	FC&B	American Tobacco	Lucky Strike Cigs.	1,465,220			
We, The People	9.0	CBS	Y&R	Gulf Oll	Gas & Oll	1,443,843			
Suspense	12.3	CBS	Blow	Roma	Wine	1,441,056			
Great Gildersleeve	10.5	NBC	JWT	Kraft Foods	Parkay	1,430,072			
Crime Doctor	10.5	CBS	Blow	Philip Motris	Cigarettes	1,399,318			
Dr. 1. Q.*	10.6	NBC	Grant	Mars	Candy	1,381,598			
Kay Kyser 10:30*	12.2	NBC	Bates	Colgate-Paimolive	Soap-Tooth Powder	1,375,740			
Burns and Allen	10.7	NBC	B&B	General Foods	Maxwell House Coffee	1,363,292			
Maisie*	12.2	CBS	Blow	Eversharp	Pens	1,357,873			
Truth or Consequences	10.6	NBC	Compton	P. & G.	Duz	1,350,551			
Man Called X	11.3	NBC	FC&B	Lever Bros.	Pepsodent	1,340,446			

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Red Skelton*	15.3	NBC	Seeds	Brown & Williamson	Raielgh Elgs.	1,232,366
Radio Theater	16.2	CBS	JWT	Lever Bros.	Lux	1,115,061
Blondle	9.6	CBS	Esty	Colgate-Palmolive	Super-Suds	998,195
Malsie*	12.2	CBS	Blow	Eversharp	Pens	839,737
Edgar Bergen	14.5	NBC	JWT	Standard Brands	C&S Coffee	828,168
Aldrich Family	8.9	CBS	Y&R	General Foods	Grapenuts	821,138
McGarry and His Mouse	10.1	NBC	Y&R .	Bristol-Myers	Ipana	754,358
Mr. D. A.	13.4	ABC	DC&S	Bristol-Myers	Vitails	745,717
Screen Gulld Players	15.9	свр	Biow	Lady Esther	Powder	745,131
Big Town	10.6	CBS	P&R	Sterling Drug	Yeast	714,084
Fannie Brice	9.9	CB6	Y&R	General Food	Sanka Coffee	710,423
Your Hit Parade	11.5	CB\$	FC&B	American Tobacco	Lucky Strike Cigs	690,506
Tommy Dorsey & Co.	11.6	NBC	JWT	Standard Brands	Tenderleaf Tea	679,522
Lone Ranger	6.1	ABC	DFS	General Mills	KIX	678,937
Orime Doctor	10.5	CBS	Blow	Philip Morris	Cigarettes	676.593
Mr. & Mrs. North	9.4	NBC	L&M	Jergens	Woodbury Soar	674,543
Date with Judy	7.9	NBC	RWC	Lewis-Howe Co.	Tums	647,889
Kay Kyser (10:30)*	12.2	NBC	Bates	Colgate-Palmolive	Scap-Tooth Powder	643,203
Hollywood Players	12.8	CBS	BBD&O	Cresta-Blanca	Wine	637,345
Suspense	12.3	CBS	Blow	Roma	Wine	630,462

#### **Programs With Top Daytime Urban Circulation**

Grand Central Station	6.7	CB8	Mc-E	Pillsbury	Flour	2,178,279
Pepper Young's Family	6.7	NBC	P&R	P. & G.	Camay Soap	1,599,367
Right to Happiness	6.3	NBC	Compton	P. & G.	tvory	1,503,883
Portia Faces Life	6.1	NBC	Y&R	General Foods	Various	1,474,007
Backstage Wife	6.2	NBC	D'FS	Sterling Drug	Various	1,461,852
Lorenzo Jones	Б.1	NBC	DFS	Sterling Drug	Various	1,404,151
Ma Perkins	5.3	CBS	DFS	P. & G.	Oxydol	1,397,121
Young Dr. Malone	5.4	CBS	Compton- DFS	P. & G.	Crisco-Dreft	1,383,941
Stella Dallas	5.7	NBC	DFS	Sterling Drug	Varíous	1,377,351
Romance of Helen	Б. <b>З</b>	CBS	DFS	Bisodol & Kolynos	Tooth Powder Drug	<b>1,373,83</b> 6
When a Girl Marries	5.6	NBC	B&B	General Foods	Calumet- Baker's	1,361,388
Breakfast Club (9:15)	4.1	ABC	JWT	Swift	Various	1,308,959
Breakfast in Hollywood	5.7	ABC	K&E	Kellogg	Рер	1,293,875
Big Sister	б.З	CBS	Compton	P. & G.	Ivory	1,265,171
Front Page Farrell	4.5	NBC	DFS	Bisodol & Kolynos	Tooth Powder Drug	1,258,727

#### **Programs With Top Fem Daytime Urban Circulation**

Pepper Young's Family	6. <b>7</b>	NBC	P&R	P. & Q.	Camay Soap	1,157,824
Grand Central Station	6.7	CBS	McC-E	Pillsbury	Flour	1,118,576
Portia Faces Life	6.1	NBC	Y&R	General Foods	Various	1,116,672
Backstage Wife	6.2	NBC	DFS	Sterling Drug	Various	1,080,499
Right to Happiness	6.3	NBC	Compton	P. & G.	lvory	1,079,474
When a Giri Marries	Б.6	NBC	BAB	General Foods	'Calumet- Baker's	1,000,538
Romance of Helen Trent	5.8	CBS	DF8	Bisodol-Kolynos	Tooth Powder Drug	970,223
Ma Perkins (CB8)	5.3	CBS	DF8	P. & G.	Oxydol	962,461
Stella Dallas	5.7	NBC	DFS	Sterling Drug	Various	959,972
Young Dr. Malone	5.4	CBS	Compton-	P. & G.	Crisco-Dreft	956,896

#### Shoot-the-Works **Is Gimmick Theme** For Crosby Show

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 5.—American Broadcasting Company, Philco and Hutchins Agency idea men are pour-ing plenty of stunts into the gim-mick-hopper for kick-off of the Bing Crachy platter show. All are buch Crosby platter show. All are hush-hush as to what's brewing. ABC's Coast promotional chief Jack O'Mara has 16 different projects in the works for the Los Angeles area alone.

One stunt to be worked in L. A. and San Francisco is distribution of 10,000 pennies bearing stickers, mes-sage reading "Bing Crosby, 9 o'Clock, KECA." Brain child of Norman Nel-son, one of O'Mara's staffers, pen-nies will be scattered thruout towns by giving them away to people in the streets, passing them into circu-lation via change in stores, etc. Idea is coins will be circulated thruout towns, carrying message to all who handle them. Sticker can be pulled off easily, hence no squawk is an-ticipated from Treasury Department about defacing coin. It is estimated One stunt to be worked in L. A about defacing coin. It is estimated pennies with stickers will circulate for a couple of months to come.

Web and agency are mum on pro-motional campaign, since they are shooting for surprise element in stunts. Hutchins has a gift gimmick up his sleeve for radio eds and trade in general. Will give away 200 plat-ters bearing greetings from Der ters bearing greetings from Der Bingle plus gag song by Crosby ac-companied by Spike Jones's ork. (Latter is dubbed on from his second show.)

Biow's Alden Made V.-P. NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—John M. Alden, West Coast manager for Biow for the past two years, has been upped to a vice-presidency and will be in charge of all Coast activities. Before joining the company, Alden was with J. Walter Thompson's San Francisco office for four years in charge of the Wine Advisory Board account. He originally went to the Coast for BBD&O as its first account executive in California. executive in California.

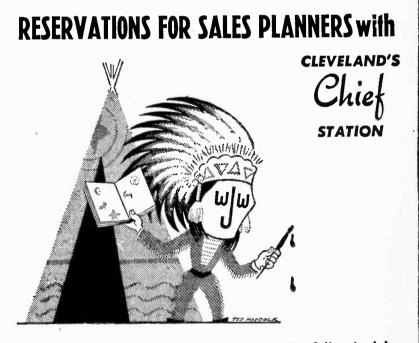
### New Device Tabs Sweat (Appeal) Of Tunes and Segs

CHICAGO, Oct. 5 .- Willing to try anything that might act as a crystal for possible future sales and success, for possible future sales and success, several agencies and music pubs here are planning to give the new elec-tronic method of measuring radio program acceptance, a whirl. Ac-cording to the Russel M. Seeds Agency, device, which works on psychological principles and measures audience emotions or "arousal levels" (in the old days it would be called measuring the amount of sweat a program caused to pop out of pores), will be used for the new Red Skelton airing, and, tho nothing definite has been signed, possibilities are that Bob Hope's fall program may be tested, too. Last week Mercury Records, and a Chi subsidiary of Mercury, Pic Music, both pubs, announced they are going to use the new gauge for testing disks and ditties.

#### Similar to Lie Detcctor

New device, known as the electrop psycho-graph, is the invention of a former Northwestern University psy-chology prof, Dr. Emil Ranseen, and works somewhat similar to the lie detector. The amount of sweat se-cretion of any individual hearing a tune or a program is measured and tune or a program, is measured and a graph shows the result. Emotional a graph shows the result. Emotional response (i.e., amount of sweat) can be marked on a tape and later ana-lyzed in terms of likes and dislikes. New machine will test 10 subjects at once and, according to Lee Penny, v.-p. and general manager of Re-search Specialists, Inc., which turns out the machines, tests will be made, not only with the agency and pubs mentioned, but also with Foote, Cone & Belding; Ruthrauff & Ryan and the Abbott-Kimball agency. Abbott-Kimball agency.

While some agency folk see pos-sibilities in the machine, music pubs here are frankly from Missouri about it. But they're willing to try it. Could be.



A reservation for choice room in WJW's fall schedule will give sales planners a new lease on the Cleveland money market, and service includes more daytime dialers per dollar in the Cleveland area than any other regional station.





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# **TOO SHORT FOR A HEAD 30G Production Cost for CBS' "Stars In Afterneon" Ballyhoo**

Production cost of the two CBS kick-off promotion shows, Stars in the Afternoon, plugging the new season's schedule, was \$30,000, of which \$6,000 was spent in line costs. Segs, each 90-minutes. were aired the past two Sundays (22 and 29), with the web making extensive use of the open line technique in order that airings from Hollywood and New York might give the effect of coming from one central studio. CBS exec, mentioning the \$30,000 as indicative of what the web will spend for good programing, estimated the talent value on the two segs at \$200,000 if bought on the commercial market. CBS, however, was able to get the talent for AFRA scale, agencies handling the accounts being glad to tie in with the ballyhoo.

Don Wattrick, new sportscaster on WJR, assigned the prize chore of the nine University of Michigan games, sponsored by Standard Oil of Indiana. Account was set by McCann-Erickson Agency. Wattrick himself was a nineletter man at Central Michigan College... John Shepard III, chairman of board of directors of the Yankee Network and a member of the board of MBS, currently in Europe for a three-week trip preparatory to handling a special broadcast for Mutual.

WCOP, Cowles Boston station, is turning in a practical program aiding home building. Post Office Clerk Frank J. O'Brien, a World War I vet, has been given co-operation of station in staging old-fashioned cooperative b a r n raising sessions. WCOP plan aims at erecting \$10,000 homes for \$4,000... Walter Steindel, assistant conductor of WGN's Chi Philharmonic Orchestra, took over directorship of *The Northerners* Wednesday (2). Seg, a musical, is the oldest continuously sponsored show in Chi radio. ... Three-way triple record has been established by WTMJ; *Milwaukee Journal* station, sportscaster Russ Winnie and Socony-Vacuum Oil Company. This is the 18th year all three have been associated.

Promotion stunt getting impressive comment in the trade is the WFIL "Studio Schoolhouse Teachers' Manual." "Studio Schoolhouse" is now in its fourth year on WFIL Philly, and the manual is being distributed by station to 10,000 elementary school teachers as an aid to securing maximum educational value from in-school listening. Program, a five-a-week, is prepared in co-operation with public, parochial and private schools, the Franklin Institute and the Free Library of Philadelphia. . . Allan Kent and Ginger Johnson, jingle writing team, have been signed to an exclusive contract by Gale Agency, Inc. Duo has written such toppers as "Just the Other Day" and "Pepsi-Cola Hits the Spot."

Latest in the exodus from Ruthrauff & Ryan, Inc., is Luther H. Wood, former R. & R. vice-president, who has joined Sullivan, Stauffer, Colwell & Bayles, Inc., as Director of Research. . . WSM, Nashville, Tenn., added a new wrinkle in local public service with its recent airings of an Alcoholics Anonymous series. Dramatizations, written by Eddie Birbryer, depicted actual case histories, with roles played by both professional actors and members of the local chapter of AA. . . Lonny Starr, announcer at WFBR, Baltimore, busy handing out cigars last week when Mrs. Starr gave birth to a boy, Don-

Production cost of the two CBS ald George... Homer Griffith Comck-off promotion shows, *Stars in* pany, station reps with offices in *e Afternoon*, plugging the new sea- Los Angeles and San Francisco, Chi n's schedule, was \$30,000, of which and New York, recently opened of ,000 was spent in line costs. Segs, fices in Dallas, Tex., under the superich 90-minutes. were aired the past vision of Walter S. Kline, formerly to Sundays (22 and 29), with the commercial manager of KVSO, Ardeb making extensive use of the more, Okla.

> Iowa Barn Dance Frolic, produced weekly by WHO, Des Moines, opened its 16th season Saturday night (5) in 4,200-seat Radio Theater, formerly Shrine Auditorium, largest theater in Middle West. Cast of 65 was skedded to broadcast two half-hour and three quarter-hour costumed stageshows of comedy, American folk music and pop melodies. . . Peter Randall, former Canadian radio comic, back in the U. S. after three and one-half years in the U. S. Army OSS. . . . KAVE, indie station in Carlsbad, N. M., joins CBS as web's 160th affiliate, effective September 29.

Twenty-two new clients signed with ABC in the past week covering sponsorship of eight ABC co-op shows... Lawrence Ruddell, manager of recording for ABC, en route to Hollywood in connection with Bing Crosby show October 16. On his return, Ruddell will stop at Chicago, where he will set up a recording department in ABC's Central Division. ... Betty Garde will be a regular member of the Henry Morgan show when it goes on the air for Eversharp-Schick Wednesdays, 10:30-11 p.m., over ABC, starting October 16. ... Newscaster George Putnam and his wife, Lee, premiered a husbandwife combination over MBS Sunday (6) evening at 8:45 p.m. George does straight news, with spouse doing fashions. Seg is sponsored in New York by Ludwig Bauman Furniture, but is aired Coast to Coast.

Dick Brown signed by Procter & Gamble for a Monday-Wednesday-Friday song series over WNEW, New York, in the 7:45 p.m. slot, starting Friday (16). Brown will continue his five-aweek series over the same station at 9:45 a.m. for Prentiss Clothes. ... Warde Donovan, airing Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. over NBC, has been chosen as the juvenile lead for the forthcoming musical. "Toplitzky of Notre Dame." ... Texaco will again sponsor Metropolitan Opera broadcasts over WJZ, New York, with first one slated November 16. ... New WLIB, Brooklyn, tie-up pipes one-minute news announcements into RKO-Albee Theater direct from station newsroom three times daily. News is direct to house audience only after regular pic newsreel during running of trailer plugging station. Theater's lobby display includes blow-up of WLIB newscasters.

Adventures of Frank Merriwell series which opened on NBC Saturday (5) is second program idea placed by Gil and Ruth Braun since Gil's release from army in February. Initial show was *The Avenger* series. ... Paul Munroe out of Biow Agency. ... Robert Merill slated for a concert tour this month in high school and college auditoriums. ... Jane Griffith, assistant to Pat Hurley, WQXR flack, resigned from station for new job as associate editor of *Art Outlook*, art trade sheet due on stands next month.

Al Fishburn, Schwimmer and Scott radio chief, will produce the entertainment for NAB convention dinner October 24 at Stevens Hotel, Chicago. John Wehreim, former assistant auditor at NBC Central Division, upped

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to assistant general office manager. ... Werner Michel, formerly chief of the Radio Program Branch of the State Department, joined CBS as a producer-director Sunday (6). . . . Tom More, formerly of WCKY, Cincinnati, has joined announcing staff of WNOX, Knoxville, Tenn., where he will do three shows a day.

Personnel changes were announced at WSPA, Spartanburg, S. C., Sunday (29), day the station increased its night power from 1,000 watts to 5,000. Instead of going off air at 12:05 a.m., station broadcasts until 1:05 a.m., with Ace Rickenbacker joining station to handle the earlymorning stretch. In addition, Ross Gordon, Elwood Thompson and Ben Greer have joined the announcing staff. . . Ivor Kenway, director of advertising and promotion for ABC addressing the Annual Convention of Independent Food & Grocers' Association at Nashua, New Hampshire, Monday (7) on Radio—Your Door to Door Salesman.

William Goodwin, former staff announcer for WMAS, Springfield, Mass., named sportscaster and program manager for Sportscasting, Inc., of Hartford, Conn. ... Transmitter tower of 435 feet, one of the tallest in Western Canada, has been completed for CFAC, Calgary, Alta. Station was recently upped to 5,000 watts. ... At a ceremony held Monday (30) at the Barbizon Plaza, New York, Radio Directors' Guild was formally given its international charter in the AFL, presentation being handled by William Collins, AFL regional director.

Sid Walton, news editor and commentator of WHM, has resigned. He. will freelance... Stanley Florsheim, who was in charge of merchandising for ABC, has parted with the web... Gene Rider returned to CBS technical operation department after two and one-half years... One of Chicago's foreign language stations, WSBC, is really making some of its programs authentic by going back to the old countries for material. For instance, *American Bohemian Hour* is now airing a series of spot recordings fr om Czechoslovakia. Similarly, station's Italian morning programs are e. t.'s from Italy made by Luigi Antonini, AFL delegate to the peace conference in Paris.

Gordon Buck, in the research business in Chicago for 12 years and who set up and headed the dairy survey division for C. E. Hooper, this week was named research chief for Foote, Cone & Belding in Chi. Richard Tully will be assistant research director. Fred Haviland, former research chief, has not yet announced plans. . . Tony Donald, newscaster and disk jock, has resigned from KWKH. Shreveport, La. . . Irene Krieg, formerly with Free & Peters, New York, station reps, has joined the fiack staff of Westinghouse Radio Stations, Inc., Philly.

Chris Mack, farm service director, WNAX, Yankton, S. D., left Saturday (5) for Guatamala to study agricultural practices and visit the Iowa State College Guatemalan Tropical Research Center, a corn study station. Mack will do interviews and stories on a magnetic wire recorded and send them back to WNAX for airing.

Newest additions to agency firm of Sullivan, Stauffer, Colwell & Bayles include Robert Reuschle, formerly of Young & Rubicam, who heads up the station relations and time buying department, and John Kelleher, formerly of Lever Bros., heading up SSC & B's space buying. Mel Williamson resigned as ra-

Mel Williamson resigned as radio director of Raymond R. Morgan agency, Hollywood. . . Don Lee's "Michael Shayne" whodunit goes over the full Mutual web starting October 16. . . Fred Thrower, ABC vice-president in charge of sales, vacationing at Belgrade Lakes, Me.

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#### RADIO 11

# Main St. Now Comes First in Air **Reporting on Duluth Outlets**

DULUTH, Minn., Oct. 5.—An idea of how a community such as Duluth, third largest city in Minnesota, can become local news conscious has been displayed quite effectively here by KDAL, the CBS affiliate, and WEBC, NBC outlet. Little more than a year ago, stations were carrying the usual type of news coverage, based on wire reports, with local breaks given little emphasis. KDAL broke the ice as war's end made it apparent that listeners would be more interested in news about Main Street. Diminutive Bill Krueger, radio reporter at WCCO in Minneapolis, was hired away as news editor for the Duluth station.

KDAL opened a 15-minute spot at 6 p.m., playing up local news heavily, with wind-up of seg devoted to quick summary of national and international developments.

#### Lewis Now Second

Krueger became a man with a pur-pose. He slanted his news to include future significance for the commun-ity. Not only did his seg handle straight news accounts, but he of-fered analysis and commentary. Until he started, Fulton Lewis Jr. was the 6 p.m. hot-shot here. In a few months Krueger caught up to him, and now the town talks about K., not L. WEBC, meanwhile, carried its reg-

WEBC, meanwhile, carried its reg-ular 10 p.m. news slot, but as Krue-ger continued to grow at the rival station, WEBC sat up and took notice. July 1, Earl Henton, station g.m., took to the mike for presentation of the local news picture, going heavy on feature material. A local news re-porter was bird to rave the town and porter was hired to rove the town and bring in the reports. Henton's 6:45 p.m. seg doesn't interfere with Krueger

ger. Krueger does all his own news-gathering, making all the important meetings and special events in town, and writes his own script. WEBC's news reporter does likewise. The two have met on numerous stories, along with reporters from the local news. with reporters from the local news-papers. There is definite competish papers. There is definite competisn between the two radio stations on the one hand and the newspaper on the other, and on several occasions the radio reporters have combined their efforts against the paper.

#### Miller Steams FCC In Legion Attack

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.-Seen as adding fuel to the resurgent controversy between the Federal Com-munications Commission and the National Association of Broadcasters over Blue Book standards is NAB Prexy Justin Miller's latest blast this week before the American Le-gion conclave in San Francisco.

gion conclave in San Francisco. Regarded as certain to evoke a re-tort from Acting Chairman Charles Denny, of FCC when he speaks at the forthcoming NAB conclave, Mil-ler's attack on the FCC warned against government bureau expan-sion. He said, "Whether it be the postmaster general who would use the second class mail privilege as a club to control the contents of a newspaper or a magazine, or the club to control the contents of a newspaper or a magazine, or the FCC which would use the technical regulation of broadcasting channels as a club to control the contents of broadcasting, the evil is the same in both cases." FCC officials expected the usual charges of an expected the usual

broadcasting, the evil is the same in both cases." FCC officials expected the usual charges of encroachment of freedom of speech and press, but what has them really riled is Miller's coupling of them with the people "who would like the government to take over the major industries." Commission big-wigs are known to be put out about Miller's warning to the Legionnaires that they had better put up with singing commercials and soap operas or they'd be playing right into the hands of the government control crowd. Normally regarded as the usual approach, Miller's attack, which used such adjectives as "in-sidious" and "vicious," has plenty of people miffed around the com-mish.

**RCA Sets Servicing Plan** 

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—RCA plan for servicing receivers has already been communicated to dealers and calls for the company to provide year's service, free of charge, to all buyers of RCA sets. Servicing will include initial installation and tuning of the receivers to stations, as well as periodic adjustments to tune in the set to new video outlets as they come on the air come on the air.

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#### Ballin Heading Coast R&R Set-Up; Sam Pierce Upped

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 5.—Bob Ballin will take over Ruthrauff & Ryan's top Coast radio berth, vacated two weeks ago by Nate Tuft's resignation. Tufts, for 12 years with percentery and a vice-president, quit when R&R beckoned him eastward to become an account executive. Ballin, also a vice-president, had served as and a R&R h assistant to his predecessor. Unique situation will now exist whereby R&R's Coast chief will be produc-ing the Jack Benny airshow for Foote, Cone & Belding. (Benny had asked that Ballin continue megging bis chow when R&R recently lost his show when R&R recently lost American Tobacco account to FC&B).

Other major change at R & R was bill Burch remain on agency's pro-duction rotation. duction roster.

Merritt Barnum, who trekked West to install Ballin in top berth, indi-

#### Ear Plugs Are Free DETROIT, Oct. 5.-Bowling, viewed by one branch of show business—motion picture the-

ater owners—as a major threat to their operation, is receiving a friendly hand from WJR. Start-ing tomorrow, the State's only 50,000 watter will air a Sunday night program, The TenthFrame, with Fred Wolf, a former

champion, as commentator. Program will feature alley-side broadcast, which will be handled via wire recorder. Re-mote from alleys are usually considered impossible boscues of considered impossible because of the noise. Wolf did, however, handle the on-the-spot broad-casts from the bowling congress at Buffalo last year.

cated that new biz was expected in near future which would give Hollywood several new production chores. making up in part, at least, for segs lost to other agencies during past several months.

WOL is now operating at 5000 watts power from a superb new transmitter, which will also house WOL FM, facsimile and color television.

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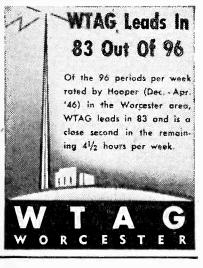
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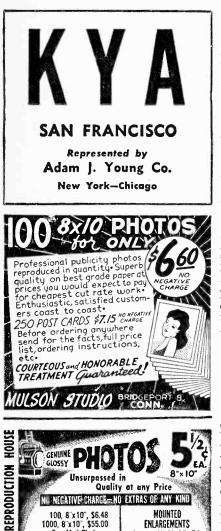
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Chi Edison Co. Leads Drive

#### By Cy Wagner

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.---Utility com-panies are out to promote television. Some of them already have come out in the open in their

attempts to give video a hypo that will make easier the job of sell-ing it to the public. Others are planning promotion campaigns in their territories, in their territories, and still others are watching the promo-

tion efforts of companies which now are in the fight and are deciding whether they should get in the act, too. So far only Commonwealth Edi-son of Chicago and Detroit Edison have expressed openly their intentions to hypo video, but elsewhere in the country, many utility companies are planning to hop the bandwagon.

Intention of the utility companies to back video is based on hard, real-istic business thinking; on the simple istic business thinking; on the simple fact that video receivers use a lot more electricity than do radio sets, thus, for the utilities supplying the electricity, there will be increased revenue. Simple, but significant. The Edison company here, of course, has a public service reason for getting behind the Chi video hypo plan, which calls for a huge tele exposition in 1947. But of no small importance is the fact that it expects to garner at least \$500,000 a year addi-tional revenue when—and if—there are 100,000 video sets here. Electriare 100,000 video sets here. Electri-cal engineers with various manufacturing companies have often pointed out that video sets use much more electricity than radio receivers.

#### Detroit, Too

One other utility company that already has expressed its intentions of promoting video in its community is Detroit Edison (*The Billboard*, Sep-tember 7). Company's entrance into the Detroit video picture caused no little trepidation on the part of Chicago tele interests, who became wor-ried that Detroit might steal the ried march on video development as a (See JUICERS BOOST on page 14)

#### 1,500 Are Expected at Second TBA Confab

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.-Discussion of problems confronting the video broadcaster as well as the advertiser and his agency, film producers, talent reps and others will highlight the second television conference and exhibition of the Television Broad-casters' Association at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York Thurs-day and Friday (10 and 11). With top executives in radio and tele-vision postisioning more than 20 vision participating, more than 80 papers will be delivered at the general session and panel meetings scheduled. Some 1,500 persons are expected to attend. Latest video broadcasting and receiving equip-ment will be exhibited by leading manufacturers.

All of the principal sessions of the cally.

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## U, H. F. Okay for Video, Lodge Says

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Seven months of intensive scientific exploration of the ultra-high frequencies justifies the conclusion that they "provide a technically sound transmission med-ium for a television broadcasting ium for a television broadcasting service," William B. Lodge, CBS di-rector of general engineering, de-clared at the National Electronics Conference Friday (4) in reporting on CBS color field tests. An important outgrowth of the field tests, Lodge said, has been the development and use of a new concept of representing broadcast coverage in the very-high and ultra-high frequencies. He added that this may have significant appli-cation in services other than television.

Lodge's paper complimented the report made at the conference by Dr. Peter C. Goldmark, CBS director of engineering research and develop-ment, on the status of color television, in which he revealed that the poten-tial brilliance of color television pictures has been increased 11 times over that in January by use of new color filters and an increase in the number of frames per second.

### **W6XYZ To Telecast Football and Hockey**

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 5. - Klaus Landsberg, Paramount's coast tele head, last week wrapped up two exclusive sports deals allowing his exclusive sports deals allowing his W6XYZ to scan all local games of pro footballers Los Angeles Dons and all hockey games held at Pan-Pacific Auditorium. This will give the area its first tele taste of both sports. First grid tilt is set for Sun-day (27) when the Dons tangle with the New York Yankees.

Football will be picked up from Los Angeles Coliseum with hockey coming from Pan-Pacific Auditorium. All remotes will be beamed via relay to station's transmitter atop Mount Wilson. First hockey scanner is skedded for first week in November, skedded for first week in November, with outlet possessing tele rights to all league games played by the Los Angeles Monarchs and Hollywood Wolves. Hockey nights here are Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, Landsberg expecting to cover at least two games per week. Since football comes on Sunday. Landsberg ontiginates heaving present died of anticipates boosting present sked of around five hours weekly to between 10 to 15 hours per week by next month.

month. As reported by *The Billboard*, (September 28), outlet is boosting its remote sked and is now laying plans for year-around tele coverage of sports events. Months ago station brought in motorcycle races from Pomona (40 miles from here) and two weeks ago scanned complete nine-day Pacific Southwest tennis matches, five hours daily. matches, five hours daily.

conference will be televised over the four-city network — WNBT and WABD in New York; WRGB in Schenectady, WPTZ in Philadelphia and WTTG in Washington.

Highlighting the Thursday session will be a salute to the United Nations and the annual TBA awards of merit to individuals for outstanding con-tributions to the development of television commercially and techni-

### Video Must Plan To **Police Self Before** Govt. Does, Gerl Says

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Stating that television faces the danger of becoming over-commercialized and eventu-ally the recipient of stringent governmental regulation similar to that which radio is receiving, Joseph Gerl, which radio is receiving, Joseph Gerl, president of the Sonora Radio & Television Corporation, stated in a speech prepared for delivery before a meeting of the Poor Richards Club in Philadelphia Tuesday (October 1) that the video industry ought to begin laying plans now for self-control which would prevent need for gov-ernmental regulations. Gerl radio ernmental regulations. Gerl, radio and television set manufacturer as well as a director of the Radio Manu-facturers' Association and the Television Broadcasters' Association, relevision Broadcasters' Association, comes to this conclusion after years spent in the video industry and after making many trips around the coun-try delivering speeches promoting the medium. So far this year he has al-ready delivered speeches in 22 major citize cities

Gerl's proposal is that television set manufacturers and broadcasters should set up an industry-wide committee to draft and enforce a code of ethics against excessive commercialization of television for he claims "There is a danger that television may turn out to be nothing but a complicated mechanism operated for the sole purpose of selling mouth wash and deodorants." Gerl is op-posed to governmental regulation and thus feels it is up to the members

and thus feels it is up to the members of the video industry to control them-selves with a body similar to the Johnson office for the movies and the Chandler commission for baseball. He claims it is too late for industry self-regulation of radio, but that there is still a chance for video. "There are dozens of commercial sponsors today using technique," Gerl stated. "By and large, most of the experimentation in television broad-casting today is along the lines of commercialization rather than along the lines of public education and en-tertainment. Because of the fact that most of the personnel in television tertainment. Because of the fact that most of the personnel in television today have come from radio, there seems to be some danger that tele-vision may degenerate into an ani-mated radio broadcast, with all the singing commercials and 'spots' not only grating our ears but also our eyes."



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#### **Exhibition Tennis Matches**

Reviewed Monday (30), 9:15-10:30 p.m. Style—Interview-sports contest. Sustaining over W6XAO (Don Lee), Hollywood.

Don Lee's ambitious attempt to recreate championship tennis matches in its indoor video studio fell flat, primarily because camera work was slow and scanners poorly set up for such an event. Home viewers saw little of the excitement or thrills that make for good tennis simply because lensers didn't scan the right places at the proper time. Over-all result was dull and lacked the sparkle one would expect of such a special event tele presentation.

Seg opened rough, with cameras picking up a gal in 1890 dress fanning the wind with a racket. Idea was to show tennis of old as compared with today's fast game. Camera then brought in several interviews, one with Eleanor Tennant, noted tennis teacher, discusing some of the fine points of the game, and another with former national champ Gene Mako, who demonstrated his favorite grips, strokes, etc. For some unexplained reason, cameramen remained completely static during 25 minutes which interviews lasted. Lensers didn't dolly or tilt their cameras once during entire session. Result was merely yawn-provoking, and entire effect of such demonstration was completely lost.

To pick up actual matches (indoor studio was converted into regulation size court), one camera was posted behind the foul line on a 20-foot platform and other lens box on a line with the net. Because camera set-up was faulty (platform camera too high, floor camera too low) court was never entirely in camera range. Viewers were, therefore, never able to follow thru on fast action.

Running commentary during matches was totally ineffective be-cause of gabber's obvious unfamiliarity with the game. More than once, announcer had to stop players to ask current score. Lighing, which pre-sented a difficult problem, was fairly successful, altho 100,000 watts ex-pended still left dark spots in playing court.

Perhaps best indication of audience reaction was the fact that viewers in studio's receiver room slowly filtered out, preferring to view actual game rather than telecast. Fundamentally, this videocast should never have been attempted, coming on the heels of Paramount Television, Inc.'s ninearamount relevision, Inc.'s nine-day, five-hours-a-day remote tele-cast of last week's Pacific Southwest Tennis Championship from Los An-geles Tennis Club (*The Billboard*, October 5). At best, Don Lee's "ex-hibition" match would have been anti-climatic anti-climactic.

#### See What You Know

Reviewed Thursday (3), 9-9:30 p.m. Style—Comedy quiz. Sustaining over WCBW (CBS), New York.

Program was fast, easy to watch and full of laughs. Emsee Win Elliot, a television natural, did a good job of keeping the show going at its fast clip and making with corny its fast clip and making with corny puns that were thrown around like William Morris contracts. Format is simple. Guest stars vie for points by acting out zany gimmicks. Guests on show included gag writer Jack Houston, dialectician Phil Kramer, and Aimie Seidel, billed as the world's fastest talker.

Funny gimmick at end had the three contestants making their own hats from a boxful of such odds and ends as fruit, furs, cans, feathers and ribbons. Altho skedded to run a half hour, show was thrown off by preceding seg which ran over some eight minutes, thus giving the Elliot show only about 20 minutes. **Powers Charm School** 

Reviewed Thursday (3), 8-8:30 p.m. Style—Women's variety program. Pro-duced by American Broadcasting Com-pany and sponsored by Chernow Adver-tising Agency over WABD (DuMont), New York. -Women's variety program.

As a woman's daytime show, pro-gram would probably make out okay, but as a nighttime show, with men viewers, it just won't work. Show is strictly for the gals. Show was divided into three parts for each of three Chernow clients—a make-up of three Chernow Chents—a make-up clinic, clothes clinic and a session on posture exercises. Powers, head of the model agency, emseed the show. Director Harvey, altho not at his best, worked in some good shots, and program ran smoothly without any hitches or distractions. In the make-up part, ladies were tipped off on how to apply cosmetics correctly. Exercise session had tiptipped off on now to append correctly. Exercise session had tip-offs on how to have beautiful legs and ankles. In the clothes clinic, models stepped out of the covers of *Seventeen* magazine. Models, inci-dentally, looked sort of washed out and certainly weren't telegenic.

Purpose of Chernow Agency in sponsoring program is to feature three of their clients each week in television and to allow them to par-ticipate without the responsibility of sponsorshin sponsorship.

#### **Crime and Punishment**

Reviewed Sunday (29), 9-9:30 p.m. Style—Ballet. Sustaining over WCBW (CBS), New York.

With Dostoevski's Crime and Pun-ishment adapted for the CBS terp series, Director Paul Belanger came good evening's entertainment. Renup dition of Chopin's music was tops, the choregraphy was excellent, and Belanger worked in some unusually interesting camera shots.

High spot of the show was the unusual three-dimensional set deunusual three-dimensional set de-signed by Jim McNaughton, which allowed comeras to pan from one room to another to follow the dancers. Clever method was used to intro-duce terpers in story at opening of show. As each character walked out into the room, a superimposed title card bearing story-name was worked into picture.

worked into picture. Only bad part was occasional cut-ting off of dancers' feet, but con-sidering limitations of stage (and camera) and freedom needed by the dancers, Belanger did a good job. At times, dancers slipped out of cam-era range, but for the most part the cameramen did a good job by catching most of the action.

#### Wrestling Matches

Reviewed Thursday (3), 9-9:30 p.m. yle—Wrestling. Sustaining over Style-Wrestling. Sustations W6XYZ (Paramount), Hollywood.

Outlet has gotten its studio-staged wrestling matches down pat to the point where ringside teleview keeps eyes and ears glued to the set. Grunt eyes and ears glued to the set. Grunt and groan routines make good video-fare, because there's plenty of ac-tion confined to a small area. Held in studio ring, lighting conditions are favorable, since they can easily be controlled. Gab side of the cov-erage has been developed to a point where it adds rather than detracts from visual effect. The usual sort of sports announcers' "He's up, he's down" patter is avoided, with Midown" patter is avoided, with Mi-chael Roy's commentary replacing. Roy only calls the grips, names wrestlers and tries to sound more like another set-side kibitzer rather than the know-all, tell-all announcer. It would help if wrestlers were attired in black and white trunks for easy identification. Lensing was up to par, following grippers in okay fashion.

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# **RCA Video Sets Due Soon; Four Styles in Production**

CAMDEN, N. J., Oct. 5.—RCA is about ready to shoot the works in flooding the television receiver market. Without the usual advance fan-fare and tub thumping, RCA is getting ready to ship video receivers— already rolling off its assembly lines here—to select market areas. A dealer franchise system is now being inaugurated, from reports. RCA is effective the table measurement of the protocol and the select market areas. offering two table-type receivers, one console-radio-phonograph, one direct-

#### **Staff Changes at G.E. Outlets**

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Oct. 5.— In a move to co-ordinate the various units which make up General Elec-tric's broadcasting and television facilities in Schenectady, WGY, the FM station WGFM, and the video station, WRGB, A. O. Coggeshall, program manager and WGY staff member, has been named supervisor of music for all three stations. A. G. Zink, who has been directing the

of music for all three stations. A. G. Zink, who has been directing the science programs, was appointed acting program supervisor of WGY. W. T. Meenam has been named supervisor of news for all three sta-tions. Helen Rhodes has been ap-pointed supervisor of video produc-tions, and Caleb Paine acting super-visor of WGFM programs and acting visor of WGFM programs and acting supervisor of WGY science programs. Other changes include Alex G. Mac-Donald, who was appointed super-visor of station's sales and promotion, and James Connolly, supervisor of traffic. Arnold Wilkes was named acting supervisor of radio continuity and T. B. Beebe, supervisor of tele-vision scripts vision scripts.

#### **Community Fund Show**

Reviewed Monday (30), 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sustaining on WBKB, Chicago.

This show had more good talent than has ever been presented on one video program here. But it was a flop because the top talent was mishandled, because production plan-ning was lacking, direction hit and miss, and lighting and camera direction poor.

Show was intended to be an am-Show was intended to be an am-bitious promotional plan to sell the value of the Community Fund via video. In addition to such talent as Gracie Fields, Phil Regan, Arthur Lee Simpkins, Tim Herbert and Bloomer Girl's Peggy Campbell, the program also had Barnett Hodes, Chi corporation counsel; the heads of the Community Fund here; John Bala-ban B&K chief and various WBKB community Fund here; John Bala-ban, B&K chief, and various WBKB sponsors who helped promote the show. Over 300 members of the press and civic and commercial lead-ers were present at WBKB as part of the promotion behind the show, and a large-screen video receiver was set up in the window of the Fair's department store on State Street to show the program to passing crowds. Most of these must have received a poor impression of television as a result of this program.

The various talent on the program. The various talent on the program did top-notch work—the best that could be expected under such adverse production conditions. Example of lack of planning was the way in which Miss Fields had to push emsee Harry Elders off the set before she could go into her routing. Other had could go into her routine. Other bad production examples were misses of production examples were misses of cues a couple of times by the emsee, telecasting of out-of-date film in-tended to depict Community Fund activities, and boring, long interviews in which pleas for the fund were made.

The program would have been much more effective if it had been one-half its aired length. The high-grade talent should have been allowed to do its stuff to capture and retain an audience. The Fund apretain an audience. The Fund ap-peals should have been short, but gripping with human interest. That would have been enough.

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view receiver, one projection-type receiver and one more to be announced. Price schedule is not available.

Company is establishing what ap-pears to be a highly rigid set of standards to which dealers must conform before they earn the valuable franchise—valuable if for no other reason than that it appears RCA will be the first manufacturer to hit the market with any quantity distribu-tion. Thus, previously enfranchised radio and platter RCA outlets may not be booked by RCA as tele dealers.

dealers. Dealer qualifications set up by the manufacturing company in-clude: (1) Demonstrated merchan-dising ability; (2) store facilities which will enable private demon-strations of video receivers so that other store activities will not inter-fere: (3) facilities for demonstrating other store activities will not inter-fere; (3) facilities for demonstrating a minimum of five machines; (4) facilities for a suitable antenna sys-tem to enable this simultaneous demonstration of five sets, with the antenna system to be such so that prospective sales aren't snafued by flicker or fade. RCA is also demanding "aggress

RCA is also demanding "aggres-sive" and "extensive" sales promo-tion and publicity guarantees as well as a guarantee as to the minimum number of sets each dealer will sell during a given time. Company also during a given time. Company also wants assurances that each dealer will purchase a set for his own home.

#### FCC Gives St. Lou U **Okay on Color Video**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Federal Communications Commission bigwigs are indicating that processing and granting of video bids will go on unslackened despite preparations to give upstairs color video a new epochal airing. Even as FCC insiders made this disclosure to *The Billboard*, the Commission issued grants for two commercial video stations this week, two the first such grants in more than 10 days. At the same time, color video cohorts felt encouraged by the FCC's grant this week for an experimental video station in the color band to St.

Louis University. St. Louis U. estimates that it will have to spend \$168,000 for equipment, with the first year running around 50 of programs ranging from religious and educational source to grand. Service is to include a variety and educational segs to news and music appreciation shows.

Commish is reportedly withholding its formal posting of a hearing date on CBS's petition for ultra-high color video standards because of difficulty in determining when there will be three solid days open for commish to get together on the issue. It is viewed as certain that the hearing will last at least that long, with major webs and some of the other jumbos in both black-white and color determined to have their say. The engineers' battle on the issue is expected to be tumultuous and FCC is taking caution in readying its announcement.

Black-white segment of the in-dustry is getting consolation from FCC's policy of pushing along grants to merchange Latert grants this to monochrome. Latest grants this week went to William Penn Broad Latest grants this casting Company (Philadelphia) and Minnesota Broadcasting Corporation (Minneapolis). The latest grants (Minneapolis). The latest grants bring total of outlets to 33, with Tele-vision applications set at 78 and six licensed stations already in operation.

# E.T.'s United **Against AFRA**

(Continued from page 5) sented, but AFRA has indicated--anđ wax men expect—that the union will ask for a 30-35 per cent boost, plus a percentage deal for talent based upon the number of stations using the transcriptions.

#### Junior Membership Plan

Assemblage of transcription pro-ducers, in addition to planning strategy to cope with AFRA demands, also started planning a few demands of its own "for the good of the indus-try," as one wax exec stated. One of the most interesting of these is the proposal that AFRA created a "junior membership" plan, whereby younger actors, or those without much experi-ence, would work for a smaller scale actors, or those without much experi-ence, would work for a smaller scale than senior members. According to one exec who was present at the meeting, this is the only way new talent would stand a chance of break-ing into the business. If top scale is mandatory for all performers, he pointed out, then producers will naturally continue to take the best talent available.

Other points discussed were the possibility of revising the AFRA regulation calling for double payment on closed-end transcriptions at the end of a six-month period, and pos-sible revision of the regulation stating that an actor could not do more than two voices on an e.t. without extra pay. In connection with this, the meeting considered the possibility of not considering unidentified voices as parts or roles parts or roles.

#### 6-Month Rule Considered

6-Month Rule Considered Regarding the six-month rule, men at the meeting considered the possi-bility of attacking this on the basis of it being an alleged violation of the Lea Bill, the constitutionality of which is currently being tested in Chicago. American Federation of Musicians, incidentally, when checked this week, stated it expected hearings on the Petrillo case to be called for the middle of this month. An ever who attended the e.t. con-

the middle of this month. An exec who attended the e.t. con-fab stated no plan of action was discussed in connection with other problems affecting the transcription men — almost all talk centering around AFRA. But he indicated that in the event a trade org is set up, one of the top items for consideration would be the matter of the alleged "double" music payment for copy-right clearance. He referred to exist-ing practice whereby ASCAP music on a platter necessitated not only an ASCAP license fee paid by the sta-tion, but an additional production cost fee paid to the Music Publishers' Protective Association or individual Protective Association or individual publishers for mechanical use of the tune. Claim of transcription com-panies is that one fee should suffice.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Board of the American Federation of Musicians will meet with representatives of transcription companies in Chicago, October 14, to confab on a hike in the wax wage scales.

#### **Fems Want Dropped** WMCA Sustainer

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Recent drop-ping of the Susan B. Anthony-Eunice Kill program, *This Woman's World*, by WMCA has participated squawk by women's groups, 10 of which this week appealed to all New York out-lets "not to hit below the intellectual belt." Women's organizations, claim-ing that "public interest, convenience by women's groups, 10 of which this week appealed to all New York out-lets "not to hit below the intellectual belt." Women's organizations, claim-ing that "public interest, convenience and necessity must be served by the appearance of the two-women show on a radio station," made a plea for continuance of the seg. In a wire to stations, it was stated: "We under-stations, it was negligible relative to" value of this program." Seg, a quarter-hour, five-a-week show which has been airing over WMCA for eight months, was first put on the air as a commercial propo-station for a run of 13 weeks, but failed to attract any sponsors, accord-ing to station exec. It was renewed for a second and third week cycle, according to WMCA, but was finally dropped as "economically unfeasible"

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Program	Hooper- ating	Net	Agency	Sponsor	Product	Urban Listeners*
Breakfast in Holly- wood (Kellogg)	Б.7	ABD	K&E	Kellogg	Рер	943,277
Lorenzo Jones	5.1	NBC	DFS	Sterling Drug	Various	941,080
Big Sister	5.3	CBS	Compton	P. & G.	Ivory	900,367
Road of Life (CBS)	4.9	CBS	Compton	P. & G.	Duz	868,295
Our Gal, Sunday	5.1	CBS	DFS	Whitehall	Kolynos	858,922
Young Widder Brown	n 5.1	NBC	DFS	Sterling	Various	858,922

#### **Programs With Top Male Daytime Urban Circulation**

Breakfast Club	3.8	ABC	Hutchins	Philco	Refrigerators	200,34
Breakfast Club (9:30)	4.3	ABC	JWT	Swift	Various	201,51
G. E. House Party	4.1	CBS	Y&R	General Electric	Various	204,15
Breakfast In Holiywood	Б.7	ABC	K&E	K ellogg	Рер	208,69
Romance of Helen Trent	5.3	CBS	DFS	American Home Products	Varlous	209,56
Fred Waring	3.6	NBC	B&B	Florida Citrus	Juice	216,15
Road of Life	4.9	CBS	Comption	P. & Q.	Duz	222,45
Queen for a Day	3.2	MBS	Wade	P. & G.	Duz	224,94
Stella Dallas	5.7	NBC	DFS	Sterling Drug	Various	225,38
Pepper Young's Family	6.7	CBS	P&R	P. & G.	Camay Soap	225,67
Breakfast in Hollywood -	5.0	ABC	Compton	P. & G.	lvory	226,99
Front Page Farrell	4.5	NBC	DFS	American Home Products	Various	230,65
Lorenzo Jones	5.1	NBC	DFS	Sterling Drug	Various	231,53
Home Edition	3.8	ABC	K&E	Kellogg	Cereal	233,73
Breakfast Club	4.1	ABO	HB	Daumit	Perfume	234,17
Breakfast Club (9:15)	4.1	ABC	JWT	Swift	Various	240,17
Ma Perkins	5.3	CBS	DFS	P. & G.	Oxydol	248,37
Grand Central Station	6.7	CBS	McC-E	Pillsbury	Flour	461,1 <b>6</b>

#### **Programs With Top Juve Daytime Urban Circulation**

Grand Central Station	6.7	CBS	McC-E	Pillsbury	Flour	598,536
Breakfast Club (9:15)	4.1	ABC	JWT	Swift	Various	324,238
Breakfast Club	3.8	ABC	Hutchins	Philco	Refrigerators	289,383
Front Page Farrell	4.5	NBC	DFS	American Home Products	Various	283,378
Young Dr. Malone	5.4	CBS	Compton- DFS	P. & G.	Crisco-Dreft	268,880
Right to Happinee	6.3	NBC	Compton	P. & G.	Ivory	267,562
Breakfast Club	4.1	ABC	нв	Daumit	Perfume	258,189
Superman	2.1	MBS	K&E	Kellogg	Pep	236,808
Lorenzo Jones	5.1	NBC	DFS	Sterling Drug	Various •	231,536
Breakfast Club (9:30)	4.3	ABC	JWT	Swift	Various	226,703
Blg Sister	5.3	CBS	Compton	P. & G.	Ivory	225,092
Backstage Wife	6.2	NBC	DFS	Sterling Drug	Various	217,916
Pepper Young's Family	6.7	NBC	P&R	P. & G.	Various	215,866
Just Plain Bill	4.3	NBC	DFS	Whitehall	Anacin	214,108
Fred Waring	3.6	NBC	B&B	Florida Citrus	Juice	210,886
When a Girl Marries	5.6	NBC	B&B	General Foods	Calumet- Baker's	205,028
Second Mrs. Burton	8.8	CBS	Y&R-B&B	General Foods	Various	200,342

Includes second broadcast on Pacific Coast.
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#### **KEY TO AGENCY ABBREVIATIONS**

**REI TO AGENCI ADDREVIATIONS** B&B-Benton & Bowles, BBD&O-Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn. DC&S-Doherty, Clifford & Shenfield. DFS-Dancer-Fitzgeraid-Sample. FC&B-Foote, Cone & Belding. HB-Hill Blackett. JWT-J. Walter Thompson. K&E--Kenyon & Eckhardt. KR--Knox Reeves. L&M-Lennen & Mitchell. McC-E--McCann-Erickson. M&A McKee & Albright. NL&B--Needham, Louis & Brorby. P&R-Pediar & Ryan. R&R--Ruthrauff & Ryan. RWC--Roche, Williams & Cleary. S&M--Sherman & Marquette. Y&R--Young & Rubicam.

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Telegram appealing to stations to

pick up the program was signed by Florence Eldridge, chairman, women's division, Indenpendent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Pro-fessions; Mrs. John Hammond, chair-man, women's division of the National Citizens Political Action Committee, and Mrs. Sidney Hillman, Mrs. Edgar Snow and Mrs. Maxwell Anderson, among others.

# **Juicers Boost** Vid in Yen for \$

(Continued from page 12) result of the utility's backing if Chi didn't go ahead top speed with its own development plan.

own development plan. Another utility company with a reported video yen is Union Electric of St. Louis. Union is now working out plans to promote video in St. Loo in co-operation with KSD, St. Louis Post-Dispatch station, which is get-ting ready for television operation as soon as transmitter equipment becomes available. Still another electrical utility planning video pro-motion is Consolidated Edison of New York. Its plans are still in the hush-York. Its plans are still in the hush-hush stage, but representatives of the company have been making inquiries about tele promotion here and elsewhere.

where. Another indication of the interest being shown by utilities is the fact Ardien Rodner, who represented Commonwealth Edison here in the Chi video development plan, was in-vited to address the International Convention of Electrical Leagues, held in New York this week (3). This group's membership includes representatives from just about every top electrical utility in the country, and Rodner was specifically asked to give a complete account of the video promotion plan here, and the part his company has had in it.

#### Chicago's Example

The Edison Company here has shown the way for other utility com-panies desiring to back video. It has panies desiring to back video. It has presented over 1,000 programs on WBKB, local video station, and has pledged financial support to the Chi pledged financial support to the Chi plan. Recently it became the first sponsor to sign a commercial con-tract calling for payments of the station's new card rates. It plans other programs on WBKB and one on every video station that starts com-mercial operation here. Edison, like many other utility companies, is merely repeating past performance-helping to promote air-pix. It helped promote radio here in its infancy and back in the 1920s and '30s owned KYW and WENR, local outlets. Util-ity companies in other cities also owned radio stations. owned radio stations.

Even tho the trade here and else-where knows that the utilities are promoting video for dollars, they are anxious for their backing. Recently, for instance, when the broadcasters formed a committee to help formu-late plans for the over-all Chi video promotion plan, a vote of apprecia-tion for the work done to date by Edi-son and the electrical association was son and the electrical association was given by the broadcasters.

### Sarnoff Outlines 2 Int'l Radio Systems

INCETON, N. J., Oct. 5.—Pat-tern for the creation of two inter-national broadcasting systems to pro-mote international understanding were outlined by David Sarnoff, president of Radio Corporation of America, at the Princeton Bicenten-nial Conference on Engineering and Human Affairs Thursday (3). One web, tabbed Voice of America, would operate at a cost of \$20,000,000 an-nually thru authorization of Con-gress and with the co-operation of the American broadcasting industry, according to Sarnoff's plan. Second web, Voice of UN, would be under jurisdiction of United Nations. Sarnoff's plan for an American

jurisdiction of United Nations. Sarnoff's plan for an American international radio system, made known to the Secretary of State dur-ing the war, is based on the belief that whereas only the federal gov-ernment can make known the na-tion's foreign policy, private initia-tive is needed to effectively put the message across to foreign peoples.

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# **Disk Dealers Kick Around Those Aches**

#### **57 at First NAMM Clinic**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.-Difficulties confronting the record retailer were widely discussed here this week when 57 dealer reps from 23 States gathered in the first independent record mer-chandising institute, sponsored by the National Association of Music Merchants. Execs of NAMM, en-couraged by the serious attitude of the delegate-students have decided to make this week's conclave the first of a number of regional platter clinics to be held in connection with NAMM sectional conferences, slated for the near future.

The clinic really had the retailers letting their hair down, especially when reps of the major firms spoke to the group. Major disk chiefs here had a hard time answering questions of delegates, such as "When are we going to be able to stop buying Bquality sides we don't need in order to get our ration of top-selling disks?"

to get our ration of top-selling disks?" and "What would be the rebate deal on children's records, if and when the record companies start to replace their easily breakable kidisks with the projected vinylite sides?" The institute, under the direction of Louise Gale, record consultant, held clinics from 9 to 12 noon, and from 2:15 to about 5 p.m. After noons usually were spent in making field trips to recording and tran-scription studios and recording plants. Subjects discussed were: In-ventory control and merchandising, ventory control and merchandising, showmanship in selling, purchasing methods, merchandising presentation, developing sales technique, the critics comment and how they may be uti-lized in hypoing record sales, building record libraries, catering to hot jazz collectors, servicing the customer thru order files and mailing lists, selling record accessories, promotion and advertising, and selecting and training personnel.

The the first school lasted five days, present plans are to shear two days off, making it a three-day clinic. First institute fees were \$35 for NAMM members and \$50 for non-members. Comments and criticisms members. Comments and criticisms voiced by this representative national group of retailers will be summed up in a paper which NAMM is planning to circulate among record makers, in the hope that many of the problems brought up during the first clinic may be remedied by manufacturers.

#### **Broekman Writer Deal Set By BVC**

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Composer-conductor David Broekman has been signed by Bregman, Vocco & Conn, Inc., to write original compositions to be published by BVC in series to be called *The Music* of *David Broek*man.

New Broekman tunes set for publishing by BVC include Beautiful Blue Hudson, Samba of the Orchids, Etude for Violins and Love, Dialogue for Love, Chant of the Amazon and intermezzo for a Day in May.

# Savoy Diskery Incorporates NEW YORK, Oct. 5.---Savoy Rec-

ords now incorporated with Herman Lubinsky heading diskery as prexy-treasurer. William A. Schilling named vice-prexy and Charles Manz, secretary. Sonny Stitt and Fats Navarro signed to exclusive recording contracts.

# Fruity Chiquita

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Lis-teners whose patience may have worn thin with the constant bombardment of *Chiquita Ba-nana* on the air had better get set for a new attack on the *Chi-quita* when National Apple Week gets under way. Bob Fore-man has composed a new ver-sion of the tune called *Chiquita* man has composed a new ver-sion of the tune called *Chiquita Apple* for BBDO for Apple Blos-som Time. *Apple* will hit the same markets as *Banana* for United Fruit.

# Barnet, Kenton **First Yank Orks** To Play Hawaii

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 5. — Local MCA and GAC offices landed the first trans-ocean, one-nighter band bookings ever set in a deal just closed with Mrs. Hope McKenzie, dance promoter from Honolulu, Hawaii. Mrs. McKenzie brought Charlie Barnet's ork for debut of name bands in Honolulu October 31, November 1 and 2, with Stan Kenton set for March 6-7-8 dates. Cab Calloway and Count Basie are other bands which Mrs. McKenzie angled for during her short stay here from Honolulu last week.

All band bookings starting with Barnet, which Eames Bishop, of MCA, handled, call for a contract which includes not only dough for ork's three-day performance, but also airline transportation of over \$400 per man round trip. Actually Honolulu trans-ocean one-nighter sked keeps band occupied a total of five days, three playing Honolulu Civic Audi-torium, and two days traveling time. GAC's Dick Webster negotiated the Stan Kenton date.

Mrs. McKenzie, who left the States about a year ago after varied as-sociations in the music biz, feels cer-tain that name band bookings in Honolulu will be successful even tho this is her first venture. According to Mrs. McKenzie, youngsters in the Hawaiian Islands are extremely fa-miliar with Yank bands and in particular hot outfits via recordings altho none have ever appeared there. Ad-mission price will be pegged at \$2.50 per person. If dates are successful she hopes to bring in U. S. crews about every two months.

# **Build Territorial Bands and** Special Events, Geer Tells Newly Formed Coast Assn.

#### About 20 Key Terpery Ops Organize Western Association

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 5.—Organizing bands playing Los Angeles danceries of Western States ballroom opera- all at one time (Woody Herman, tors began to take firm hold with Avodon; Tommy Dorsey, Casino Gar-actual formation of the Western As- dens; Tex Beneke, Palladium; Benny sociation of Ballroom Operators at a meeting held October 3 in Los Angeles and attended by terpery peo-ple from as far as Boise, Idaho. Dur-ing the all-day session, Al Bamford, ing the all-day session, Al Bamford, Oakland, 'Calif., dance promoter, was elected WABO prexy, and Marty Landau, Long Beach op, secretary-treasurer, with an advisory commit-tee consisting of Walter Stutz, Bar-ney McDevitt, Kermit Bierkamp and J. M. Holland. All are temporary J. M. Holland. All are temporary officers until a fuller membership is reached, when term of office, etc., will be decided upon.

#### **Poor Turnout**

Turnout of ballroom men at the meeting was termed disappointing, with around 20 showing, altho replies with around 20 showing, altho replies from many others indicated positive interest in formation of an org simi-lar to the strong Midwestern Ball-room Operators' Association. Name of org was switched from Pacific Coast Ballroom Operators' Associa-tion to Western Association of Ball-room Operators in order to include a greater territory of activity. Majority of time consumed during

Majority of time consumed during initial meet was turned over to Larry Geer, secretary of the Middlewest ballroom org, who came here specifically to help ease organizational problems of the local group. Geer gave detailed reports of his group's extensive legal fight in the Form B matter of withholding taxes (whether ballroom owner or band leader is responsible for withholding payments to the government) and battle to hold ASCAP song royalty payments in line. He offered WABO copies of any and all correspondence and reports accumulated since the start of MBOA in 1938 and also services of their legal reps. Problems concern-ing the Internal Revenue Depart-ment's varied localized rulings of designating ballrooms and cabarets and subsequent smaller or larger admission tax was taken up.

#### Territorial Names Bigger Profit

Geer expressed surprise at the abundance of high-salaried name

Goodman, Meadowbrook; Lionel Hampton, Trianon, etc.) and won-dered if localities weren't making competition too tough for themselves. He stressed full co-operation of ball-room ops and their building of terri-torial series heads by backing of such torial name bands by booking of such crews on a regular basis with lower nut, thus affording a spot a greater chance of profit, as is done in the Middlewest. Music and the names in the biz are the basis of our business, said Geer, but special events like old time dances, family night, etc., can also help guarantee a spot steady and profitable returns.

He suggested that a Coast org like WABO exchange ideas on ballroom management, write congressmen about bills affecting biz, etc. BMI's newly installed requests for ball-rooms to pay license for music was also gone over lightly.

#### Hope for National Org

The WABO's next move will be to make a drive for additional mem-bers. An initial fee of \$25 for mem-bership was decided upon. Landau has turned over his offices in the Trans-American Building to WABO. Eventually, a national org of ball-room ops is hoped for, but mean-while, the only two sectional groups really in action so far, WABO and MBOA, will operate individually, altho assisting each other in whatever way possible.

altho assisting each other in what-ever way possible. All ballroom heads at the October 3 session paid the fee and are reg-istered WABO members. They in-clude localites Kermit Bierkamp, Gardens; Barney McDevitt, Avadon; Glenn Hepler. Aragon; Stanley Dye, Foreman Phillips County barn dances; F. A. Scott, Trianon; Harry Schooler, Santa Monica Ballroom, and Al Bamford, Northern Califor-nia. Promoter; K. W. Westling, Palomar, Stockton, Calif.; W. E. Schonover, Miramar, Boise, Idaho; DeWitt Nilson, Mirabel Park, Rus-sian River, Calif.; J. M. Holland, Pocatello, Idaho Falls and Rigby, Idaho; Marty Landau, Long Beach Aud; Warner Austin and Tom Haynes, Mission Beach and Trianon Ballrooms, San Diego; Fine Johnson, La Cananda, Bakersfield, Calif.; Anna McConnell, Rendezvoux, Balboa, Calif.; Theodore Herzog, Cinderella, Long Beach, Calif., and Walter Sutz, Pacific Square, San Diego.

# -Editorial-The Intelligent Approach

Just about the time (Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.) many readers are picking up this copy of *The Billboard* from the newsstands, the gen-eral membership meeting of the Music Publishers' Protective Asso-ciation (and non-member Herman Starr, of the Music Publishers' Holding Company) will be getting under way at the Hotel Astor in New York. As reported in last week's issue, the purpose of the meeting will be to discuss and formulate plans for negotiating the proposed uniform popular songwriters' contract. As the time for the meeting approached, a noticeable amount of

As the time for the meeting approached, a noticeable amount of belligerence toward the proposals and the writers was being displayed by a few of the more vociferous MPPA members due to attend the meeting. It just takes a few, who are willing and able to get up and whip the general attendance into a frenzy, to set a keynote for the coming negotiations that bodes no good for either side. We hold no brief for the writers against the publishers or vice versa. We don't expect the publishers to sit still for anything un-reasonable or unfair they believe the writers are trying to put over on them. But any natural negotiating hurdles found in the feeling of publishers concerning the proposals themselves can be overcome much more readily by calm, intelligent discussion (both at the general membership meeting and the forthcoming negotiations) than by a "they-can't-do-this-to-us-let's-go-out-and-show-those-dirty-so-and-sos" attitude.

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#### NAMM for Music Store Study

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—National As-sociation of Music Merchants, Inc., thru its executive committee, is setting up a long-range program for collection and dissemination of information about cost of music store operation. Org is moving to get co-operation of Harvard School of Business Administration. Program will have to be in operation. Program with before effective data will be available to members. NAMM board of direc-tors have slated a Los Angeles meeting January 21 and 22.

#### Abe Olman to Coast

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Robbins-Feist-Miller General Manager Abe Olman is on his way to California to help set up the big three's song schedule for 1947.

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Nat'l Offices To 'Solomon' Philly Mess

#### **AFM-AGVA** Fights Continue

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.—Local theatrical union chiefs will press the national offices for a policy ruling that should settle the jurisdictional problem of musicians doubling as singers, and in most cases, taking a regular spot in a nitery floorshow. Bad feeling among the AFM and AGVA unions has been brewing here for many weeks, resulting earlier in AGVA pulling a show at the Coronet, when vocal trio with Jimmy Lunceford's band was used in the spot's floor show.

Situation came to a head this week when both unions threatened to pull out their respective members over the case of Dee Lloyd McKay, whose piano-vocals are featured in the floor show at Kaliner's Little Rathskeller, mid-town nitery. Dick Jones, local AGVA chief, threatened to pull the floor show unless Miss McKay, an AFM member, took out an AGVA card. Both Frank P. Liuzzi and Doc Hyder, respectively prexies of the white and Negro AFM locals, warned that if Miss McKay was yanked out of the show, the house band would be pulled out.

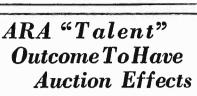
card. Both Frank P. Liuzzi and Doc Hyder, respectively prexies of the white and Negro AFM locals, warned that if Miss McKay was yanked out of the show, the house bahd would be pulled out. Max Kaliner, nitery op, caught in the middle between the two unions, made temporary settlement by putting up money in escrow covering Miss McKay's membership in AGVA until October 12. The three local union heads agreed to press the naBING! BANG! BINGO! WATCH FOR "THE CROSBY STORY" IN A FORTHCOMING ISSUE

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#### Corn Palace Hits 65G High Despite Ork to Act Switch

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Switching from emphasis on name bands to betterknown name acts boosted this year's gross of the annual Corn Palace Show, Mitchell, S. D., another \$5,000 above the previous all-time record when execs of the affair rang up \$65,000 for the six-day affair last week. The show, which ran from September 23 to 28, featured Bert Wheeler, the Dinning Sisters, Borrah Minevitch's Harmonica Rascals and the Millards, the Sensationalists and Manuel Viera with Ray McKinley's band for music. McKinley group isn't a familiar name in this area. Show ran 12 performances to rack up the healthy figure.

tional offices for a policy ruling by that date to settle the jurisdictional battle that keeps putting the nitery ops in the middle. Locally, both unions claim jurisdiction over the singing musicians. AFM holds the boys and gals are essentially musicians. AGVA points out that in doubling in the floorshow, they replace a regular act. Miss McKay is a regular act rather than a doubler and in her case, AGVA claims her piano accomps are only secondary and gal is essentially a singer and belongs to their jurisdictional scope.



HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 5.—Bids for ARA Record Company assets, following announced receivership of firm (*The Billboard*, September 28), are expected to be in order in a week or so following audit being made this week of materials, etc., on hand. Meanwhile, with firm's ace seller, Hoagy Carmichael, already in Decca's camp, Phil Harris, who shared top ARA sales with Carmichael, is reported edging for new diskery association.

It is known that among prime reasons for attempted acquiring of ARA by music publisher Ralph Peer, Universal International pic exec John Beck, in association with Charles Washburn, as well as other reported buyers, was record salability of artists like Harris. Exit by Harris among other remaining names like Ginny Simms, Smiley Burnette, Art Tatum, etc., might mean final blow to bulk purchase of ARA and continuance of label. However, according to some interpretations, artist contracts are a part of plattery assets and therefore legal obligation.

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#### Oxley-Universal Attractions Swap

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 5.—Harold Oxley, who closed his Eastern booking division several months ago, altho retaining his Hollywood set-up, has just made a tie-up with Universal Attractions office in New York. Effective November 1, Universal will represent Oxley artists in the East and subsequently Oxley will book Universal Attractions in the West.

Oxley just signed blues singer Wynonie Harris to an Aladdin Record contract for 16 sides during the coming year.

#### Madriguera Turns 'Booker'

DETROIT, Oct. 5.—Enric Madriguera, sitting out a four-week engagement at the shuttered Latin Quarter here, is turning booker in his "spare time," with two onenighters set by him for the band. First event was slated for last night at Toledo, followed by one tonight at Convention Hall here. Both events were set in spots without liquor licenses, and angled for the younger and non-drinking crowd in contrast to the older crowd at the typical night spots that Madriguera usually plays.

#### Tone Products Distrib Set-Up

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Tone Products Corporation of America, distrib set-up for Merry-Go-Sound kiddie disks, consists of 20 distributors in 16 States with nationwide handling planned by January. Educational Equipment Company of N. Y. has been named national educational distributor exclusively for schools and nurseries.

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# Victor Issues 18 Shaw Sides **And Cuts Plenty Ellingtons as Musicraft's Hilton Ho-Hums**

#### Indie Prexy Feels RCA Releases Will Help Own Sale

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—In a move which Eli Oberstein explained as the fulfillment of a contractual obligation, RCA-Victor is releasing 18 Artie Shaw sides all at one time. Tho some trade observers felt that this flooding of the Shaw disk market was intended as a slug at Musicraft, which firm now hold's Shaw's waxing pact, Oberstein explained that Shaw wound up his Victor contract by granting RCA the right to release all sides it wished from the unreleased platters which the leader cut before moving to the independent diskery. Musicraft Prexy Peter Hilton, is undisturbed by the news of the Victor mass release. He believes that in the long run these releases should help both Shaw and Musicraft more than hinder them. Hilton didn't believe that the nine records would hurt sales of Shaw pop sides cut for Musicraft, tho he felt that Shaw instrumentals might be affected. Hilton added that Shaw's ly a children's album featuring an recent radio and in-person inactivity adaptation of Robert Browning's

recent radio and in-person inactivity haven't helped the clarinetist, and he felt that the Victor sides could help to revive the old Shaw reputation.

#### **Plenty Victor Dukes Due**

Another ex-Victor artist now with Musicraft, Duke Ellington, will be leaving behind a flock of unreleased masters when the change becomes effective November 1. There are 16 unreleased Ellington sides in Victor's vaults which were cut after the end of the recording ban in 1944 thru to October, 1945. In addition, Oberstein cut 13 Ellington sides on his recent trip to the Coast. The Victor rep head told The Billboard that Ellington still has to cut several Victor sides in order to fulfill his present contract. Oberstein said that the contract did not specify release ar-rengements for the Ellington sides, and that it would be entirely up to Victor as to when his RCA disks hit the gran

the stalls. Meanwhile, Musicraft has arranged for Ellington's first date for the indie firm to be held in early November. firm to be held in early November. Some trade sources have suggested that a good many of the unreleased Victor Ellington sides will not be released in the United States, but would probably be sent to the Gramophone Company in England, which turns out the His Master's Voice label, for pressing and dis-tribution in England and on the Con-tinent, where Ellington has enormous followings. followings.

Musicraft, in the meantime, is busy Musicraft, in the meantime, is busy moving its processing departments to the Coast in order to break out of the bottleneck in production which firm has run into in the East. Prexy Hilton added that wherever it can be arranged, Musicraft dates will be waxed in the West for reasons of general expediency and superior recording studios.

Victor, incidentally, just recently released an album of standards by Dinah Shore, now under contract to Columbia.

#### Bongo and Borsht

DETROIT, Oct. 5. — Latest bidder for fame among novelty numbers is a Yiddish rumba. cut this week by Sammy Man-dell and his orchestra for Vogue Recordings, Darf Men Gain in College? Song, conceived as a satire, is translated "Must You Go to College?" and uses Eng-lish lyrics to a Yiddish melody, with a rumba tempo. Concoc-tion was assembled by song-writers, Marian Kay and Helene Roth, with Mandell doing the vocals on the records. DETROIT, Oct. 5. - Latest

adaptation of Robert Browning's Pied Piper of Hamelin by Maestro Artie Shaw. Adaptation was aired on CBS' Columbia Workshop last summer and Musicraft prexy, Peter Hilton, immediately arranged to have Shaw also do feature for label.

Radio talent participating in album in addition to Shaw include Harry Von Zell, Arthur Q. Bryan, Ed Max, with RKO granting permission to Irving Reis to direct the session.

#### **MITROPOULOS & UNION** (Continued from page 3)

similar guilds in other cities operated on the same basis.

William Donnelly, biz agent for the stagehands, said he didn't care what other cities were doing. Altho open-ing night went off without further incident, Thursday night's perform-ance was delayed and the guild was forced to hire two grips because Forforced to hire two grips because For-rest A. Brothe, member of the mu-sicians' union and a principal in the play June Moon, was ordered by George Murk, local prexy, not to cross the picket line. Ballard said Brothe had been given an okay by the AFM local several months ago to appear in Guild plays, but that permit was revoked after the union dispute arose. Mayor Hubert Hum-phrey prevailed upon the Guild to hire two union grips for Thursday night's performance only and permit show to go on. show to go on.

#### LEGION CONFAB TAME (Continued from page 3)

had scared away their regular stay-ups. On one could blame it on the weather, which was ideal.

Ops can console themselves, how-Ops can console themselves, how-ever. None had put any heavy sugar into hypoing their shows. Many re-verted to their regular one-night closing, even after prepping for a straight week's run. Originally it was expected that the influx would fill the hot spots, but in no time the ops saw no added dough. In short ops saw no added dough. In short, the return was highly dissappointing.

the return was highly dissappointing. Venders of pennants and flags com-plained that "business was rotten." "No vacancy" signs at many hotels were not strictly accurate. Large and small hotels were caught with scores of empty rooms as Legion-naires for whom they were reserved failed to show. These were quickly snapped up by visitors who had come here to see the show. All in all, the Legion didn't exactly over-run the town. As an example, 15,000 run the town. As an example, 15,000 beds had been set aside on Treasure Island, and as of Wednesday, only a couple of hundred were being used.



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# **Major Disk Scale Guesses Run** From \$36 to \$45 Per 3 Hrs.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—While the major diskers received the American Federation of Musicians' letters inviting them to appear before the union's executive board at the Palmer House, in Chicago, Monday (14), none of the smaller diskeries either here in New York or elsewhere seem to have gotten the invite. Since the new scales are supposed to go into effect at the expira-tion of the present scale pact (October 21), the smaller platteries are wonder-ing whether they are going to be able to meet with the musicians' union at all to "plead" their case, or whether they are just going to be told what the new scales are and expected to nav new scales are and expected to pay

without a murmur.

course, to accept the union's invitation to attend the board meet. In the Marsh, Advances to attend the board meet. In the Marsh, Advances plus their attorneys will probably Welk ork while Joan Mowery, regu-go to Chicago on the 14th. Best trade lar champagne girl, is mending in a guesses at what the proposed new St. Louis hospital. The regular vocalist underwent a double opera-tion against the present \$30. This would give the recording tootlers somewhere give the recording tootlers somewhere between \$12 and \$15 per hour, which would compare favorably with the film companies for musicians (\$13.59 per hour). Three-hour sessions at present, of course, permit only four sides to be cut in that time. The royalty fund isn't likely to come up for discussion, as had been previously reported, since it is not

previously reported, since it is not nesota, who would become chairman part of the same contract as the scales of the House Ways and Means Comand other working conditions, but is rather a "trade agreement," which has a separate expiration date of December 31, 1947.

#### WM Back in Kirkeby Chain

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.-William Morris office broke into Kirkeby Hotel ranks again with the signing of Charlie Wright's band into Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia. This is the first WM booking into a Kirkeby house in a long time. Band opens end of this month.

All of the majors are inclined, of Trudy Marsh as Welk Sub

DES MOINES, Ia., Oct. 5.—Trudy Marsh, former vocalist with Del Courtney, has joined the Lawrence Welk ork while Joan Mowery, regu-

mittee if the GOP won control of the House, has been promising to cut mittee if the GOP won control of the House, has been promising to cut \$8,000,000,000 from \$40,500,000,000 tax take. Of the total tax receipts, \$2,500,000,000 came from liquors, beer and wines, while nearly \$3,000,-000,000 came from so-called "nuis-ance" excises and such levies as tax on admissions clubs etc. Demoance excises and such levies as tax on admissions, clubs, etc. Demo-cratic fiscal experts say a flat 20 per cent slash would be impracticable and that the GOP would be unable to keep its pledge. The Treasury, in its plans, is talking quietly of a long-time tapering off period, starting in the next fiscal year.



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#### **Philly Local Seeks Minimum** Men Ruling for Concert Jobs

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.-Local musicians' union is planning to ex-tend its minimum-number-of-men ruling to concert halls as well as to the already established minimum rulings for dance halls, niteries, theaters, radio stations and club dates. Union is drawing up a ruling wherein visiting attractions coming to the Academy of Music will be obliged to hire at least 12 local musicians. Will hit the traveling pit bands com-ing in with various opera, ballet, dance and singing units. Union al-ready requires a minimum of local tootlers for traveling attractions com-ing into town, covering ice shows, rodeos and circuses, but this is the first time that the union has reached out into the concert field.

Academy of Music is the only local hall not tied up with such a "mini-mum" contract.

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their older rivals. Consensus seems to be that the Hurokers are holding to pattern of tried-and-true terp format and that more than a bit of it creaks in the joints. Younger group is credited with a fresher approach both in material and stepping. This was sustained Wednesday (2), when the rivals each unveiled a new addition to their reps. Russe's Cain and Abel drew considerable crix head-shaking, but Les Patineurs at the Broadway got a vigorous nod.

Each of them are adding three premieres this season to their respective reps. Met balletomanes have here to stay.

School Ork Push

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.--Music field gets a terrif boost with the Board of Education here revealing that more than 120 bands and orks have been formed at local public schools this season. Under the school system's program, 16 instrument tutors travel from one school to another giving small groups or classes of children instruction in instruments of their choosing. Instruments are purchased by the Board of Education and loaned to the student. There are 64 orks in the lower grades with a total of 1,124 tootlers. Fourteen bands and 18 orks have been organized in senior high and vocational schools, with the junior high schools contributing another 24 orks.

already had a peek at *Camille* and *Cain and Abel*, and Tuesday (8) *Yara* gets its first showing. In ad-dition to *Les Patineurs*, the Chase-Smith steppers bring in a new Pas De Quatre Tuesday (8), and a new Jerome Robbins-Leonard Bernstein combo, Facsimile, Friday (18). On the face of it, trade feels it is

somewhat foolish for two top ballet groups to stage a customer war, when staggered stem season would make for more solid box-office. However, current signs point to the fact that dance interest is on the upgrade rather than a decline. Certainly, it is evident that there are more than enough balletomanes and just plain barther in the upgrade shorthairs to keep two of the town's biggest houses filled at the same time. Maybe, the tulle-and-tighters are



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management, Maurice Duke.) TRUMPETS: Jack Mootz, Ernie Figueora, Den Wygal. TROMBONES: Jack Newman, Rog Ingman, Tom Hardin. SAXES: Don Brassfield, Howard Davis, Bill Rood, Everett McLaughlin, Jack Orcean. RHYTHM: Freddie Slack, piano; Gene Eng-lund, bass; Al Hendrickson, guitar; Dave Coleman, drums. VOCALISIS: Dottie Ann Dare, Al Hen-drickson. ARRANGERS: Phil Moore, Everett Mo-

drickson. ARRANGERS: Phil Moore, Everett Mc-Laughlin, Frank Davenport, Tommy Todd, Lou Gottlieb. Back in the business after a year

and a half from the bandstand, Fred-die Slack's name hasn't lost any of its luster because of frequent plug-ging from Capitol releases and rise of his own tune, House of Blue Lights. Band is on string of top location bookings and present stand will be

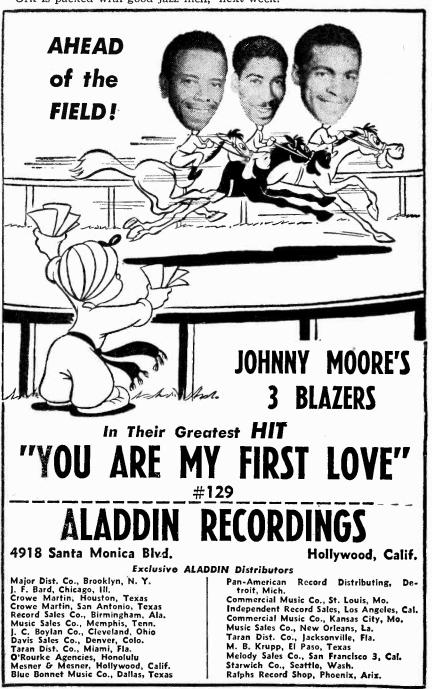
bookings and present stand will be followed by long line of important theater dates. Band is ready musi-cally, but still needs some strong novelty number, preferably comedy, to put it across for stage fare. Crew is very much on the jump side, featuring some up-to-the-min-ute impressionistic jazz, in addition to solid work on the standards. Band's book is limited, but that won't hurt, for theater programs don't take many numbers, but Slack will have to build more pops if he plans to one-night the band successfully. one-night the band successfully.

Ork is packed with good jazz men. next week.

Don Brassfield, tenor; Jack Ordean, alto, once with Kenton; Jack Ordean, alto, once with Kenton; Kenny Wy-gal, trumpet; Al Hendrickson, guitar, and Jack Newman, who looks like TD but doesn't emulate the senti-mental gentleman on trom. Boys step down for appaications of the sentidown for specialties often, as well as holding down solo parts of some good arrangements. Slack rates biggest milt for his well-known boogie tunes,

mi.1 for his well-known boogie tunes, all of which have been recorded. Best basic unit is rhythm section, with saxes in second. Band is still in the formulative stage, with per-sonnel changes still coming, but six weeks more work should iron person-nel shifts out. Vocal department needs sharpening up with Al Hen-drickson, who's doing his first croon-ing, lacking stage presence. Guy is ing, lacking stage presence. Guy is almost rigid at mike and he needs more voice than he now musters to make up for lack of stage savvy. Dottie Ann Dare does the vocals on numbers that Ella Mae Morse made for Capitol with Slack, and she does pretty fair job of aping la Morse to good mitt.

**Chappell Gets 'Beggar' Score** NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Chappell & ompany acquired the publishing Company acquired the publishing rights to the Duke Ellington and John La Touche score for the revamped version of The Beggar's Opera. The score submitted for the production includes a total of 25 original works. The jazz opera goes into rehearsal



#### PUBLISHERS' RECORD RELEASE DATES



In an effort to help cut down to a minimum the number of misunderstand-ings 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 no longer exists. PUBLISHER NAME OF SONG **BELEASE DATE** (Film in Which It Appears, If Any, and Producers of Film) A GAL IN CALICO...... Remick Music Corp. .... October 23 (The Time, the Place and the Girl-WARNER'S) ANY WAY THE WIND BLOWS ...... Burke-Van Heusen, Inc. .. November 1 (London Town-J. ARTHUR RANK) FIESTA ..... E. B. Marks Music Corp. .. November 1 (20TH CENTURY-FOX) FLAME BALLET ......Burke-Van Heusen, Inc. .. November 1 (London Town-J. ARTHUR RANK) GOTTA GET ME SOMEBODY TO LOVE.. Edwin H. Morris & Co. ... November 1 (Duel in the Sun-UNITED ARTISTS) HARVEST SONG ..... E. B. Marks Music Corp. .. November 1 (Carnival in Costa Rica-20TH CENTURY FOX) HYDE PARK ON A SUNDAY ...... Burke-Van Heusen, Inc. .. November 1 (London Town-J. ARTHUR RANK) I HAD TOO MUCH TO DREAM LAST NIGHT 00 MUCH TO DREAM LAST further notice) I HAPPENED TO WALK DOWN FIRST STREET ..... Remick Music Corp. .... October 23 (The Time, the Place, and the Girl-WARNER'S) I NEED YA' (LIKE I NEED A HOLE IN THE HEAD)..... ... Pic Music Corp...... Jan. 15, 1947 IF SPRING WERE ONLY HERE TO AY .....Burke-Van Heusen, Inc. .. November 1 ondon Town-J. ARTHUR RANK) I RISE TO TELL MY DETERMINATION. Pic Music Corp..... Jan. 15, 1947 
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 I'LL KNOW IT'S LOVE ......E. B. Marks Music Corp. .. November 1 (Carnival in Costa Rica-20TH CENTURY-FOX) IT'S A GOOD DAY ..... Capitol Songs, Inc. ..... November 10 CENTURY-FOX) MY HEART GOES CRAZY ......Burke-Van Heusen, Inc. .. November 1 (New American title for English film "London Town") MY THOUGHTS TAKE WING...... Pic Music Corp...... Jan. 15, 1947 OH, BUT I DO ...... M. Witmark & Sons..... October 23 (The Time, the Place, and the Girl-WARNER'S) ON A RAINY NIGHT IN RIO ..... M. Witmark & Sons..... October 23 (The Time, the Place and the Girl-WARNER'S) PUNTO GUANACASTECO ..... E. B. Marks Music Corp. .. November 1 (Carnival in Costa Rica-20TH CENTURY-FOX) RUMBA-BOMBA (Carnival in Costa Rica-20TH CENTURY-FOX) SOLID CITIZEN OF THE SOLID SOUTH. M. Witmark & Sons..... October 23 (The Time, the Place and the Girl-WARNER'S) SONG OF THE SOUTH ...... Santly-Joy ..... October 15 (Song of the South-WALT DISNEY) THAT'S THE BEGINNING OF THE END. ABC Music Corp. ..... November 1 (No Film) (NO FIIM) THE 'AMPSTEAD WAY ......Burke-Van Heusen, Inc. .. November 1 (London Town-J. ARTHUR RANK) THE THINGS WE DID LAST SUMMER.. Edw. H. Morris & Co. .... October 15 (No Film) THE WIND IS LIKE A WOMAN ...... Pic Music Corp...... Jan. 15, 1947 THROUGH A THOUSAND DREAMS .... Remick Music Corp. ..... October 23 (The Time, the Place, and the Girl-WARNER'S) UNCLE REMUS SAID ...... Santly-Joy ..... October 15 (Song of the South-WALT DISNEY) WHY DO MEN BRING OUT THE MOTHER IN ME? ......E. B. Marks Music Corp. .. November 1 (Carnival in Costa Rica-20TH CENTURY-FOX) YOU'LL KNOW WHEN IT HAPPENS ... Bourne, Inc. ..... December 1 (No FIIM) ZIP-A-DE-DO-DAH ..... (Song of the South-WALT DISNEY) ... Santly-Joy ..... Cctober 15





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16	1	1.	BLESS YOU FOR BE	ING Noel Gay	Shapiro- Bernstein
14	2	2.	PRIMROSE HILL	Lawrence Wright.	*
4	5	3.		Chappell	
11	3	4.		EY Leeds	Leeds
3	7	5.	THE 'AMPSTEAD WA	AY Chappell	Burke-Van Heusen
9	4	5.	THERE'S A HARVES		
14	6	6.	MOON LAUGHING ON TH OUTSIDE (Crying of		
1				Campbell-Connelly .	BMI
8	10	7.	DO YOU LOVE ME?	Chappell	Bregman- Vocco-Conn
2	12	8.	TO EACH HIS OWN.	Victoria	Paramount
5	11	9.	JOHNNY FEDORA	Leeds	Leeds
12	9	10.	YOU ALWAYS HURT		
1				Bradbury Wood	
6	13	11.	AREN'T YOU GLAD		Burke-Van
	-		YOU'RE YOU? ONE-ZY, TWO-ZY (I	Chappell	Heusen
6	8	12.	UNE-21, 1WU-21 (1	Love Budhum Wood	Martin
28	15	13.	I CAN'T BEGIN TO 1	Bradbury Wood ELL	Bregman-
20	15	15.	YOU	'ELL Chappell	Vocco-Conn
28		14.	LET BYGONES BE	Chappen Trees	
			BYGONES	Feldman	*
9	16	15.	DAY BY DAY	Campbell-Connelly .	Barton
20	1	16.	INTO EACH LIFE S	OME	-
1				Bradbury Wood	Sun
1		17.	YOU KEEP COMING		<b>n</b>
-			BACK LIKE A SONG	Chappell	Berlin
1	- 1	17.	MISTER MOON	Lawrence Wright	•
1		18.	SWEETHEART, WE'L	L Strauss-Miller	
	14	19.	CRUISING DOWN TH	Strauss-winner	
40	14	15.	RIVER	Cinephonic	
3	18	20.	AND THEN IT'S HEA	VEN. Campbell-Connelly .	Remick
20	18	20.	MONEY IS THE ROOT	r of	
			ALL EVIL	Chappell	Sun
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# PLAY STATUS OF FILMS WITH LEADING SONGS

Tunes listed alphabetically are in films Chart are listed, since many film-featured currently showing or to be shown soon. Only tunes which have won a position in one or more of the other features of the published.

BLUE SKIES (Berlin), sung by Bing Crosby in Paramount's "Blue Skies." Na-tional release date—September 27, 1946. I DON'T KNOW WHY (I Just Do) (Feist), in MGM's "Faithful in My Fashion." Na-tional release date—August 22, 1946.

OLE BUTTERMILK SKY (Burke-Van Heu-sen), sung by Hoagy Carmichael in Uni-versal's "Canyon Passage." National re-lease date-July 26, 1946.

ON THE BOARDWALK (Bregman-Vocco-Conn), in 20th Century-Fox's "Three Little Girls in Blue." National release date— October 1946.

SEPTEMBER SONG (Crawford), in United Artist's "Knickerbocker Holiday." Re-leased in 1944.

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SOMEWHERE IN THE NIGHT (Triangle), sung by Vivian Blahne in 20th Century-Fox's "Three Little Girls in Blue." Na-tional release date-October, 1946.

THIS IS ALWAYS (Bregman-Vocco-Conn), in 20th Century-Fox's "Three Little Girls in Blue." National release date—October, 1946.

TO EACH HIS OWN (Paramount). Na-tional release date-July 5, 1946.

WITHOUT YOU (Tres Palabras) (Peer), sung by Andy Russell in Walt Disney's "Make Mine Music." National release date—April 20, 1946.

YOU KEEP COMING BACK LIKE A SONG (Berlin), in Paramount's "Blue Skies." National release date—September 27, 1946.

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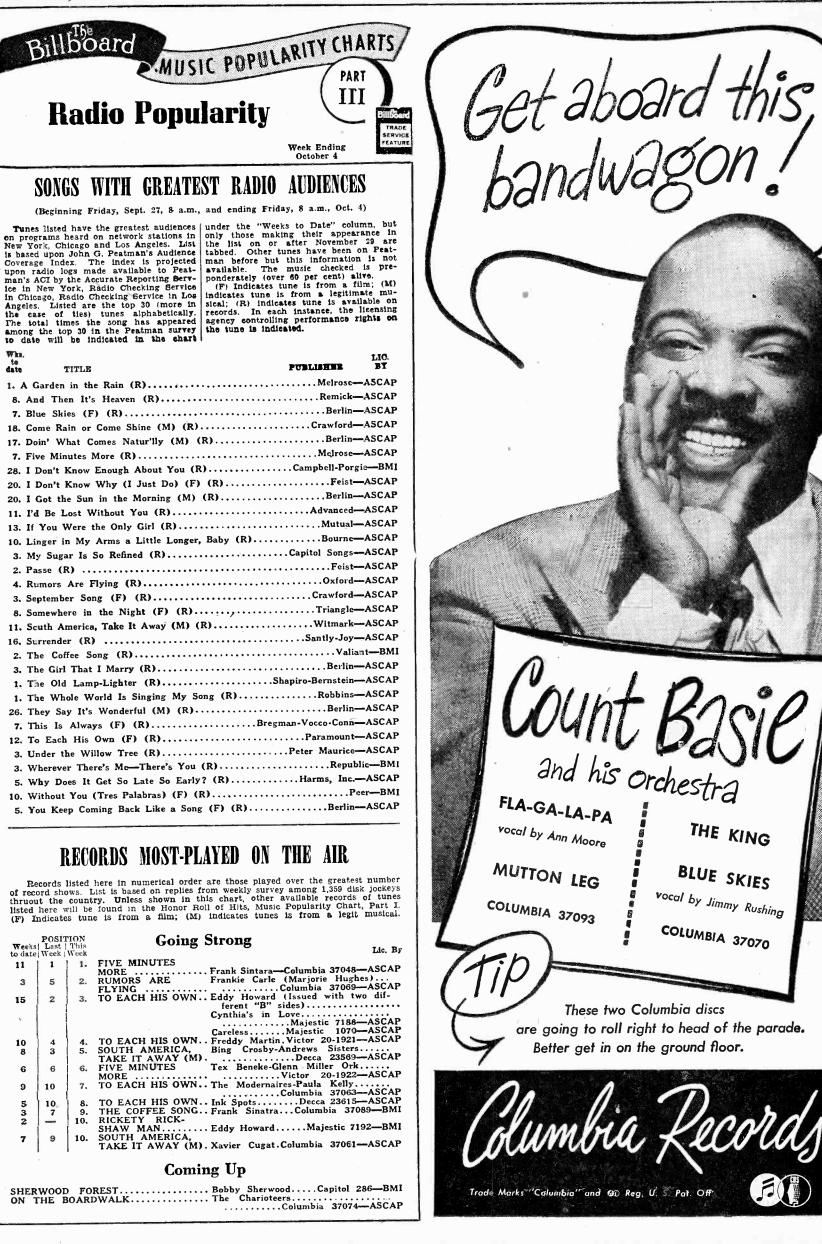
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Some Like it Sweet	Billboard MUSIC POPULARITY CHARTS
	Retail Record Sales
	Best-selling popular relation's retail record stores (dealers).         List is based on The Billboard's weekly survey among 4,020 dealers in all sections of the country. Records are listed numerically according to greatest sales. (F) indicates tune is in a flim; (M) indicates tune is in a legit musical. The B side of each record is listed in Italic.         POSITION         Weeks Last (This to date Week Week)         13       1         1       1         13       1         1       1         10       2         3       4         2.       RUMORS ARE FLYING Frankie Carle Columbia 37048 How Cute Can You Be?         10       2         3       4         2.       RUMORS ARE FLYING Frank Sinatra Columbia 37048 How Cute Can You Be?         11       3         3       4         2.       SOUTH AMERICA, TAKE Bing Crosby-Andrews Sisters. I TAWAY (M)
Be in on the "take" with SWEET GEORGIA GIBBS THE THINGS WE DID LAST SUMMER With quartet and orchestra directed by Earle Hagen and IS IT WORTH IT? With orchestra directed by Earle Hagen Majestic #12007	BEST-SELLING       POPULAR       RECORD       ALBUMS         Albums listed are those selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers).         Ist is based on The Billboard's weekly survey among 4,020 dealers in all sections of the country. Albums are listed numerically according to greatest sales.         POSITION         Weeke Hast [This         to dealer Week         4       1         51       4         51       4         2       Glenn Miller         Glenn Miller       Decca A-477         3       Barber Shop Quartet         Mills Brothers       Decca 476         10       4         1       3         5       King Cole Trio         King Cole Trio       Capitol BD-29
Some Like it Hot JIMMIE LUNCEFORD and orchestra THEM WHO HAS-GETS With vocal and tenor sax solo by Joe Thomas	BEST-SELLING RECORDS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS         Records listed are those classical and semi-classical records selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers), according to The Billboard's weekly record dealer survey. Records are listed according to greatest sales.         POSITION         Weeks Last This to date Week Week         68       1       1. Chopin's Polonaise Jose Iturbi.       Victor 11-8848         52       2       2. Clair de Lune Jose Iturbi.       Victor 11-8851         26       4       3. Jalousie Boston Pops.       Victor 12160         19       3       3. Warsaw Concerto Andre Kostelanetz.       Columbia 7443-M         43       5       5. Warsaw Concerto Arthur Fiedler, conductor; Leo Litwin, pianist, Boston Pops.       Victor 11-8863
and SHUT-OUT Majestic #1077	BEST-SELLING RECORD ALBUMS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS         Albums listed are those classical and semi-classical albums selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers), according to The Billboard's weekly record dealer survey. Albums are listed according to greatest sales.         POSITION         Weeks Last This to date Week Week         4       1       1.         Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 2 in C Minor         Artur Rubinstein, planist, NBC Orchestra; Vladimir Golschmann, conductor

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ELLIOT LAWRENCE (Columbia 37084) You Broke the Only Heart That Ever Loved You-FT; VC. Five o'Clock Shadow-FT.

Loved You-FT; VC. Five o'Clock Shadow-FT. Elliot Lawrence adds to his newly earned stature on wax with this spinning. And in this needling, displays additional musical facets. Makes effective use of the sweet and swing contrast in bringing back Little Jack Little's bit of sentimentality in "You Broke the Only Heart That Ever Loved You." Kicking it off as a slow ballad with his own piano tinkles against a rich bank of sustained brass harmonies, Lawrence calls on Jack Hunter for the vocal romantics, contrasting with a brighter beat for the vocal rhythmics of Rosalind Patton. Band has its inning for an original riff jumper in "Five o'Clock Shadow," displaying a closely-knit and co-ordinated ensemble with solo flashes from Andy Pino on tenor and Alec Fila on trumpet.

on trumpet. Music boxes will make the most of "You Broke the Only Heart That Ever Loved

#### DICK HAYMES (Decca 18914)

On the Boardwalk—W; V. You Make Me Feel So Young—FT; V. You Make Me Feel So Young—FT; V. With a likeable lift to his lyricizing, Dick Haymes impresses with both of these screen songs from "Three Little Girls in Blue." Most engaging is his word-slinging for the tuneful and buoyant "You Make Me Feel So Young." And there's spirit in his singing for the bouncy waltz melody of "On the Boardwalk," getting spirited assist from the assisting mixed chorus. Gordon Jenkins provides full-fashloned musical support. Screen association should attract atten-tion to these sides.

EDDY HOWARD (Majestic 1071 and 1072)

(Majesnic 10/1 and 10/2) For Sentimental Reasons—FT; VC. You'll See What a Kiss Can Do —FT; VC. Why Does It Get So Late So Early? —FT; VC. If I'm Lucky—FT; VC.

-FT; VC. If I'm Lucky-FT; VC. The soulful and fairly breathless sing-ing of maestro Eddy Howard, with the male trio tagging along on the tags, has made for a winning formula in his click cuiting of "To Each His Own." And it's a repeat performance for each of these sides. With the band brasses muted and woodwinds soft laying down a toe-tapping musical carpet as well as setting a smooth rhythmic frame for the piping. Howard takes all four sides in stride handily, scoring solidly on each count. Takes the sentimental "For Sentimental Reasons" alone in the slow ballad tempo, with the trio adding its harmonies for a brighter "Why Does It Get So Late So Early." Most attractive, and in the "To Each His Own" pattern, is a bright and bouncy "You'll See What a Kiss Can Do," which promises to rise the hit register for tune-smiths Bennie Benjamin and Georgie Welss. Same pattern makes for a fancy plate cutting on "If I'm Lucky," the picture title tune ballad. Already soaring high In the ork whirl, Eddy Howard will attract oodles of nickels for each of these popular and attractive sides, wih a real hit potential in the catchy "You'll See What a Kiss Can Do." ARTIE SHAW

ARTIE SHAW

(Victor 20-1929-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37) (Victor 20-1929-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-3' Scuttlebutt—FT. These Foolish Things—FT. They Didn't Believe Me—FT. Kabash—FT. I Could Write a Book—FT. Easy To Love—FT. J Con't Escape From You—FT. Thrill of a Lifetime—FT. The Gentle Grifter—FT. Time On My Hands—FT. Can't Help Lovin' Dat Man—FT; VC. Lament—FT. A Foggy Day—FT. Lament—F1. A Foggy Day—FT. I Can't Get Started With You—FT. Just Floatin' Along—FT. Keepin' Myself For You—FT. Lucky Number—FT.

Keepin' Myself For You-FT. Lucky Number-FT. While the waxworks has reasons of its own, and fairly obvious ones, for flooding the disk marts with almost everything Artie Shaw left behind when he left the label, interest in the spinning by large falls to the lot of the hot jazz fans. No doubt virtually all of the sides will be lost in the commercial circle, but those who cherish the Shavlan enthuslasm, both in his clarineting and in his ensemble strength, will make the most of everything on tap. In each instance, there's a fetch-ing rhythmic bounce to the spinning. Shaw's clary rides handsomely in each instance, reaching his best feverish pitch in the "Laimert" mood melody. Most rousing jumper is "Lucky Number," altho none of the other spinnings suffer in the comparison. And in addition to the maestro's clary clarity, there is much of Roy Eldridge's torrid trumpet notes to excite the needler, Save for "Scuttlebutt" and "The Gentle Grifter," which carries the Gramercy Five, and "Can't Help Lovin' That Man" which showcases the rhythm chanting of Imogene Lynn, the

sides are all instrumentals—slow tunes of an earlier day and riff patterns created for the most part by Ray Conniff. Best bet for the fans jumping 'round the juke box is "Lucky Number." BIG BILL (Columbia 37088)

Tell Me, Baby-FT; V. I Feel So Good-FT; V.

I Feel So Good-FT; V. Big Bill is in a mellow mood as he shouts out the race blues saga of back-biting women in "Tell Me Baby." And his Chicago Five, small instrumental unit, urge him on well. More in a happier mood is his spirited shouting to plano, guitar and washboard accomps for "I Feel So Good," which feeling stems from his gal coming to see him. For race locations.

#### BING CROSBY-JASCHA HEIFETZ (Decca 40012)

Lullaby—V. Where My Caravan Has Rested—V.

Where My Caravan Has Rested-V. The Groaner goes concert with this cutting. And with no less a Strad scratcher than Jascha Heifetz tearing off the obligatos as well as stringing in a bit of the theme himself, Bing Crosby gives with some real lullabying for both of these standard songs. "Lullaby" is from God-ard's "Jocelyn" and "Where My Caravan Has Rested" is the classic chant of Herman Lahr and Edward Teschemacher. Victor Young brings up the orchestral background for the desired effect. Crosby crowds will like these better for home spinning. home spinning.

#### ARNETT COBBS-HERBIE FIELDS (Hamp-Tone 107)

Jenny—FT. Gate Serene Blues—FT.

Gate Serene Blues—FT. Using a bary sax to point up the jump beats, Arnett Cobbs paces a small and capable jam crew culled from the Lionel Hampton camp. Lipping their hot horns for a "Jenny" riff pattern, the 'unison ensemble phrases sandwiches in some of Cobbs' tenor sax along with Herbie Fields' clary and Murray Buckner's 88-massages. However, for the real musical meat, it's when Herble Fields showcases his alto sax sorcery for a slow and bluesy "Gate Serene Blues," only taking time cut to let Walter Mackell's electric guitar groovings cut in. cut in. Strictly for le jazz hot followers.

#### HERB JEFFRIES (Hamp-Tone 106)

HERB JEFFRIES (Hamp-Ione 106) Evening Breeze-FT; V. Your Guess Is as Good as Mine-FT; V. The rich and robust bary tone of Herb Jeffries strike a romantic vein for both of these slow torch ballads. "Evening Breeze" is a mood melody with a blues pattern cut for "Your Guess Is as Good as Mine." Small band on the session provides adequate support with the singer all on his own for the selling. And he produces with his piping. Race locations will find both of these sides rich in possibilities.

HENRI BENE

(Victor International 25-1070)

La Raspa-FT. Little Brown Jug-FT.

Little Brown Jug-FT. Peppering the bright and breezy polka music with his musette accordion squeez-ings, Henri Rene rings the bell with both of these sides. And it's fanciful scoring by Harold Grant for his adaptation of "Little Brown Jug" and the South Amer-ican "La Raspa," a Chile polka. Both sides, particularly "Little Brown Jug," stack up strong for the polka stops,

# ELMER NEWMAN (Cowboy CR-102)

ELMER NEWMAN (Cowboy CR-102) Westward Bound—FT; VC. Just Say So Long—FT; VC. With sprightly rhythms provided by his Sleepy Hollow Gang, emphasizing a hot fiddler and an accordion squeezer, Elmer Newman makes it an engaging spin for his plaintive singing of "Westward Bound." Even more attractive is his peppery and toe-tapping rendition and song for a tuneful "Just Say So Long." Corn-belt locations will like it for "Just Say So Long."

# TED DAFFAN (Columbia 37087)

TED DAFFAN (Columbia 37087) Shut That Gate—FT; VC. Broken Vows—FT; VC. Both Ted Daffan originals, with George Strange providing the plaintive singing while the string band kicks in with the lively and toe-tapping backgrounds, the cowboy maestro scores with both sides. "Shut That Gate," saga of the pearly gate, is taken at a lively pace, while it's a slow spinner for "Broken Yows," a sad cowboy song. Music boxes will make the most of "Shut That Gate."

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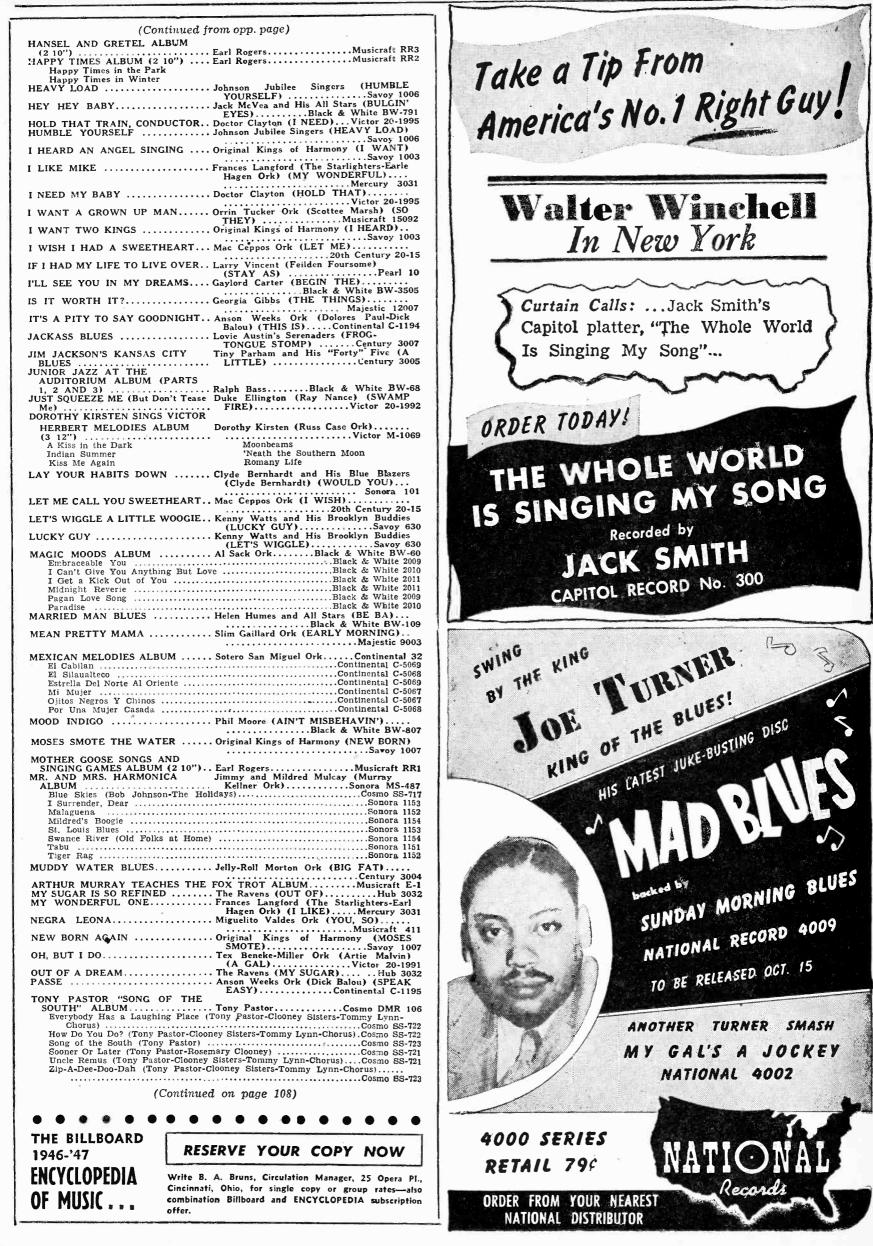
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# Music----As Written

#### NEW YORK:

Mrs. Minnie Conn, mother of Chester Conn, died October 1. . . Leeds Music using new gimmick for Leeds Music using new gimmick for letter accompanying new tunes. Reads as follows: "Dear Friend: (Usual letter omitted because we feel the songs speak for themselves.) Sincerely yours, Leeds Music." .... Pat Flowers, piano and vocal protege of the late Fats Waller, signed ex-clusive disk pact with RCA-Victor. Flowers opens at Club Conden Octo-ber 14.... Ira Gershwin and E. Y. ber 14. . . Ira Gershwin and E. Y. Harburg collaborating as judges to help choose new school song for their alma mater, City College of New York.

Sacred Records opened an eastern factory in Philadelphia. . . . National Sales Manager Ralph Berson out on the road lining up distrib firms for the diskery. . . Johnny Mercer heard a Joe Mooney Quartet air shot and wired an offer for the unit to cut an album for Capitol. . . . Columbia releasing a Masterworks album featuring Benny Goodman doing the Brahms Sonata No. 2 in E-flat major with piano ac-companiment by Nadia Reisenberg. . . . Columbia November pop album will be a set of Harry James reissues in a four-disk package tabbed "All-Time Favorites by Harry James."

Mike Elliot, formerly with Musi-craft Records, now preparing to set up a new indie diskery employing what he calls an "unexploited gim-mick.". . W. A. Timm resigned as recording manager of Continental Records. No immediate plans an-nounced. . . Les Schriber no longer with Swan Records. . . Elliott Wech-sler promoting new Coleman-Secon tune tabbed (Go To Sleep) My Sleepy Head. Mike Elliot, formerly with Musi-Head.

#### CHICAGO:

George Tasker, ex-manager for Anson Weeks and Red Nichols, joined Universal Recording Corporation as Cairns, from Burke-Van Heusen Cincy Office, has replaced Max Lutz as Chi rep for firm . . . Paul Flynn joined. Williamson Music. . . Don Moreland, once with the Oxford boys Moreland, once with the Oxford boys and featured over Great Lakes's band airers during the war, has taken the vocal spot on Bob Trendler's Mutual net show, (3:15 p.m., CST, except Sunday). . .-Ruth Davey is this week's auditionist for permanent post over Don McNeill's Breakfast Club. . . Majestic will release the first Merry Macs' sides around November 1. . . Frankie Masters has moved his Hotel Stevens opening from Novem-Hotel Stevens opening from Novem-ber to February or March and has added a third tram, making six brass.

Del Courtney will continue his slated commitments despite his severe back ailment, which has him in a neck brace all the time, except when he's on the stand....Jeanne Bennett, ex-Bernie Cummins's chirp, and Walter Cummins, band manager, have been secretly married since May, friends learned this week. . . . Fred Waring will transform his Shawnee on the Delaware country club into the Waring School of Songs this winter.... Cootie Williams plays the Savoy Ballroom, Chi, October 10.

#### HOLLYWOOD:

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Chirper Billie Holiday set by Tess Chirper Billie Holiday set by Tess Diamond, of Capitol Attractions, into Club Savoy here. Spot is using names for first time... Louis Armstrong and Count Basie may follow Billy Eckstine into Club Alabam... Les Brown a maybe at Meadowbrook, following Harry James, instead of going into Avadon in January... Tex Beneke strongly denies reported friction between himself and band manager, Don Haynes....Ralph Peer to London November 30 and then to France, Spain, Italy and Denmark to

confer with reps of his pub activities. ... Jack Gale (Eddie Heywood's manager) has the Ellington tune, It Shouldn't Happen to a Dog, for his United Music pubery.

Scene cleared on 20th Century pressing deal here for Cosmo Records, with financial disagreement out and temporary closing of 20th Century re-portedly due to lack of corrugated boxes for packing....Bullets Durgom has opened his own office. Flack Jerry Johnson sharing space with Bul-lets. . . Jack Egan dropped Casino Gardens flackery since they wanted him full time and he has more extensive plans. . . . Hal Shaefer played piano on Boyd Raeburn Jewel Record album. . . Johnny Mercer to do a Western-styled album for Capitol with Jerry Colonna and label's folk attractions.

#### **PHILADELPHIA:**

**PHILADELPHIA:** Buddy Valentino inked in for an-other dancing season at Bombay Gardens... Byron Garrison's Me-lodians take over Powelton Cafe bandstand... Buddy Lawrence re-lights Sun-Mill Ballroom... Lon Chassy takes his band to the Arling-ton Hotel, Hot Springs... Guy Lindsey takes over vocal chores with Jack Miller... Thomas McKean Al-len Jr., of the social register, joined the Howard Lanin band booking of-fice to handle the titled pinky bookfice to handle the titled pinky bookings.

Daily News adds a weekly record review column for the first time with staffer Vincent Clark, appraising the needling. . . . Nat Barret set for the season at Di Pinto's Cafe, with Hopkins Rathskeller getting Sammy Gurra. ... Boris Paul taking over bandstand at Moe Lewis's and Tony Wood at Old Mill Inn on the Jersey side.

#### **TOLEDO:**

**TOLEDO:** Dickie Nichols and his orchestra opened the new Playdium Ballroom at Forrest Park, 15 miles east of Toledo, September 28 for in indefi-nite run. . . Al Overend's orchestra finished 15 weeks at the Commodore Perry Hotel September 28, and opened at the Olympic Hotel, Seattle, October 5. . . Howard LeRoy's or-chestra opened at the El Dorado Room, Commodore Perry Hotel, Sep-tember 29. tember 29.

#### **DETROIT:**

Sonny Dunham cut four sides for Vogue at the studios here. . . Enric Madriguera, in town awaiting open-ing of the Latin Quarter, also re-corded eight new sides for the picture plattery. . . . Arley Fleming, who formerly fronted his own band, is planning a name band policy for the 4,000 capacity ballroom at Tashmoo Park .for next summer, after complete remodeling.



#### October 12, 1946

# **Music Printers' Paper Situation** All Trucked Up

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.-"Next week something had better happen," moaned the owner of one of the leadmoaned the owner of one of the lead-ing music printers in this city. The prexy asserted that the trucking strike had multiplied the already critical paper shortage myriad times and that if nothing happened to al-lowing the present cituation most leviate the present situation, most of the music presses in town would be shut down by the end of next week.

Most of the printers have signed up with their own truckers, but their up with their own truckers, but their trucks only make deliveries and can-not pick up the paper needed for production. It is the drastic paper situation which is the key to the problem. Del Guercio and Kuper-man, one of the major printing houses in New York, has had one shipment of paper in the past five weeks. Other: have been less for-tunate, while one firm has its own warehouse with a now dwindling supply on hand. Present situation appears minor to most of the major operators as compared to what they feel will happen when the strike comes to an end. Most agree that while N. Y. printers have been forced to use supplies on hand and hope for to use supplies on hand and hope for the end of the strike, out of town printing houses have been ordering up the usual New York paper supply. After strike is over the printers seem to think that these out-of-town shipments added to the general paper shortage will make the present situation appear mild.

One firm, Robert Teller Sons & Dorner, which does work for several Dorner, which does work for several of the top publishers, has cut out its overtime work, and has been replac-ing its music work with commercial printing on the presses. Outfit has small supply of paper on hand, but very little of it is suitable for music printing. Radon-Neidorff reports that firm has a small amount of paper on hand, but hardly enough to main-tain a normal production schedule. Phillv's Kidisk Jockey Masters of two-per-week commercial radio shows from Dallas over the Texas CBS network. Spon-sored by the Interstate Chain, the

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.—Newest twist for this area in disk jockeying will be launched by WIP in spotting Helen Lipkin for platter spinning a Kiddies Record Karnival Saturday mornings for a half hour at 11. Needling will be geared to hit a platter fan trade ranging from tots of two to eight-year-olds. Features will be the most requested kidisk of the most and a didiction record to the most and a didiction record to the week and a dedication record to the "best child of the week."

#### CHARLIE SPIVAK Makes 'Em, Breaks 'Em

THIS trumpeting band leader makes disks and breaks records. That's the story of his ork career since he broke away in 1939 from a long spell in commercial radio



and formed his own outfit. Since then he's been setting b.o. precedents wherever he's been. When his outfit was barely a year old he was booked into the Cafe Rouge of the Hotel Pennsyl-vania, New York, and smashed the late Glenn

Miller's record there. His all-time high hasn't been hit by any other band since. He's repeated at this stand and goes back October 28 for a limited run

Currently at the Paramount Theater, New York, he has set a record with a straight 10-week run. This is his third showing at this house, and it started out as a four-week stand. He's booked for 1947 and 1948.



CHICAGO, Oct. 5.-Green Recordings, newest entry in the local platter parade, makes its debut Sunday (13) at the Civic Opera House in Chi's biggest jam session ever. John C. Green, industrial real-estate op C. Green, industrial real-estate op who dabbles in concert promotion, heads the diskery. Aided by Paul Edouard Miller, jazz critic, he has rounded up 22 jazzmen, including Sidney Bechet, Gene Cedric and Dizzy Gillespie, who'll fly in for one-Dizzy Gillespie, who if Hy in for one-nighter, together with Paul Jordan, Max Miller Trio and Bud Freeman, latter three being stars of Green's first releases. Green plans to have Freeman Quartet, Miller Trio and Jordan's Octet do numbers at concert, which there do on first Green issues Jordan's Octet do numbers at concert, which they do on first Green issues, plus other numbers by the 22 jazzists. If Green gets good reaction to any numbers on program which haven't been waxed, he plans to have John Steiner, former head of S. & D. plat-ters on hand to record them after the show.

the show. Green plans to confine the catalog strictly to jazz. Deal has been made for a Midwest pressery to handle disk production, but distribution problems still confront the firm. Pres-ent plans call for regular Miller-Green jazz concerts at either Kimball Hall or Civic Opera House, with next slated for Saturday afternoon (26) at Kimball Hall, when Boyd Rolando, new tenor find, heads a mixed group of jazzmen. of jazzmen.

# Masters Gets Texas

sored by the Interstate Chain, the band and standby fees will run ap-proximately \$3,500 for the crew's two appearances weekly and will give Masters five days off on which to work the surrounding territory on one-nighters.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—With the re-turn to the band of Harold (Shorty) Baker, the Duke Ellington ork en-larged its trumpet section to six. Band's opening at the Aquarium at-tracted swarms of top show biz names and leading trade personalities. El-lington will introduce one of his new compositions on the Percy Faith show on Monday evening. Titled When Nobody's Looking, the piece comes from the newest of the com-poser's long works, a four part opus called Deep South Suite.

#### American New Indie Disker

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.-American Recording Company is the newest addition to the indie disk ranks. With headquarters in Philadelphia, outfit is headed by G. Ralph Joseph, Richard F. Cavella and Carl C. Weil. Firm intends to cut both classical and pop sides.

Marsolais to P. M. Richmond

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.-June Rich-NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—June Rich-mond, former Andy Kirk and Jimmy Dorsey chirp, and most recently in the Broadway musical Are You With It, signed a personal management pact with Joe Marsolais office.





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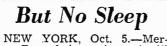
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#### San Fran Musickers Ask 10-12% Increase

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—Musicians in hotels and night clubs are asking for a pay hike of from 10 to 12 per cent beginning November 1. Ed S. Moore, president of the local musicians' union disclosed that the org's new price list, just drawn up, would demand top weekly pay of \$102 a week for musicians in firstclass hotels. Figure is an increase of \$12 weekly.

An identical boost will be sought from eight clubs, giving them a weekly top pay of \$92 for a six-day week. Pay scales for an optional five-day week are slightly lower. Among night spots classified as "grade C" by the union, wage demands will be lower, Moore announced, with details still to be worked out by the union. "Grade C" is the lowest bracket on the union list.



NEW JORK, Oct. 5.—Mercury Records is coming out with a Sunny Skylar album in November tabbed Lullabies—But Not for Children.

#### Va. Polytech's 7G Name Ork Homecoming Fund

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Virginia Polytechnical Institute, Blackburg, Va., is setting what band bookers hereabouts hope will be a practice widely followed on homecoming week-end, October 18-19, for which they've set up \$7,000 budget for name band music for campus functions.

The Elliot Lawrence ork is pencilled in for both days, sharing the spot Friday evening with Dean Hudson, while Tony Pastor comes in the next evening. School has only 4,000 enrollment.



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Special Report on Pallma-Warner-Fox

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.-In a suit against Fox Publishing Company, which dates back to August, 1943, a special master's report was submitted on September 25 to Federal Court Judge Mandelbaum for consideration and approval granting plaintiffs, Frank J. Pallma Jr. and Stanley Warner, a total of \$42,149.41. Report of Special Master Max L. Finkelstein said: "I have determined that the only feasible method of solving this only feasible method of solving this entire accounting is by the fixing of a percentage to apply to all such revenues (bulk revenues based on ASCAP performing rights and sale of motion picture synchronization rights) since the date of contract (March, 1928) and including a per-centage which would have been alcentage which would have been al-lowed by way of interest. If there is inexactness in the result achieved, it is the fault of the defendant, who caused the necessity for the determi-nation of which share of the combined bulk revenues shall be allo-cated to the plaintiffs."

Case dates back to 1928 at which time Pallma and Warner sold their catalog to Sam Fox in a deal which provided for a 50-50 split of receipts to be realized from performing rights, motion picture synchronization rights and mechanical reproduction royalties. Deal also provided that the money was to be paid after Pallma, Warner and the writers received full returns from sheet music sales. Fox went ahead and turned the entire combined Fox, Pallma and Warner catalogs over to ASCAP for licensing for performing rights with the arrangement that ASCAP pay off Fox in bulk sums for the duties received for the use of the songs in all three catalogs. Fox also arranged for motion picture synchronization rights to be paid off in bulk sums on all songs used from the combined catalogs. The report also said there were minor discrepancies in the accounting of folio royalties, sheet music receipts, discount charges, transportation charges and interest charges. The original suit, which resulted in Pallma and Warner gaining an interlocutory decree against Fox, and arranged for the special master's investigation and accounting, was filed in August 1943, on the basis that Fox's accounted figures on the basis of the bulk returns was contrary to the terms of the basic contract.

the terms of the basic contract. Leonard Zissu, attorney for the plaintiff, believes this is the first case of its kind. "According to the report," he said, "it would appear that where one publisher transfers his catalog to another under an arrangement to share in a percentage of the proceeds, then the publisher acquiring such a catalog couldn't make bulk revenue arrangements on the combined catalogs and hope to become the arbiter as to how much of the total monies to pay the first publisher involved in any financial discrepancy."

#### ASCAP Gets APC Suit Stay

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The suit of the Alien Property Custodian against ASCAP and the Austrian Composers' Society was put off until today, last week when Judge Murray Hulbert signed an order extending the defendant's time to answer the suit until that date. The Alien Property Custodian is trying to collect royalty monies due the French, German and Austrian composers' societies under a vestry order issued in 1943 which gave all this moola over to the Alien Property Custodian for holding until hostilities had ended. Total sum claimed by the Alien Property Custodian is slightly over the \$392,000 mark.

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### Hotels 'Rob' Tootlers Of 20% Hike, Claims 802 Indie Committee

The Billboard

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—"Chiseling" on music men by many of town's top hotels as an aftermath of the music strike is being charged by independent committee of Local 802, AFM. Org named nine hostelries as seeking to "rob musicians of their 20 per cent increase" by reducing sessions and cutting size of crews as well as closing dance rooms.

Independents also claim that some bands are being kept at summer size instead of having personnel increased in September as usually done. Committee also alleges that bands are being "victimized" for taking part in strike and report two week notice being handed music men who returned to work.

#### **Eckstine's New Line-Up**

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 5.—Billy Eckstine is opening at Million-Dollar Theater October 8 after two-week stand at Lincoln Theater here ending seven days earlier. Eckstine unveiled revamped crew at Lincoln stand, with new line-up including Hobart Dotson, Miles Davis, Joe Stroud, King Kolax, trumpets; Albert Riding, Nat Atkins, Carl Smith, Gerald Valentine, trombones; John Dunjee, Robart Williams Jr., Gene Ammons, Martin Van Buren Kelly, Frank Wess, saxes; Art Blakey, drums; Linton Garner, piano; Connie Wainwright, guitar; Bill McMahon, string bass; Ann Baker, chirper. Eckstine doubles on trumpet and valve trombone and does vocals.

#### Waring Hits Concert Jackpot

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Paramount Attractions, headed by Art Goldsmith and managed by Billy White, which started in concert promotion only this year, hit the jackpot twice with the Fred Waring aggregation, racking up \$19,000 in Indianapolis at the Butler Field House (14,000 seats-\$.60 to \$3.60) September 28, and \$19,500 in Cleveland September 25 at the Auditorium (10,000 seats-\$.90 to \$3.60). Grosses were part of a 10-day onenighter junket, during which Waring is reported to have topped \$125,000.

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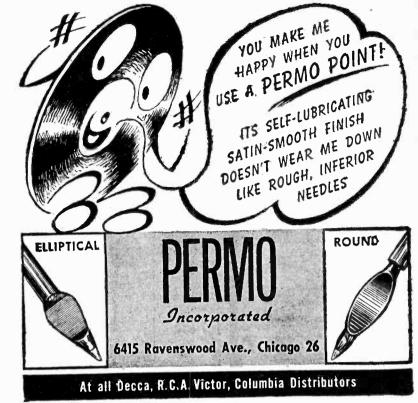
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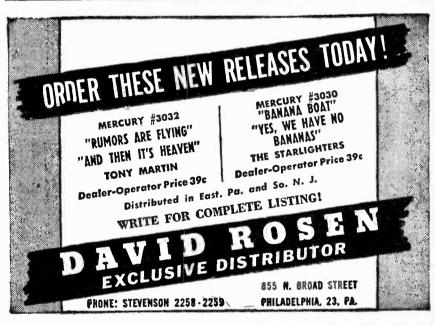
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prexy, on Sunday Sacred Rec-ord Shop over KXLA here. Starting at 12:30, when most church-goers have returned home from services, program offers half-hour of recorded

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HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 5 .- Folk sing-

Records. Burnette will bring out a kidisk album of Western comedy songs for Yuletide trade. Burnette will use label only for kidisk items. His contract with now defunct ARA

plattery expired when ARA failed to meet first payment. He anticipates tie-up with another diskery on regu-lar folk material.

DETROIT, Oct. 5 .- Art Mooney,

ter for the firm in the Midwest. Bernie Skidel, a disk industry vet-eran, will be in charge of the new of-

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#### **Unity Vet Committee** Hammers at 802 Blue

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.--Discord in the ranks of Local 802, AFM, is seen with the formation of a Veterans' Committee for Unity which met Friday (4) and announced repudiation of the Blue Ticket administration. Jack Fidel is chairman of VCU with Robert Greenfield, secretary, and Jack Levin, treasurer. Committee, formed by ex-G.I. members of the local, predict it will be a powerful political bloc in the coming election of officers and claims 3,500 former servicemen are behind the move to unseat the ins because of what the committee calls Company for Kidisks flagrant disregard by officials of vet needs.

Committee also recalled that it was Unity which instigated the issuance of gold cards by local to members in uniform, indicating org was keeping G.I.'s dues paid during their service stint. Unity also introduced a resolu-tion at last year's annual by-law meeting for setting up a \$150,000 fund and appointment of a rehabilitation committee to aid vets in return to civilian status. Resolution, says this committee, was killed by administration action.

The veterans claim they need occupational and financial aid to regain a footing in the biz, pointing out that other G.I.'s can go to schools to brush up but that dance men can't get pri-vate instruction under the G.I. bill. They also charge that local officials could have clarified problem and could have brought about a change which would have permitted them to resume their careers instead of look-ing into other fields for work.

It is reported that there is much bitterness about the reception ac-corded G.I.'s on their return when local waived \$8 in dues and allegedly told the boys to shift for themselves. Other AFM locals, they say, set up re-habilitation committees, made long-range loans, appointed teachers at union expense and in other ways encouraged the employment of veteran music men. Committee also claims that the New York chapter's record for vet aid is lowest in country. VCU has set up a permanent headquarters at 124 West 50th Street, opposite Local, and are planning a mass meeting to be held soon.

#### **McConkey Into Chi** Blackh'k Via Carlyle

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.--Current hot competish among the major agencies competisn among the major agencies and several mushrooming smaller in-dependents for Midwest one-night and location biz (*The Billboard*, Oc-tober 5) popped up again this week when Cole Keyes, head of the Mc-Conkey, Inc., band department, inked Russ Carlyle's band to open at the Blackhawk Restaurant, Loop bistro, starting October 23 starting October 23. Keyes's skedding into the Black-

hawk marks the first time any agency outside GAC, MCA, WM or FB has been able to penetrate the important Loop outlet, which despite the recent dropping of band remotes locally, has been able to keep its wire intact. Carlyle ork goes in for indefinite stav.

### Sirup Hines Cracks **Springfield Spot**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.---The Earl Hines ork, which has been pulling plenty of surprises because of its transformasurprises because of its transforma-tion to a very sirupy crew in the past six months, becomes the first Negro crew ever to play the Lake Club, Springfield, Ill., October 9, when they start a week's stay for op Hugo Geovigoeneli. Band is also set to play three white theaters in Pitts-burgh area on one-dayers during Oc-tober 18 week-end tober 18 week-end.

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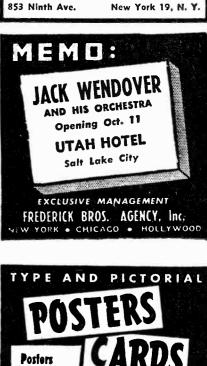
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Ladd keyboarding at Soho Cafe. Bill Damron option picked up at the Cafe Bar, Hotel St. George. . . . Jessie Elliot held over at Leon and Eddie's. . . Kay Hammond returned to Dixie Bar September 30. . . . Howard Marsh, original Ravenal of Schambert marging the Victorian Bar Showboat, preems at Victorian Bar, Hotel Gladstone, October 5.... Na-tional Variety Artists, American Le-



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#### Chicago:

Eggs Royer, back in the Midwest after a year, opened at the Nob Hill, new South Side lounge. . . Frank Hobbs, of GAC's Chi radio depart-ment, will join GAC's New York office next week.

#### San Francisco:

Eddie Heywood's ork inked for one Milwaukee: week at Oakland's Swing Club. . . . Bonito Moreno in at Club Moderne for two weeks, Hollywood Midgets to follow, then Moreno back again. . . . Jack Ross, Irque Room maestro, married Linda Paige, film starlet, in Bano Sentember 23 Reno, September 23.

Steve Sacco's ork, current in Fair-mont Hotel Officers' Club, signed for a series of waxings. . . Sally Rand holding Wednesday night parties for wounded vets at her club. . . . Betty Black replaced Elaine Starr at 365 Club after one show....Kubla Khan is prepping a Cole Porter Revue with all-Chinese cast. . . Al Williams, Papagayo boss, will open new Don Quixote Room in El Cortez Hotel, with small combo and food.... Larry Ching, Chinese Sinatra, stays for six months at Forbidden City.

#### **Pittsburgh:**

Pianist Mary Lou Williams gets two weeks at Mercur's Music Bar starting October 9. . . Jimmy Spi-talny's ork in local bow at Vogue

gion Post 690, holds its 25th annual Terrace October 4... Jimmy Holmes dance October 25 at the Henry Hud-son Hotel. Terrace October 4... Jimmy Holmes has resigned as manager of Sports-men's Bar to resume nitery emsee men's Bar to resume nitery emsee work. . . Club Ankara will open November 1 with Jackie Heller's Carousel to follow week later. . . Don Metz, op of Club Casino and Sky Vue, has bought Club Zanzibar and will follow a straight Negro policy. First attraction in will be the Ginger Snape Snaps.

> Stan Bailey Trio set for a long run at Hollywood Show Bar. . . . Tommy Noll out at Miller's Cafe due to illness, Reid Jaynes and Jon Walton, former Reid Jaynes and Jon Walton, former sidemen, taking over as leaders. . . Lou Abrams bought out partner Etzi Covato's interest in Villa Madrid. . . . Lincoln Highway construction job has closed Arlington Lodge and Club 413.

Jerry Murray, pianist, returns to Red Room for third time after 15 months at Gayety, Chicago. . . . Con-tinuing policy of names in Circle Lounge, Manager Francis De Lopst booked Lind Brothers, singers, opening October 5. They followed recordbreaking King Cole Trio. . . After completing USO tours, the 3 Notes go into Club Midnight on north side. . Jose Rosado and His Royal Latins, now at Blackamoor Room, return to Chicago's Tailspin in mid-October. Dick Harris continues here with Hammond organ. . . . Singer Ben Melton stays on at Empress as back-Dick ground singer.



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# **D. C. SPOTS BATTLE FOR ACTS Ops Hope Talent Will Hypo Biz as Tourist Take Drops**

WASHINGTON Oct. 5.—The squaring off between rival cafe ops for attractions and just plain acts has now hit this city. Spot after spot old as well as new, is in there waving its roll into agents' mugs, bidding for per-formers who can sell tickets. Round-robin was started by the Romanian Inn, run by Paul and Dave Young, who bought Buddy Lester and Steve Condos for an October 8 opening. The Cairo, Sam Shenken and Harry Anger's place, is countering with Phil Brito, followed by Allan Carney. Other clubs, here-tofore openrating on \$500 to \$1000 hydrofs. also are upping their outlows in 

the Chinese restaurants which have gone along with local combos and a girl singer or so. Their business has dropped off, in many cases as much as 50 per cent. Reason for the de-cline is one of those things for which everybody has an answer. But ops, seeing the spots with talent doing the biz, aren't concerned with reasons. They too have taken the elastics off the bank rolls and are huddling with percenters to see what they can get.

#### **Pitching With Dollars**

The Trade Winds, run by Ruby The Trade Winds, run by Ruby Foo, has upped its budget from \$500 to about \$1,500. It has just bought Ralph Lewis for \$500 which is more than it usually spends for the entire show. Delmonico's is now putting \$2,000 on the line for band and show, and has come up with the Radio Aces who are coming in with their own

and has come up with the Radio Aces who are coming in with their own show, which includes Lillian Ravel. Lotus Gardens is inquiring around, so is Treasure Island. So far the Washington hotels are out of the talent picture, but it is expected that they too will step in during the next few weeks. The lo-cal Statler, the Carleton, the Shore-ham and the Willard are doing some quiet nibbling. The Willard was all set to go when a lack of elevator service forced the management to cancel plans. However, a ground-floor room is within the realm of possibility. Back of this stepped-up yell for

possibility. Back of this stepped-up yell for attractions is the city's recently launched publicity drive to get tour-ists and conventions to come to the capital. Local board of trade has its job cut out for it. For years the warning has been "keep away"—no rooms, no tables in restaurants, no nothing. Now it is trying to get the spenders back. A group under the name of Greater National Committee has raised about \$75,000 to be spent on drum thumping the nation's capi-tal as a rubberneckers' center.

#### Hotels Now Say "Welcome"

Heading the "come to Washington" pitch are the local hotels, where biz has dropped quite a lot. Today it is possible to get a room in almost any downtown hotel without reservations. Rooms are available because many firms have turned back the quarters they kept during the war. City is no longer a hot spot for every man with a beef, and many government jobs have gone with the war.

After-dark spots have obviously been hurt by the exodus from the capital. One way to get biz back is to give the customer more than aplate of chop suey and a lyric soprano. How much work there will be in Washington for performers is still not known, but with the city putting it out for the first time in five years, it is possible that between the theater (Capitol) and local clubs an extra six weeks isn't too much.

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### Berle's 15G at **Miami Copa Sets** New Cafe High

YORK,, Oct NEW 5.--Milton Berle will get the juciest plum the nitery field ever handed out when he opens for Murray Weinger at his Miami Copacabana sometime in February. Berle's deal calls for a flat guaranty

of \$15,000 plus a percentage. Morris office estimates the deal will permit the comic to grab about 20G a week. Berle is set for six weeks plus options.

Previous record involving such dough is also held by Berle, who opened at the Carnival, New York, for \$8,500 plus a percentage. He started at the Carnival last Decem-ber, has been averaging 10G weekly, and compared to wind up for Nicker and expects to wind up for Nicky Blair after the new year. This means that more than a solid year he will

have worked in one spot. Olsen and Johnson will follow Berle at the Carnival for a rumored \$10,000 straight.

### New Parlaybel

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 5. — Celebrating its application for an AGVA franchise, the Mil-waukee Entertainment Bookers' for Association decided that its title was too horsey-sounding. The was too horsey-sounding. The word "bookers" had the boys in word "bookers" had the boys in a tizzy. They said it made them sound like they were horse play-ers or had something to do with nags which perish forbid. So at their meeting Clifford Bur-mek, veepee, and Curt Berger, secretary-treasurer, and the rest of the hour abanded the hourd of the boys changed the handle of the org. It will henceforth be known as the Milwaukee Entertainment Managers' As-sociation, and don't let nobody say nothing about the hay burners.

### Mouthpiece Keeps Penobscot Open Despite "Refill" Rap

DETROIT, Oct. 5.-Legal maneuvering kept the Penobscot Club, swank sky spot, operating this week, despite the six-month closing order slapped on the bistro by the State siapped on the bistro by the State Liquor Commission. While the State Supreme Court had refused to grant the club an injunction, its doors nevertheless remained open after its attorneys petitioned the County Circuit Court for a writ of review. Meanwhile, the liquor board has set October 8 for a hearing on club man-agement's appeal.

Penobscot originally drew the com-mission's fire on a charge of refilling. Latin Quarter and Lee 'n' Eddie's, embroiled with the law on various charges, remain closed.

### **AGVA Says So** What? On Acts Crossing 802

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The recent Local 802 AFM strike against the hotels has AGVA doing a burn because of the charges and claims made by musicians' union against the ac-tors' org. Local 802 charge that de-spite its picket lines thrown around hotels, AGVA members working there walked thru and did performances. AGVA's reply is that it was never officially informed of any strike, was never consulted and its help never sought. All it knew of the walkout was what it read in the

the walkout was what it read in the papers. "We are never going to ask our members to give up thousands of dollars a week for a strike we were never told about," said Matt Shelvey, AGVA head. He claimed his union had verbal understanding with local had verbal understanding with local AFMs in many cities where both unions were working hand in hand. "Right now we are spending \$100 a week on a picket line in front of the New Orleans Moulin Rouge, where we are not even involved. where we are not even involved. The musicians want a contract and the op won't give it. We are helping them out by pulling our members from the club. Had 802 come to us officially and asked us for our help in their battle with the hotels, I would have given it every assistance by ordering our people out." He em-phasized that AGVA never pulled a show out of a spot without first notifying the musicians.

Asked about the Ohio Regan incident at the Palmer House, Chicago, he replied that there never was a picket line around the hotel, and just as in New York, Chi musicians never officially asked for help.

### **Commish Days for Bookers** Seen Ending; Say Policy Now Economically Unsound

#### By Bill Smith

By Bill Smith NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The problem of house bookers breaking their backs trying to get attractions is now more acute than ever. While getting box-office acts always was a problem, it is much more so today because even semi-names afte tough to buy. An exclusive booker going into the open market gets one price. The big office with the attraction trying to do business direct with the op quotes another. It's all part of competition sharpened by the small number of names available and the desire of the big offices to collect their full 10 per cent and the house booker insisting on his 5 per cent. In an

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### Show Policy as Mass Draw

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.-Chi may get CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Chi may get its first economy-priced nitery based on volume biz since Mike Todd's venture here in the mid-'30's if pres-ent plans being mulled by Irv Ben-jamin, owner of Colosimo's, South Loop nitery, work out. Benjamin said he intends to knock off the \$2.50 minimum within the next two weeks minimum within the next two weeks, which will leave spot without cover or min. Dinners have already been knocked down from \$5 to \$3.50 and will be pared more within next month month.

Economy-budgeted shows under consideration, Benjamin said, include an ice show, with which spot opened; a variety bill strong on novelty acts, and a strong black and tan revue. Benjamin said the icer has the inside

A Hangover From G.I. Life, Maybe

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—If demands for releases keep piling up, some of the offices will have to set up new the offices will have to set up new departments to take care of the rush. Lenny Kent just won his divorce from GAC after squabbling with the office for more than a year. Frank Curley, Rose Marie's father, also is screaming that he wants out from MCA, charging that office "hasn't done anything for her." Danny O'Neil is another MCA property who wants a separation. a separation.

Miles Ingalls has his troubles with John Calvert. Magician has signed with Ingalls for two years of which one year has lapsed. He charges that Ingalls can't keep him working, lays jumps, i.e., Salt Lake City to Detroit then San Diego then New Orleans. Anyway, he too wants out.

#### Andrews 50G, 4 Miami Wks.?

MIAMI, Oct. 5.-In face of a report that swank Colonial Inn may not open, Lon Levy, manager of Andrews Sisters, says the trio will tee off in the spot in December for four weeks at a reputed salary of 50G's for the run. Murray Weinger, of Copacabana, also is bidding for the gals.



house booker insisting on his 5 per cent. In an effort to get around the stymie, house bookers are now going direct to acts, claiming that net deals insisted on by their offices are keep-ing them out of work. The offices deny such charges, merely point-

charges, merely point-ing out that they are entitled to a full ten. If the act wants to pay the house booker his five, it's okay with the office, but they won't split their ten.

One talent agency, trying to overcome the beefs and still get its full ten, merely jacks up the salary the extra 5 per cent so the booker can get his cut. This, of course, puts an (See Bookers' Commish on opp. page) track.

#### **NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDE GROSSES**

### **Bookers' Commish Policy Tabbed** As Economically Off Balance

(Continued from opp. page) additional burden on the op and, with business as it is, he doesn't like it.

Desire to keep the full ten for itself isn't new. Every agent, big or small, insists he can't make dough on five. It's claimed that it costs 6 per cent to handle an act. However, an agent who is also an exclusive booker, isn't worried. He gets his full ten from his own acts and a five from other percenters' acts if they work his spot. According to AGVA, a house booker is entitled to only 5 per cent on all acts, including his own, but there is hardly an agent who doesn't get a full ten from his own acts if he puts them into his own spot. Naturally, he prefers to use his properties. There have been cases where even an outside act was asked for a full ten by the booker, despite the fact that the act was signed to another office.

This 5 per cent to exclusive bookers against a ten to agents may be one of the reasons why so few bookers actually have their official authorizations on file with AGVA. They rea-son, apparently, that if they're not official, they can get a full ten. It may also be one of the reasons why major talent offices are so leery of official exclusives official exclusives.

There is still another reason: An op may be willing to give an agent an exclusive on his joint but will refuse to put his name to any official document because he doesn't want his name connected with the club. Else, it may be that the agent who becomes a booker is too tickled to get it and doesn't want to press the matter. In any case, the question of when is an official booker an accredited booker is a subject that eventually will tie the trade into knots.

#### Tax Tangles

The larger offices naturally prefer to use their own properties for ob-vious reasons. Still they can't permit vious reasons. Still they can't permit their acts to stay out of work because of a 5 per cent cut. The hypoing of salaries to allow for the cut is not a solution. When tax time comes around the act will have to report that he got, say, \$2.625. even tho his actual salary was \$2,500 because \$125 of it went to the booker. Even the agent with his 10 per cent may be in a jam. His claim that he got 10 per cent of \$2,500 may not stand up when a jam. His claim that he got 10 per cent of \$2,500 may not stand up when cent of \$2,500 may not stand up when salary figures show the act received \$2,625. He may have a tough time explaining that the figure should have been 10 per cent of \$2,500 and not 10 per cent of \$2,625. Multiply that case by hundreds and the problem facing the offices isn't so easy of solution.

At least one large office is seriously thinking of a solution which it be-lieves will pull it out of the hole. It is considering asking each spot which wants to be handled exclusively to give the office a fixed sum each week. Biggies can do this and make it stick; indies won't want any part of such deals.

Putting bookers on a salary is nothing new. It has been done before in the Midwest and is common practice in Great Britain. According to inside, there are at least three Eastern agents who get salaries for booking. Big objection to straight salary booking is that it leaves the door open for all kinds of curves. It's pointed out that unless there is an official ruling wiping out the 5 per center, there will be nothing to stop the booker from getting his salary and then collecting a commission on top of it. Also emphasized that some cafe ops will pretend to know nothing cafe ops will pretend to know nothing will remain in New York, where he about the commission angle but will will spend the majority of his time.

take a cut from the booker each week.

A straight salary deal from a booker's viewpoint has its disadvantages. To service a spot properly a booker must spend time and money. To make a salary interesting it would have a salary interesting it would have to equal what the booker would ordinarily get via the 5 per cent route. If a booker got \$200 a week for setting a \$5,000 show, he'd be out \$300 on a straight salary deal. Ob-viously house bookers don't want any part of such experiments. part of such arrangements. However, despite disadvantages to

bookers, a salary plan has its points for the operators. It is apparent that for the operators. It is apparent that an operator who gets his acts net can usually get better deals. Cer-tainly the additional 5 per cent to the house booker would not be tacked onto the salary. At present, a club which wants even a semi-attraction is asked to pay anywhere from \$250 to \$500 more if there is a booker involved. Frequently this hypoed salary is the gimmick to give compe-tition the break. But whatever the reason, it is claimed that the days of reason, it is claimed that the days of the percentage-taking house booker

# Sophie, Joe E. Lewis

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—As the Florida season draws closer, the panic for names gets wilder. Latest addi-tion to Miami night life will be La Boheme, formerly operated by Papa Bouche. Spot, located in Broward County, is planning on opening with either Sophie Tucker, Joe E. Lewis or both. At least, both are wanted. Understood, however, that if la Tucker goes in, the room will be turned over to her. She will hostess, run the room and work in it on a salary and percentage.

Big gimmick will of course be gambling. Broward County has looked the other way when green table activity started. Based on the amount of dough being spent for talfor the coming season, it looks like the boys will continue operating.

One spot in a jam for new season is One spot in a jam for new season is the Latin Quarter. Located in a no-gambling county, it can't expect a big play or go in for heavy talent nuts. Spot opens December 19, but so far has no acts set. Expected that in-stead of breaking its back competing for names, room will go in for elabor-ate productions making a play for ate productions, making a play for the dinner biz.

#### Philly AGVA Preps 20-25% Split - Week Scale Boost

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.—With AFM grabbing off a 25 per cent hike for nitery musicians, local AGVA chapter is preparing an increased wage scale for entertainers appearing in cofee presenting floorshours on cafes presenting floorshows on

two, three of four nights a week. Boosts for the split-week stands will run from 20 to 25 per cent. Dick will announce the new scales, which will become effective December 1, after a general union meeting Oc-tober 15.

#### Frederick on the Wing

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.-Bill Frederick, back in town after a 30-day vaca-tion in Oklahoma, is planning on long and frequent business trips around the country as soon as the reshuffle in the FB New York office is accom-plished. His headquarters, however,

**New York** Holidays Help, Hurt; Roxy Bow 98G, Cap. 73, M. H. 130

NEW YORK Oct. 5.—Altho Yom 000) didn't do too well for its preem Kippur holiday this week-end, Fri-day (4) sundown to Saturday eve-man's ork, Martha Tilton and Roddy ning (5), hurt at the box office, the McDowell, Income was \$73,000, which Rosh Hashonah holiday, two days last is only so-so for an opener. week-end, kept grosses up.

Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average, \$110,000) held at \$130,000 for its seventh week, same as for the sixth frame. Show, with Estelle Sloan, Bob Williams and Notorious, opened with \$150,000 for each of first two weeks; third brought \$162,000, followed by \$145,000 and \$138,000.

#### 98G Roxy Kick-Off

Roxy (6,000 seats; average, \$75,000) opened nicely, with \$98,000 as its kick-off with Beatrice Kay, Maurice Rocco, Marshall Brothers and Three Little Girls in Blue.

Capitol (4,627 seats; average, \$72,-

#### Plaza, N. Orleans, Reopens; **AGVA Bond Pays Off Talent**

NEW YORK, Oct. 5 .- The Plaza, the New Orleans nitery that preemed September 24 with Georgie Price,

September 24 with Georgie Price, did a temporary folderoo a week later, October 1, but relighted the following day without Price. Spot was spending \$3,500 for the show, of which Price got \$2,000. All show, of which Price got \$2,000. All acts were in on a two-weeker. When room was opened it posted a \$5,000 cash bond with AGVA. Spot was backed by a Chicago group with Lawrence Tragel as operator. Under-stood the room was to have gambling. but when the all clear signal didn't come thru the money lads reportedly took a powder. When AGVA was notified of the

dough to pay acts for their week's work, and asked Tragel for the additional money to make up for the second week due on the contract. Tragel put up an additional \$1,500, but asked permission to reopen sans Price, saying he couldn't afford him. AGVA agreed and split the \$1,500 be-tween Drice ord the other pate with tween Price and the other acts, with the understanding that the rest of dough will be payed off later. Mean-while, the extra \$1,500 put up by Tragel will secure the cast now working in the room.

#### Dinty's Terrace Must Pay **Fired Line Called 'Amateurs'**

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Dinty's Terrace, Cohoes, N. Y., lost the AGVA arbitration when it was ordered to pay Noel Sherman, line producer, for four weeks work on a pay-or-play basis. Difference arose when spot, having hired a six-girl line, fired them after a few days, claiming that girls were amateurs girls were amateurs.

Sherman maintained that girls all had previous showbiz experience. Spot has a bond up, amount undis-closed, and money will be used to pay the girls if payment isn't made by the

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—When King Cole Trio comes in for their Para-mount Theater date opening October 16, they may go into a huddle with 16, they may go into a huddle with a name nitery operator here, who is reported ready to back the boys in a new 52d Street spot to be called King Cole Room. Hollywood King Cole Room in the Trocadero, former-ly owned by Norman Steller, was sold to Monte Proser, New York Copacabana op and is now closed for remodeling, with reopening ex-pected early in 1947.

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#### Para Drops to 81G

Para Drops to 81G Paramount (3,654 seats; average, \$75,000) showed \$81,000 for its fourth week, with Charlie Spivak's band, Peggy Lee, Bob Evans and Monsieur Beaucaire. Previous take was \$87,000. Opened with \$110,000, followed by \$100,000. Strand (2,770 seats; average, \$45,-000) howed out with \$50,000 for its

Strand (2,770 seats; average, \$45,-000) bowed out with \$50,000 for its fifth and final week with Bob Cros-by's ork, Don Cummings and The Big Sleep. Opened with \$81,000, next was \$65,000. Third and fourth were \$54,-000 and \$53,000 respectively. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Alvino Bey's ork Sondra Barrett and Clock Rey's ork, Sondra Barrett and Cloak and Dagger

Loew's State (3,500 seats; average, \$25,000) collected \$26,000 for Tommy Riggs, Danny O'Neil and Easy To Wed against previous week's \$27,000. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Cozy Cole group, Bob Graham and Holiday in Mexico.

#### **Omaha:**

#### **Basie Okay 20G** At Omaha Orph

OMAHA, Oct. 5.—Count Basie ork racked up near \$20,000 for week ended Thursday (3), at Orpheum Theater (3,000 seats; prices, 55-80 cents). Also on bill were Coles and Adkins, Two Zephyrs and Pete Nu-rent Well versived Adkins, Two Zepu, ant. Well received. gent,

Show got some advance free advertising when radio quiz program asked Basie's real name. Customers besieged newspaper office for info. Pic, Swamp Fire.

Minevitch Borrah harmonica and Billy Butterfield orchestra opened Friday (4).

#### Los Angeles:

#### Hamp Sights Socko **30G at Million-Dollar**

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 5.-Lionel Hampton ork is expected to give Mil-lion-Dollar's b.-o. a much-needed shot in the arm and should wind up the week with a healthy \$30,000. Hoofer Otto Eason and comedy duo of Red and Curley complete vaude bill. Pic, Traffic in Crime. Western Round-Up Revue was

good for a slightly under average \$22,000 last week in 23 performances. Show included Carolina Cotton, Merle Travis and Ken Card. Pix, Jesse James and The Return of Frank James.

#### Chicago:

#### King Cole Trio N. Y. Room Hines's Regal NSH 17<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>G; Del 59G, Ori.

CHICAGO, Oct. 5. - Earl Hines's CHICAGO, Oct. 5. — Earl Hines's new commercial crew pulled a medi-ocre \$17,500 into the Regal, South Side nabe house (3,000; 65-95 cents). Del Courtney's ork, with Jayne Walton, the Barretts, and Chris Cross, together with pic, Holiday in Mexico, upped take at the Oriental, Loop house (3,300; 95 cents), to \$59,000. Courtney's crew, plus la Walton, both strong local attractions, accounted for plenty of payees against strong pic. plenty of payees against strong pic.

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### Copacabana, New York (Thursday, October 3)

**NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE** 

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8:30, 12:30 and 2. Operator, Monte Proser; publicity, George Evans. Prices: \$3-\$4 minimum.

Having Joe E. Lewis on the bill is dough in the bank. The way he pulls out the spenders is amazing. As a performer, there is little to say about Lewis that hasn't been said before. His beguiling coyness and his air of innocence take the sting out of every\_piece of blue stuff he dishes every piece of blue stuff he dishes out. Every piece of biz, ad libs and each number were loaded with yocks. Numbers like his He Nover Let Fail-ure Go to His Head, The Guy on the Lucky Strike Sign and Beat the Price, plus his oldies just about laid them out

If customers didn't actually roll on the floor it was because they were jammed so tight they could barely hold a glass, let alone move around. His ad lib about breaking in new material (he forgot the first line and

(See Copacabana on page 44)

#### NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

The Billboard

#### **Bradford Roof**, Hotel Bradford, Boston (Friday, September 27)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 7:30 and 11:30 p.m. Owner, Ralph Snider, Manager, Robert Appleton. Prices: Minimum, \$3; Friday and Saturday, \$4.

New show, headed by Harry Richman, is sock in every way. Opening act, Lane Brothers, packs plenty of laughs into tough acrobatic routines, with enough pratfalls and routine fluffs to get the cash customers on their side.

Chandra Kaly and his dancers, Marina and Leila, opened in second spot with a moods of India interpretation. Costuming was out of this world. Fast shift to a burlesque boogie-woogie version had the cus-tomers with them solidly. El Serano (See Bradford Roof on page 45)

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#### Iridium Room, St. Regis, **New York**

(Thursday, October 3)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 9 and 12. Owner, St. Regis Hotel; manager, Pierre Bul-tinck; publicity, Timmie Richards: Prices: \$1.50-\$2.50 minimum.

Fall reopening of this class room brought the carriage trade out in herds. Everybody veddy, veddy formal. No dancing if you didn't wear a white tie, or at least a dinner iacket.

Show was exciting fodder dished out under the tag of *Ice Pictorials*; produced and directed by and starring long-stemmed, dark-haired Carol Lynne. Production came in a series of scenes, each calling for costume change. Tee-off was a graceful 18th Century minuet with four girls and two boys in colonial costume and powdered wigs. It began slowly and speeded up as Carol Lynne dashed out for a spirited dance-skate to the Hora Staccato. Next was a duet with George Wag-Next was a duet with George Wag-ner. Following scene, labeled Broad-way Memories, called for back-ground vocals by one of the side-men while cast did skating terp take-offs of George M. Cohan, Diamond Jim Brady and the Dolly Sisters. Ended with a titillating cakewalk with band giving out Dixieland beats. La Lynne was out next in a beau-tifully executed ballet on skates set to Bachmaninoff's Prolude in G

to Rachmaninoff's Prelude in G Minor. Routine was full of breath-taking leaps, whirls and spins and won her a recall which in turn ended with a series of butterflies.

Finale started off as a samba and segued into a Spanish number to *Malaguena*. Lynne came back to do a flamengo, but interpretation lacked the fire and the spirit of the previous routines. Gal made up in skating, however, what she lacked on dance end.

Show as a whole moved rapidly with every member of the cast doing a slick blading job. In fact, im-pression was so good that one forgot

the package is an icer. Show cutting by Paul Sparr band extremely well done. Theodora ork relieved.

Bal Tabarin, New York (Thursday, October 3)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 7:45, 11:30 and 1:30. Owners, Johnny and Laurent Hourcle; publicity, Max Hecht and James O'Rourke. Prices: \$1.50 minimum on Saturday only. No minimum or cover at other

Standout of show here is easily Mlle. Bollette, French chanteuse, whose risque lyrics knocked 'em over. Emseed by Peter Randall, show started slow with Montmartre Girls (6) First solist was Don Christy. (6). First soloist was Don Christy, suave baritone. The mike should have been turned down to cut blast effect. Did Solamente Una Vez in Spanish and English, getting better reception with second number, Jalousie. Went into a soothing lullaby medley of Tooraloo and Russian Lull-aby, but was off the beam when seguing into Is You Is or Is You Ain't My Baby? Definitely not his type of number.

Ballroom hoofers Kenneth and Zoya came on next with a beguine routine which registered fair. Lad's routine which registered fair. La smile appeared as the he worked keeping his face in a happy fix. Dis-played better footwork of the team and glided around with facile fleetness of Astaire.

ness of Astaire. Bollette came on to do saucy paro-dies on She (He) Don't Wanna and Take It Easy. Has a captivating delivery with the facile gestures and mannerisms to match. Only notice-able fault was tendency to over-pout. Next did Takes a Mighty Good Man, Lou Harold ork backed the show and a Frenchman wouldn't have to and held down the bandstand for understand English to get the pitch, dancing. Carlos Valencia relief ork.

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Club Belvedere, Pittsburgh (Monday, September 30)

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Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshow at 11:30. Owner, Henry Lewis; manager, Joe Lieber; booker, Frederick Bros. Prices: \$2 cover.

With its only visible drawback being an out-of-the-way location, Henry Lewis has unveiled in Club Henry Lewis has unveiled in Club Belvedere the smartest nitery this area has ever seen. Spot stands Lewis around 263G, with everything done in good taste. Lewis is a new-comer in the business, but was smart enough to hire Joe Lieber, exec-sec of the Night Club Owners' Guild, as manager manager.

Current show doesn't quite measure up because Maxie Rosenbloom and Max Baer didn't cut it. Yocks for the duo were meager as the boys resorted to too familiar slapstick, keepthe localites sitting on their ing hands.

Emsee Roy Sedley kept the show moving strong and was well received, especially in the first slot teamed up with Fatso Marko. Three Little Sisters, acro team, followed with a sock turn for best reception of the night. Judy Tremaine, band canary, followed with two songs that received a foir mitt a fair mitt.

Baer and Rosenbloom closed with a lot of walk-ons, some well written parodies and their usual turn. Bright spot was the music of Tommy Reyn-olds, who has cut his brass section from eight to five and is now using four reed men and five rhythm.

#### London Chop House, Detroit

(Monday, September 30)

Talent Policy: Dancing and continuous ntertainment. Owner-manager, Lester Gruber; ublicity. Patricia MacInnis. Prices: \$1.50entertainment. publicity \$2.50 minimum.

This major downtown supper club is revamping its entertainment policy with current bill to give more variety, building in effect a "little show." Emphasis remains 100 per cent upon music.

Backbone of the business is one Ricardel and his six-piece band, new in this territory, who obviously won the local crowd on opening night. Working the fiddle and doubling on managers Ricardel has an outfit with Backbone of the business is Joe Working the fiddle and doubling on maraccas, Ricardel has an outfit with rhythm that puts a real jump in his typical numbers. Instrumentation includes accordion, sax, bass, drums, and a pianist who is a real key-board artist. Whole band does vo-cals, and has entertaining novelties and effects to fill in with bits of show-manship manship.

Eleanor Russell, 53-inch brunette, gives with plenty of volume and pep in the featured vocals.

Jeanne Rand, only hold-over in the show, has a vocal style rich in haut-ing overtones. She stays close to the ballad style and convinces every male in the place she's singing just for him in such bits as If You Were the Only Boy. Customers love it. Jimmy Rogers, with a smooth and

versatile style, does piano interludes from a small portable stage, besides accompanying Miss Rand and doing occasional vocals himself.

either. Encored with a fair I Wanna Get Married.

Line followed with a waltz routine spotting acro dancer Dolores Todd, who is a little on the heavy side for the stint. Christy soloed. Next on, Randall, who turned out to be a refreshing comic. Had some slick lines, works hard and effort is worth it. Begged off after a comedy number which drew yocks a-plenty. Line showed up in Stroblite costumes for finale finale.

Lou Harold ork backed the show

#### Wedgewood Room, Waldorf- Latin Quarter, Newport, Ky. Astoria Hotel, New York Astoria Hotel, New York (Thursday, October 3)

Talent Policy: Floorshow at 12:30; con-tinuous dancing. Owners-operators, Waldorf-Astoria; publicity, Ted Saucier. Prices: \$2 cover after 10:30 p.m.

There's no question as to Paul Draper's right to be called tops in his particular brand of interpretive terping and taps. He has the style, the imagination and the subtle sense of humor, both in his work and in his in-between patter, that put him head and shoulders above his rivals in this highly specialized field.

This room is where he belongs; among the plush crowd who have made him one of their prime favor-ites. He is on his fifth return date at this stand and opening-night soupand-fishers pounding were their palms heartily before he had danced a step. Once he stepped on the floor he had the room in the palm of his hand and held it for as long as he wished. He finally had to beg off, as usual, after a fairly strenuous showing of interpretations of both pops, heavy longhair classics and bright little oddities which he devised. In between he indulged in some overlong banter and whimsey with the crowd, and got deserved yocks for his sly cracks. He handled the spieling end of his chores with as much poise and showmanship as he does his dancing. All of which makes him a nifty entertainer.

However, all his work this night was not by any means uniformly good. Opener, to Limehouse Blues by Emil Coleman's ork (also return-ing to an old stand) and his personal 88-er, Arthur Ferranti, lacked the customary fluidity and grace of Draper's usual work. He seemed stiff and tense. The Rameau Gavotte and Three Variations was somewhat Three Variations was somewhat smoother, but it wasn't until he went into one of his pop oldies, The Blue Danube, that the old Paul Draper began to appear. His unaccompanied dance, which followed, was even better. By this time he had ironed out the kinks, and from here on he was super. His bill was long and full, with a Spanish number; a comedy satire, Sailor in a Dance Hall; an-other boff dance to My Heart Belongs to Daddy: a slick Poulenc Toccato, and the final medley made up of tunes called out from the tables, which closed with only the drums as accompaniment. Most of the numbers opening night were preems.

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#### Sheraton Lounge, Hotel Sheraton, New York (Thursday, October 3)

Talent Policy: Continuous entertainment from 7:30. Owners: Sheraton Hotels, Inc.; publicity, Fred White. Prices: No cover, no minimum.

New spot has a friendly and rest-ful atmosphere. Smartly decorated with plexiglass and subdued lighting, it becomes a neat setting for Paul Weber and his music, aided by Milt Green, 88-er.

Weber, who has rigged up quite musical contraption that does everything but talk back to him, gives a slick showing on both organ and celeste. Program is varied, ranging from oldie pops to boogie-woogie, which are put over that much stronger by his multiple mechanical effects on both instruments. Opening night's tunes included My Blue Heaven and Sunny Side of the Street, both bright and bouncing, seguing into Melancholy Baby and Louise. Table-sitters liked him.

Talent Policy: Dancing from 7:30. Floor-shows at 9, 12 and 3. Owner, Tommy Calla-han; manager, George Gebhardt; maltre d', Tommy Clare; publicity, Don Heck. Prices, \$1.50 minimum.

What the new show lacks in pro-duction is more than compensated for in three sound turns—Donald Novis, tenor tonsilor; Fred Roner, suave trixter, and Mack and Des-mond, tap terpers. Madaline Walmond, tap terpers. Madaline Wal-lace Dancers (6) fail to hit even average in their boogie contribution to Dark Town Strutters' Ball. Smoother and speedier routining is a must if gals hope to go anywhere.

Mack and Desmond, smartly garbed boy and gal terp team, hypo the pace with an excellently routined eccentric tap, which segues into ace pianistics by the lad. Called back, duo offered neat and varied gymnastics to a number of jump nifties and went away to a round of applause.

The personable Roner, sporting old and new material, astounds with the expertness with which he maneuvers payees into position for his mystifying pocket-picking shen-anigans. He strips his victims of wrist watches, wallets, pencils, cards and other accessories. Ingratiating manner makes him an asset to any nitery fare.

Good-looking Novis's songs and smart patter are made to order for this intimate room. Sells magnifithis intimate room. cently and his warblings of mixed wintage click solidly. Warms 'em vintage click solidly. Warms 'em with You're So Beautiful before going into The Gypsy and They Say It's Wonderful for some long and loud palm pounding. Encored with a South American Take Me in Your Arms and Phil the Fluter's Ball, a tongue twister, which culled another huge mitt. Begged off.

Wallace Dancers wind it up with a Study in Brown tappery to a fair hand. Sammy Leeds, whose ork does swell on show and dance music, capably handles the emsee chores. Charlie Hudson continues the organpianistic draw at the bar.

#### Kitty Davis, Miami Beach (Sunday, September 29)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 8:30, 12:30, 2:30. Owner-operators, Kitty and Danny Davis. Prices: From \$2.50.

Airliner's new fall show had every act going over. Judging from talent offered, indications are new season competition will be met by this spot regardless of cost.

Phyllis Colt, doubling from Olymrights cont, doubling from Olym-pia engagement with oomph and vivacity, chirped a medley for an opener, then Doing What Comes Natur'lly. Encored with First Date and insistent recalls got Tonight's the Night With Baby.

Tato and Julia, Cuban pair, started Tato and Julia, Cuban pair, started out with a rumba, balancing glasses of wine on their heads. Changed to jitterbug attire and really went to town. Native fire dance closed the duo to a heavy mitt.

Neil Fontaine, emsee, who followed, warbled I Got the Sun in the Morn-ing; Without You and Ol' Man River. Lad has a good voice and was well received.

Stately Jane Manners took the Stately Jane Manners took the spotlight and cleaned up with her stylish songs. Started with a Love Will Have To Do, then Let's Stay Tight, and Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star. Used Relax Max for encore and stopped the show. Closed with City's the Place I Love. The cus-tomers seemed to enjoy the blue numbers immensely

numbers immensely. Jay Seiler closed the show and provided all the comedy for the eve-ning. First dressed as a Spanish Table-sitters liked him. Green, who plays the lulls and joins Weber in his tunes, is an ivory-pounder with a smooth lounge style. Soldiers on huge roller skiis scored

#### 400 Club, St. Louis (Friday, September 27)

**NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE** 

Talent Policy: Dance bands and floorshows at 11, 1 and 3. Manager, Joe Keegan; pub-licity, Charlie V. Wells. Prices: \$3; includes all set-ups.

This club has been in operation all summer on a Saturday-night-only policy, with this show marking open-ing of fall season. It's a terrific show, with honors going to Connee Boswell.

Opener was vivacious, red-haired Meribeth Old, who scored with con-tortion work. Coryce Drew on next with excellent tap routines, hypoed by her skin-tight costume. Jack Waller, billed as "the poor man's Jack Benny," is just about that. Emseed in capable manner and did well in his own spot. Started slow, but gets going with a fast line of gags and with song parodies. Connee Boswell, in closing spot, just about killed 'em. Her sense of humor, her timing in song selling, plus her show-manship and dramatic sense pre-vailed with payees. Did Sioux City Sue, Five Minutes More, Personality, Stormy Weather, No Can Do; South America, Take It Away and a medley from Showboat. They were still begging for more when she went off.

Nick La Banic and ork (10) do good job on show and dance music.

#### Embassy, New York (Tuesday, October 1)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8:30, 12:30 and 2. Operator, Bill Miller; publicity, Howie Horwitz. Prices: \$3.50-\$4.50 minimum.

Preem show runs okay and does satisfactory job. Opening night the room was jammed with customers who obviously wanted to talk rather than see a show, so neither of the two acts pulled heavily.

First on were the D'Ivons, who've been around for quite a spell. Couple did a good dancing chore. Opened with a frilly terper full of graceful hand motions. Followed with four more routines, of which Dry Bones and Shoo-Fly Pie, got best results. In the former dance the male did a single chorus to an offstage voice. Effect was original and drew atten-tion. The Shoo-Fly number helped to pick up the pace which had dropped as a result of Holiday for Strings routine which preceded it.

Cross and Dunn showed up with three new numbers, each good for giggles. Their first was the Diary, followed by their lugubrious Russian and the Dentist song. In between, they did the Rainy Day number and wound up with their oldie, a take-off of vaude names of yesterday. In latter, Allan Cross got the first yocks with the old Bert Williams poker game routine. Two singers still do a blend beautifully with their one and two-part harmony. With a a blend beautifully with their one and two-part harmony. With a house occupied by spenders who come to see and listen rather than beat gums, boys would be sock. Part of the reason for lack of top mitts was length of team's special mate-rial. It was given in such large doses that interest started fading after the first two choruses first two choruses.

Irvin Kent band cut show capably. Noro Morales's Latin beats are back to torrid again, so whenever he took over the floor was jammed.

for novelty. Did a duel scene from When Knighthood Was in Flower, gaited for laughs. Begged off.

Mel Mann cut the show in good style, replacing vacationing Johnny Silvers. Freddy Calo ork handled the rumbas for fine returns. A great show, running better than an hour, with biz very good.

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NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE

Olympia, Miami

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(Wednesday, October 2) A five-act bill this week with no names. A cold audience made the going rough for matinee opener. Bob Bernard and Dorothy Love,

from Clover Club, in a graceful hoof-ing specialty in which each do a solo. Fair returns.

Paul Duke, one of the cleverest sleight-of-hand men and palmists seen here in many a day, drew the best palm-whacking of the show. Yeary Brothers (4) are capable musicians with some comedy on the

side by one. Boys worked hard and took several bows.

Milton Douglas, emsee, had a hard time getting started with a mixture of song stories. An unbilled fem came on to put some life into the act which clicked for a lot of laughs. Closed to a good mitt.

Whitson Brothers (2) doing their familiar Risley act in street attire, pulled plenty of palms. Under-stander handled the comedy for laughs and pair took a solid bow. Pic, The Searching Wind.

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#### VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

#### Loew's State, New York

(Tuesday Afternoon, October 1) This week's bill starts out at a fast clip clip and keeps going with well-balanced yocks and bounce until the flash finale of Cozy Cole and His Drum Dancers, who do a sock job or rhythms in terps. In short, this week's bill has pace above everything else, plus plenty of color diversity. and

Bill opens with Louis Basil ork swinging it (and incidentally playing a nice show thruout), followed by the Four Elgins, whose hat tricks and Indian club manipulations are good for heavy hands and loud laughs: Bringing Basil in as stooge at the end sends them off to top mitting mitting.

Chanter Bob Graham has what it chanter Bob Graham has what it takes all the way—looks, personality and a flexible musical voice. He sells his ditties well, tho he should make up his mind what he's going to do with his mitts while chirping; either use them in broad gestures or keep them still. He flutters them in half-gestures that detract from his poise before the mike. Opener is Sun in the Morning, seguing into a Berlin newie, You Keep Coming Back Like a Song, which nets him nice hand. Closes with Begin the Beguine. Pew-sitters liked him and brought him back for a medley of I'll Be See-*Melancholy Baby*, which he handled niftily except for the first number, which dragged far too much. Tempo could do with a hypo here. The Colstons and their knockabout

romp culled plenty of boffs. They play for the broad ha-ha's thruout. and could cut the capers before the mike plenty without harming the act.

They tend to get a mite monotonous. Canfield Smith and his brash dummy, Snodgrass, is another yockgetter. Smith is a smooth voice pitcher, and his material has plenty

pitcher, and his material has plenty of laughs. Audience went for this number and Smith had to beg off. The Cozy Cole group is a stand-out different from the customary vaude presentation. From beginning to end, act pulses with rhythm and color, and the five terpers (three men, two fems) do a sock job thruout. Most of their steps are jungle rhythm interpretations, with jive overtones, but their terp-miming to Summer-time, nicely chanted by June Haw-kins, is solid. Miss Hawkins Latin-Caribbean medley would go down Caribbean medley would go down better with less hip-swinging. Cole is, as ever, a top skin-beater. Pic, Holiday in Mexico. Biz, fair.

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#### Strand, New York (Friday Afternoon, October 4)

The new Alvino Rey ork is the main feature of the new bill here. Accompanying acts, while turning in good jobs, are not box-office gaited, hence the burden rests on Rey and doubling on French horn; 4 trom-bones; 5 sax; 4 rhythm; harp; Rey and The Airliners, and chirpers Joan Ryan and Jimmy Joyce) plays smooth arrangements, but doesn't quite sell them. Trouble seems to be that outfit is colorless, despite individual good musicianship and show savvy.

Rey himself still is no ball of fire on stage. His antics with the electric guitar bring boffs, especially the My Buddy and My Bonnie Lies Over the the MyOcean novelties, but otherwise he's

just out there fronting. Opener is The Bumble Boogie, seguing into Jimmy Joyce's nifty handling of Night and Day. Joyce is a chanter with swell pipes, and his phrasing and control are tops. The Airliners do okay in *Give Me Five Minutes More*, but standout show soloist is Rocky Collucio, 88-er, who gives a flash of his potentialities in Sheik of Araby—but only a flash. Arrangement doesn't hand him enough solo pianistics to show-all he can do. Chuck Peterson's trumpet can do. Chuck Peterson's trumpet playing is a lot better than his chirp-ing rendition of My Sugar Is So Refined, which without the trumpet finale would mean very little. Ork's finale would mean very little. Ork's special arrangement of *Tumbling Tumbleweeds*, with everyone partici-pating both vocally and instru-mentally as background to Rey's guitar, is a smooth-sweet job--the best in the show. Sondra Barrett's taps are fine. She has a slickness about her footwork and sells solid. Pew-sitters brought her back for another nifty number highlighted by swell spins and pirouettes. She begged off. Joan Ryan, ork's fem chanter, has

Joan Ryan, ork's fem chanter, has a catchy voice and handles vocals neatly. The Way the Wind Blows and To Each His Own brought her deserved hands. Comic Jean Carroll has some fast

ones in her patter and gets first gig-gles, then yocks, but her material still needs some juicing, mainly to remove the corn kernels. Her closer, a series of tune parodies on having nowhere to live, is only so-so, but the crowd beat their mitts heavily for her recall which she answered with a fair imitation of Harry James. Film, Cloak and Dagger. Biz, good.

#### **COPACABANA**

(Continued from page 42) got an assist from Austin Mack, piano accompanist) "I gotta break in piano accompanist) "I gotta break in my new stuff here. Mike Fritzel, of the Chez Paree, won't let me do it in his place," pulled terrific yocks. Lewis is in until January, and if preem biz is any yardstick, Proser can stop romancing Haig and Haig. Unfortunately, alongside Lewis

stop romancing Haig and Hais. Unfortunately, alongside Lewis everything else on the show got a quick brusheroo from the mob. Yet new show is full of fresh youthful faces, every kid doing a bang-up job. Little Annie Rooney, cute, pint-sized canary, has a capable set of pipes. Eddie Fisher, a shy, clean-cut lad, is another asset, working with Little Annie, and shows up well in the voice slinging department. Ronny and Ray, comedy singers and dead pan hoofers, showed plenty on the ball. Their surprise grins in the midst of dead panning were as warming as rum toddies. Olga Suarez (ex-Song of Norway), ballerina, was competent in her two spots. Appearance gave an impression of vibrancy that was the more compelling because of her remarkable toe work. Show has at least three songs that

should become hits. Numbers by Bob

#### Million Dollar, Los Angeles

(Thursday Afternoon, October 3) Lionel Hampton ork (21) Lionel Hampton ork (21) head-lines what is undoubtedly the best offering vaude house has had in several months, and should make the rafters ring every performance as he did the opener. Bill is perfectly paced, and offers a wad of sock entertainment, dished out by a top showman.

Hampton opened with Slide, Hamp, Slide, a clever instrumental piece which showed off individual sidemen to good advantage. Thrush Madeline Green followed with To Each His Own, which was only a mild seller. Gal is plenty smooth looker, but voice doesn't live up to advance build-up. Blues songstress, Wini Brown, who followed the Green gal, registered solidly with Sun in the Morning Morning.

Band picked up the pace with ease and offers such Hampton creations as Hamp's Boogie, Shooting the Bull (featuring Hampton Sextet) and the inevitable Hey! Ba - Ba - Re - Bop. Fronter demonstrated plenty of ver-satility, being at home at the 88 and drums, and finally dishing out a vibra harp medley. Vibra offerings are particularly smooth and skillfully backed by entire crew.

Show was climaxed with an extralong offering of Flying Home, which brought shouts, cheers and catcalls from audience. Sitters finally jumped to their feet and practically tore the joint apart until ork gave out with an encore. Hampton had to signal for quick curtain in order to get away

Completing bill were Otto Eason, whose work fits in nicely with general show pattern. If any bill can hypo Million-Dol-

lar's sagging grosses this is a natural for the job. Pic, Traffic in Crime. Biz, good.

Hilliard and Joe Meyer, were Not in Front of These People, They Say I'm Too Young to Know and This World of Yours and Mine. Lyrics are simple but appealing, while the music is which had whistleable. As usual, there are three produc-

As usual, there are three produc-tions by Douglas Coudy with a new line (8) of girls. Costumes are beau-tiful. Middle number is strictly for the peeping Toms. Gowns, off-the-shoulder affairs, have v's way down to have to here.

Mike Durso's band does the show cutting in good fashion. Frank Marti's rumbas relieve.



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## Colosimo's Chicago (Wednesday, October 2)

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Irv Benjamin, who's been having a bit of trouble the past six weeks try-ing to find a show that will pull, comes up with what will lure payees in current revue. Slate Brothers, making first p.a. locally since a four-year service stint, Jackie Heller and Athena round out fastest-moving vehicle he's had since ice show opener. House show band has been expanded to 11 men, with result that show and dance music come off smoother. Piano single, instead of five-piecer, works intermish.

Slate Brothers, looking a little heavier, but still doing great job, with Fay Carroll, offer strongest of their pre-war stuff. Several new bits had table-sitters emitting biggest yocks heard here since place re-opened six months ago. Eye-popper Carroll wins interest immediately and her okay vocal brings even the fems around. Reaped return bow.

Jackie Heller makes with the showmanship and a voice far above aver-age to win silence and heavy mitt from noisy crowd. While guy sells current hits, it's his sentimental handling of tunes like September Score that makes him personality Song that makes him personality. Athena opened the show with her

flamenco dancing, polished plenty by smarter costuming. Producer Gypsy Lenora wisely worked her Spanish dance into Gypsy's production. Sec-ond line bit had girls working entire stint under black light in scanty garb.

### Crest Room, New York (Tuesday, October 1)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 11 and 12:45. Operator, Sylvia Lieber; publicity, Frank Law. Prices: No minimum, no cover.

singing department. Opened with Girl That I Marry, a little too much on the croony side, and went into Cynthia, where the Sinatra resem-blance manifested itself strongly, blance manifested itself strongly, Next went into a rhymed patter with take-offs on celebs. His impressions of Carmen Lombardo, Edward G. Robinson, John J. Antheny, Al Jol-son, Morton Downey and Gable were only so-so, altho his Andy Russell son, Morton Downey and Gable were only so-so, altho his Andy Russell bit registered big. Also did one on Sinatra, but strangely enough, didn't sound as much like The Voice as when he sang straight. Took two encores, Yours Is My Heart Alone and a dreamy Long Ago and Far Away. Bayne has the pipes and front to click. Irving Fields Trio capably backed Bayne and provided dance music. Combo has Michael Bruno on drums, Irving Lang on bass and Fields at piano.

Fields at piano.

#### **BRADFORD ROOF**

(Continued from page 42) number, climaxed by a fast-paced rumba done by Chandra Kaly and Marina, was also a wallop. Encored with eye-appealing samba, and wound up with a torrid Louisiana number. Sock musical arrangements, plus top handling by Jacques Renard and ork, boosted ear-appeal of the act to hilt.

Richman could have stayed on the floor all night. From a showman-ship angle, he deserved every paddy-beat he collected. Fast opener, with plenty change of pace, was a medley of favorite songs of the States. Work-**FRANK NICKENS FRANK FRANK** 

#### Victorian Bar, Hotel **Gladstone**, New York (Wednesday, October 2)

**NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE** 

**Fits** 

Talent Policy: Continuous entertainment from 10 to 2. No dancing. Operator, Howard Marsh; owner, Hotel Gladstone; publicity, Bayne and Zussman. Prices: \$1.50-\$2 minimums.

New room, holding about 100 maxinum, is a poor layout for talent display. It's full of angles and has a massive pillar, making it difficult to see what goes. But if the archi-tectural plan is bad, the acoustics are excellent.

Show consists of two singers and piano for the lulls. Acts work about 30 minutes apart, with 15-minute lulls between each act. Open-er was June Winters, a slight blonde er was June Winters, a slight blonde with a capable soprano and a retail-ing delivery which held the jammed room spellbound. Gal is strictly a stand-up canary. She doesn't use hands, nor does she have to mug to make an impression. She takes the lyrics and sells them as they are. Her opener was How Deep Is the Occare giving it a charming in-Ocean?, giving it a charming, in-timate styling. Followed with a mix-ture of standard ballads and fin-ished with an operatic aria in which she let out with plenty. Chirp worked without a mike, but enunciation and phrasing were so good it was never missed.

Headliner is Bunty Pendleton, pi-ano and voice. Gal did a couple of specials and a pop, each getting excellent returns. But all that doesn't mean a thing alongside her Septem-ber Song. Singer is one of the few fems around who can take that number and send chills down your back. Delivers it slowly with a pathos that hushed the room. And hushing a room full of the lorgnette set is something to do. Harold Woodal does the pianistics

between acts in an unobtrusive fashion.

phony ork. Then got down to play-ing his own accompaniment to Fall-ing In Love and It Had To Be You, neatly packaged by solid boogie-woogie at the piano.

Celebs in the room were introed in-formally before Richman cut into a medley of his old faves, including There's Danger in Your Eyes, Putting on the Ritz and Melancholy Baby, which the crowd ate up. Wind=up, Berlin's There's No Business Like Show Business, drew a long-distance session of applause and served as a terrific exit number.

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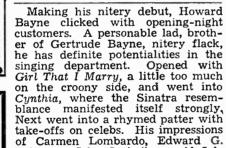
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NEW YORK, Oct. 5 .- Silo Circuit looks to get a real play on Broadway this year. Comes every summer and barnsters ballyhoo try-outs the which are sure entrants for Store sweepstakes. Comes every Labor Day and most of the break-ins are which are sure entrants for Stem year it's different, with three straw-hat operas skedded for sure Broadway unveiling and four more on the

Thursday (24), John Golden opens A Man's World at the Henry Miller. A Man's World at the Henry Miller. Westport, Conn., got a look at World at the Country Playhouse last sum-mer. Donald Cook, Ann Thomas, Katherine Bard and Col. Stoopnagel (F. Chase Taylor) are in the cast. Theron Bamberger is readying Heaven Can Wait, the original of which hatched the film, Here Comes Mr. Jordan. Heaven has a break-in Mr. Jordan. Heaven has a break-in at Bucks County (Pa.) Playhouse. Sidney Blackmer and Wallace Ackland are set, as are a number of the try-out cast. Middle of this month try-out cast. Middle of this month Henry Adrian puts S'Wonderful into rehearsal under Robert Perry direc-tion. Comedy played Fairhaven, Mass., in August. Two lads from the try-out, Peter Griffith and Roy Sterling, will have roles. On the prospective list for late season production is Charles Wash-burn's Rous in the Rack Room, which

burn's Boys in the Back Room, which played a summer prevue at the Crest, the Long Beach (L. I.) Board-walk. The late Gertrude Stein's Yes Is For a Very Young Man is also due Is ror a very young Man is also due to come along. Pasadena Playhouse gave this one, where a third poten-tial entrant is Rope, which Leonard Altabell broke in at his Litchfield (Conn.) Silo. Also simmering is a musical version of Goldoni's The Liar, which has interested Theater, Inc. since its recent unveiling at Inc., since its recent unveiling at Catholic University. Alfred Drake is skedded for the lead.

#### Theater, Inc.'s Audition System Follows Air Style

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Theater, Inc., will kill two birds with one stone when it unveils its new auditioning system for actors. Due to begin shortly, the auditioning will not only give thesps the chance to show their stuff, but will make available to TI many more actors when they're needed for parts.

needed for parts. Procedure for actors is first to register, then be interviewed, then audition. TI is giving first auditions to actors who registered last year. Other producers in addition to TI have manifested interest and will sit in on the showcasers to cull talent.

#### **'Theater Arts' Celebrates**

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Fall issue of Theater Arts celebrates its 30th birthday and a record as the oldest illustrated theater mag in the busi-ness. Gala issue is highlighted by an article on Eugene O'Neill by Mrs. Judith J. R. Isaacs, lately moved from the production side to the con-tributors' columns. Also a top feature is Boris Aronson's article describing his drawing of sets for a play laid in the 21st century. Other contributions the 21st century. Other contributions are a Broadway play forecast by Rosamund Gilder and a similar chore for pix by Hermine Ruth Isaacs.

#### Legit Porters' Pay Hike

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Legitimate Stage Employers' Union has won a 10 per cent increase for its members (porters, cleaners and matrons) from League of New York Theaters. Head porter now gets \$41.50 instead of \$37.50; head cleaner, \$28.30 against \$24.50. Increase retroactive to September 2.

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Bees and the Flowers,	12			
The	_			
Born Yesterday 2- 4, '46 (Lyceum)	286			
Deep Are the Roots 6-26, '45 (Fulton)	429			
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**OPENED** 

UPENED besession ...... 10- 1,'46 (Plymouth) Turned down by seven to two. No: Brooks Atkinson (Times), Howard Barnes (Herald-Tribune), Ward More-house (Sun), Vernon Rice (Post), Rob-ert Coleman (Mirror), Louis Kronen-berger (PM), John Chapman (News), Yes: William Hawkins (World-Tele-gram, Robett Garland (Journal-Ameri-can). Obsession

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COMING UP ----

#### "Mama" Closing In as "Lute" Builds in Chi

CHICAGO, Oct. 5 .--- Fate of Lute Song hangs on whether show collects enough dough in the next 24 weeks it is booked for the road to persuade Producer Michael Myerberg to keep Show jumped from going. first week at the Studebaker here, to near capacity of 22½G second week, with indications of capacity of 24G during final two weeks in Chi. Big boom is attributed to all-out raves from Chi crix.

Producer and company execs are crying the blues because show is being forced out by I Remember Mama without giving Myerberg a much-needed chance to recoup his 100G loss on the production thus far.

"Unborn's" Newborn Egg NORFOLK, Va., Oct. 5.—Her Un-born Child cracked the shell of the 1946-'47 season at the Center last week, and laid a really dismal egg. Gross was slightly under \$3,000 for seven performances. Show got in-different press different press.

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#### **Dick Watts Named** N. Y. Post Critic

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—As predicted in *The Billboard* some time back, switches are being made at the drama desks of some of the main dailies in town. Opener was the an-nouncement today that Richard Watts Jr., former legit cric for *The Herald-Tribune* before he resigned to work in Ireland and in China for OWI during the war, has taken over to work in Ireland and in China for OWI during the war, has taken over the slot on *The New York Post* va-cated by the death of Wilella Wal-dorf. Vernon Rice, who has been pinch-hitting since Miss Waldorf's death, has been named drama editor. *The Post* announcement ends a long carias of rumore more parciatent be series of rumors, most persistent be-ing that the paper tried to lure back its old aisle-squatter, John Mason Brown, but he, content with The Saturday Review of Literature, nixed the offer.

Other changes in cards include a permanent cric for *The World-Telly* to replace Burton Rascoe, who re-signed some months back. Since that time staffer William Hawkins has been holding the slot temporarily, but the Scripps-Howard paper is busy seeking a permanent legiter. Walter Winchell was enlisted to help search search

search. First major change since the war occurred several months ago, when Brooks Atkinson, former legit cric for *The New York Times*, returned from war work for his paper in China and Russia, and assumed his old desk. Lewis Nichols, who car-ried the load thruout the war, re-signed, following Atkinson's return.

#### **Follow-Up** Review DREAM GIRL (Opened Friday, December 14, 1945) CORONET THEATER

CORONET THEATER A cornedy by Elner Rice. Directed by the author. Settings, Jo Mielziner. Business manager, Victor Samrock. Stage manager, Elmer Brown. Press representatives, Wil-liam Fields and Walter Alford. Presented by the Playwrights' Company. CAST: June Havoc, Edith King, Keen Crockett, William A. Lee, Gaynelle Nixon, Kevin O'Shea, Helen Marcy, Philippa Bevans, Don Stevens, Richard Midgley, James Gregory, Edman Ryan, David Pressman, stuart Nedd, Jean Aubuchon, Helen Bennett, Robert Fletcher. Fletcher.

There have been a lot of cast changes in *Dream Girl* since the Elmer Rice comedy made its bow last December. Edith King has taken over the chore of the mother from Evelyn Vardon. Gaynelle Nixon has assumed the assignment of the older sister, formerly played by Sonya Sto-kowski. Richard Midgely is now the hero newspaperman created by Wendell Corey.

Most changes, of course, have hit the leading role-the gal who daythe leading role—the gal who day-dreams until she can finally make up her mind. Betty Field was the original dreamer. Haila Stoddard filled in for her during a vacation period, and Miss Field came back on the job to get the fall season off to a good start. Now comes June Havoc to take over the starring chore per-manently as of Thursday (3)—and a right good iob she makes of it right good job she makes of it.

right good job she makes of it. The Rice fantasy-satire isn't an easy show to play. It is gay and witty and needs a deft touch. Heavy-handed emphasis in playing could ruin a lot of its charm. La Havoc comes thru with flying colors. She follows the general pattern laid down by her predecessor, but injects a personality that is inimitably Havoc. Her comedy is broader and there are Her comedy is broader and there are her comedy is broader and there are bits of business which are exclusively her own. But there is never the slightest registering of over-playing, and if she makes the dreaming lady more sophisticated than the Field interpretation, her lines clock the laughs with the same regularity. None of the personnel shifts have

#### **Broadway Opening**

#### OBSESSION

(Opened Tuesday, October 1, 1946) PLYMOUTH THEATER

PLIMOUTH INEATER play by Louis Verneuil, adapted by Jane Hinton. Staged by Reginald Denham. Set-ting, Stewart Chaney. Gowns, Adrian. Com-pany manager, Charles Williams. Stage manager, Glenn Jordan. Press representa-tive, Bert Stern. Presented by Homer Curran in association: with Russell Lewis and Howard Young. А Howard Young.

faurice ..... Maurice ...... Basil Rathbone Nadya ..... Eugenie Leontovich

Back in 1928 A. H. Woods pre-sented Fay Bainter and John Halli-day in Eugene Walters' adaptation of Louis Verneuil's drama, M. Lam-bathier or Louis verneuil's drama, M. Lam-berthier. That one was called Jealousy and ran for some 136 per-formances—a tidy Stem stay for those days. Now comes a new edi-tion of the same, scripted by Jane Hinton, and titled Obsession. Not likely that the latest Verneuil twist will bit the 100 performance meric will hit the 100-performance mark of success.

Obsession still remains what it was in the first place—a superfically clever exercise in dramaturgy with a cast limited to two performers. Its interest lies solely in seeing and hearing what sort of a stunt a playhearing what sort of a stunt a play-wright can accomplish with two characters aided by a prop tele-phone. It is pretty evident that Verneuil must have regarded his opus in that light, for his concoction of a triangle of love and murder-with the third side of the triangle invisible—is still as artificial and un-believable as it always was. Nor has time dealt gently with what was once considered slick sophistication. Obsession creaks in the joints and of-ten registers as phony as its tele-phone bell. phone bell.

Latest edition features the same Latest edition features the same pair of newly married lovers and the spidery—but invisible—Lamberthier. Pair spend the usual 180 minutes wading progressively into emotional hot water, most of which seems tepidly silly. The lady lies and lies and husband gets madder and mad-der—mad enough finally to choka der—mad enough, finally, to choke the omniverous M. Lamberthier to death midway of Act 2. So the gendarmes arrive—also invisible— and that's that.

Basil Rathbone whips about in a variety of handsome dressing gowns and speaks Maurice's artifically brit-tle lines with considerable distinction. Eugenie Leontovich whips about in a handsome variety of gowns designed by Adrian and speaks Nadya's lines with a lack of distinctness which is frequently baffling to ears back of the sixth row. Stewart Chaney has designed a sock set of a Paris apartment. Reginald Denham's staging keeps the duo mov-ing around at the required pace. But, in sum, Obession is a bore. It could well be retitled To Each His Phone.

#### League or Else—Dulzell

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.-Paul Dulzell, exec secretary of Actors Equity, has warned members of Actors' Equity Anti-Communist League to withdraw from the org or face disciplinary ac-tion. Equity objects to use of name Actors' Equity in tag of the League.

Equity council also removed Frank Fay from his position on the com-mittee considering qualifications of junior for senior membership. Action was taken after Equity received a pe-tition from more than 500 junior members stating that Fay was biased.

hurt Dream Girl in the least. The Rice concoction was never intended to do anything but amuse, and amuse it does as much as it ever did. It looks to have plenty of life in it for

#### ANNA LUCASTA Road Company (Opened Monday, September 30, 1946) LOEW'S LYRIC. BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

John Wildberg presents Harry Wagtasff Grib-ble's production of the play by Philip Yor-dan. Settings, Frederick Fox. Costumes, Paul Dupont. Dance aranged by Rosetta LeNoire. Company manager, Clarence Jac cobson. Press representative, Maurice Turet, General stage manager, Walter Thompson Ash, Stage manager, Don Darcy.

Ash, Stage manager, Don Darcy. CAST: Edith Whiteman, Inge Hardison, Maura Bowman, Roy Ailen, Warren Coleman, Trank Wilson, Ralf Coleman, Alvin Childress, lice Childress, John Tate, Ruby Dee, Lane Yaylor, Kenneth Freeman, Ossie Davis.

John Wildberg has assembled a splendid company, which opened here for its road tour, with bookings gaited for two years. Story of the Negro girl who is driven from her home and family, turns to the world's oldest profession, and is then taken back into the fold so that her greedy family can get their hands on the \$800 that the college-bred country boy has, is now theatrical history.

Ruby Dee, as Anna, and Alice Childress, as Blanche, are superb in their characterizations and both received well-deserved plaudits. Warren Cole-man, in the meaty role of Frank, the smooth talking schemer, gave a standout performance, and Ossie Davis, as the farmer boy, Frank Wilson, as Joe, and Lance Taylor, as Dany, were realistic in their roles. Audi-ence enthusiastic, with several curtain calls.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY (Opened Thursday, October 3, 1946) SHUBERT, BOSTON

SHUBERT, BOSION A play by Anita Loos. Directed by Joshua Logan. Production designed and lighted by Jo Mielziner. Costumes, Lucinda Ballard. Incidental music. Robert Russell Bennett. General manager, Morris Jacobs. Company manager, Harry Essex. Press representa-tives, Michel Mok. Abner Kilpstein. Stage managers, David Gray, Ruth Mitchell. Pre-sented by Rodgers & Hammerstein. Call

Gail Margaret Irving
Glorious Musa Williams
Dad Malone
Gabe Charles Gordon
Bella Florence Sundstrom
Bella
Herman Jack Diamond
Myrtle Jacqueline Paige
June Jcan Bellows
Addie Helen Hayes
Doc Hollister Ralph Theadore
Ruby Betty Lou Barto
Maude Lorraine Miller
Paul Louis Jean Heydt
Don Dort Clark
Policeman Philip Dakin
Tot Enid Markey
Emma Grace Valentine
Manuel Philip Gordon
Margot Eleanor Boleyn
Bert James Livingston
Mr. Bemis
Mr. Nanino
Stronger Botholl Long
Stranger
PatronsTed Jacques, Eilleen Capraro

Like prohibition of the '20's. Anita Like prohibition of the 20's, Anita Loos's new play, Happy Birthday, eventually may be known as the Nobel Experiment. There's no gain-saying the fact that with the assist-ance of Joshua Logan, Jo Mielziner, Rodgers and Hammerstein, plus the best technicians more could buy best technicians money could buy, Miss Loos has tried to do something different. But just what she is driv-ing at is obscured by mechanical claptrap and, what's worse, words.

The fable of Birthday is simple. It's a Jersey Lady in the Dark, the story of a sad little Newark librarian story of a sad fittle Newark fibrarian who cuts loose on a binge and frees herself of all kinds of oppressions. On a stormy night, Addie Bemis (Helen Hayes), who never took a drink in her life, comes into the Jersey Mecca Cocktail Bar in search of the herk elevit who handles her of the bank clerk who handles her account. She wants him to protect her in a minor deception from her drunken, belligerent father. She falls drunken, belligerent father. She faths in love with him, despite the presence of his mistress. She is persuaded to take a drink, makes friends with a bar full of boozers, becomes a friendly, warm human being in con-trast to the mousey, shy, drab crea-ture she had been ture she had been.

There are complications, subsidiary themes and reformed villains, but just where it all leads is anyone's

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

The Billboard

**TUROUOISE MATRIX** (Opened Wednesday, October 2, 1946)

**BELASCO, LOS ANGELES** 

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drama by Ruth Hagin Cole, adapted by Gabrielle Winship. Staged by Alexander Woods. Settings and lighting, Adrian Awan. Company manager, John J. Garrity Jr. Stage manager, Robert Gray. Press repre-sentative, Bill Tostevin. Presented by Alexander Woods.

 Pege Lannagan
 Frank Pharr

 Marcla Grantleigh
 Louise Arthur

 Steve Brady
 Russell Arms

 Mrs. Grantleigh
 Betty Blythe

 Mr. Grantleigh
 Edwin Cooper

 Anthony Alworth
 Gordon Wyme

 Padre Tomas
 Wheaton Chambers

 Mico
 Kobert Greene

 Frank Pharm

First nighters were subjected to one of the most confusing and thoroly illogical dramas to hit the boards in many a moon, witnessing a burdensome drama overladen with corny plot and unconvincing acting. Story is laid in Northern Arizona ruins of, a 16th century cave dwelling community, where tourists have come for the scenery. Party is told of the legends surrounding the ruins by cowboy-guide Pete Lannagan, attempt being made to recreate the mood of the settlement at the time of Cortez. Practically entire first act, and totally unnecessary pro-logue are spent in a weak effort to set a mood, in preparation for sec-ond act flash-back to cave commu-nity. For a central theme, author uses entire second act to dwell on love affair between white man and Indian maid, romance culminating by double suicide of lovers. Author then reverts to modern times for third act climax in which two 20th century lovers allegedly convince themselves of a reincarnation of their love from a previous world.

With an unbelievable plot to work with, actors suffer thru melodramatic dialog with obvious strain. Only dialog with obvious strain. Only gredible job is turned in by Russell Arms as hero-lover Steve Brady and Conquistadore Estaban. Louise Ar-thur as the girl is stilted and stagey. Betty Blythe as the mother does her heat with a work role. Padre Tomas best with a weak role. Padre Tomas, played by Wheaton Chambers, is played by Wheaton Chambers, is fairly well done. Rest of cast walks thru roles with great effort, hamthru roles with great effort, ham-pered by uniformly poor direction. Adrian Awan's ingenious setting of

mountain-top cave dwelling un doubtedly is best thing in the play. un-

guess; unless it be that liquor is the perfect agent to cure all neuroses, make men out of mice and vice versa. Perhaps that's the theme.

It's all very much in the boozy Saroyan vein with more action than soliloquies. There are occasional flashes of humor, some neat contrasts and telling vignettes of characteriza-tion. But aside from the production tion. But aside from the production itself, which is remarkable, *Happy* is not a very gay affair.

The various hands which have The various hands which have touched *Birthday* must be responsible in concert for the unusual production. Certainly it must have been Miss Loos's idea that Miss Hayes should sing a Rodgers and Hammerstein song and dance a few turns, all very quaintly. Loos and Mielziner must have gotten together to devise the remarkably effective lighting effects, excellent tricks which point up cerexcellent tricks which point up tot-tain scenes. Mielziner's rococo cock-tail bar is a gem; his lighting effects with Joshua Logan's direction in a scene in which Miss Hayes gets scene in which Miss Hayes gets royally drunk, are realistic enough to make the audience feel whoozy. This if nothing else, will be talked about to This. The whole evening revolves about Miss Hayes. Each of the other roles seems so minor in retrospect, it's difficult to single out any one.

Happy is a Nobel Experiment. They better try again.

#### **20TH CENTURY** (Opened Tuesday, October 1, 1946)

EL PATIO THEATER, HOLLYWOOD

A comedy in three acts by Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur, presented by Players' Productions. Staged by Herbert Rudley. Setting by Phil Raigue based on original sketched by Hugo Melchione. Executive sketched by Hugo Melchione. Executive producer, Mort Werner. Lighting and tech-nical director, Sol Cornberg. Stage manager, Richard Reeves. Press representative, George Gale.

Dr. Johnson Helena Dare
Train Secretary Cyril Delevanti
Porter Nicodemus Stewart
Grover Lockwood Jack George
Anita Highland Betty Buckner
Owen O'Malley Lionel Stander
Conductor Chic York
Oliver Webb William Erwin
Flannagan Richard Reeves
Matthew Clark Byron Foulger
First Beard
Second Beard Sanford Bickart
Oscar Jaffe
Sadie Marjorie Bennett
Lily Garland Famara Geva
George Smith John Newland
First Detective Don Jessee
Second Detective Bill Neff
Max Jacobs Sanford Bickart
If opening shows is an indication

If opening show is an indication of things to come, Players' Produc-tions is certain to become a key org in L. A.'s revitalized legit set-up. Judging by the skilled presentation of this group of ambitious film and trage prefereineds. stage professionals, it should give local theatergoers the best in legit offerings. Old Hecht-MacArthur success is an

Old Hecht-MacArthur success is an excellent vehicle for the multi-tal-ented Keenan Wynn. Aided and abetted by Tamara Geva and Lionel Stander, trio romp thru their roles with zip and smooth timing. As Oscar Jaffe, Wynn draws a fine-line caricature of the conceited, ruthless and hankrunt theatrical promoter and bankrupt theatrical promoter whose plans are endless, and who stops at nothing to gain a point. In this case, action centered aboard the crack 20th Century Limited train and revolves around Jaffe's desperate attempt to sign stage-screen star Lily Garland (Tamara Geva) to a contract, which is to be used to gain a new angel for a contemplated Broadway production. As the tempera-mental, Hollywoodish, yet practical-minded actress, Miss Geva turns in a minded actress, Miss Geva turns in a performance that could make movie queens look to their screen laurels. Her scenes with Wynn are trigger-quick, have shading and pace, making her role convincing and reasonable.

Lionel Stander is perfectly cast as Owen O'Malley, Jaffe's glib, liquor-loving press agent. Role is typical of the type of thing Stander has been doing so well in numerous films.

doing so well in numerous films. Supporting cast turns in a splen-did job, with standout work by Byron Foulger as the slightly looney Matthew Clark. Foulger stole sev-eral scenes from the star trio, gar-nering plenty of laffs with his deft and facile characterization. Other standouts in a generally excellent cast include William Erwin as Jaffe's harassed business manager, John Newland as actress Garland's love-sick agent, Betty Buckner and Jack George as the couple on a clandes-George as the couple on a clandestine cross-country romantic jaunt, Sanford Bickart, Nicodemus Stewart and Marjorie Bennett.

Phil Raiguel's set is an authentic replica of a lush Pullman car. Her-bert Rudley's precise staging leaves little to be desired.

'Menagerie' Eats Well in K.C.
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 5.—The Glass Menagerie scored a handy \$14,-500 at the Music Hall here, playing the first half of a split week. Gross was especially impressive, with an opposition food fair, playing next door, getting heavy promotion both from the local dailies and radio sta-tions.
Life With Father. Broadway's long-distance champ and due here shortly, is already building a good advance.
Happy Birthday, with Helen Hayes (Shubert) Boston.
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Happy Birthday, with Helen Hayes (Shubert) Mary Hard a Calif., 12.
Huston, Walter (Erlanger) Bufalo 10-12.
Huston, Walter (City Aud.) St. Joseph, Mo., 9: (Music Hall Kansas City 10-12.
Utte Song (Studebaker) Chicago. Mary Had a Little (Cox) Chicanatl. Oklahoma (Brlanger) Chicago. Park Ayenue (Shubert) Philadelphia. Student Prince (Forrest) Philadelphia. Sweet Bye & Bye (Shubert) New Haven, Conn., 10-12.

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HEAR THAT TRUMPET (Opened Wednesday, October 2, 1946) ERLANGER, BUFFALO

A new play with jazz overtures by Orin Jen-nings. Presented and staged by Arthur Hopkins. Designed by Woodman Thompson. Stage manager, Edward A. McHugh. Press representative, Richard Maney.

Sydney Becket
Frank Conroy
bby Sherwood
. Ray Mayer
Bart Edwards
farty Marsala
Audra Lindley
Phillip Layton
Lynne Carter
mond Gamley

Chances of any widespread Broadway appeal for this play in its current shape seem doubtful. It boasts an unusual idea and interesting enough story material with many good lines. but somehow the whole thing doesn't jell, and slows down to a walk in the second act with endless and pointless talk. Plot also tries and fails to solve problem of racial prejudice in the music field. Cast consists partly of a group of dyed-in-the-wool jazz mu-sicians who do very well portraying themselves or people like themselves. Adds authenticity to the show and makes for highly entertaining ses-sions of topnotch hot music. *Trumpet* could stand more of the same. Plot concerns the plight of a jazz

and of returned veterans and its uthful leader in gaining recogniband tion. They are sponsored by a wealthy oldster on suggestion of his young girl friend. Geniality of the gent quickly turns to unrelenting venom when his girl falls for the ork leader and marries him. He succeeds in breaking up the ork, after setting its members as well as the newlyweds against each other, and creating distrust and confusion. Ending is happy, however.

Jam session at beginning and end, as well as solid solos, are fine. Musician of note, Bobby Sherwood is thoroly likeable as the band leader. Despite lack of stage experience, he makes the part live and breathe. Ray Mayer, as the tough talking, hard drinking, cynical wartime buddy of Sherwood's, does a solid job thruout his juicy part, whether com-pelling attention with his planology or emoting. Frank Conroy, as the villain, does some beautiful under-playing and helps hold *Trumpet* to-gether. Sydney Becket, Negro clarinet player, does a good character study, while Bart Edwards, Marty Marsala and Phillip Layton are okay as the other band members. Blonde heroine, Audra Lindley, is attractive, but spoiled an otherwise good effort by a tendency to pose and overact. Lynne Carter does well with her small part of a dumb and giddy girl singer. The single living room set lacks color and distinction.

#### ROUTES Dramatic and Musical

American Repertory Co. (Colonial) Boston. Blackstone (Auditorium) Rochester, N. Y., 9-12; (Erie) Schenectady 14-16; (Bushnell Aud.) Hartford, Conn., 17-19. Bloomer Girl (Shubert) Chicago. Blossom Time (Bushnell Aud.) Hartford, Conn. 10-12. Born Yesterday (Wilbur) Boston. Carmen Jones (Hanna) Cleveland. Come On Up, with Mae West (Walnut St.) Philadelphia. Dear Ruth (Plymouth) Boston. Dream Girl (Selwyn) Chicago. Dunham, Katharine (Shubert-Lafayette) De-troit.

Follow the Girls (Cass) Detroit. Glass Menagerie (Geary) San Francisco. Happy Birthday, with Helen Hayes (Shubert) Boston.



Tony Michio and Joe DeLio reopened New Jacques, Waterbury, Conn., October 7, with Herbie Faye, Sammy Smith, Al Murray, Harry Sammy Smith, Al Murray, Harry Kane, Sheila Lind, Barbara Barrie, Bob LaVerne, Olympics, Germaine and Paul Cortez and Co., all Dave Cohen bookings. . . Peggy Styles, former number producer at Mayfair, Dayton, is now switchboard op at Mansfield Hotel, New York, for Leo



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# Judson. Freddie Fulton's show (October 9) for Jewish War Veterans' Hospital, the Bronx, included Paul Duke, Charlie Brown, Beulah Bryant, Charlie Chappelle, Sonya Milburn and Bob Davis... Hirst unit, slated for Norfolk dichanded due to closing and Bob Davis. . . Hirst unit, slated for Norfolk, disbanded due to closing of the Gayety, with Nadine, fea-tured strip, moving to the National, Detroit, October 11. . . Ina Lorraine shifted from Ohio to Hirst wheel, opening October 16 at Gayety, Wash-ington. . . Lou Vogle, pianist-comic, changed from El Patio, Washington, to Ted Lipsitz Supper Club, Detroit, thru Morison Norell Agency, with which he signed a managerial con-tract. . . Dave Cohn placed Ryan and Benson at Hi-Way Casino, Fall River, Mass., and Scarlet Kelly at River, Mass., and Scarlet Kelly at Gayety, Montreal. . . . The St. Georges, Billy and Ann, dancers, are back on Hirst wheel after five years' retirement.

Joe Dorris, after 12 weeks at Barn Club, Salisbury Beach, Mass., re-turned to emsee work at Shore Road Club. turned to emsee work at Shore Road Casino, L. I., thru Tom Torre. . . Ben Welansky regained the Globe, Boston, former Hirst wheel spoke, after Al Somerby sold out his in-terests. New policy, pix. . Joe Faye goes from legit to a nitery unit, Fun For Your Money. . . Anna Bergin is new captain of 16 Lynch-ettes at Hudson, Union City, N. J., most of whom are first-timers on stage. Flock comprises Hazel Nejia, Doris Treche, Ruth and Betty Jack-son, Peggy Whitman, Cecilla McMil-lan, Dee Bailey, Ramona Cortez, Lil-lian Schelhomme, Pauline Stovall, lian Schellhomme, Pauline Stovall, Dawn Bayer, Jackie Bechard, Pat Callahan, Hilda Ruthven and Doris Callahan, Hilda Ruthven and Doris Weidman... Doris Ward, last sum-mer at Palace of Wonders, Coney Island, N. Y., opened at Hudson, Union City, as a new Lynch parade girl... Fran Parker headed a show sponsored by Ralph A. Gold, for Home of Incurables, the Bronx. As-sisting were Tony Romaine, Hi Stager, Al Waldman, Lee Jackson, Roy Duke, Stan Gordoni and Benny Victor, emsee... Tom Phillips, BAA exec, reports org has obtained juris-diction over West Coast burly thea-ters. ters.

#### Magic - By Bill Sachs -

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RUTH DORE is offering her chic night haunts, where she's in her third week of a month's stay. A. N. Rossi (Anthony), who did his Marjah crystal turn with the late Joe Ovette back in 1927 and 1932, now has his school assembly magic show operating up and down the California coast He tells of bumping into Edwin Brush, the vet lyceum worker, at Stockton, Calif., recently, and finding him hale and hearty at 73. . . . George Marquis is currently managing E. R. Braly's circus attractions playing Southern fairs. At the conclusion of the fair season, Marquis plans to open his magic attraction in Guadalajara, Mexico, with Col. Frank Mil-ler doing the piloting... Justini the Magician postals from Brooklyn that things have been moving in his favor since opening his new season Sep-tember 19. He played for the Foster Homes for Children, Inc., at Hunter College recently, with former Gov-ernor Herbert H. Lehman of New York and an assistant to New York's York and an assistant to New York's Mayor O'Dwyer, in attendance. . . . Vernon Colbert, currently at Club Fortune, Reno, Nev., is set for four weeks at Teatro Folies Bergere, Mexico City, opening January 1. Noel Frederick Agency, Hollywood, is handling. . . Al DeLage and Shirley, guided by Roger Murrel, New York, are on a hold-over at the Casablanca, Camden, N. J. They are set on a string of Eastern theater dates later in the season. . . . Robert Emerico, now doing a comedy-type magic turn, opened his fall season at magic turn, opened his fall season at the Elks Club, Corvallis, Ore., Sep-tember 26. Norman Anderson Amuse-ment Agency has him spotted thru the Pacific Northwest. . . Little the Pacific Northwest. . . Little Johnny Jones, Chi trixster, is getting a lot of sales action on his Gem Publicity Trick which he recently placed on the market with a \$1.50 price tag. Suitable for large or small gatherings, the trick is an impromptu vest-pocket version of a mental magic nifty. It is being distributed by G. E. McDermott, Chicago. by G. E. McDermott, Chicago.

NARDINI is launching a new full-NARDINI is launching a new full-evening show under auspices of Percy Abbott, Colon, Mich., to play six nights weekly in schools and civic clubs thru Michigan and Indiana. Nardini's partner, Nadyne, who re-cently suffered a nervous breakdown, is still confined in a sanitarium. . . . Frank Leffell, forced off the road four years ago, due to ill health, type-writes from his Baltimore headquar-ters that he has regained his health and that he is mapping plans to and that he has regarded his health and that he is mapping plans to launch a 12-people, full-evening show late this month...L. L. Ire-land, the Chicago magic dealer, writes under date of September 28: "I'm in the market for a new wife. Corgeous games a consideration but Gorgeous gams a consideration, but no chasers or boozers. And above all—no columnists! After I spend 25 years building up a business of sup-plying equipment to magicians, my wife sees fit to point ut in a recent column in *The Linking Ring* that ... comparisons seem to indicate that the further a performer gets from doing actual magic tricks, and the more he uses . . . gags, nonsense, . . . etc., the better spot he can play and the more money he can get.' Now just when I had forgotten the Now just when I had forgotten the above heresy, Tommy Windsor pub-lishes Smart Business, using the above remark, fully credited to my roommate, as the keynote for the entire book. Am having a public burning of the several thousand copies of my new No. 12 catalog and am going into retirement. If anyone wants to go with me, have them wire." Of course, L. L.'s outburst could have something to do with the publication of Mrs. Ireland's new book, You Don't Have to Be Crazy, due off the presses soon. . . . Doc

#### October 12, 1946

#### **Omaha Anti-Barmaid** Law Held Invalid

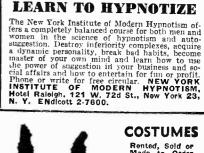
OMAHA, Oct. 5 .- It is now okay the chicanery at the Prevue Cocktail for women bartenders to work in Lounge, one of New Orleans' newest local night clubs and taverns. according to a decision by the Omaha municipal judges who held the antibarmaid law invalid. Decision fol-lowed the arrest of several waitresses charged with violating the Anti-Barmaid Ordinance, which prohibits any woman, except the holder of a liquor license, from selling or dispensing any alcoholic liquor except beer.

In a decision handed down by the judges it was held that the law was invalid because it unfairly discriminates between women, that it does not keep women from working in taverns and it doesn't help the morals of the community.

#### Passo Back in Walkie Field

GRANITE CITY, Ill., Oct. 5.-Ray Passo, vet walkathon producer and emsee, returns to the field with a new show which opens at the new roller rink here October 23. Location is in the heart of town, with some 200,000 people within easy driving distance.

Marcus is in his second week at the Beverly Hills Country Club, Newport, Ky.





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### THE FINAL CURTAIN

theater operator, in Toronto Septem-ber 29. He was president of General Theater Investments Company, Ltd.; vice-president and director of Odeon Theaters of Canada, Ltd.; secretarytreasurer of General Theaters, Ltd., and treasurer of Empire-Universal-Films, Ltd., all of Toronto, and a di-rector of Theater Properties, Ltd., Hamilton, Ont.

BRENNON-Mrs. Grace Partridge, formerly a noted English oratorio and concert singer, in Flushing, L. I., September 30. She was the widow of Algernon St. John Brennon, former music critic of the old Morning Telegraph. As Grace Damian she sang at Covent Garden, London, and later made a concert tour of Canada and the U.S.

BROOKE-Mrs. Mary Wheeler, re tired actress, in Mamaroneck, N. Y., September 30. She was the widow of H. Percy Brooke, actor.

BRYMN—J. Tim, 66, composer and band leader, at Veterans' Hospital, Bronx, N. Y., October 3. He wrote several song hits, best-known of which was *Please Go 'Way and Let Me Sleep.* He led theater and dance exchange the United States and abroad, and in World War I headed the 350th Field Artillery Band, which he developed into a 75-member unit, largest in the army at the time. Survived by his widow, Dorothy, and a son, J. Tim Jr.



COLONNA-Joseph, 47, brother of Jerry Colonna, comedian, in Phillipsburg, N. J., September 27 as result of injuries sustained in an auto crash.

COOKE—Hereward Lester, 67 professor of physics at Princeton Uni-67, versity and a specialist in theatrical acoustics, in Princeton, N. J., September 30.

CROCE—Alexander, 86, former musician, suddenly September 27 at his home in Philadelphia. He was associated with Vincenzo Pierro's Neapolitan Band for 25 years. Survived by his widow, Litizia, eight sons, three daughters and a brother. Services in Philadelphia October 2, with burial in Holy Cross Cemetery there.

GOODHUE-H. M., illusion show operator, in Hot Springs September

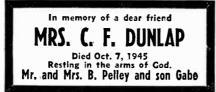


Who Passed Away Oct. 7, 1945 Her husband, C. F. DUNLAP, and brother, CHARLES HOS

BRAGG - Thomas J., Canadian 20. Survived by a son, Milton, Little Rock.

GORDON-Lee C. (Stubby), or-chestra leader and former musical director of Station WTAM, Cleveland, in that city October 3.

GRANT-Mrs. Jennie, 74, wife of Harry T. Grant, concessionaire and cookhouse operator for over 40 years, September 25 in Valley Baptist Hospital, Harlingen, Tex.



HAYES—M. L. (Whitey), 43, with Capital City Shows, suddenly Sep-tember 18 in Calhoun, Ga. during org's engagement there. Survived by his widow, Pearl, his mother and several sisters and brothers. Burial in DeLand, Fla., September 21.

HERMAN—Jan, 60, Czech profes-sor of music and renowned pianist, in Prague September 30. Appeared concert tour thruout Europe and the U.S.

HUNTLEY—George W., 77, presi-dent of the Waterloo (Ia.) Dairy Cat-tle Congress and the National Bel-gian Horse Show, September 29 in Waterloo of a heart attack. He had been president of the congress since been president of the congress since 1942 and a director for 33 years. A daughter, Mrs. Glen W. Miller, survives.

HUTCHENS-Rolland, 46, brother of John T. Hutchens, owner of Hutchen's Modern Museum with Snapp Greater Shows, recently in Cassville, Mo., of injuries sustained in an auto accident. Since retiring from show business he had been in business in Cassville

JEFFRIES-Mrs. James Osborne, actress known professionally as Maud Jeffries, in Sydney, Australia, September 26. She made her debut in New York with John Drew and Ada Rehan in 1889 after studying dramatic art with Augustin Daly and went to London in 1890 where she went to London in 1890, where she appeared in *The Sign* of *the Cross* and with Herbert Beerbohm Tree in Herod. She toured Europe and later went to Australia, where she headed her own company for several years.

LAMONT-Mrs. June, wife of Chief Lamont, the past six years concessionaire with Rogers Greater Shows, August 19 at her mother's home in East Lexington, Va.

WISH TO EXTEND OUR SINCERE THANKS TO OUR MANY FRIENDS FOR THE BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTES AND FLOWERS ON THE DEATH OF RALPH LARABEE MRS. ESTHER SPERONI Siste MRS. RITA LARABEE

LEEDS-Henry W. 78, pioneer Atlantic City hotel operator, president of the company owning Chalfonte Haddon Hall in Atlantic City October 2

MARSHALL--Myron, 82, father of MARSHALL—Myron, 82, father of Reg D. Marshall, Hollywood booking office head, in Eagle Rock, Calif., September 21 of a heart attack. Ser-vices September 25 in Glendale, Calif. MARTIN—Chester A., 54, West Coast concessionaire, in Los Angeles, September 27. He was a member of the Pacific Coast Showmen's As-capacitan Los Angeles, Buyiad in

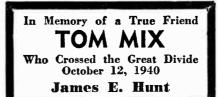
September 7, of injuries sustained in a fall.

MOORE-Harry H., 75, a circus press agent before he became an employee of the Timken Roller Bearemployee of the Timken Roller Bear-ing Company in 1906, at Canton, O., October 2. He toured Europe with Barnum & Bailey and married an animal trainer. Survived by his animal trainer. Survived by his widow and one brother, William, of Tampa

O'BRIEN-Dennis F., 70, a leading theatrical lawyer, in Yonkers, N. Y., October 1. Among his clients were large theatrical and film corporations and such individuals as George M. Cohan, Irving Berlin, Sam Harris, Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks Jr.

OLDFIELD—Barney, 68, famous auto race driver, in Beverly Hills, Calif., October 4 of a heart attack. Surviving are his widow and their adopted daughter, Mrs. Betty Kelly, of Boyenty Hills of Beverly Hills.

OLIN-Isaac, 69, retired trombone player in theater and dance orches-tras and father of former light-heavy-weight champ, Bob Olin, in Brook-lyn, N. Y., September 28.



PECHIN—Ernest F., 55, cornetist, suddenly September 23 at his home in Orlando, Fla. Pechin was chief cornetist with John Phillip Sousa for several years and had played with Pat Conway and the Stanley Sym-phony Orchestra, Victor Grabel and Arthur Pryor. At one time he was with the WGN (Chicago) Symphony Orchestra. Survived by his widow, Ethel, and two children. Services in Orlando September 25, with burial in Greenwood Cemetery there.

RUSSELL-Herbert, actor, recently at his summer home in East Madi-son, Me. Among his Broadway appearances were roles in Old Lavender and The Show-Off. Survived by his widow, Florence Mack. Burial in East Madison.

WENTWORTH-Leon (Chet) former bingo caller and counterman with the Lee United Shows, September 6 in Plainwell, Mich., of a heart ailment.

WHITTAKER-John Robert, 69, musician and past vice-president of the Holyoke (Mass.) Musicians' Union, recently at his home in Holyoke

WINSTON-Bruce, 67, British ac-tor, producer and scene designer, on board the liner John Ericsson, en route from England to New York September 27. His Broadway ap-pearances were in Katja and Pickwick season 1926-'27. He was in scores of hits in London, Egypt, Palestine and Australia, and was pro-ducer and set designer for several London plays.

### Marriages

ADAMS-WITHERS-Oscar (Skeeter) Adams, girl show talker, and Allyne Withers, candy pitchman with World of Mirth Shows, in Allentown, Pa., September 21.

ANDERSON-CLARK-Bill Anderson, Heyday foreman on Endy Bros.' Shows, and Cleo Clark, of Mabelle Kidder's Scandals of 1946, September 30 in Marietta, Ga.

BAKEWELL-HOLT - Billy Bakewell, actor, and Jennifer Holt, ac-tress and daughter of film star Jack Holt, September 29 in Beverly Hills,

the Pacific Coast Showmen's As-sociation, Los Angeles. Buried in Culver City, Calif., September 30. McLEAN—Andrew Bell, 84, past president and member of the Foam Lake (Sask.) Agricultural Society, chestra at Sciolla's Cafe, Philadel-

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phia, and Anna Ceci, nonpro, in

phia, and Anna Ceci, nonpro, in Philadelphia September 29. GOTTLIEB-ROSE—Alex Gottlieb, motion picture producer, and Polly Rose, actress and sister of Billy Rose, September 29 at Beverly Hills (Calif.) Hotel (Calif.) Hotel. HERSHLEY-EMBREE — George

Hershley and Erma Embree, both with William J. Dunn's Side Show on Byers Bros.' Shows, September 19 in Willow Spring, Mo. KRAUSE-DAVIS — Willie Krause,

aerialist, and Jeannie Davis, eques-trienne, both with Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, in Dals October 1. MANSON-KALIONZES -

MANSON-KALIONZES — Alan Mañson, one of the principals in Call Me Mister (National, New York), and Jan Kalionzes, actress, in New York, September 30 September 30.

VERNA-CIMINI-Jack Verna, orchestra leader at Latin Casino, Philadelphia, and Nina Cimini, nonpro, in

Philadelphia October 5. WALLING-WOOD — Lieut. Col. William H. Walling and Peggy Wood, actress, in Stamford, Conn., October 1.

#### SKATING VANITIES

(Continued from page 4)

number of such production innova-tions. Top production feat was 24 girls in Rolling Along, with the chorus perched atop huge balls which they maneuvered thru the entire five-minute bit, a la log rollers, with just one single slipping off her ball dur-ing the number. g the number. Major comedy assignments were ing

carried out by Joe Jackson Jr., mak-ing his bow to roller skating audiences, working on skates for a short time to intro his standard bum and bike bit, which had the two-thirds-filled house roaring thruout; The Ballet Russe, take-off on Russian pirou-etting by Lillian Schroeder; Terry Taylor and Buddy Swan, best roller skate laugh-getter in the show, and Tony Morelli, whose eccentric ma-neuvers often pulled yocks, but too much time elapsed between chuckles.

Credit was scored in the novelty ledger by Buddy Swan, out of last year's chorus, who does leaps across four girls; hurdles, and closes with a jump across a double hurdle, finally crashing thru paper hoop, and Count Leroy, Negro skatapster, who got poor attention on opening because the band worked too loud, but grabbed every eye after he ascended steps and worked atop a narrow platform. John Scott and Howard Brand, badminton experts, with Jimmy Ross handling the descriptions at mike and later a bit of comedy relief, proved the correct choice to work as only act off skates. Bad-minton, not often seen by the public, holds plenty of interest and the boys have worked out a routine that's packed with thrills.

Bobby May, as usual, gains twice the response with juggling on skates than he would if working afoot.

For those who like their skating straight, the current edition of Vanities has two stellar teams, Frank Foster and Melva Moreno, who do ballroom routines, while stars Gloria Nord and Mickey Meehan handle a more startling type of duo number and also do solo turns to heavy mit-La Nord continues to reap the ting. ting. La Nord continues to reap the heaviest mitt of any performer, and she rates it, for the gal has p. a., showmanship and poise to warrant star billing. Frank Foster is paired with a tiny newcomer, Donnie David-son, in a precision number, *Me and* My Shadow, that would be strength-ened considerably with humor. Ernie Wattler another exactory how han-Wettler, another ex-chorus boy, handles a Robin Hood number that needs plenty of tightening and additions before it warrants a solo spot. Same goes for the Melva Moreno and Eileen McDonald pairing and the Four Continentals routine. All are

just worked-over material. Show went off without a major hitch. Revue's 18-piece band and two vocalists provided strong back-ground for entire performance.

OUTDOOR



October 12, 1946

# ST. LOUIS RODEO LASSOES 300G

## **Double Prices Kites Receipts**

Packs - produced poke, headed by Rogers, plays to sellout-Chi next for star

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 5.-Packs, Thomas N, that is, has been packing 'em in at the St. Louis Arena with the Roy Rogers World's Championship Rodeo, and by the time the last bull is roped and tied tomorrow night at the last of the 14 performances, a gross of approximately \$300,000 will have

of the 14 performances, a gross of approximately \$300,000 will have been racked up. This record-breaking total will represent an increase of about 100 per cent over previous high gross for any type of show auspiced in the past by the sponsors, the St. Louis Uniformed Firemen's Association. This is due not alone to the big turn-out but to the fact that the prices (\$1.20 for general admission, \$2.40 for reserved seats) are double those heretofore charged at an event spon-sored by the fire-fighters. As a re-sult, they and Packs, circus im-presario who makes his home here, are properly jubilant. Thru Thursday (3), the rodeo had four sellouts, with thousands turned away Sunday (29) and at night per-formances this week. Matinees will be offered today and tomorrow. This brings the number of matinees to four, daytime shows having been pre-sented over the first week-end. Prize money totals slightly over

sented over the first week-end. Prize money totals slightly over \$23,000, with \$20,000 put up by the producers, the remaining \$3,000 coming from entry fees. Stock, of which there is plenty, more than 500 head being on hand, is furnished by Col. Jim Eskew.

Jim Eskew. A fast, entertaining program fea-tures Roy Rogers, with Trigger, and Rogers's latest discovery, Trigger Jr.; Bob Nolan and the Sons of the Pio-neers, and Dale Evans, picture star. Others include Roy Rogers's rodeo band; Buddy Mefford, Auvil Gilliam and Jim Eskew, trick and fancy rop-ing; Ted Allen, horseshoe pitcher; the Hoover Family and their Jumping Jalopy; Ted and Flo Vallette, baton twirlers; Beryl Jackson, Johnny Chapman, Jimmy Miller, Bucky Brennan, Alva Clements, Mary Clements and Adair Shaw, trick and fancy riders.

fancy riders. Rodeo staff follows: Roy Rogers, executive director; Col. Jim Eskew, arena director; Philo J. Harvey, gen-eral counsel; Gene Bascou and Fog-horn Clancy, nublicity: Bob Matheurs horn Clancy, publicity; Bob Mathews, arena secretary; Bill Parks, superin-tendent of stock, and Bud Bentley, announcer.

Roy Rogers's next appearance will be in a 17-day rodeo at the Chicago Stadium opening next Thursday (10).

Turner on Blackstone Staff LONDON, Ont., Oct. 5.—Charles V. Turner, circus and legit publicity agent and biller, joined the Black-stone show here today as advertising agent, traveling seven days in ad-vance. Blackstone now boasts an executive staff of former circus agents, including George Alabama Florida, press agent, and Lon Rams-dell, manager. dell, manager.

# Of Sabbath Stand

KNOXVILLE, Oct. 5.—Larry (Never-a-Dull-Moment) Sunbrock, in his 15 years as a promoter, has faced numerous objects designed to stop him, but nothing over did the trick. But this week it happened. He was stopped, and in very odd fashion—by never

He was stopped, and in very odd fashion—by prayer. Sunbrock appeared before city council here Tuesday night (1) to apply for a Sunday license to present his rodeo at Caswell Baseball Park, city-owned property. Larry outlined the fact that the rodeo-thriller was an educational enterprise, a whole-some item for the kiddies, and stressed the point that many patrons would have only Sunday afternoon to see the show. However, a Methodist minister and

to see the show. However, a Methodist minister and some 180 members of his congrega-tion, all present at the council meet-ing, had other ideas. They wanted no part of a Sunday show, not even one presented by Larry Sunbrock. The minister made his pitch and in-toned pravers that council would not The minister made his pitch and in-toned prayers that council would not grant Sunbrock a Sunday "permit. As he spoke, members of his congre-gation punctuated his words with "Annens." The prayers were an-swered as council voted 6 to 4 against a Sunday showing

swered as council voted 6 to 4 against a Sunday showing. However, the city dads granted Sunbrock Wednesday thru Saturday (9-12) at the ball park, which neces-sitated his canceling Macon, Ga. From Knoxville the show moves to Nashville. Sunbrock, however, is fly-ing to Colombia, South America, to set a string of six engagements there.

### Preacher and Flock | Week-EndsOkay Pray Sunbrock Out | But Daily Grind Off at NY Rodeo

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Madison Square Garden Rodeo biz this week failed to maintain the pace set dur-ing the first few performances and indications were that the slump would continue, except for week-ends, unless something is done to hypo sales. Top prices which range up to \$6 evi-dently have little effect on attendance since customers are springing for the upper brackets. Cheapest seats are priced at \$1.25 and are not available in advance.

Metropolitan dailies have all but ignored the show after a cordial welcome. Personal appearance of Gene Autry, radio and film star, hasn't resulted in any traffic jams, altho what the draw would have been without him is a little sad to con-template. Start of the World Series The Ball Park Debu tomorrow eliminates the possibility of lengthy press notices since the baselengthy press notices since the base-ball classic will hog space. Natural attendance boosters, Yom Kippur, the Jewish Holiday, being observed to-day, and Columbus Day (12) will be largely wasted since both fall on Saturdays, which are good on their own.

Record prize money offered this year totals \$154,040, of which the Garden contributes \$129,130. Re-mainder is made up of contestant entry fees, added to purses.

Rodeo continues thru Sunday (27), for a total of 53 performances, including matinees each Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

### Hot Hot Dogs

SALT LAKE CITY, Oct. 5.— It shouldn't happen to a dog— especially in these meatless days —but it did happen to approxi-mately 10,000 hot dogs belong-ing to the Western Service Com-

Ing to the Western Service Com-pany, concessionaires at the an-nual Utah State Fair. Immediately following the fair, and before Art Teece, manager of the concession com-pany could breach down big out pany could break down his set-up, a truck moved in between 2 and 6 a.m., and moved out with more than 1,500 pounds of

butter and cooking fats. Police are looking for the burglars. Teece is looking for the swag.

# In Ball Park Debut

RICHMOND, Va., Oct. 5.-Holiday on Ice, skating revue bankrolled by Dickie Chalfin of Minneapolis, who also has a large hunk invested in Skating Vanities, hit the open air here this week at Moor's Field, local baseball park, and customer response was terrific with sellout crowds clicking the turnstiles opening Saturday, September 28, and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Advance for the remainder of the week indicated business would hold up.

Rink 60 by 100 feet was planted on the infield and the show's portable ice plant had no trouble holding a slick surface, despite the fact show was rained out Sunday. Surface was covered with canvas during the daylight hours to help thwart the sun, and plants were powerful enough to keep the rink solid.

Show closes here tonight and moves to Norfolk for a four-day run opening Monday (7).

Co-starred are the teams of Gal-braith and Goos, and Atkinson and Haines

#### **Maritime Province Biz Okay During September**

ST. JOHN, N. B., Oct. 5.—Septem-ber, 1946, will go into the record books as one of the most favorable, so far as weather was concerned, for the outdoor amusements in the Maritime Provinces and in Northern New England.

Weather for the month was warm-er than that of July and August, as witness that bathing in the Bay of Fundy, probably the coldest water in the habitable areas, was okay during Santamber during September.

#### **Barney Oldfield, Famous** Auto Race Driver, Dies

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Oct. 5.— Barney Oldfield, 68, famed auto race driver, died of a heart attack here Friday (4). In recent years he had served as a starter at fair auto race meets. His widew and the

His widow, and their adopted daughter, Mrs. Betty Kelly, of Bev-erly Hills, survive.

### In the Chips, Cleveland Arena Slashes Plaster, Will Lift It

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CLEVELAND, Oct. 5.—Al Sutphin, president of the Cleveland Arena and principal founder, this week said he was "startled by the immensity of our operations." And then he stunned Arena stockholders by giving them a 40 per cent repayment on their investment

Sutphin distributed the checks at a Sutphin distributed the checks at a surprise party for stockholders and announced the remainder of the indebtedness to debenture holders would be retired before the end of the year, when shareholders will not only have all their investment back but, in addition, will have common table equal to the retired debentures

stock equal to the retired debentures. The Arena has been one of Cleve-land's most successful sports and amusement enterprises. When the debentures are paid off, the \$1,500,000 Arena will be debt free, the last of the mortgages, totaling almost a mil-lion dollars, having been retired last

lion dollars, naving been retried the year. "We built in the depression and walked into the greatest era of pros-perity this country has ever known," said Sutphin. Maurice Podoloff, president of the American Hockey League, said the Arena was one of two privately owned sports centers that had not "gone thru the ringer." Sutphin is a director of the Arena erity this country has ever known," aid Sutphin. Maurice Podoloff, FREEPORT, L. I., Oct. 5.—Henry resident of the American Hockey Renard, Baldwin, L. I., won the fea-eague, said the Arena was one of ture midget car race at the Freeport wo privately owned sports centers Municipal Stadium Friday (27). that had not "gone thru the ringer." Johnny Peterson, Great Neck, L. I., Sutphin is a director of the Arena was second.

Managers' Ice-Capades which is now in an 18-day run at the Arena. He also shows the Ice Follies, his own indeer circumed indoor circus and a rodeo.

Also shows the *Ice Folices*, his own indoor circus and a rodeo. At the same time his American Hockey League team, the Barons, will play Saturday and Wednesday nights at home and his new Basketball Association of America club will play Sunday and Tuesdays at home. Box-ing events fill up the bill. The hockey team has grossed two million dollars in nine years. In making his stock repayment announcement, Sutphin said that be-sides the 40 per cent repayment, stockholders have received an annual 3 per cent in "Arena dollars," good for gate admissions. Thus, for every \$100 share the holder has \$40 in cash, \$3 in complimentary tickets, will have another \$60 in cash by the year's end and still \$100 par value common stock.

#### **Renard Cops at Freeport**

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### **Endy Knocks Out New High** For Atlanta

#### 122G First 9 Days

ATLANTA, Oct. 5 .--- Gross records for shows and rides at the South-eastern World's Fair were knocked for a loop by Endy Bros.' Shows at the completion of the first nine days, and with Sunday (6), closing day, still to go.

Milton S. Paer, show secretary, an-nounced the gross for the first nine days as \$122,408.85, believed to be the first time any org ever topped the

100 Grand mark at this annual. Top gross to date was today, which hit \$25,063.99, while the first Satur-day the count was \$21,345.96. Low gross was Monday (30), \$6,017.22.

gross was Monday (30), \$6,017.22. Show enjoyed clear weather all the way, tho some of the nights were cool. Attendance hit a new high with today's count, and M. M. (Mike) Benton showed figures to prove that only a normal attendance closing day would put the paid admission count over the 900,000 mark.

### **Again Named as Site** For PCSA Banquet

ANGELES, Oct. 5.---Pacific Coast Showmen's Association again will hold its annual banquet and ball, scheduled December 17, in the Gold Room of the Biltmore Hotel. Program will get under way with cocktails at the bar in the foyer, followed by the banquet and floor show. Dancing will round out the event.

Many special nights have been ar-ranged for the various meeting dates. Starting with President Mel Smith's turkey dinner, free to all members, Starting with resident Mer Shifti S turkey dinner, free to all members, October 14, other special nights in-clude Armistice Day program No-vember 11; Home-Coming Night No-vember 18, featured by the unveiling of the G.I. plaque, honoring World War II vets; officer nominations No-vember 25, Past Presidents Night December 2, Ladies' Bazaar and Election Night December 9, Memo-rial Day services December 15, Build-ing Fund Night December 16, Presi-dent's Night and Ladies' Christmas Party December 23, Christmas Day Dinner December 25, annual election December 30 and the New Year's Eve party December 31.

#### **Muddy Lot Greets** WOM at Shelby, N. C.

SHELBY, N. C., Oct. 5.—An all-night rain September 23 turned the Shelby fair midway into a near quagmire and as a result, the World of Mirth Shows experienced plenty of difficulty in getting on when it arrived Tuesday (24) morning.

Experienced tractor, ride and show crews, plus plenty of extras, pitched in and had most of the units in operation by 7 p.m.

Business opening night was sur-prisingly good, despite the bad footing. Joe Sciortino's Posing Show piled up the largest gross.

#### C. J. Belton Dies Suddenly

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Oct. 7. —C. J. Belton, owner of Belton Shows and who recently purchased the Nick United Shows, passed away suddenly at his home in Winston-Salem Sunday (6).



GEORGE REINHARDT, veteran cookhouse operator who is rounding out his fourth season with the Johnny J. Jones Exposition, forsook that org for this week to operate his customary location atop the hill at the South-eastern World's Fair, Atlanta. He built an annex on the rear of his store as a rendezvous for fair officials and show-folke in general which enables the folks in general, which enables the diners to look over the carnival grounds while enjoying a repast.

### **Buck - Manning Danbury Merger** Biltmore Gold Room Attracts Coin

#### By a Staff Correspondent

DANBURY, Conn., Oct. 5 .- Oscar Buck and Ross Manning pooled their shows and rides to take over the midway at the 73d Danbury Fair and grossed the equivalent of a good week's take on opening Sunday (29), when 36,000 p a y in g customers jammed the grounds. This, they said, was a fitting climax to a season which had contributed only good fortune and prosperity. Both return to the barn Monday (7). Manning will drive his trucks into an exhibiwhile Buck will route his equipment back to Troy, N. Y.

Monday (30) three inches of rain inundated the lot and accounted for a total blank. Tuesday and Wednes-(Buck-Manning Merger on page 60)

#### **Hennies To Play** Mobile's Annual

BIRMINGHAM, Oct. 5. — Greater Gulf Coast Fair at Mobile, Ala., was added to Hennies Bros.' Shows route added to Hennies Bros. Snows route this week, according to an announce-ment made Friday (4) by J. C. Mc-Caffery, general agent, who also re-vealed the org will not close until the second week in November.

Closing here tonight at the Ala-bama State Fair, Hennies will move Monday (7) to Columbus, Ga., for the annual there, and then on suc-cessive weeks will play Mobile, Al-bany, Ga.; Dothan, Ala., and Clarks-dale and Greenville, Miss.

Last year Hennies closed the sec-ond week in October after the Co-lumbus (Ga.) stand.

#### Victory Expo Tips Wichita Mark; Lands '47 Contract

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Oct. 5.— —All first two-day records at the Wichita County Fair here were broken September 23 and 24 by Alvin and Lowell Vandike's Victory Exposition Shows. The fair board was so pleased with the terrific busi-ness and the show that contracts were signed Wednesday (25) with Don Brashear, general agent, for the org to furnish the midway attractions org to furnish the midway attractions at this annual again in 1947.

### Things "Shore" Were Mighty Pretty Down Alabamy-Way

- By Pat Purcell-

Shows, stood surveying his midway at the Alabama State Fair, watching the hordes of children and adults piling on the rides Wednesday (2) and digging deep for a twang of his very best South Kansas City accent, he remarked: he remarked:

"It shore is mighty pretty." Well, it was mighty pretty, as the space allotted the carnival was suf-ficient to allow all shows and rides to spread their best and still have enough room for the milling masses.

It was early in the evening of Kids' Day, and when it was all counted the auditor showed J. C. Mc-Caffery, who is quite interested in-deed in this State fair operation, a slip which indicated that slightly more than 28,000 adults paid their way, and there must have been dou-ble that number of children.

#### Top Day in History

All of these folks turned out pleas-ure-bent and they tore into the frolic of riding the rides and seeing the shows with such gusto that Hennies' office wagon gathered a snappy \$28,-000 that day—the largest single day in the history of this annual.

Naturally, this made Harry W. Hennies very happy, and it didn't hurt McCaffery's disposition either. hurt McCaffery's disposition either. But while Hennies was viewing his property with pride, McCaffery was ambling slowly thru the masses on the independent midway, accom-panied by Andy Markham, who is the mayor of this particular phase of the operation.

#### No Two-High Stores

Hanky-panks were jammed in side by side so close that even if the nearby side so close that even if the near-sighted Vernon McReavey had re-turned here this year he would not have been able to find an inch of real estate that wasn't utilized—and the price is still \$1.05 an inch. Markham and McCaffery were slightly apolo-getic because they didn't have any two-high stores, because they aim to please their visitors, and some of the visiting brothers had hit this city with the idea of seeing how a two-high the idea of seeing how a two-high ball game would work.

"You see," pointed out McCaffery, "a Billboard writer last year sug-gested that we might sell a little more space by going two-high with some of these concessions, and it gave some of the concessionaires ideas.

"For instance, look at that blanket store.

Eyes turned to the blanket store, and there behind the counter helping

### Albuquerque **OK for Folk Cele**

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Oct. 5. The Folk Celebration Shows, general agented by Bill Solomon, were chalkagented by Bill Solomon, were chalk-ing up a record-breaking midway business at the New Mexico State Fair this week. Thru the five days of the eight-day event which opened September 29 and which closed Sun-day (6), the org has grossed 20 per cent more than last year, previous record year, for rides and shows.

Biggest day thru Thursday (3) was Biggest day thru Thursday (3) was Monday when rides and shows com-bined gross was reported at \$6,000. It was Kids Day and the youngsters, out in big numbers, spent freely. Show which has 11 rides and five shows working flashed new Roll-O-Plane, Spitfire and six new neon light towers.

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BIRMINGHAM, Oct. 5.—Harry W. the folks win a blanket was Lou Hennies, proprietor of Hennies Bros.' Leonard—not a particularly unusual Leonard-not a particularly unusual sight until the optics were cast skyward, and at a first glance one might think there was the first two-high The store was pushed skyjoint.

#### **Record for 'Bama**

BIRMINGHAM, Oct. 5. When the adding machine slips for the six days Hennies Bros.' Shows played the Alabama State Fair were totaled, it was announced that previous records for the spot were knocked off for the spot were knocked off by a 10 per cent margin. Record was set last year, de-

spite rain on Friday which hurt, but the annual which closed tonight enjoyed clear skies all the way, which undoubtedly ac-counted for the difference, ac-cording to J. C. McCaffery.

Even tho business was a trifle off from 1945 for the grandstand attraction Thursday and tonight, as compared with last year, the Friday business put the gross in that department considerably ahead of last year.

ward some 15 feet, with blankets draped from top to bottom. "Are we getting \$1.05 an inch from that one," Mac asked Andy.

"Yes sir, and the privilege has been paid," the mayor replied. "Well, how much did you charge him for the up?" asked Mac. "Never thought of that, as I didn't think we would have to work about think we would have to worry about skyscrapers."

#### Squaring a Beef

Dave Tennyson moved into the picture with a mild beef. He was late arriving Monday because of a truck breakdown, and he complained that he had been shorted an inch and he half for his four stores. a half for his four stores-and an inch a half for his four stores—and an inch and a half represented \$1.55, not fig-uring the breakage. Ever ready to settle a beef, Frank B. Joerling dug (See Things Were 'Purty,' page 52)

#### Cetlin & Wilson Up \$1,200 for NSA Fund

TRENTON, N. J., Oct. 5.—Annual jamboree of the Cetlin & Wilson Shows for the benefit of the National Showmen's Association was scheduled to be held on the midway of the New Jersey State Fairgrounds Sep-tember 24, but heavy rains, which flooded the entire lot, forced a post-ponement to Wednesday (25).

This year's benefit topped all pre-This year's benefit topped all pre-ceding Cetlin & Wilson shindigs both as to attendance and the amount of money raised. Ticket sales and do-nations totaled more than \$1,200, which topped last year by \$400. As usual, the spark plugs of the affair were George A. Hamid and John W. (Jack) Wilson, who set the pace in anteing up donations—and in ribbing each other and other personalities in each other and other personalities in attendance. Dolly McCormick dis-posed of 150 ducats, but entire Cetlin & Wilson staff, as well as show and ride operators, performers, conces-sionaires and employees, helped put the affair across.

Show was staged in the big tent of the Paradise Revue, which was jam-packed. Lee Evans emseed a peppy show, presenting acts from Hamid's grandstand revue and Cetlin & Wilson performers.

Off-the-show participants included Clem Schmitz, Phil Isser and Mr. and Mrs. Walter K. Sibley.

### **Collins Shows Lease Quarters** At Alexandria

ALEXANDRIA, Minn., Oct. 5. ALEXANDRIA, Minn., Oct. 5.— William T. Collins Shows, which were forced into the barn early this season because of the polio epidemic and then came out again for two Min-nesota fairs, one at Hutchinson, Sep-tember 16-19, and one here Septem-ber 25-28, have leased the local fair-grounds for winter quarters, Owner Bill Collins announces.

"It was difficult to reorganize again after going to the barn August 15," Collins said, "but we made the two spots okay."

At Hutchinson the first three days were good, Collins reported, but the final day was lost thru rain. Here, the shows enjoyed ideal weather and big business the first two days, but business Friday and Saturday (27-28) was slim because of cold weather. Collins had eight major rides at

both stands, including Twin Wheels, Octopus, Merry-Go-Round, Roll-o-Plane, Tilt-a-Whirl, Fly-o-Plane and Chairplane.

Visitors at Hutchinsongincluded Al Visitors at Hutchinsongincluded AI Thompson, secretary, and William Johnson, president, Kandiyohi Coun-ty Fair at Willmar; Carl Engstrom, secretary, Chippewa County Fair, Montevideo; E. M. Johnson, secre-tary, Redwood County Fair, Red-wood Falls; Dr. Dean and Mr. Mey-ers, Nicollect County Fair, St. Peter; Jess Leedahl, manager, Pope County ers, Nicollect County Fair, St. Peter; Jess Leedahl, manager, Pope County Fair, Glenwood; Bill Lindemann, sec-retary, Brown County Fair, New Ulm; Paul Kolbe, secretary, Ren-ville County Fair, Bird Island; Charles Crowley, president, Waton-wan County Fair, St. James, and fair officials from Blue Earth.

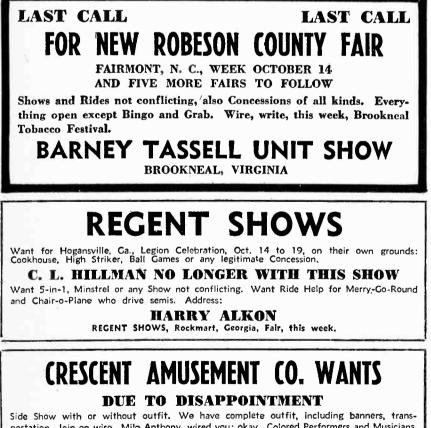


LARRY RODGERS won the \$100 Victory Bond for placing first in the annual membership contest of Show Folks of America, San Francisco chapter. Photo shows Mel Smith, left, president of the Pacific Coast Showleft. men's Association, who was designated by President Sammy Corenson of Show Folks (center) to present the bond to Rodgers.

#### **Gooding Tops Last Year's Gross at Hillsdale Fair**

HILLSDALE. Mich., Oct. 5 Gooding Greater Shows, on the mid-way here for the Hillsdale Fair, which closed September 29, ran slightly ahead of last year's gross, a final tabulation showed.

Concessionaires included Danny Pew, Frank Sliwinski, C. L. Pearce, A. Ray, Charles H. Stapleton, John Mulder, Sam (Pork Chops) Ginsburg, Maurice Meyers, William Baldwin, Earl Kline, Mom Bryant, William Peshong, Ben Miller and Sam Adler.



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HILLSBORO, Kan., Oct. 5 .- H. W. Anderson, owner of Anderson Greater Shows, today announced the sale of his org to Albert Martin and E. D. McCrary. New owners, who take possession at once announced they will retain

at once, announced they will retain all personnel and will continue play-ing Nebraska and Kansas territory. Shows have 9 rides, 5 shows and 40 concessions.

Neither of the new owners is a stranger to carnival business. Albert Martin's father, Charles, owned and operated the old Frisco Shows, and McCrary has been active in show business 20 years.

### Things Were 'Purty' Down Alabam' Way

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up a tape line, and Dave's space was 50 feet, right on the button. The 50 feet, right on the button. The beef was groundless, so Dave had to get a plane and shave off an inch and a half to make the fourther the and a half to make the four stores fit. Markham was then accosted by L. Peasey Hoffman, the little giant of many years around the grounds.

many years around the grounds. "And what's your complaint, my good man?" asked the mayor. "Nothing wrong with me," replied Peasey. "The wife and Joey are very busy tending to business, and it looks like everything is all right." looks like everything is all right.

"Thanks, chum, and we're happy you're happy," salved the mayor. Murray Friedenburg, Keith Chap-man, Louis Cutler and Whitey Butler were riding the ear-ie on a baseball resume on the radio — worrying whether the Brooklyns would lose, evidently taking a much-needed break before reaching for more

uarters. "Yes, the lads have to have a lit-tle recreation because if they worked all the time they'd get so much money they'd get tired of counting it, and we den't want to averwork our assodon't want to overwork our asso-ciates," the genial mayor explained but McCaffery was looking thru his eyebrows, tossing a glance which did indicate displeasure.

Markham's attention was drawn to his own six-cat store. Behind the counter was his 6 foot 4 inch son, and the lad was affably playing to a large tip.

large tip. "I've always rapped the joint to the kid, but I guess he's a natural," and there was a distinct touch of pride in his voice, which prompted Frank P. Duffield, the fireworks man, to remark that there is no sense in rapping the joint to a kid because if the kid likes the business that's what he's going to do.

#### Folks Lug It Home

Folks Lug It Home While these plays and by-plays were being made, The Billboard agent was peering thru his bifocals, casing crowd, and it did look like an old-fashioned, old-time fair when everything played for stock. A goodly portion of the milling crowd had blankets wrapped around them and a larger percentage was lugging plaster, slum or what have you. All hands apparently were having fun, and the independent midway was much more attractive than it was a year ago when the beer store was in

year ago when the beer store was in its midst. This year the beer store is away where it can't bother anybody, but the folks find it just the same. The minions of the law were around, but they had little more to be then put in their time.

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### Martin, McCrary Strates Offering **Prize for Neatest** Attraction, Ride

DANVILLE, Va., Oct. 5.—Owner James E. Strates and his office staff

have turned scorekeepers. Deal is this: Strates has offered a prize, to be awarded at the close of the season, to the ride or show main-taining the brightest and cleanest at-traction on the midway. Scores are chalked up each week and a final tally will be made the closing day in Lacksonville. Jacksonville.

Needless to say, there is plenty of policing up around the shows and rides these days because everyone

wants to win the prize. Stand just outside Williamsport, Pa., added up to fair business, con-sidering it meant breaking in a new lot and the weather was a bit on the chilly side.

A jamboree was held at Williams-A jamboree was held at Williams-port in the charm hour top. Enter-taining were Mrs. Percy Morency, classical and popular songs; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kearns, comedy, Honey Lee Walker, monolog and songs; Ray Hammond and Joe Gilman, Hawaiian music; Odia Griffith, playing the bones in minstrel show style; Al Mercy, cornet solo; Mabel Framm, of the Hep Cat Revue, piano solos, and Irving Bergner, drums.

### **SLA Starts Meetings; Rooms in Top Shape**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5. — Showmen's League of America held its first meet-ing of the season Thursday (3), with Mike Wright presiding in the absence of chair officers. Walter F. Driver, treasurer, and Joe Streibich, secretary, were also at the table. House committee, which gives thanks to Jimmy Stanton for his co-operation had the rooms in excellent operation, had the rooms in excellent order. A new speaker system has been installed.

been installed. Past President Floyd E. Gooding was in for the meeting of the nomi-nating committee, the report of which is expected either October 10 or 17. Bill Carsky reported that only five numbers remain in the service and that melanges are going out to them that packages are going out to them regularly. Carsky also reported that a committee he heads is pushing ar-rangements for the President's Party to be held Sunday, December 1, in the Louis XVI Room of Hotel Sherman

Edward A. Hock, past president, has entered the American Hospital for medical attention. David A. Kann and Sam Boyers were injured in an auto accident near Gettysburg, in an auto accident near Gettysburg, Pa., but the extent of their injuries has not been learned. Sick list in-cludes William J. Coultry, George Terry, H. D. Wilson, John U. Le-febvre, W. C. Deneke, Tom Vollmer, Marie Hermer, Balzer and Au-Maxie Herman, Roy Balzer and Au-gust Jansley. Maxie Herman is showing improvement. M. J. Doolan will leave next week for California, where he will make his home, but he will be back to open his Playland here in the

spring. Dwight Pepple, I. J. Polack and Sam Ward, of the Polack shows, at-

Sam Ward, of the Polack shows, at-tended the meeting. Returns on the Buick books are coming in nicely, it was reported. The secretary also reports that the di-rectory contract sent out has brought in early satisfactory results and ad-vised that it is now time for mem-bers to send in their dues.

around, but they had little more to do than put in their time. "This is the right type of opera-tion," McCaffery remarked as the bally Dick McIntosh had planted in front of the grandstand warned that the stageshow would start in five

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Squire Mathew Riley is in Post Graduate Hospital, 19th and Lombard Streets, Philadelphia, and 'tis said he is quite ill.

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MIDWAY CONFAB

Frank Smart, concessionaire, in a call at Cincy office of *The Billboard* September 30 advised that biz has been good for him at the fairs.

Mr. C. D. (Babe) Scott, manager of Regal Exposition Shows, visited friends at the Southeastern World's Fair, Atlanta, September 30.

If all general agents are as capable as they say they are, midway biz is saved.

Paul Merrick, George Smith, John Schuyler, Al Wilson and Lew Rice were recent visitors at the Pioneer Shows' quarters at Waverly, N. Y.

Lucky Harry Bishop, formerly with Thompson, the escape artist, now has his own show on the road. Betty King is his assistant.

Lew Lange was seen working be-hind a duck pond on the Majestic Greater Shows at Oxford, N. C., Thursday (3), according to those on the grounds.

> AFTER SPEND-ING her summer vacation with her mother, Mrs. Dixie Kepley, on the Royal Exposition Shows, Barbara Elizabeth Kepley

has returned to Boone, N. C., to complete her final year at the College. the Appalachian State Teachers'

Majestic Greater Shows raised \$89 at a benefit bingo party in Troy, N. C., for the Showmen's League of America and the Miami Showmen's As-sociation. Each org gets \$44.50.

Marshall Johnson, Selma, Ala, financier, sat in front of Hennies Bros.' office wagon at Birmingham, Wednesday (2) and watched the crowde rell by Ala, crowds roll by.

Classified ad placed by an office helper: "Easy money. Fifty men wanted to tear down the rides."

E, B. Braden, retired show manager who now makes a vocation of breed-ing Tennessee walking horses, divided many a jackpot with the lads around Birmingham last week.

Paul M. Farris, concessionaire on the Snapp Greater Shows, spent two days in St. Louis buying merchandise for his string of stores for the southern tour.

Mrs. John B. Davis, wife of the manager of the Southern State Shows, is back with the show after three months in an Atlanta hospital following a major operation.

An unforgettable sight—Andy Markham lugging a case of plas-

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ter in an emergency at Birmingham. His language was unprintable.

James H. Drew Jr. reports he had his concessions on the Gold Medal Shows at the Fair and Livestock Show at Columbus, Miss. Drew's next stop was the Alabama State Fair, Birmingham.

Rex M. Ingham and family and members of his school units, includmembers of his school units, includ-ing Dr. George D. Barrett, and Mrs. Earla Jenkins and Bobbie, visited Blondy Mack on World of Mirth Shows at the Shelby (N. C.) Fair.

It always happens: In towns where business is nil, the crowds stay late and are in no hurry to go home.

John W. Wilson, co-owner of Cetlin & Wilson Shows, recently received a new Buick sedan at Hagerstown, Md. Edward K. Johnson, show's general agent, purchased Wilson's old car as a gift for his wife, Dottie.

Pat and Billie Brady, of Rogers Greater Shows, were among those nodded to in Atlanta. And from the J. J. Page Shows were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Griggs and Mr. and Mrs. James Morgan.

Aside to G. L. (Mike) Wright --some of your golfing friends are readying a sleeper in the per-son of Harold Goldberg for a con-test in Miami next winter. Harold should handicap Mike about eight strokes.

Mrs. Irene Guffey reports her daughter, Wanda Lee, was struck by a car September 22 in Nashville, and was a patient in General Hospital there. She is now recuperating at her home, 905 Eighth Avenue S., Nashville 4.

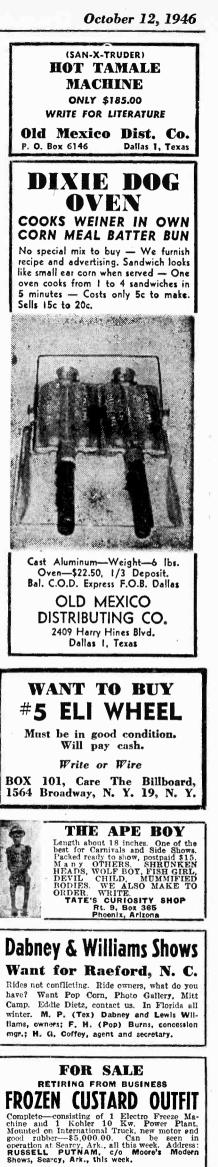
J. D. (Jack) Wright infos from his home in Tampa that Mrs. Wright is on the sick list. He reports seeing Jim Malone frequently and says Hank Powell and Jack Shepard have been enjoying a successful season with their auto races at the fairgrounds.

Mrs. Mary Demko, wife of Mike Mrs. Mary Demko, whe of Mike Demko, concessionaire, underwent a major operation at the Wichita Hospital, Wichita, Kan., September 25, her second this year. She is doing okay but will be confined to the hos-pital several weeks pital several weeks.

George M. (Twisto) Perch, vet trouper, is confined in Building 50, Ward 53, Hines Hospital, Hines, Ill., where his physicians say he will have to remain for another six months. Perch says he'd like to read letters from friends in outdoor show business.

Cleo Renee, annex attraction, and Billy Peggy Bell, sword act, joined Billy Logsdon's Side Show at Bates-ville, Miss. Show will tour Florida this winter. ... Ray Earline Garrison writes from Atlanta that she had a

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Horace Brockmellow infoes he is quite disturbed because Moxie Miller, the Redondo Beach, Calif., magnet, hasn't .accepted .his proposition to open a bubble gum public at his new spot. Horace is the type who'll keep writing and talking until Charley Wal-pert is the president of PCSA.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Edgar, who have the bingo stand with J. G. Steblar Greater Shows, are owners of a new 1946 Glider trailer. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Holliday, also with Steblar Shows, will close after play-ing Orangeburg, S. C., and go to Co-lumbia, S. C., for the winter. They will have as their guest Mrs. Holli-day's father.

Frank and Mae Bland left Penn Premier Shows at Parkersburg, W. Va., Mae going to their home in Niles, O., and Frank joining the Carvella Amusements as advance man. . . Mrs. Lucille Anthony, wife of Milo Anthony, Side Show owner on Good-ing Greater Shows, spent a week-end with Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Stark in St. Louis

N. L. (Whitie) Dixon writes he has closed as legal adjuster for Byers Bros.' Shows and with his wife, Dixie, and son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dixon, will winter in Aransas Pass, Tex. Dixon reports the seven concessions owned by him (See Midway Confab on page 56)

#### **Footwork Counts**

R. L. (Red) Bishop says that Black Jack Lewis, athletic man-ager on the J. R. Leeright Shows, overmatched himself in Plattsmouth Neb., when more than 100 customers accepted his chal-lenge to "meet all comers," Black Jack taking off down the highway in trunks and boxing shoes with the mob after him. When he returned to the shows in Plainsville, Kan., all midway-ites were willing to back him against all comers—for a foot

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### FAIRS—J. F. SPARKS SHOWS—FAIRS

Covington County Fair, Andalusia, Ala., October 14-19; Jackson County Fair, Marlanna, Florida, October 21-26; Bay County Fair, Panama City, Florida, October 28-Nov. 2; Suwannee County Fair, Live Oak, Florida, Nov. 4-9; Community Fair, Inc., Gainesville, Florida, Nov. 11-16; others to be announced later.

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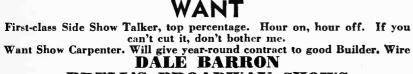
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Winder, Ga., Fair this week.

### **MIDWAY CONFAB**

(Continued from page 55) and his wife ended in the black. The Dixons will be back with Byers Bros. next year and plan to add three con-cessions to their string.

Manager insisted his press agent broadcast his gal show's singing voices daily because it was good publicity—but most listeners like firstclass radio entertainment.

Mrs. Marion H. Spiller, mother of the owner of Marion Greater Shows, is seriously ill in a Charlotte, N. C., is seriously ill in a Charlotte, N. C., hospital, where physicians hold little hope for her recovery... L. T. Con-stable, artist for several leading carnivals and at fairs in Ohio and Indiana, spent the summer at his home in Fountain City, Ind., where he built two rides, which he has booked, along with his son's new Rolloplane, on J. F. Sparks Shows.

Belle Evans, concessionaire on the Belle Evans, concessionaire on the Hyalite Midway, attended a family reunion in San Francisco, Oc-tober 1. He will return to Bonham, Tex., home of the show's winter quarters, about November 1, then on to the Rio Grande Valley for the remainder of the winter. Evans re-ports the Hyalite Shows enjoyed good business in Nebraska but says Oklahoma was not too good, many Oklahoma was not too good, many spots being canceled by polio.

W. A. Davis, who has had novelties and age and weight guessing with Cherokee Amusements, closed a good season with that show recently after playing seven still dates and 13 fairs and celebrations. Writing from Kin-cade, Kan., where he played the fair with Jaywack Amusements, new out-fit comprised of five rides he reports fit comprised of five rides, he reports he will play other spots in Kansas and in Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas.

Al Humke, of Anderson, Ind., spent several days in St. Louis recently, visiting friends. He was on his way to Dallas for the State Fair of Texas, where he will operate one of the attractions on the midway. . . Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lang, former co-owners of the Mid-Western Expositions, visit-ed the personnel of Wonder Shows of America while shows played Omaha. Lang has purchased several rides and will in all probability take out another unit next spring.

Mrs. Daisy Hennies and son, Harry W. Hennies, general manager of the Hennies Bros.' Shows, were made happy when the personnel of the Cavalcade of Amusements sent a beautiful floral piece to the grave of Orville W. Hennies in Kansas City, Mo., when Al Wagner's organization played in Kansas City, Kan., two weeks ago. At that time, members of the Cavalcade of Amusements journeyed to Showmen's Rest to pay their respect at Orville's grave.

Johnny Howard joined the Mound City Shows at Hampton,

#### Fun for All

This sounds a bit fishy, but it is vouched for by John Gallagan and other concessionaires, who played Northern District Fair at

Cadillac, Mich. In that city September 14 a blind man played the pan game, operated by Mrs. Gallagan, for approximately 30 minutes and this sightless person got a big kick out of it. It is said that Gallagan will advertige the fact that "his com-

advertise the fact that "his con-cessions must be good when even blind people play them."

Ark., with his 10-in-1, after a hop of 750 miles from Peoria, Ill. Soon after leaving Little Rock, en route, he stopped when he saw a number of people gathered around a swamp, and no-ticed a fellow with the seat of his trousers missing. Investigat-ing, he saw a 250-pound alligator and now he has an alligator on his show.

Detroit Notes: Roscoe T. Wade, owner of the Joyland Midway At-tractions, visited Baltimore on a business trip.... Earl H. Wells, for-mer concessionaire with the Mighty Doro Shows a quarter contum are Dore Shows a quarter century ago, is organizing the Wel-Bro Toy Company with his brother, Don, who is a magician. . . Mrs. Roscoe T. Wade reports the Joyland Midway, closed one week to refurbish winter quarters here, reopened at the community fair, Saline, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Bernauer joined Southern States Shows at Quitman, Ga., after playing Northern fairs. Their agents are Betty and Claude Dixon, Oliver Magner, Bill Ricketts and Billy Joe Dixon. The Bernauers report Mrs. John B. Dixon, wife of the owner of the Southern States Shows is in the hospital in States Shows, is in the hospital in Atlanta, but hopes to be back with the shows soon. They also report Bill Bernauer purchased a new school bus and made it into a stock truck. J Kittle and his family also joined. John

Eddie Young and Country Bob Quinlan led a delegation of Blue Rib-Quinlan led a delegation of Blue Rib-bon show folks to the Atlanta annual, and when gathered around Dave Endy's liquid counter they had a flock of fun talking to Shan Wilcox, of Shan Bros Shows; Bill Tumbler, of Sparks circus; Johnny J. Jones Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Roth, of Jacksonville, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gaughn, Harry Hardy, Harry Weiss, and the redoubtable Harold (Buddy) Paddock, the squire of Augusta. Augusta.

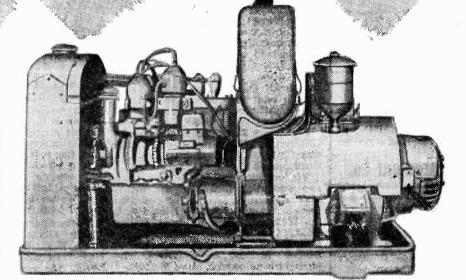


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#### FROM THE LOTS

#### W. C. Kaus

ASHEBORO, N. C., Oct. 5 .- Bolstered by the greatest attendance since North Carolina Fair was organized in 1926, shows closed a big six-day engagement here September 29. Grover Hill, org's billposter, had the town and country routes well

billed for 35 miles in each direction. This was the second year the fair was held on the new lot and, altho much work is yet to be done, grounds were in good shape. J. A. Sikes, fair president, and W. C. Duke, York busi-ness man and lawyer, are due much credit for planning the new grounds. They have built a 50-150 feet exhibition hall, grandstand and race track. Grounds are located about three miles from downtown

from downtown. Opening night here, September 23, was lost to rain for everyone, but Dave Fineman, bingo op. When the rains came, customers, as well as showfolks, gathered under the bingo tent to keep from getting wet. Dave hastily gathered his crew and opened for husiness for business. Fair had a 25-cent gate with school

children admitted free. Friday (27) was Children's Day and all city and rural schools dismissed at noon.

Visitors included fair officials from Lee and Alamance counties, members of Harrison Greater Shows, who were playing at near-by High Point; Sol Weintraub; Ben R. Jones, Bailey Bros., Circus agent; Bob Hallock,

Bros., Circus agent; Bob Hallock, Majestic Greater Shows agent, and Bibber McCoy, ex-wrestler, who visited his namesake, Mike McCoy. Concessionaires joining here were Specs Cautin and Walt Hohn with three; Ray and Irma Holcomb, bas-ketball; J. R. and Beulah Hammock, photos; Bill Carter, ball game and popcorn, and Perry Laniero, who came from Baltimore to join Slim Barry for the remainder of the sea-son.—HERB SHIVE.

#### West Coast

SAN MATEO, Calif., Oct. 5.—After six weeks of fairs and celebrations, this spot was a terrific let-down. With business comparatively nil, all hands agreed it was the poorest of the sea-son. Hotel rooms were at a premium and personnel without trailers com-muted as far as 35 miles.

Visitors here included Messrs. and Mmes. Les Hart, Harry Seber, Fred Ramsey, Joe Zotter and son, and Ramsey, Joe Wilma White.

Wilma White. The 1946 revival of Santa Clara County Fair at San Jose was a red one for this org. Harry Myers, as-sistant manager, reported excellent business on all rides, shows and con-cessions. George Coe, on the lot early and late, reported a busy week. Louis Leos visited his family for a few days. Manager Mike Krekos commuted daily from San Francisco in his new car. Mrs. Harry Myers, in charge of the front gate, enjoyed her first vacation of the season be-cause the Santa Clara fair had a free cause the Santa Clara fair had a free gate.

General Agent W. T. Jessup reports General Agent W. T. Jessup reports show is booked the rest of the season, which ends November 11 in Porter-ville, Calif. The Jessups were guests of Joe Hayworth and Bill Curtis on Cole Bros.' Circus in San Jose and enjoyed a visit with Eddie Woeck-ener, band leader.—W. T. JESSUP.

#### **Crystal Exposition**

CLARKESVILLE, Ga., Oct. 5.— While complete figures for the stand here were not available at this writ-ing, Manager W. E. Bunts reported a fair take. Opening night, September 23, was lost to rain. Tuesday's crowd was fair. Weather the rest of the week was good and crowds increased

nightly. F. S. Lamb, ventriloquist and ma-gician, joined here.—CHARLES S. LAMB.

#### Virginia Greater

CLINTON, N. C., Oct. 5.—Week ended September 28; auspices, Fire Department; weather, fair; location, old fairgrounds; business, satisfactory.

tory. Opening Monday (23) was fair. Tuesday it rained during the day but cleared off in time for the opening. Business was below par. Balance of the week was good, and shows, rides and concessions had no complaint. This was the org's third successive wear here year here.

Reporting good business were Doc Hall, Funhouse; Louis Augustino, Wild Animal and Circus Side Show; Boyle and Walberg, new concession-aires, with ball game, jewelry store and duck shooting gallery; Cotton Club, Minstrel Show; Jack Ross, manager of Miss America and the Parisian Revue, and Mrs. Bob Cole-

man with bingo. Donald Prue, The Billboard sales agent, has added a ball game. Joe agent, has added a ball game. Joe Conley is having a new trailer built for his concessions. Arthur Gibson, master mechanic and chief electri-cian, has several new ideas for light-ing in effect. J. C. (Heavy) Trent is operating a pan game. Turtles Sordelet left at Williamston, N. C., and Walter Baker is no longer con-noted with the Minister Sherr nected with the Minstrel Show.

Visitors here included Mr. and Mrs. Maxie Glynn; Earl Maynard, of Dunn, N. C.; Manager Hedrick, of the Gay Way Shows, and Bob Works, beach ride owner.—RONALD PRUE.

#### **Majestic Greater**

TROY, N. C., Oct. 5.—Week ended September 28; weather, fair; business, good.

Monday (23) was lost to rain but the rest of the week weather behaved and business was good. Fairgrounds were located near the heart of town.

Visits were exchanged with mem-bers of the John H. Marks Shows, playing Albermarle. New Spitfire and Roll-O-Plane are getting good play.

Mrs. Scruggs, mother of Troy, Ferris Wheel foreman, is visiting. Phil Cook, in charge of diggers, received two shocks recently. First he re-Cook, in charge of diggers, received two shocks recently. First he re-ceived a wire his mother was ill in Brooklyn so he hopped a plane to be at her bedside. A few hours after he left fire of undetermined origin swept his diggers.—HARRY E. WIL-SON.

#### Page Bros.

GAINESBORO, Tenn., Oct. 5.-Org was split into two units for the week ending September 28, with one unit playing here, the other in Westmore-land, Tenn. Both stands proved good. Eddie Woods's Side Show continues to top all shows, with Dr. Thomas's Minstrel Show second.

Org has two more weeks before closing for the season. W. E. Page, manager, says he will open next sea-son in mid-April and play Kentucky, Tennessee, and Virginia. Trucks and rides are being painted before going into winton guarters. into winter quarters. A recent visi-tor was Jack Yegar.—TOM BLAND-FORD.

#### Alamo Exposition

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BONHAM, Tex., Oct. 5.-Trip here BONNAM, Tex., Oct. 5.—Irip nere was made in good time and every-thing was up and ready for opening day, September 30. Sheriff Moore co-operated in every way. Rides did capicity business all week, and the shows reported this the best spot since the fair season opened.

Word from San Antonio winter quarters is that little damage resulted from the recent floods.—H. B. ROWE.

#### Johnny J. Denton

MURPHY, N. C., Oct. 5.-Fair date here, first of the season, proved a red one. Event, sponsored by the Ameri-can Legion, got off to a rough start opening night but thereafter weather was good and business was excellent.

was good and business was excellent. Visitors included Mrs. W. C. Daley, Lexington, Ky., who visited her daughter, Mrs. Irene Denton, and then took the two Denton children home to Lexington, where they will attend school. attend school.

The staff:

attend school. The staff: Johnny Denton, owner-manager; C. C. Leas-ure, general agent; Irene Denton, secretary to the treasurer; Harry Harris, lot man; Roy Lollar, legal adjuster; Tex Marshall, ride superintendent; Ruben Neal, mechanic; Earl Dennison, electrician; Mike Ristick front; gate; Johnny Green, concessions manager; Ruby Francis scenic artist and Joe Dungan-non, sign painter. Ten-in-One, managed by Ruby and Francis, with Chief Washburn, magician; Ruth White, electric chair and glass artist; Gracle, snake artist; Evelyn Sorrell, alligator skin girl; Ruby Francis, annext attraction, and Mrs. Beulah LaCroix, tickets, and Tommy Wells, talker; Hula Hut, operated by Le Roy Duchene; danders, Betty O'Day and Donna Lee; Jungle-land, managed by Harry Harris; educated midget mule, owned by Harry Harris; Wid Animal Show, Mickey O. Connell; Funhouse, managed by Norman Rainey; "Slick Chicks of 1946," owned and operated by Earl McDonner; dancers, Dot McDonner, Princess Peggy and Little Egypt; W. A. Crawford, talker; geek stickets, and Edna Coleman. Concessionalres are: Johnny Green (6), Mr. and Mrs. Norman Anderson (8). Sam Housner (8); C. H. Gee, oraking Sloit; Al La Croix, popcorn; Charles O'Reilly (1): Bob Gordon, diggers and novel-tie; Smiles Doudan, frozen custard; Ristick, mitt camp; Earl Denton (2), C. C. Leasure (2), and L. G. Barnett, French fries.--C. C. LASURE.



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### Winston-Salem Weather Fails **To Hurt WOM**

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Oct. 5.— Chilly weather hit the World of Mirth Shows on the midway at the fair here this week, but business was surprisingly good and all hands were sharing in the take.

Show arrived here Sunday (Sep-Show arrived nere Sunday (Sep-tember 29), giving it plenty of time to set up Sunday and personnel en-joyed a holiday Monday. The fair opened Tuesday (1). The week previous at Shelby, org registered its largest gross in history for the Shelby Fair. Show officials

for the Shelby Fair. Show officials gave much credit for the record-breaking stand to Dr. J. S. Dorton, in breaking stand to Dr. J. S. Dorton, in charge of the Shelby annual, who in-sisted the night grandstand show be finished by 9:30 p.m., so the midway might enjoy several hours of play not customarily received. In pre-vious years the grandstand show ran

as late as 11 p.m. Local papers were liberal with space. General Manager Frank Ber-gen landed on Page 1 of The Shelby Daily Star.

Flash White, drome rider who was injured in Allentown, Pa., is well on the road to recovery.



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By a Staff Correspondent

ATLANTA, Oct. 5. – Louis A. (Stretch) Rice, who can completely relax with ease and eclat, when there is no legal adjusting to be done, was relaxing his best trying to win some-thing playing hearts with Milt Morris and Johnny Lorman, the latter one of the most recent Pacific Coast defenders, when the outdoor editor of The Billboard thrust his portly figure in the Rumpus Room, which is a piece of sidewall around the rear of the office wagon.

Up and down the hills of this Southeastern World's Fair grounds there were customers galore, and hordes of visitors, but there was little to disturb the serenity of the scene except when someone had to take the Queen of Spades—which must be very bad, judging from the language when that card was dropped on a stiff deuce.

stiff deuce. "Hello," enthused Stretch. "Give him a drink, Charley." Charley, it developed, was an eld-erly fellow with a kindly personality who presided at a miniature bar, and his name is Charles Hulfish. He is his name is Charles Hulfish. He is Stretch's first assistant. No second assistant was in sight.

Charley complied with alacrity, and then, as if by magic, David B. Endy, owner and general manager of Endy Bros.' Shows, elbowed his way into the room. It was quite crowded by this time, as the word was out there were free drinks, and one seldom has trouble getting a quorum when the drinks are free.

#### Not a Bad Spot

Not a Bad Spot "Rather a nice place," commented Frank B. Joerling, and Robert Kent Parker nodded his approval, even tho he did cast an aside—"It isn't nearly as big as the top E. Lawrence Phil-lips and Morris Lipskey had at Indi-anapolis." There always has to be a knocker present, so no one paid any attention. Stretch's rabbit ears caught the aside, and he glibly cracked that "tomorrow we'll put up an 80-foot round top for you eggs," and proceeded to catch the queen. Possibly it was Stretch's language.

Possibly it was Stretch's language, Possibly it was Stretch's language, or maybe just a natural pride in an accomplishment that prompted Dave, the owner-manager, to suggest a tour of the midways—and midways is the right word as there were three of them at this spot. Rolling easily down the hill from

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the office wagon one's attention was arrested by the Scandals of 1946 front, up here for the first time, and one that Arky Bradford, the train-master-builder, has the right to be proud of. Mabelle Kidder operates it, and she is happy over the new Hammond organ that supplies the melodies for the cast of 11 girls.

Easing along one couldn't help but dertie Miller were on the front to make sure that all folks were given an equal opportunity to view their array for strange, unusual people. Cash looked as fresh as a spring colt and ack-crayed that "the tropical arrav and ack-crayed that "the tropical bird show up on the hill is getting a few bucks, too." Dick Hilburn, who often contributes nifties for the Mid-way Confab column, was also noted on the front.

#### They Were Quite Busy

George Vogstadt was just too busy to talk as it was Sunday (29), and has was hopping between the Illusion and Unborn shows, while Mrs. Vog-stadt was watching the plate at the Wild Life Show. Incidentally, and Wild Life Show. Incidentally, and also quite important, Vogstadt's Illu-sion Show gathered a nifty \$1,800 on that Sunday.

Rube Nixon was gently but firmly pushing a steady stream of folks thru his Iron Lung, and Norman Wolf was wrapping halves on the Latin Quar-ter ticket box. Norm sallied "They sure have plenty of stuff and they're spending it."

minstrel im-Fathead Williams, presario, pulled back the curtain to show the folks that "all your friends and neighbors are inside and we're ready to do it again," and Mess-around Brown, his company manager, added, "Okay, let's do it." And they did.

Bob Holmes had left his Jungle Show to snatch a quick cup of coffee, but Buddy Wagner was almost next door on the front of the circus, which door on the front of the circus, which features Albert Fleet's chimps and Captain Kuhn's lion act. Del and Mrs. Crouch were so busy shoving the folks up the steps of their Motor-drome they didn't have time to bally, and the smiles on the faces of Herand the smiles on the faces of Her-man Bantly (three Funhouses), Jimman Bantly (three Funhouses), Jim-mie Schafer (Unborn), Doc Jones (Crime), Joe Engie (Monkey Show), Jimmy Zabraskie (Funhouse), J. Eckel (Big Horse), Arky Bradford (Blackout Taxi) and Mike and Hilda Roman (Penny Arcade) prompted David B. Endy to point with pride to his happy family.

Ankling up and down the hills of this undulating fairgrounds brought on a slight attack of exhaustion, both for the writer and Endy, so the waltz-ers were pointed back to the Rumpus Room. and refreshments. At Milt Room, and refreshinents. In Morris's suggestion, a collection was taken to make Charles Hulfish happy, and he poured with alacrity after and he poured with alacrity aft pocketing seven pieces of cabbage.

#### Ah! Mrs. Endy .

"You've seen most of the boys," Endy remarked, while gasping for breath, and as tho he cued the en-trance, in walked Mrs. Betty Endy, and the pulchritude department was enhanced, indeed.

Jack Gilbert and Jimmy Annin slid to science and skill, and such needs but little attention from the bosses. Gilbert did have the happy thought that someone might be hungry, and steaks were soon being devoured in the cookhouse, the company being enlivened by Joe Engel, the dynamic president of the Chattanooga Fair. Between bites, Endy outlined his ride

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### (Continued from page 51) day the patrons were frost-bitten but turned out in large enough numbers and stayed long enough to make these days profitable. Thursday, the sun returned, and if it remains thru

tomorrow, the final day, the show-men will have had five good days out of a possible eight in which to rack it up.

#### **Real Estate Congestion**

Together they assembled 30 pay attractions, 18 rides and 12 shows. There was no vacant space on the regularly assigned midway and what little surplus footage remained after setting up Buck disposed of in record time. Considerable concession footage was also peddled by the fair. Buck introduced a new Whip here. This is the largest of the remain-

ing New England daytime fairs and ing New England daytime fairs and folks go home with the coming of darkness. But they make up for this in part by turning out early, a distinct aid to the midway moguls whose time for garnering a gross is cut short by the lack of night play.

Manning, during the past two sea-sons, has made hay in Maine, playing World of Mirth Shows passes by. Business has been exceptionally good and Manning has already tucked away his most successful season.

Buck ranged thru his usual New Buck ranged thru his usual New York and New England territory and recounts similar tales of prosperity. Except for some early season spots affected by adverse weather all other dates have equaled, and in many instances exceeded former grosses, by 50 per cent.

Shows sponsored a joint National Showmen's Association jamboree Friday night (4).

tin; Roll-o-Plane, Slim Wida; Octo-pus, James Yancy; Chairplane, Jane Sourd; Looper, Ray Coleman; Cater-pillar, Harold Lucas; Spitfire, George Lucas; Scooter, Bert Britt; Pony Ride, Pony Budd; Miniature Train, Charles Schmidt; Kiddie Auto, Sallie Crouch; Kiddie Airplane and Ferris Wheel A Schmidt; Kiddie Auto, Sallie Crouch; Kiddie Airplane and Ferris Wheel, A. L. Richards Jr.: Moon Rocket, Lay-man Morgan; Whip, George Rogers, and George Tipton's three rides. In all, Endy unveiled 23 rides and 20 shows, along with six new light towers built by John F. Courtney. Some thoughtless individual re-

Some thoughtless individual re-marked there must be money in this

marked there must be money in this business, and David B. almost choked on a piece of steak, as it reminded him of his staff and other expenses, and he rattled off the pay rollees, viz: Col. Howard Stahler, general agent; Louis A. (The Stretch) Rice, manager; Jack Gilbert, concession manager; Milton Paer, secretary; Joe Rowan, special agent; Russell Arm-strong, publicity; Bill Tucker, lot su-perintendent; Arky Bradford, train-master: George Kersetes, nurchasing master; George Kersetes, purchasing agent; James Zabrisike, electrician and Deisels; Neville Baker, artist; Charles Trout, carpenter; Jack Orms-by, mail, and Charles Guttermuth, tractors.

Meal was hardly completed when someone spied Governor-Elect Eu-gene Talmadge, and that broke up gene Talmadge, and that broke up the party, as there were enough pic-tures to be posed for to make Adolph Zukor look like an amateur.



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### CLUB ACTIVITIES

#### National Showmen's Association 1564 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Walter K. Sibley, executivè secretary, visited Gerard Shows playing 170th Street and Columbus Avenue, New York, where he met Charles Gerard, Ralph Endy, Frank Robinson and Sam Murphy. The following applicants for membership were passed by the eligibility committee. J. L. McNish, Frank Caravella, Ingram E. Chambers, Lewis M. Fletcher, Bob Givens, Patrick Riley, Edward J. Adams, Nathan S. Columbus, Donald Hepburn, Russ Moyer, Steve John Kutney, Robert Hansen and Daniel Uslan. Matthew J. Riley is confined to Graduate Hospital, Philadelphia. Jack Goldhammer is at Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn. Earl Feek is seriously ill at his Syracuse home. James Cox is at Bellevue Hospital, New York. Sam Lager is at Mc-Cosker - Hershfield Cardia Home, Hillburn, N. Y.

Recent visitors included Bernhard Robbins, Dave Brown, Sam Walker, Harry Levine, Irving Yerkes, Morris Sommers, Irving Sherman, John V. Hunt, Joseph Shaw, Robert Hutchings, Louis Sherer, Raymond Young, Frank Wirth, Max Friedman, Sam John Cavanaugh, Max Hummel, Joe Bevans, Joseph Agule, Harry Moore, Ben Merson, Casper Sargent, Charles Bochert, Joe Dudiak, Louis Elias and Samuel Carp. Banquet tickets are ready for delivery. First meeting Wednesday night (9). Dues are overdue.

#### Ladies' Auxiliary

Chairman Helene Rothstein presided at initial meeting of board of governors. Present were Anne Halpin, Flora Elk, Ida Harris, Dorothy Packtman, Ethel Shapiro, Dolly Udowitz, Julia Taffet, Magnolia Hamid, Mary Sibley, Pearl Meyers, Frances Simmons, Mildred Peterson, Dolly McCormick, Ruth Gottlieb and Jeanette R. Finkel.

An amateur show will be staged November 22 at Hotel Diplomat. Rehearsals are held Monday nights at 8:15 p.m. in the clubrooms. Ethel Shapiro, entertainment chairman, is seeking volunteers to participate. Ticket sales are being handled by Magnolia Hamid and Ethel Shapiro.

Mollie Decker, Joseph J. Kirkwood Shows, contributed \$164, proceeds of a show-sponsored bingo game, to the Bess Hamid Sunshine Fund. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

#### Heart of America Showmen's Club

931A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 5.—First fall meeting will be Friday (11), President Chester I. Levin, infos. Toney Martone's Heart of America Shows are at Independence and White avenues and doing a good business. A large number of members are returning to the city for the winter.

Banquet and ball committee is busy with plans for the annual event, scheduled New Year's Eve in the Georgian Room, of the Hôtel Continental. Publicity and exchangable tickets will be sent to shows remaining out the next few weeks for advance sales.

President Levin leaves for the West Coast soon and is making every effort to get the fall season in full swing before departing.

#### Michigan Showmen's Association 3153 Cass Avenue, Detroit

DETROIT, Oct. 5.—Regular meetings will be resumed Monday (14). Membership drive is moving ahead. Latest report shows Jimmy Sullivan, of Wallace Bros.' Shows, leading with 23 applications. Roscoe Wade has 16; Al Wagner, Cavalcade of Amusements, 12, and John Quinn, World of Pleasure, 9.

Ladies' Auxiliary reports over \$400 has been raised to date in pennies for the annual Christmas party for underprivileged children.

Sick list includes Gilbert Cohen, who will enter Ann Arbor (Mich.) Hospital for surgery Friday (11); Harry Goldberg, in a Detroit sanitarium; Leo Lippa, at home, and Morris (Babe) Garnock, Mount Carmel Hospital, Detroit.

Recent visitors included Louis and Oscar Margolis, Nate Sobol, Joe Bennett, Roscoe Wade, Art Grzann, Charles Westerman, George Harris, Ben Morrison, Elmer Naby and Nate Golden.

#### Caravans, Inc. 155 N. Clark St., Chicago

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—A big crowd was on hand for the Tuesday (1) meeting and the following officers acted as pro tem: Lucille Hirsch, president; Pearl McGlynn, first vicepresident, and Bessie Mossman, third vice-president. Regular officers were Pat Seery, treasurer; Yvonne Ferrari, chaplain, and Irene Coffey, corresponding secretary.

Letters were read from Esther and Grace Lynn.

Members introduced included Joicey W. Gray and Kay Hill, who have been on the sick list, and Dorothee Bates.

Isabell Bratman is in Cuneo Hospital, 4420 North Clarendon, Chicago, where she underwent an operation; Martha Witter is a patient in Michael Reese Hospital, and Clara Polich is ill in her home with pneumonia.

Edna Stenson, and her sister, Midge Cohen of New York, are in San Antonio, visiting their niece, Elsie Aldrich, who was severely burned two weeks ago.

Voting ballots will be mailed soon to members and they are asked to return them before November 5, with correct return addresses.

#### Pacific Coast Showmen's Association

6231/2 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 5.—In place of the regular meeting September 30, members gathered at the Cole Bros.' Circus lot here to attend the evening performance as the guests of Owner-Manager Zack Terrell. More than 150 members and friends were on hand.

Following the performance the club invited all the Cole Bros.' personnel to a buffet supper and informal entertainment at the clubrooms. Attendance exceeded 200. Terrell and other officials of the show made short talks.

Members attending after being on sick list were George Hines, 91, and Roy E. Ludington.

It was announced that Ted Le Fors suffered a broken foot and back injuries recently when he fell from his truck. He is resting at the home of his brother-in-law.

Club also was notified of the death of Chester A. Martin. (Details in Final Curtain.)

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#### Missouri Show Women's Club

#### 415 Chestnut St., St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 5.—President Harriet K. Maher entertained the officers at a dinner September 30, after which a discussion was held regarding the grand opening of the club's new quarters in the International Showmen's Building, 413-415A Chestnut Street. New quarters will be ready for the fall meetings.

Donations of furnishings were received from Earl Bunting, Lotis Francis, Nell Allen, who recently visited St. Louis; Iris Kamen, Ida McCoy, Madeline Ragan, Dolly Snapp and Mrs. Chaney. Others donating and working in the rooms during the summer were Lee Belmont and daughters, Lorraine and Alice; Norma and Gertrude Lang, Bea Dawson, Ada Miller, Estelle Reagen, Florence Guth, Margaret Grimm, Theresa Sidenberg, Florence Botsford, Dorothy Williams and Florence Parker.

Lee Belmont, vice-president and traveling representative, came back with approximately 70 new members. Harriet Maher, Anna Jane Bunting, Dorothy Williams, Ida McCoy and Peggy Grimm also turned in their usual number.

usual number. Thanks are due Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gordon and Carl J. Sedlmayr for their co-operation in signing up the Royal American Shows 100 per cent, also the Bunting, Moores, Turner, Maher, McKee and Midway of Mirth shows for their full membership.

Ada Miller, publicity secretary, reports sale of bond books is ahead of last year.

Members are looking forward to a visit from Anna Jane Bunting and the return of the chaplain, Daisy Davis.



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#### Showfolks of America San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.-Presi-SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—Presi-dent Sammy Corenson opened the regular meeting September 23. Harry Seber recited a prayer in memory of William Mulholland, who died in the Marine Hospital. On the rostrum with Corenson were Charles Walpert, first vice-president, Pacific Coast Shoumer's Association and a mem-Showmen's Association and a mem-ber of Showfolks board of directors; Mrs. Edith Walpert, past president of the PCSA Ladies' Auxiliary, and Mary E. Ragan, one of the founders of Showfolks. She was presented with a bouquet of roses by President Corenson and presided during part of the meeting.

Letters were read from the Regular Associated Troupers, Jennie Chris-tenson, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Pepper, and a card, announcing the birth of a baby, was received from Mr. and Mrs. David Earl Savage.

David Earl Savage. Membership applications were ap-proved for Max Friedman, Mrs. Elisha Picard, Mrs. Luella R. Carter, Guy Osborn and William Angelier. Following members were wel-comed after being on the sick list: Mrs. Irene Libarry, Mrs. Althea Orr, Lillian Cole and Wilma Bates. Guests Britan Cole and Wilma Bates. Guests presented included E. E. Adams, John W. Dresow, J. P. Snyder, Pearl M. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Pagett and Bill Angelier. Ralph Quinlan, J. P. Sny-der and Mrs. Libarry gave short talke talks.

Harry Seber, chairman of the cemetery committee, reported on his visit to the Santa Clara Fair and his visit with Mike Krekos, owner of the West Coast Victory Shows. He reported Krekos again will sponsor a show within a show for the benefit of the cemetery fund. Nate Cohn requested the club's

next election be conducted along the same lines as used by the Common-wealth Club of San Francisco. Ac-tion was referred to the election committee.

Flowers were sent May Mackin in Polyclinic Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Weidmann reported visiting Austin King, now at his sister's home in Core Madiera. Fred Ramsey visited Harry Reynolds at San Francisco Hospital. A sympathy card was sent Kitty Olree on the death of her mother.

Olree on the death of her mother. P. Charles Camp made a motion, seconded by Ralph Deering, that Showfolks donate \$25 to the Widows and Orphans Fund of the San Fran-cisco Fire Department. Motion was carried. Nellie Baker is taking or-ders for Christmas cards, proceeds to go to the cemetery fund. E. E. Adams donated \$10 and Mrs. Lillian Cole \$5 to the cemetery fund. The clown's head, donated by Harry Seber, has been installed. Fred Weidmann reported the owners of the

Weidmann reported the owners of the building occupied by Showfolks re-fused permission for the club to put

a sign out front. Mrs. Ethyl Weidmann won the \$21.50 in the pot of gold. She donated \$5 to the cemetery fund.

> Showfolk of America 1839 W. Monroe St., Chicago

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Refreshments will be served at the meeting Tuesday

(15) Nellie Grosch, of the welfare com-mittee, reports Dr. Hallie, the as-trologist, who has been on the sick list is okay again and doing Midwest list is okay again and doing Midwest fairs. Jack (Lucien) Dawson is out of the oxygen tent at Cook County Hospital. Everyone was sorry to learn of the death of Berkly Vann, son of Josephine Fairchild, a former SFA officer.

Contracts have been signed for the additional lots in Glen Oaks Cemetery.

Rose Page, manager of the resale shop, requests members to send in their castoff clothing. Last chance for ads in the official program is Tuesday (15).

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### San Fran SFA Nominates Seber

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5 .- Harry G. Seber was unanimously nominated for the presidency of Show Folks of America, Chapter No. 2, at the annual nomination meeting Monday (September 30). Other officers nominated were Dan Michaels, Frank nominated were Dan Micnaels, Frank Forrest and Polish Fisher, first, sec-ond and third vice-presidents, re-spectively; Edna Raiford, recording secretary; Milt Williams, treasurer; Harry Low, financial secretary, and Albert T. Roche, corresponding secretary.

Nominated for board of directors of whom 30 will be elected, were Mike Krekos, Fred Weidmann, Red Kearns, Al Rodin, Council Raiford, Charles Albright, Andy Hynes, Danny Lewis, Billie Hodges, Bill Coles, Teddy Texeira, Oscar Walker, Fred Cockredl Nellis Belera Lee Alternation Cockrell, Nellie Baker, Joe Alterman, Harry Friedman, Lee Brandon, Glen Artz, Ralph Deering, Orrie Bloom, Adam McBride, Irvin C. Foster, John Severson, Larry Rodgers, Nate Cohn.

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#### **Blue Ribbon Scores** At Attalla Annual

ATTALLA, Ala., Oct. 5.—Blue Ribbon Shows, closing its run at the Etowah County Fair here September 28, racked up a huge gross the first four days and with all county chil-dren being admitted free to the grounds Saturday (28), the org pulled out with a hefty profit, according to Dolly Young, legal adjuster.

Org has 12 rides, 10 shows and 70 concessions, with Bob Fisher's Fearless Flyers, as the free attraction.

Manager Eddie and Mrs. Young were kept busy entertaining city and county officials, and many visitors, including Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Braden, Cleo and Peasey Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Mack House, and Jessie and Joe Sparks.

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Certifat Am. Co.: (Fair) Washington, N. C., (Fair) Ahoskie 14-19.
Cetlin & Wilson: (State Fair) Hermond, Va.; (Fair) Petersburg 14-19.
Coastal Plain: Faison, N. C.
Cratg, Harry: San Angelo, Tex.
Crescent Am. Co.: (Fair) Winston-Salem, N. C.; (Fair) Union, S. C., 14-19.
Crystal Expo.: Social Circle, Ga.; Montezuma 14-19.
Cumberland Valley: (Fair) La Fayette, Ga.; (Fair) Summerville 14-19; season ends.
Diamond Midway: Clarence, Mo.
Dickson United: Grandfield, Okla.
Dudley, D. S.: (Fair) Henrietta, Tex.; Colorrado City 14-19.
Dumont: High Point, N. C.
Dyer's Greater: Ridgely, Tenn.; Dyersburg 14-19.
Endy Bros.: (Fair) Athens, Ga.; (Fair) Macon

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17-19. Exposition at Home: La Grange, N. C. Fleming, Mad Cody: (Fair) McDonough, Ga.; (Fair) Warrenton 14-19. Fay's Silver Derby: Somerville, Tenn.; Hen-derson 14-19.

(Fall) Warrenton 14-19.
Fay's Silver Derby: Somerville, Tenn.; Henderson 14-19.
Florida Am. Co.: Brundidge, Ala.
Franklin, Don: (Fair) Rosenberg, Tex., 9-13; (Fair) Tomball 16-20.
Gate City: Great Falls, S. C.; Camden 14-19.
Gayway: (Fair) Jackson, Ga.; (Fair) Butler 14-19.
Gem City: West Monroe, La.
Genentsch, J. A.: Winona, Miss.; (Fair) Greenville 14-19.
Geren's United: Harrison, O.; Eldorado, Ill., 16-19.
Gold Bond: Rector, Ark.; Caraway 14-19.
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Gold Medal: (Pair) West Point, Miss.
Golden West: (Rodeo) Clovis, Calif.
Gooding Greater: (Fair) Lancaster, O.; Circleville 16-19.
Great Southern Expo.: Hazlehurst, Ga.
Great Sutton: (Fair) Paragould, Ark.; Osceola 14-19.
Greater United: (Fair) New Braunfels, Tex.
Groves Greater: (Fair) Ruston, La.; (Fair) Jonesboro 14-19.
H. & H.: Blacksburg, S. C.
Hames, Bill: Lubbock, Tex.; Palestine 14-19; Henderson 21-26.
Hannum, Morris: Clayton, N. C.; Benson 14-19.
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Heth, L. J.: (Fair) Covington, Ga.; (Fair) Cordele 14-19.
Hill's Greater: Leonard, Tex.
Home State: Heber Springs, Ark.
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C.; (Fair) Beaufort 14-19.
Lamb, L. B.: St. Genevleve, Mo.
Lawrence Greater: Kinston, N. C.
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Long's United: San Luis Obispo, Calif., 7-13.
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Hubbard, Paul & Betty: Schools at Dayton, O., until Nov. 15.
Layne: Perryville, Ky., 9; Eubank 10.
Leckvold: Bellevue, Wash., 9; Lake Forest Park 10; (Haller Lake School) Seattle 11; Monroe 15; Snohomish 16; Lake Stevens 17; Sultan 18.
Lippincott, Mai B.: (Macon) Macon, Mo., 12. Long, Leon: Jackson, Miss, 7-15.

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Prell's Broadway: (Fair) Henderson, N. C.
Pryor's: Center, Ala.
Raines Am. Co.: (Fair) Waldron, Ark.; (Fair) Clarksville 14-19.
Regent: Rockmart, Ga.; Hogansville 14-19.
Rogers Greater: Marks, Miss.; Kosciusko 14-19.
R. & S. Am. Co.: (Fair) Littleton, N. C.
Rosen, H. B.: Adel, Ga.; Elba, Ala., 14-19.
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Stumbo, Fred R.: Harrison, Ark.

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Sumbo, Fred R.: Harrison, Ark.
Sunflower State: Post, Tex.; Rotan 14-19.
Tassell, Barney: Brookneal, Va.; (Fair) Fairmont, N. C., 14-19.
T. & B. Am.: (Fair) Blountstown, Fla.
Tidwell, T. J.: (Fair) Roswell, N. M.
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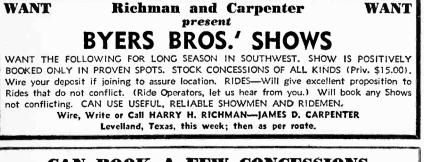
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### **American Carnivals** Association, Inc.

#### By Max Cohen-

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Oct. 5.—It is officially announced that our 13th annual meeting will be held in Hotel Sherman, Chicago, December 2. As in previous years, the annual report will be presented in printed form.

Members and others interested are asked to submit ideas and sugges-tions for presentation at the meeting. *Collier's* magazine sent us a letter of regret in connection with the re-

cent article on carnivals with which we took issue. We have information relative to the

availability of steel and aluminum material. Indications point to a shortmaterial. Indications point to a short-age of paint during the next four years, with prospects that the supply will not catch up with demand until 1950. Details are available to the membership. The War Assets Ad-ministration has available a 10-acre lot in Texas, presently used for ware-house nurposes. house purposes.

The OPA authorized an increase in prices of new trucks. Information from Washington indicates the likelihood of a reduction in excise taxes and a 10 per cent reduction in in-dividual income taxes during 1947, but no general tax reduction appears likely until 1948.

The Commerce Department has furnished a detailed study of per capita income during 1945 by States. The same department also advises a new method has been developed for ap-plying gold leaf.





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#### Hartford Sees Wirth Revue

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 5.— Pyramid Shrine's benefit variety show staged last Thursday (26) at Troup Junior High School audito-rium, grossed \$2,200. Acts were Three Brown Buddies, dancers; Ken Yen Soo and Company, magicians; Jack Murray, impersonator; Ballard and Ray, comedians; Frank Borden, vocalist; Dude Kimball, musical plumber; Four Juggling Jewels; Syl-via Mannon, Dennis and Holly, acro-bats, and Billy Gleason, emsee. HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 5.—Frank Wirth's Sky High Revue, sponsored by the Hartford Fire Department, was presented at the State Theater here for four days ending September 28. A matinee and two night shows were staged daily. Acts were Sylvia Manon; Denas and Voley, adagio; John Panter Singers; Roberta's Cir-cus; Reno, tramp cyclist; Monroe and Grant; Kay and Karol and Jerry To-man emsee. Buttrout Sects with Revue, was presented at the State Theater here for four days ending September bats, and Billy Gleason, emsee. here for four days ending September 28. A matinee and two night shows were staged daily. Acts were Sylvia Manon; Denas and Voley, adagio; John Panter Singers; Roberta's Cir-cus; Reno, tramp cyclist; Monroe and Grant; Kay and Karol and Jerry To-man emsee. Russell Noyes, chair-man of the firemen's committee, said that a similar show will be staged annually. Wirth will again produce the show. annually. the show.



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### **Dairy Congress** Gate Up; Circus **Show Draws Big**

WATERLOO, Ia., Oct. 5.—Resumed for the first time since 1942 when, as a wartime measure, it was temporar-ily replaced with an Iowa 4-H Club show, the Waterloo Dairy Cattle Con-gress, which opened here September 29, was running ahead of any pre-vious year's attendance thru Thursday (3).

An estimated 128,000 persons at-tended the first four days. This is an increase of about 15,000 over the '42 peak year, and execs figure at-tendance will exceed 200,000 for the full run, which closes tomorrow, if the weather holds up.

the weather holds up. Hippodrome, used forenoons and afternoons for judging, has been get-ting big attendance for the night attraction program. The 8,200-capac-ity building has been filled nightly, and the normal capacity has been augmented by the use of seats placed or the binnedrome foor on the hippodrome floor.

The circus - type program was booked thru Barnes-Carruthers, Chibooked thru Barnes-Carruthers, Chi-cago. Acts include the Hartleys, rolling globe and comedy elephant; the Walkmirs, perch; the Willys Troupe, jugglers; Hubert Dyer and Company, comedy trap; De Milo and Marr, hand - balancing; Hodgsons, comedy trap and cloud swings; Ar-woods, hand-balancing and roly-boly; Callader Family, testarboard; Bara Gallagher Family, teeterboard; Bar-ton and Brady, comedy acrobatics; Rue and Phil Enos, comedy bar, and the Libonati Trio, xylophone.

Front gate admission is 65 cents. Prices for the Hippodrome at night are 65 cents for general admission, \$1 for reserved seats and \$1.25 for box seats.

The Royal United Shows are on the midway.

### Calif. State To Go In 1947; Will Run 16 Days, Longest Yet

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 5 .- The California State Fair will not only return to operation next year but it will run 16 days, the longest in its history. Directors, meeting here, set the dates as August 30-September 14.

Plans for tying in the State's Cen-Plans for tying in the State's Cen-tennial Celebrations with the fair for a "grand centennial finale" during the fair will be considered at a meet-ing of the State Chamber of Com-merce in San Francisco October 11, Director James E. McConnell, of Sonora, said. McConnell predicted such a celebration would attract 1 000 000 persons 1,000,000 persons.

Directors voted to renew applications to the CPA for permission to use a minimum of priority materials for the rehabilitation of buildings. The hope is that reconstruction can be started by next spring.

No State fair has been held since 041. One was scheduled this fall, 1941. but it was canceled because of build-ing difficulties and the danger of running up a \$500,000 deficit.

#### **City Gets Army Huts**

REGINA, Sask., Oct. 5.—Six army huts at the exhibition grounds have been turned over to the city for re-conversion as housing units.



GOV, JAMES NANCE McCORD OF TENNESSEE was on hand for the opening-day broadcast from the Merchants' Building at the Tennessee State Fair, Nashville, over Station WLAC. Left to right: Judge Litton Hickman, chairman of the board of fair commissioners; Governor McCord; F. C. Sowell, of WLAC, and Phil C. Travis, secretary-manager of the fair.

Controversial Frog

**Snares** Top Interest

LOVELAND, Colo., Oct. 5.— Quarternary, a frog over which a controversy has raged, drew top interest at the Cornish Stone Age Fair here September 27-29. The two-year-old or 2,000,000-year-old frog, or toad, attracted wide publicity after being found embedded alive in a bed of caliche rock seven feet below the surface of the earth

feet below the surface of the earth by workmen on Artesia, N. M. Air-

mailed here, Quarternary, who had lived just long enough after his discovery in the rock, not only made an interesting exhibit but helped

Smithsonian Institution officials claimed frogs buried alive for more than two years were licked by vita-

min deficiencies. Geologists, how-ever, took a different view, pointing out there was no crevice in the 2,-000,000-year-old rock by which the

frog could have entered, thus it must have been alive for two million

lure 7,000 to the event. Smithsonian Institution

years.

-John E. Hood Photo

### N. Mex. Annual Well on Road **ToNewRecords**

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Oct. 5.— New Mexico's State Fair, the nation's youngest annual, which closes an eight-day run here Sunday (6), was was well on its way Friday to establish-ing many new records for its nine-year existence.

Attendance thru Thursday was 20 Attendance thru Thursday was 20 per cent over the gate at the same point last year, the previous peak. Pari-mutuel betting for the first five days totaled \$844,304, a jump of more than a third over last year's \$608,870 for the corresponding period.

Biggest turnout was registered Thursday, Albuquerque Day, when more than 30,0000 went thru the turnstiles for a new single day record. One-day mark for pari-mutuel betting was set the same day, when bets aggregated \$197,629. Previous (N. M. Heads For Mark on page 78)

### **Commercial Displays Put** Atlanta in Expo Division

ATLANTA, Oct. 5.—When M. M. (Mike) Benton reorganized the annual here in 1934 he took a leaf from the Chicago World's Fair book and started the groundwork for a Southeastern exposition that would include the customary features of a State or county fair as well as offering a show-case for industrialists. He christened it the Southeastern World's Fair, classed up the grounds with ornamental lights, paving and sidewalks and embarked on a promotional campaign designed to stir the imagination of manufacturers and distributors as well as amusement seekers. Largest

embarked on a promotional campaign designed to still the imagination of manufacturers and distributors as well as amusement seekers. Largest exhibition building on the grounds was turned over to the commercials this year, and the response was astounding. All available space was sold, with the exception of a 24-foot ide action which unce tumode side section which was turned into a stage and on which Roth's orchestra

concerted each afternoon. Displays were arranged with the obvious thought of sales appeal, which meant that products were attractively presented animately so that even a casual visitor could grasp the story. Benton was one of his own chief exhibitors with his General Elevator demonstration of a residence elevator, and all folks who cared (See Benton Puts Atlanta on page 70)

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 5.—Permis-sion to stage a district State agricul-tural fair on property deeded to San Fernando by Los Angeles for exclu-sive use as a playground has been drafted by the city attorney here.

The property agreement specified the tract could be used only as a playground. In request for the re-vision, San Fernando cited the recent approval of a \$100,000 swimming pool to be constructed on the playground.

# Entertainment **A Big Feature**

Exhibits plentiful in every department - military display gets much attention

BIRMINGHAM, Oct. 5.—The Three Macs—McDavid, McIntosh and Mc-Caffery—unfolded the 1946 edition of their Alabama State Fair here this week to just about all the folks the grounds would accommodate, and there was plenty for them to see and do thru the 18 hours daily the grounds were in action. Exhibits were plenti-ful in every department, starting 'way back yonder in the horticultural building and cramming all available space where concessions were not sold. (More about concessions in the carnival department.) Alabama's prize stock, products of the field, and the handiwork of the housewives were displayed attractively, and consider-able emphasis was put on the school exhibits. Intermingled with these educational features was a massive educational features was a massive display by the military, with most of it in animate form so the folks could get first-hand knowledge of the latest implements of warfare.

#### **Grandstand Has Power**

As is the case with most annuals south of the Ohio river, the heavy emphasis was on the entertainment emphasis was on the entertainment angle, and the huge grandstand (ca-pacity 9,500) came up with a varied program designed to attract all ages. Sam J. Levy's State Fair Revue of 1946, produced under the Barnes-Carruthers banner, was offered each of the six pights. of the six nights.

Revue was the same as was pre-sented at Ionia, Mich.; Springfield, Ill.; Milwaukee; Yankton, S. D.; To-peka, Kan., and Oklahoma City, and (See Alabama Folk Jam on page 78)

#### A. L. Putnam IAFE Secretary Pro Tem

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.-Archie L. Put-CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Archie L. Put-nam, secretary-manager of the North-ern Wisconsin District Fair, Chippe-wa Falls, Wis., and vice-president of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, will serve as tem-porary secretary of the IAFE until a permanent secretary is elected at the annual convention here early in December December.

The announcement was made today by Clarence H. Harnden, IAFE president, from Saginaw, Mich., fol-lowing a poll of directors on their wishes after Frank Kingman, Brockton, M health. Mass., had resigned due to ill

Harnden said he and Putnam will come here within two weeks to prepare for the annual convention.

#### For San Fernando Event Record for Wilmington, Vt.; 3,000 Pay at One-Day Event

WILMINGTON, Vt., Oct. 5.—Re-vived September 28, after a three-year wartime lapse, the Farmers' Day Exhibition here drew a crowd of 3,000 paid, largest in its 29-year history. Turnout was swelled by hundreds of children under 12, who were admitted free. Roy Farrington is president of the

annual

### Danbury, Conn., Back After Too Much Help, Too Hillsdale, Mich., Four Years To Smash Records

#### By Jim McHugh

DANBURY, Conn., Oct. 5.—A fair-hungry mob of 36,000 paid \$1.20 each to welcome the revival of the Danbury Fair Sunday (29), following a four-year wartime lapse, and smashed all known one-day attendance and gross records. Despite three days of unfavorable weather which followed, attendance and revenue have remained better than average thru today and the final count (after tomorrow's closing) is expected to reveal a flock of new marks established during the 73d showing. More than three inches of rain Monday diluted attendance to a trickle. Near-frigid weather Tuesday and Wednesday undoubted-

Tuesday and Wednesday undoubted-ly curtailed customer attendance, but even so, crowds were sizable. In addition to catering to the farmer, this fair also provides an cutlet for the whimsical rural interests of thousands of New York's commuters, including the swank station wagon set, who account for high per capita spending. Fair continues in the post-war era as a daytime event and no effort has been made to stimulate night attendance, with the result that it is all out and over with the coming of darkness.

#### Thrills Thru the Stretch

Thrills were featured thruout the Thrills were featured thruout the eight afternoons of grandstand pres-entations. Admission also \$1.20. Gen-eral Manager John W. Leahy by-passed harness racing in favor of midget auto racing, a profitable off-season fair venture, and changed the erstwhile half-ntile track to midget proportions. The small cars attracted an announced 5,800 to jam the grand-stand on opening day. Wednesday, Jack Kochman and his Hell Drivers attracted a fair crowd despite cold attracted a fair crowd despite cold



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Carnival or Indep ent Rides and Concessions for **TRI-COUNTY FAIR** October 11 and 12, JAS. S. MALONE Mountain View, Mo.

weather. Midgets were on the track again today. Joie Chitwood and his Hell Drivers wind up the program tomorrow.

tomorrow. Acts, presented by Joe Hughes, of George A. Hanid, Inc., were Jack Andrews and his trained steer; Lor-raine Vernon, juggler; Fred Wool-ford's dachshunds; Roy Mouton, high pole; Skating Macks; Two Mirths, pantonnime: Georgiana Deiter. vocal-ist: Berosini Troupe, high wire, and Joe Basile's band. Cowboy running races and rodeo features were pre-sented by C. J. Walters, of Cinnabar Ranch, Peekskill, N. Y., on all after-noons not featuring midget racing or thrill shows. King Street Pioneers, a hillbilly group featuring Tude Tan-

#### **Exhibit Space Sellout**

Exhibit space was at a premium. Agricultural and commercial exhibits were expertly framed without even one haphazard display to mar the general picture. This was in keeping with the colorful, spic and span per-manent components of the fair.

Leahy had exhibits and rest facili-ties prominently labeled as free. Signs in parking lots and other fair-operated facilities admonished the fairgoer against tipping. Numerous drinking fountains were newly installed.

G. Mortimer Rundle, 93-year-old honorary fair president, attended Wednesday to greet Governor and Mrs. Raymond E. Baldwin and their

official party. O. C. Buck Shows and Ross Man-ning Shows combined here to pre-sent all midway attractions. Officials predicted the largest midway gross in the history of the fair.

Few Jobs: Fair Woe

when fairs have been hard pressed in many cases to obtain ground help, the Tennessee Valley Fair, held here last week, had no difficulty on that score, but it did run into woe when veterans, among the many ap-plicants who were turned away, claimed the fair was unfair in its hiring practices.

Spokesman for vet-students at Stain Tech High School said they had turned out in response to a no-tice posted on the school's bulletin board, after each had obtained a USES referral card, and had stood four hours in the rain before they were told they couldn't be worked. The story hit the papers.

E. F. Bundchu, who employs the ticket-takers, pointed out he had 48 jobs to fill and that about 250 job-seekers turned up at the grounds opening morning. "We employed some veterans and some who had worked before," he said, adding, "We couldn't employ everybody."

RED BLUFF, Calif., Oct. 5 .--- The Tehama County Fair, which closed its three-day run here September 30, drew over 15,000 people. Held for the first time since 1941, event offered a livestock show which embraced 600 entries.

Harness races, presented in this area for the first time in 25 years, and running races also were featured. Schools closed early to give students a chance to attend. Other attrac-tions included special contests for children, clowns and circus acts, in-cluding a thrill circus, and a carnival (Golden West Shows).

Grounds had been given thoro grooming. Modern turnstiles and new lighting fixtures were installed, the grounds cleaned, buildings painted, stock barns sprayed with DDT, and new water fountains and refuse receptacles added.

# Gross Hits 53G KNOXVILLE, Oct. 5.—In a year For New Record

HILLSDALE, Mich., Oct. 5.-Hillsdale County's 96th Fair closed here September 29 after amassing the biggest gross from gate, grandstand, concessions and midway in its history. Good weather helped as the tory. Good weather helped as the totals hit \$53,058.14. Final tabulation may place the gross \$1,000 higher. Gross in '45, when the event had four days of bad weather, was \$40,506.79.

Biggest day was Thursday (26) see The Billboard, October 5). An-(see other big day was Saturday (28). On both these days cars were turned away from noon on. Annual had force of 40 men handling cars. Fair provided a motorcycle police escort to direct overflow of cars to special marking lots located ensured the city parking lots located around the city.

#### **Exhibits Jump**

Exhibits Jump New feature was a rabbit show, which replaced the poultry show canceled because of Newcastle Dis-ease. Entries in many classes, in-cluding the State Fair sheep and swine divisions, were up 20 per cent over any previous year. Three addi-tional tents were used to house ex-hibits, as was a new Quonset type building, half completed. (Latter, when finished, will be 40 by 240 feet and will be used for 4-H exhibits.) (See Hillsdale Hits 53G on page 78).

#### Gov't Okays Restoration Of Springfield Coliseum

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Oct. 5.— Hockey for the West Side Coliseum at the Eastern States Exposition grounds was assured for rink fans when Charles A. Nash, general man-ager of the exposition, announced he had received the "green light" from the War Assets Administration to go ahead with restoration of the build-ing to be paid for by the government. ing, to be paid for by the government.

One of the projects required by the WAA was construction of a fence to safeguard other fairgrounds buildings in which government surplus prop-erty is still stored. The fence is about completed, Nash said.

Hockey Owner Eddie Shore, whose contract for the Coliseum takes effect October 1, said the rink season opens October 16.

#### SPEEDWAY **ROUND-UP**

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SACRAMENTO. - Gil Guthrie. midget auto racer who was seriously injured here in a crash Labor Day, had his left leg amputated in a local hospital September 27. Guthrie, who suffered internal injuries and double fractures of both legs, is reported in fair condition.

LOS ANGELES-Ed Haddad won the 30-lap midget auto racing feature at Gilmore Stadium here September 26 before 14,000 fans. Johnny Mc-Dowell, Duke Nalon, Henry Banks and Danny Oakes finished behind him in that order. Haddad also copped the trophy dash from Joe Garson

SAN FRANCISCO—Johnny Smith, of this city, won the 35-lap main event in the midget auto racing card at Bayshore Stadium September 24. Don Smith, Oakland, was second, and Marvin Burke, San Leandro, third.

WEST HAVEN, Conn. Oct. 5-Midget auto racing reason at Donovan Field was brought to a close Tuesday (24), when Chet Conklin, Danbury, Conn., won the main event. During the season, 17 of the 20 meets skedded were held, three being lost due to were held, three being lost due to weather. Total draw was estimated at 70,000, with admission at \$1.20 and \$1.70. Harry J. Ryan, promotor, plans to open the '47 season in mid-May.

OKLAHOMA CITY. - Escaping a five-car crash on the fourth lap, Corky Benson won the 20-lap feature midget auto race before 4,000 fans at Taft Stadium September 30. The Lubbock driver was followed in order by Bud Camden, Wichita, and Eddie Carmichael, Oklahoma City. Clarence Merritt, Junior Howerton and Red Dowdy suffered minor injuries as the result of a pair of spectacular crashes. Benson's winning time for the five miles was 6:54.38.

PHOENIX, Ariz.—Dean Gardner, Los Angeles, brother of the late Chet Gardner, Indianapolis Speed way driver, was killed here Thursday night (3) in a midget auto racing accident accident.

DENVER—Carl W. (Buddy) Mar-tinson, 30, Denver midget auto driver, died September 30 following an op-eration. Martinson, familiar figure in the Rocky Mountain Midget Rac-ing Association, held third place in the point scoring system at Lakeside Speedway here at the time of his death. Surviving are his widow, Wilda, and an infant son.

SACRAMENTO — Andy Guthrie won a spectacular three-car contest in the feature midget auto race here September 23 in Hughes Stadium (Speedway Round-Up on page 78)

Sevierville, Tenn., Gets 15% Increase in Takes

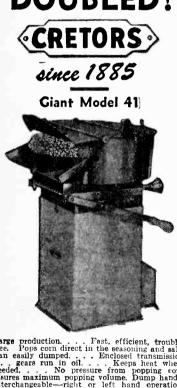
SEVIERVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 5.-Sevier County Fair, which closed its six-day run here September 20, wound up with receipts 15 per cent higher than '45, H. F. Tarwater, as-sistant secretary, announced. Atten-dance was estimated at 20,000.

Closing day was school day, and it accounted for a new single-day at-tendance record, as 8,000 persons, in-cluding 2,500 children, turned out. General admission was 15 cents. Two innovations - night footbulk groups innovations, a night football game between high school teams of Sevierville and Newport and a fireworks display, were credited with bringing out the record crowd.

#### Chico, Calif., Asks Bids For Road Grading, Repairs

CHICO, Calif., Oct. 5.—Plans for improvements of the Third District Agricultural Fairgrounds near here are announced by Mrs. Sylvia Cooke, secretary-treasurer.

Bids for grading and paving of all fairground roadways have been asked for. Pastures on the grounds will be planted as a means of fire protection and to beauty the area.



### **Iowa State Nets** \$175,000 Profit; To Repair Plant

DES MOINES, Oct. 5.-Final figures on Iowa Centennial State Fair showed total attendance at 514,036. largest in history, with gross receipts at \$529,000. Expenses were figured at \$354,000, leaving a net profit of about \$175,000.

Secretary Lloyd Cunningham, in making the report to a special meeting of the fair board, said that badly needed repairs and improvements will more than eat up the profit.

General repairs, painting and restoration will be paid for out of funds received from the government in the restoration settlement made with the fair board last winter, but Cunningham said since the settlement was reached, costs of labor and materials have increased substantially so funds may not be adequate in many cases to carry out the work.

Among the projects recommended were:

Repairing, re-equipping and en-larging the sanitary system and toilet facilities thruout the grounds. Materials alone will cost \$35,000 and labor about the same, it is estimated.

Complete overhaul of the electrical system in all parts of the fairgrounds proper, as well as the camp grounds. This will cost between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

Before the 1947 fair, it also will be necessary to replace the feed barn which burned during the '46 exhibi-tion. Estimated cost is \$35,000.

Another job which must be com-Another job which must be com-pleted by next year is the reroofing of the swine barn. This probably will cost \$20,000. Partial roofing jobs also are needed on the cattle and horse barns and a number of other minor buildings.

#### George W. Huntley Dies; Was Cattle Congress Prexy

WATERLOO, Ia., Oct. 5.—George W. Huntley, 77, president Waterloo Dairy Cattle Congress and National Belgian Horse Show, died of a heart attack here September 29 on the eve of the 34th annual show. He had been president of the congress since 1942 and a director for 33 years.

He was a former president of the Waterloo Cutler Hardware Com-pany, a past national president of the Travelers Protective Association and a charter member and past presi-dent of the Waterloo Rotary Club. Born at Barkers, N. Y., he had made his home here for 59 years.

A daughter, Mrs. Glen W. Miller, survives.

#### Durham, Conn., Two-Dayer Draws Record 15,000 Crowd

DURHAM, Conn., Oct. 5.-Attendance at the 27th annual Durham Fair here, September 28-29, reached a record 15,000. Highlights were a horse show and drawing contest by oxen and horse-pulling.

Exhibits in all departments exceeded in number those of recent years, John A. Jackson, fair secretary, pointed out. De Luxe Shows, fur-nished the rides.

#### 2,500 at Pikeville, Tenn.

PIKEVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 5.—Re-suming operations after a four-year wartime hiatus, Bledsoe County Fair closed September 21 with a three-day gate total of 2,500. Guy White had two rides and six concessions on the midway. Crop, livestock, canning and craft exhibits were the chief drawing cords. drawing cards.

### Truman Stays Away; Fair Relieved

CARUTHERSVILLE, Mo., Oct. 5.-Relief, not disappointment, was expressed by H. E. Malloure, secretary of the American Legion Fair, Caruthersville, Mo., because this year for the first time in 13, President Truman decided to pass up the event, which closes tomorrow.

Referring to the President's much-publicized visit in 1945, Malloure said: "What happened was this. He came. So did the F.B.I.'s, the C.I.O.'s and the rest—more than a thousand of 'em—and they stayed an hour, then went into town, and much of the fair crowd trailed after them. "We try to run a fair. We had fairs before the President came, and we'll have them when the President doesn't attend," Malloure concluded.

Valdosta To Use **Exhibit Building On New Grounds** 

VALDOSTA, Ga., Oct. 5.—H. K. Wilkinson, director of South Georgia Fair, announces the newly acquired two-story \$40,000 exhibit and livestock building, situated on a new site closer to town, is ready for the event, skedded for October 21-26.

Members of Valdosta Post 13, American Legion, sponsor of the annual, have been contacting exhibitors. Building is expected to be crammed with livestock, agricultural, poultry and school exhibits. Commercial exhibits, including an automobile show, also are expected to run in high numbers.

Two schools days, one for white, the other for Negro children, have been set. Advance ticket sale, al-ready underway, is proceeding at a brisk pace. Features of the fair will include nightly fireworks, circus acts and a 1946 Packard giveaway closing night.

#### Paid Gate Reaches 15,000 At Hemlock, N. Y., Revival

HEMLOCK, N. Y., Oct. 5 .- Final count put paid admissions at 15,000 for the four-day Lake Hemlock Fair, which closed here September 14. Resumed after a four-year wartime lapse, the annual returned the big-gest paid attendance and the largest profit in its history.

Floyd Beam is the fair's presi-dent, and Raymond Morrell, secre-tary. Latter took the post which had been held by Glenn Morrell, killed in an accident in July.

Success was due partly to well-Success was due partly to well-publicized special days, such as Fire-men's Day, School Day, Grange Day and Old Home Day, and other special features and contests. Mickey Per-cell's Pioneer Shows were on the midway. Acts furnished by Frank Wirth, New York, were Kay and Carole, Loyal's Dogs, Laddie Lamont, Waltor Guice Duo and Don Francero Walter Guice Duo and Don Francero. Other acts, supplied by Ray S. Knee-land, Buffalo, were Ferdinand the Bull, Buddy Herrick, Toby Mattern and the Flying Hearts. Trotting races were presented each day.

#### **Proposed Pennsy Law Would Enable Cities To Tax Ducats**

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 5.--Pennsylvania fairs located within the mu-nicipal limits of cities would be subplet to a city admission tax under plans of the League of Third-Class Cities in Pennsylvania.

Group plans to push for such leg-islation at the 1947 General Assembly. Law would permit cities to collect up to 5 per cent on admissions, and set one cent as the minimum tax per ticket.

#### Wright Named Director

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 5.—Gov. Earl Warren has appointed William C. Wright, Sacramento real estate broker, to the board of directors of the State Agricultural Society, which odminiterer the State fair administers the State fair.

BLACKFOOT, Idaho, Oct. 5 .new all-time attendance record of 65,000 was registered at Eastern Idaho State Fair, which closed here Saturday (14) after five days of excellent weather.

Night turnouts jammed the grandstand, where a Barnes-Carruthers revue and acts were presented. Benches placed on the race track were used the last three nights, to accommodate part of the grandstand throng.

An increase of 25 per cent over last year was chalked up in receipts as well as in attendance. On the mid-way American United Shows hit new highs.

Horse racing, a horse show and circus acts were the afternoon fea-Entries in the horse, swine tures. and sheep divisions reached an all-time high. Unusually large dairy and beef shows also were offered.

Ival H. Wartchow is the fair's manager and Ruth C. Hartkopf is secretary. Other officers are Paul V. Nash, president; Emil C. John-son, vice-president, and Frank G. De Kay, director.

#### Suffolk, Va., Colored Event Scheduled for October 22-25

SUFFOLK, Va., Oct. 5.—The 37th annual Tidewater Fair Association event, owned, sponsored and pro-moted by colored citizens, will be held October 22-25.

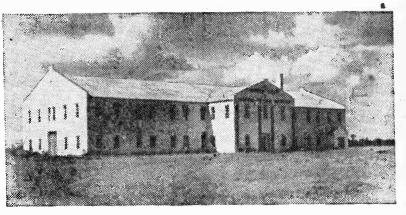
Officers are J. C. White, president; H. C. Colman, secretary-manager and secretary of races; Dr. R. Henry Bland, treasurer, and Robert Chandler, official starter and judge.

### Peoria, Ill., **Plant Pushed;** To Open in '47

PEORIA, Ill., Oct. 5.-Members of the board of directors of the Heart of Illinois Exposition, newly organized here, moved Wednesday night (2) to have the city water extended to the 160-acre site acquired for the expo, which will be launched next year. Tentative date for the event has been set for the seven-day period ending Labor Day, Edgar L. Bell, expo president, who also is president-manager of Station WMBB here, announced.

A. N. Ekstrand, manager of the expo and Exposition Gardens, as the new plant will be called, and a (See Peoria Opens in '47 on page 78)

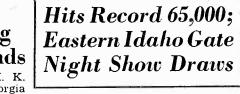




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70 **FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS** 



Fate of the Michigan State Fair-grounds entered the Michigan gubernatorial campaign last week, when ex-Gov. Murray D. Van Wagoner advocated opening the grounds as a general recreation area for the Detroit citizens. Property had been locked up several years except when an actual attraction was in operation. Formerly the grounds were open the year around, with pay gates on only during fair week.

Mrs. Maude Atwood, secretary of the fair at Chattanooga, and her husband, A. T. Atwood, visited the big doings at Atlanta, and she remarked that she and Joe Engel are doing their best to "run an old fashioned county fair, with all the trimmings, and we've finally got the merchants on our side." Sincerity of her talk leads one to believe that Chattanooga will have buildings for all exhibits before long.

F. H. Williams, of Athens, Ga., and C. W. Virgo, of Terre Haute, Ind., were among fair executives who enjoyed the hospitality of Atlanta's Southeastern World's Fair, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Shapiro, Southern and Mrs. Bernie Shapiro, Southern Show Print, helped make life pleas-ant for all hands with their everready wit.

The Philadelphia Inquirer featured a four-page picture spread on county fairs in its September 29 tabloid supplement. Front cover, done in color, showed gal sitting in the middle of a farm produce exhibit at the of a farm produce exhibit at the Doylestown (Pa.) Fair. Remain-ing three pages in black and white gave scenes of Reading (Pa.) Fair. Treatment was comprehensive, many phases of a fair being shown, with emphasis on the agricultural end.

Joe Engel, president of the Chat-tanooga-Hamilton County Inter-state Fair, Chattanooga, was disappointed when rain quashed his plan to recoup some of the money lost earlier in the week by inclement weather by ex-tending the run for another day thru Sunday (22), but the 35 members of the Chattanooga Baptist Pastors' Conference weren't—and they proceeded to say so in no uncertain terms. In filing their "indignant pro-test," the preachers gave "thanks to almighty God for the refreshing rain" of that Sunday.

Question of whether the Mid-South Fair at Memphis will return to operation next year re-mains unanswered. "All the fair directors want it, all the city officials want it, and apparently all the citizens for 200 miles around want it," Arthur Seelbinder, executive director, recently pointed out. "But after several discus-sions the directors still can't say yes or no. We have too many wrinkles to iron out first. I can say one thing, however, our in-tention—and mind you, I said intention-is to hold the fair.

Averell Harriman, who W. re-W. Averell Harriman, who re-placed Henry Wallace as Secretary of Commerce, is familiar with the nation's fairs. Before he became am-bassador to Russia he served as president of the Grand Circuit for many years. His brother, E. Roland Harriman, long has been one of the loaders in the harmess racing world leaders in the harness racing world.

This year, 59 of the 77 annuals skedded in Wisconsin included a Sunday in their operation schedule. Julius Kahn, veteran Ke-waunee County Fair secretary, is credited with being the first "to stick his neck out by going on Sunday," such credit being given to him by Sam Hanscher, veteran

Milwaukee concessionaire, in The Wisconsin Fair News is-sued recently by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture.

"We thought the peak in every way had been reached for the Eastern Idaho State Fair back in 1941. We were wrong. We never had a bigger attendance or a better fair than this year," declared Emil C. Johnson, director of the recent Blackfoot (Idaho) event. And Fair Manager Ival H. Watchow, after seeing the huge night turnouts, indicated the annual will have to provide added grandstand capacity in the future.

Art (He Gets Around) Briese was in Albuquerque, N. M., last week, after being caught in a snowstorm while en route from Salt Lake City. He was forced to back-track 100 miles to Panguitch, Utah, because of the snow.

MRS. ANN BENTON, charming host-ess of the Southeastern World's Fair, At-lanta. In addition to



her duties of hostessing, Mrs. Benton had charge of the General Elevator Company's display of home elevators in the fair's Commercial Building. She is to

reported have turned in an admirable job in both departments.

Milwaukee State Fair provides a seating capacity of 32,000 for the three games skedded there this fall by the Green Bay Packers. In addi-tion to the 14,000-capacity grand-stand and the 6,000 bleacher seats which were available during the State fair, permanent stands seating 12,000 have since been erected on the far side of the race track. Ralph Ammon, fair manager, may reduce the race track from a mile to a half-mile, and this would enable the use of the full seating capacity for auto races next year.

Iowa's 99 county fairs and its State fair were featured promi-nently in a nine-page treatment of that State in the September 30 issue of Life magazine. Text points out that the county fair, repeated 99 times a year in various parts of the State, is the biggest event of the rural season. Story also observes that winning a blue ribbon at the county fair carries an implied obligation to go on to competition at the State fair "to which everyone wants to go anyway."

Same issue of Life carried a feature on Arthur Murray, how he be-came a dance instructor and how he operates the many dance studios which bear his name. This recalls the highly successful State-wide jitterbug contest held at New York State Fair, Syracuse, two years before the war. Murray served as sole judge. He also gave a demonstration of various dance steps to a large crowd, mostly teen-agers, lured by the appeal of the contest and Murray's rep.

Annual convention of the North Carolina State Fair Association will be held in the Carolina Hotel, Raleigh, January 24. Announcement followed a recent meeting at the Lake Mitchener cabin of Dr. A. H. Fleming, association secretary. Complete plans have not been made, according to Fleming, but a banquet will probably be held.... The 31st annual congress of the Virginia Association of Fairs will be held in the Hotel John Mar-shall, Richmond, January 27-28, C. B. Ralston, association secretary, infos.

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#### **Benton Puts Atlanta** In Expo Division

(Continued from page 67) could have a free ride. As Benton put it himself, it was the only free ride on the grounds.

Other buildings were fairly bulging with cattle, chickens, rabbits, State departmental exhibits, and, of course, the military was around in force. full

For those who didn't care to pay for entertainment other than the amount (60 cents) plunked down for the gate admission, Chesterfield cigarettes sponsored Radio Station WAGA's hillbilly show on an open-air platform, and the guitar strummers, etc., gave it out for free each afternoon and night. Other local stations also participated, the atmosphere being literally saturated with blurbs about

literally saturated with blurbs about the various attractions and exhibits. Optimistic as Benton always has been about his pet project, even he was amazed at the night grandstand business, even on Monday, September 30, when it was so cold that it was reminiscent of Minnesota football weather. George A. Hamid's Hippo-drome Circus was the night attrac-tion, with the exception of tonight, when Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers when Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers will present the second of their scheduled three performances.

Hamid's line-up consisted of Tor-Hamid's line-up consisted of Tor-elli's Circus, which included high-school horses, a six-horse Liberty act, comedy mule, dogs and ponies; Klara Torina, high pole; Abdallah Girls, tumbling; Slivers Johnson, tramp comic; Professor Keller's mixed enimel group; and the Flying mixed animal group; and the Flying Siegrists. Harry Tanner managed and emseed the show, and sound was furnished by Tom Mayo. Tony Vitale handled the fireworks.

Night grandstand show was pre-ceded by a sham battle, which fea-tured amphibious landing barges, the infield lake offering a perfect setting for this type of demonstration. Sam Nunis's AAA auto racing had

the track Saturday, September 28, with Kochman's thrillers beating up automobiles to a strong house the next day, and they go again tonight and tomorrow afternoon. Harness racing held sway Monday thru Friday, and Nunis was set to go again this afternoon.

#### **Butler Annual Names Allan**

ALLISON, Ia., Oct. 5.-J. F. Allan, of Allison, was elected president of the Butler County Fair Board, succeeding Henry C. Newbury, of Bristow, president the last 20 years, who declined the nomination. Other Allison, vice-president; J. A. Barlow, Dumont, treasurer, and V. E. Shep-ard, Allison, secretary.

seven still date stands in 1947. Williams plans to present the Lynch org in Buffalo, Indianapolis, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Detroit, and one other major city.

Materials permitting, South Mississippi Livestock Showgrounds at Hattiesburg, Miss., next year will have a new dormitory which will house 100 exhibitors. Baby beef and horse barn will be lengthened by about 30 feet and the senior cattle barn by 20 feet. The county board of supervisors has advertised for bids. N. S. Hand, of Hattiesburg, is association's new secretary-manager.

Issy Cervonne, leader of the windj a m m e r s for Barnes-Carruthers grandstand show, took time out Tuesday (1) to celebrate a birthday at day (1) to celebrate a birthday at Birmingham, and he emphatically denied it was his 99th. And while Issy was being happy, Mrs. Inez Smith, B-C wardrobe mistress, was more than pleasantly surprised by an unheralded visit from her daugh-ter, Mrs. Byrd Lathan, St. Peters-burg Ela and her two abildren Jim Williams, Chicago, has inked ter, Mrs. Byrd Lathan, St. Pet Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers for burg, Fla., and her two children.

**Fair Dates** Below is a list of fairs to be held next week arranged according to dates, States and cittes. This procedure will be followed service FEATURE Billboard dated September 28.

OCTOBER 13-19

#### ARKANSAS

Little Rock—Arkansas Livestock Show Assn. Oct. 14-20. Clyde E. Byrd.

Oct. 14-20. Clyde E. Byrd. GEORGIA Americus—Sumter Co. Fair Assn. Week Oct. 14. O. C. Johnson. Bainbridge—Decatur Co. Fair. Oct. 14-19. T. E. Rich. Butler—Taylor Co. American Legion Fair. Oct. 12-19. J. S. Green. Cordele—Central Georgia Fair. Oct. 14-19. J. D. Rainey. Macon—Georgia State Fair. Oct. 14-19. E. Ross Jordan. Monroe-Walton Co. American Legion Fair. Oct. 14-19. H. H. Shores. Sandersville—Washington Co. Fair. Oct. 14-19. Gordon S. Chapman. Swainsboro—Emanuel Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 14-19. Earl M. Varner. KANSAS

KANSAS Harper-Harper Co. Agrl. Fair Assn. Oct. 15-18. R. E. Dresser. Inman-Inman Community Fair. Oct. 17-19. William J. Braun. Newton-Harvey Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 15-18. Guy W. Webster.

Guy W. Webster. LOUISIANA Farmerville-Union Parish Fair. Oct. 14-17. Dr. J.D. Miller. Jonesboro-Jackson-Winn Parish Fair Assn. Oct. 14-19. R. G. Pipes. Natchitoches-Natchitoches Parish Fair. Oct. 17-18. Coleman Martin. New Roads-Polnte Coupee Parish Fair Assn. Oct. 18-20. J. Wade LeBeau. New Verda-Grant Parish Fair Assn. Oct. 17-19. -Odelia Purvis. Oak Grove-West Carroll Parish Fair. Oct. 14-19. J. W. Smith. Oberlin-Allen Parish Fair. Oct. 17-19. G. C. Meaux.

Meaux. Shreveport—Caddo Parish Junior Fair. Oct. 17-18. C. S. Shirley, Courthouse. Shreveport—State Fair of Louisiana. Oct. 19-28. W. R. Hirsch. MARYLAND

Upper Marlboro-Southern Md. Agrl. Fair Assn. Oct. 14-16. Wm. T. Davis.

MISSISSIPPI Kosciusko-Central Miss. Fair. Oct. 14-19. S. A. Spivey. Poplarville-Pearl River Co. Fair. Oct. 17-19. J. M. Sinclair. Waynesboro-Wayne Co. Fair. Oct. 14-19. H. S. Cassell.

#### MISSOURI

Kansas City—American Royal Livestock & Horse Show. Oct. 19-27. A. M. Patterson.

Horse Show. Oct. 19-27. A. M. Patterson. NORTH CAROLINA Ahoskie-Atlantic District Fair Assn. Oct. 13-18. E. M. Weaver. Beaufort-Cartarat Fair. Oct. 14-19. T. E. Kelly. Boonville-Boonville Agrl. Fair. Oct. 17-19. J. R. Walker. Fairmont-Robeson Co. Fair. Week of Oct. 14. Henderson-Vance Co. Colored Fair. Oct. 14-19. Alfred Bullock Jr. Monroe-Union Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 14-19. M. W. Williams. Raleigh-North Carolina State Fair. Oct. 14-19. J. S. Dorton. OKLAHOMA

OKLAHOMA Cherokee—Alfalfa Co. Free Fair. Oct. 15-18, J. A. Schmook, Helena, Okla. Pond Creek—Grant Co. Free Fair. Oct. 15-18. Mr. Dedrich, Medford, Okla.

PENNSYLVANIA PENNSYLVANIA Hopewell-Northern Bedford Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 17-19. W. T. McAllister, R. D. 1, Roar-ing Springs. Schaefferstown-Heidelberg Comm. Fair Assn. Oct. 16-18. R. W. Smith. Washingtonville--Montour-DeLong Fair. Oct. 15-18.

#### ellow Creek—Northern Bedford Co. Fair. Oct. 17-19. W. T. McAllister, R. D. 1, R. S. SOUTH CAROLINA

Anderson Fair. Oct. 14-20. J. A. Anderson Anderson-Anderson Fair. Oct. 14-20. J. A. Mitchell.
Camden-Kershaw Co. Fair. Oct. 14-19. John C. Stover.
Manning-Clarendon Co. Fair. Oct. 14-19. Harry P. Thames.
Rock Hill-York Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 14-19. Paul M. Sealy.
Union-Union Co. Fair. Week of Oct. 14. M. C. Page.
York-York Co. Colored Fair. Oct. 14-19. L. L. Wright, Clover, S. C.

TEXAS Center-Shelby Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 15-19. Bubba Cowser. Dallas-State Fair of Texas. Oct. 5-20. W.

Dallas-State Fair of Texas. Oct. 5-20. W. H. Hitzelberger. Nacagdoches-Nacagdoches Co. Fair & Live-stock Expo. Oct. 15-19. John L. Bailey. Palestine-Anderson Co. Fair. Oct. 11-19. C. O. Miller Jr. VIRGINIA Petersburg-Petersburg Fair. Oct. 14-19. R. Willard Eanes.

WEST VIRGINIA Oak Hill-Fayette Co. Negro Fair. Oct. 17-19. J. Edgar Jordan: Fayetteville.

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## **Dallas Gives R-B** Sellouts

Turnaways 2 nights out of 3-new lot used after city waives fair ordinance

DALLAS, Oct., 5-Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey did turnaway business the last two nights of its day (2). Opening night's crowd was a strong three-quarter house, and all three matinees ranged under the half-way mark.

Show, which last year occupied the State fairgrounds, broke in a beauti-ful new lot at the end of North Carroll Street in North Dallas. Orig-inally, a site near Industrial Boule-vard and Commerce Street had been contracted to circumvent at ordinance forbidding circuses in the city within two weeks of the State fair. The Industrial Boulevard lot, tho only a block from downtown Dallas, is out-side the city limits. It was used in 1944 by the Beatty-Russell show.

#### **City Waives Ordinance**

Because of its location on the Dal-las-Fort Worth Highway, the city council objected to use of the site by R-B on the grounds it would create a traffic hazard. As the outcome of a horse-trading session with Morris I. Jaffe, attorney for the circus, the council grudgingly voted to waive the fair ordinance to enable the show to shift to the North Dallas lot, which is within the city limits. In return, Jaffe promised future dates of the circus would not conflict with the fair. This year's fair opens today.

Ideal weather prevailed during the Ideal weather prevailed during the Dallas engagement, but not so at Fort Worth, where show played Sep-tember 28 and 29. Both days were cool and cloudy, with intermittent rain. First day produced slightly un-der half a house in the afternoon and near-capacity at night. Second day was slightly lighter at both per-formances. formances.

#### **Opening Matinees Late**

Opening matinees were about an our late at both Fort Worth and allas. Show moved to Fort Worth hour Dallas. from Ardmore, where its none-too-exciting Oklahoma trek ended September 27.

After a day's lay-off en route, the Big One opened a four-day engage-ment Friday (4) at Houston, final stand in Texas.

#### **Owner's Illness Ends Beers-Barnes Season**

ELIZABETH, N. J., Oct. 5.-The ELIZABETH, N. J., Oct. 5.—The Beers-Barnes Circus has been forced to terminate its 1946 tour by the serious illness of George (Pop) Beers, senior owner, it was revealed here this week by the show's agent, Lohn Trimmin John Trimpin.

Tho few reports have come to light on this small but reputable family circus, Trimpin declared it had put in a successful season. He failed to state, however, when and where the closing took place or how long the show was out.

Co-Owner with Pop Beers is his son-in-law, Roger Barnes, and ac-tive in the show's operation are the former's son, Charlie Beers, and their respective wives and families.



SHARING THE BOUQUETS tossed by circus enthusiasts at the James M. SHARING THE BOUQUETS tossed by circus enthusiasts at the James M. Cole Circus during its 1946 season were Mike Guy and his band. Here they are (left to right): Mike Guy, trombone and leader; C. A. Smith, bass; J. Edward Mitson, baritone; Roy Melvin, trumpet; Charles B. Van Vactor, trumpet; Earl H. Hamel, trombone; Dave Frederickson, drums; Charles Cuthbert, trumpet.

### Kelly - Miller Closes Oct. 12

HOLLIS, Okla., Oct. 5.—While playing here on its homeward swing thru Oklahoma, Obert Miller an-nounced the Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros.' Circus would close its 1946 season Saturday (12) at Antlers, Okla., 20

miles from winter quarters at Hugo. Altho admitting this season has not been as good as the previous three, Miller termed it satisfactory and expressed belief its grosses would have approximated last year's but for the polio scare. Polio caused the show to lose seven days in South Dakota and hurt business for at least four

Miller said his org has had plenty of help most of the season. He also pointed out that George Bell has had eight pieces in his band, except for three weeks, and it was necessary three for him to replace only two men all season.

"Some of our people have been with us so long," Miller said, "we wouldn't know how to get along without them. Red Foker has done a swell job as lot superintendent and boss canvasman. Never once was he late having the show ready for openlate having the show ready for open-

ing. In mentioning plans for 1947, Miller used the showman's favorite expression, "Bigger and better than ever."

### At Mobile, Ala.; Now in Miss.

HATTIESBURG, Miss., Oct. 5.-Sparks Circus drew a near-capacity matinee and full night house here Wednesday (2), after entering Mis-sissippi at Gulfport Tuesday. First to play Mobile, Ala., in three years, show had a big matinee there Sep-tember 30, followed by two night performances both packed to overtember 30, followed by two night performances, both packed to over-flowing. Dothan and Andalusia, Ala., were played before Mobile.

#### Route Thru Old Mississippi Holding Up Well for King

CLEVELAND, Miss., Oct. 5.—King Bros.' Circus, playing to two good houses here Tuesday (1), reported business had held up well at Green-

business had held up well at Green-ville, Indianola, Lexington and Kos-ciusko, all in this State. Attendance was off at Greenwood, Miss., where rain, a football game and wait paper of the Sparks show were encountered.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Oct. 5.—A new circus title this year that legiti-mately could embrace the term "Bros." but doesn't, is Ramond-Lee, which in the past has been erroneous-by printed in The Billboard as Bays ly printed in *The Billboard* as Ray-mond-Lee. According to Jim Harsh-man, CFA and CHS, of Hagerstown, man, CFA and CHS, of Hagerstown, Ray Brison named the show for his two sons, Raymond Jr. and Lee, but eliminated the "y" so the title would fit better on window cards and the center banner of the Side Show banner line. Further information from Harsh-

Circus Spurns Use Of "Bros." in Title

man is that the show was framed in 30 days, moves on three trucks and four trailers, has a big top that is a 50 with two 20's, and seats 500. The one-ring performance features the animal acts of Sam Dock (still going strong at 83) and the aerial and ground acrobatics (with clowning) of the five Brisons—Ray Sr. and Jr., Lee, Jane and Clare. Fred Keely is equestrian director and doubles on Side Show tickets. R. L. Staver is general agent.

Harshman reported Ramond-Lee was southbound in Maryland after playing to some excellent business in New York and Pennsylvania.

### H-M Philly Date Up Sparks Puts on Three Shows 22%; Boston Builds After a Slow Start

BOSTON, Oct. 5:—Hamid-Morton Circus, which last week topped its 1945 record gross by 22 per cent, was reported by Bob Morton as running even with last year in its current engagement in Boston Garden. Openengagement in Boston Garden. Open-ing September 30 amid a blast of cold and rainy weather, show had light attendance the first two days, but crowds picked up steadily thru the week, with sell-outs in prospects for today and Sunday.

Added to the program here were Lawrence Trio, high act; Francisco's swaying pole; Captain Solomon's fire dive; the Flying Hartzells, featuring a new springboard somersault; Joe and Esther, trampoline (a new turn by the Loyal Repensky Troupe), and Dime Wilson, table rock, who did not arrive in time for the Philly date. Victoria Zacchini is making a strong dick wing a prove click, using a new and improved cannon built after the wreck which destroyed her old cannon at Chicago last May.

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# **10-Day** Stand Sure Winner

Night crowds hold up after strong opening week-endadvance build-up pays off

#### By a Staff Correspondent

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 5.—Cole Bros.' Circus opened a 10-day stand here Friday (September 27) to the biggest opening-day business the show has ever had in this city, with show has ever had in this city, with full houses both matinee and eve-ning. Saturday found the seats packed at matinee time, and the night show was a turnaway. Busi-ness held up for both Sunday per-formances, even tho the thermometer registered 98 degrees for the hottest day of the year. Matinee was a turneway and pict house was day of the year. Matinee w turnaway and night house was packed

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday brought one-half to three-quarters houses, but every night has yielded a full big top. A big advance sale cinches this date for a winner, circus officials told *The Billboard*.

#### **Heavy Advance Build-Up**

Much of the show's success here is being credited to heavy billing, good hits in the press and one of the most extensive radio campaigns ever used by a circus. Co-operation of local sheets has been excellent, the show's press department reports, and would have been even better were it not that one Los Angeles daily, *The Her-ald-Express*, is not on the streets due to a strike which has prevented its publication for a month.

Norman Carroll, who is handling radio tie-ups for the local engage-ment, lined up 17 hits, ranging from three-minute guest appearances to complete half-hour shows on all the complete half-nour snows on all the major networks, including some of the biggest shows on the air. These included Queen for a Day, People Are Funny, What's Doing Ladies? the Ed McConnell show, Truth or Consequences and Take It or Leave It.

#### Movie Folks Turn Out

Patronage of the movie colony has Celebrities who have visited the lot include Lana Turner, Alfred Hitch-cock, Wallace Beery, Cass Daley and Joseph Cotten.

Clown alley was augmented here, and Marilyn Rich, aerialist, was added to the program for the Califor-nia dates. Otherwise, the performer and staff personnel remains virtually unchanged. Luico Cristiani is out of the family acts because of a serious knee injury, sustained at Oxnard when he fell to the ring curb.

#### Williams Tees Off At Greenville, S. C.

GREENVILLE, S. C., Oct. 5.—Ed-win Williams' Hippodrome Circus opened its fall season with a week's engagement here ending September 28, under auspices of the Lions Club. Opening night's performance was Opening night's performance was rained out, but the six given the remaining nights and Saturday after-noon drew a total attendance of about 20,000, according to estimates of the local press. Williams is playing a date this week at Asheville, N. C.

### **Biz Takes Dip** As Beatty Show **Invades South**

NORFOLK, Oct. 5 .-Circus jumped out of the gold fields of Canada to slightly leaner pickings south of the Mason-Dixon Line, but found audiences building during its three-day stand here. After making a 675-mile move from Niagara Falls, N. Y., show opened to a fair matinee Wednesday (2) and had about two-thirds of a house at night. Thurs-day's matinee was also rated fair, but night house was near capacity. The circus bucked an ice show and ballet not fo mention wait paper of

The circus bucked an ice show and ballet, not to mention wait paper of Ringling-Barnum, due here early in November. The press was enthusias-tic over the Beatty show, The Vir-ginia Pilot devoting a full column to its review. Clyde Beatty played host to newspapermen and their wives at dinner Wednesday night. A special guest was Col. Charles H. Consolvo, dean of circus fans and proprietor of the Monticello Hotel, where the event was held. event was held.

Light business greeted the return of the Beatty show at Niagara Falls Friday and Saturday (27-28), altho attendance built to a three-quarter house the last night. Many Canadian workingmen who had joined during the summer were lost when show crossed the border.

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JACK BELL'S BAND with the C. R. Montgomery Circus is not as large but plays as fast and as loud as any. Left to right: Orville Allread, baritone; Freddie plays as fast and as loud as any. Let to home of the second secon

Closing Dates

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—From au-thoritative sources, *The Bill-board* has learned that Cole Bros.' Circus will close at Hot Springs November 12, and Dailey Bros., in Texas Novem-ber 16. Unconfirmed is a report that the Clyde Beatty Circus will close October 28.

### **B&B Show Turned** Into Hillbilly Org

HENDERSON, Tenn., Oct. 5.---Jimmy Bagwell's Guitarodeo, converted from his Bradley & Benson Circus, is scheduled to open here October 10. According to Joseph W. Circus, is scheduled to open here October 10. According to Joseph W. Scharoun, Bagwell's spokesman, new outfit will be basically a hillbilly show on horseback, featuring a hill-billy band with guitar and vocal soloists, but also including horse acts, whiperacking, sharpshooting, and rube and blackface comedy.

Route as tentatively outlined will extend from East Tennessee thru the Carolinas and into Florida for the winter. Towns contracted so far are for night shows only, Scharoun said, but school tie-ups for children's mati-nees are planned. A daily street parade at 4 p.m. is contemplated, and show's stock is to be exhibited under a horse top on the midway. There three billers and a banner man.

2 Spots in Ky. **Big for Dailey** 

FULTON, Ky., Oct. 5.—Bang-up business greeted Dailey Bros. at its only two stands in Kentucky. Forced by a storm to cancel Fulton last season, show fared very well here Thursday (3), and at Paducah the day before two full houses turned out despite a bus strike and location of the lot three miles from the post office.

From here, show returned to Illi-nois for one more stand at Cairo, Friday (4), before heading for Mis-souri and Arkansas. At Cairo, Gen-eral Agent R. M. Harvey created a new lot thru cooperation of city officials and the Missouri Pacific Rail-road Harvey left Friday with Owner road. Harvey left Friday with Owner Ben C. Davenport for visits to the R. Montgomery and King Bros. circuses.

cellent was reported at Murphysboro, Anna, Centralia and Herrin, Ill. Best was Anna, with two capacity houses September 28. Turner Bros.' Shows played day and date at Herrin, which hadn't had a circus in years.

is to be no side show, but a concert will be used if one suitable can be booked.

Scharoun said the advance would consist of general agent, press agent,

### Pitching Rose

By Leonard Traube

Billy Rose, New York, N. Y.

Dear Billy:

Forgive me if I elect myself the middleman in acknowledging your open letter to the Ringling-Barnum circus in your syndicated column, Pitching Horseshoes, reserving two seats in a center box for the opening performance at Madison Square Garden next year. You say that you are taking with you your nephew, Bobby, and you hope for this reason that the circus will hit town with a better show in '47 than it put on in '46. And then you say (if I may take the liberty of quoting your pearly words): "Last year when I saw the big top, I almost blew mine." In other words (and your words are better), you didn't like the show you didn't like the show.

you didn't like the show. The rest of your column is given over to the reasons for your dislike, but in-between you state: "I didn't want to say anything about this until your season was over. A three-card monte dealer once told me never to blow the whistle on another man's grift. But I don't think there's any harm in sounding off about it, now that you're heading for winter quarters." If you were so provide the Pig Show from your barbs

you're heading for winter quarters." If you were so anxious to protect the Big Show from your barbs while it was still on tour, I am surprised that you did not support this extremely considerate feeling with facts. For instance, the circus will keep going until well into November, and at the moment there is definite talk of ending the season as late as December 5 in Sarasota. You are on safer ground with your pointed question: "On behalf of us kids, may I ask that you never again commission Stravinsky or Deems Taylor to compose modern music for the elephant ballet?" We are strictly on your side on this score, to coin a pun. In fact, I give you *The Billboard's* headline at the time: "Deems' Music Not Taylored to Suit Circus." Be seeing you at the same old stand.

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Be seeing you at the same old stand.

### **Southern Tour Tops for Hunt;** Closing Oct. 23

Eastern Shore after its first invasion of the South since 1941, with indications its 54th season of continuous operation will be its best. Season is scheduled to end October 23 at Chestertown, Md.

Originally slated for a three-week swing thru Virginia and North Carolina, show enjoyed six weeks of highly satisfactory business in the peanut, tobacco and cotton belts of those States. Tho matinees were light, full night houses were the rule, with some turnaways in between. Outstanding spots in North Carolina were Oxford, Henderson, Kinston, La Grange and Carthage, and red ones in Virginia included Petersburg, Warsaw, Boykins and Franklin.

All was not roses, however. Three All was not roses, nowever. Inree towns had to be canceled because of heavy rains and muddy lots. White-ville, N. C., was passed September 12, and cancellation of Farmville and Ayden, N. C. (18-19) caused show to arrive at Robertsonville, N. C., three days abead of schedule playthree days ahead of schedule, play-ing date being Monday (23). Added interest resulting from the lay-over paid off, however, and natives swarmed the big top.

After playing Suffolk, Va., Friday (27), show moved via ferry to Cape Charles, Va., where it was the first circus since '41. Back in Maryland at Pokomoke City Monday (30), show is routed northward thru this State and Delaware.

#### Business ranging from fair to ex- St. Louis Police Contract

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 5.—At a meeting of the St. Louis Police Relief Asso-ciation Friday (4), contracts for pro-ducing the 1947 police circus were awarded to L. N. Fleckles Jr., of the Reginald Voorhees Agency, Chicago. Show will be held at the Arena April 20 ther. May 4 20 thru May 4.

MIAMI, Oct. 5.-Contracting agent of Ringling-Barnum was here this week arranging for annual appear-ance of the Big One November 24-28. This is the latest date ever booked in Miami, and biz is sure to be heavy with influx of winter tourists already on. Show closes at Sarasota winter quarters.

#### **Cold Spell Hits Owens**

BURLINGTON, N. C., Oct. 5.—Sec-ond in this season and a week behind a community fair, the Buck Owens Circus and Wild West Show also ran into the coolest spell of the year here September 30. However, thanks to an excellent break from the press, show had fair business.

#### **AT LIBERTY** Lion Act using steel arena, High Trot Pony Act, 4-Horse Liberty's, 4-Pony Drill. Answer DON ARTHUR c/o ROCHESTER HOTEL 1821 Highland Kansas Kansas City, Mo. RODEO STOCK FOR SALE

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Results during first week of the 21st Annual Championship Rodeo, Madison Square Garden, New York, September 25-October 27:

New York, September 25-October 27: Calf Roping—First day (five performances), Dee Burk (19.4 seconds), \$665; Toots Mansfield (20.2), \$540; Clyde Brown (22.1), \$430; Bill Her (22.2), \$340; Cotton Lee (24.1), \$200; Everett Shaw (24.4), \$90. Second day, Dave Campbell (18.1), \$665; Dee Burk (18.2), \$540; split, Lanham Riley and Buck Sorrells (18.3), \$385 each; Toots Mansfield (19.2), \$200; Tater Decker (21.1), \$90.

Decker (21.1), \$90. Steer Wrestling—First day (five perform-ances), Mike Fisher (7.4), \$730; Eddie Curtis (8.3), \$600; Verne Castro (9), \$480; Bill Rusk (9.4), \$360; Gienn Tyler (10), \$235; Homer Pettigrew (11.1), \$115. Second day, Dave Campbell (5.3), \$730; Jim Like (7.3), \$600; Oral Zumwalt (8), \$480; Dub Phillips (9), \$360; George Mills (9.1), \$235; split, Bill McGuire and Wilbur Plaugher (10), \$57.50 each. each.

steer Riding—First day (four performances), Jake Monroe, \$465; Orval<sup>1</sup> Mann, \$385; Wag Blessing, \$305; Pee Wee Morris, \$240; Chas. Colbert, \$145; Bob Estes, \$65. Second day, Wag Blessing, \$465; Pee Wee Morris, \$385; Howard Baker, \$305; Gerald Roberts, \$240; Johnny Chapman, \$145; Jim Patch, \$65.

Saddle Bronk Riding—First day (five per-formances), Carl Olson, \$575; Tom Knight, \$475; Cecil Henley, \$375; (Paul Golud, \$300; Stub Bartlemay, \$175; Jack Buschbam, \$80.

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Wild Cow Milking—September 25, Jim Snively (39), \$160. September 26, Lanham Riley (32.4), \$160; split, Louis Powers and Co.ton Lee (36.3), \$7b.50 each. Matinee, September 27, Shorty Matlock (42), \$160; James Kenney (43.4), \$100; Clark McEntire (55.3), \$57. September 27, Buck Sorrells (33.4), \$160; Pat Lewis (50.1), \$100; Troy Fort (57.3), \$57. Matinee, September 28, Jiggs Eurk (31.4), \$160; Shoat Webster (38.4), \$100; Sonny Hancock (56.2), \$57. September 28, Royce Sewalt (32.2), \$160; Homer Pettgrew (35.1), \$100; George Milier (45.2), \$57. Matinee, September 29, Jack B. Ramsey (29), \$160; Buff Douthitt (31.2), \$100; Tony Salinas (33.4), \$57. September 29, Pat Parker (29), \$160; E. Pardee (31.3), \$100; Bill Rush (36.2), \$57. September 30, Bill Guest (33.4), \$160; Oral Zumwalt (47.1), \$100; Louis Powers (60), \$57. October 1, David Shellenberger (28.1), \$160; split, Zeano Ferris and Shorty Matlock (46), \$78.50 each. Bareback Bronk Riding—First day (seven performances), Wart Baughman, \$530; Howard Baker, \$440; Buster Ivory, \$350; Casey Tibbs, \$275; Wag Blessing, \$165; George Mills, \$75.

# N.Y. Rodeo Results Out Till Christmas **Bob Dickman's Plan**

PRINCESS ANNE, Md., Oct. 5.---The Bob Dickman Circus, playing here to full night house September 30, was headed for the Deep South and, according to Bob Dickman, will be out until Christmas, weather and business conditions permitting.

Show is presented in a square-end, push-pole top, 40x120. Performance runs about an hour and a quarter, and includes Frank Doss and his performing dogs, monkeys and mules; Miss Irene of the Spanish web and swinging ladder, and Harry Rutter and Bob Russell, clowns. Recordings are used for music. No concert is carried at present, but earlier in the season Tim Mix and Company were featured.

Dickman reports from the time the show opened at Greenville, N. C., April 1, until early summer, much rain was encountered and business was spotty. After hitting New York State, however, he says the weather became steadier and so did business. "I'm satisfied with the summer tour," he added.

Show's present top is its third this season. A 60-foot round top with a 20-foot middle was torn to shreds at the opening stand. It was replaced with a square-end theatrical tent, 60x120, which was-used until midsummer.

#### **Monroe Blows Billing**

WILLOW SPRINGS, Mo., Oct. 5.-Monroe Bros.' Circus did not appear here Wednesday (2) as scheduled, here Wednesday (2) as scheduler, and the local press reported it failed to play the three previous dates billed. Show was at Ozark, Mo., September 27 and at Verona the day before.

# WON, HORSE & UPP COMBINED CIRCUS

An Equine and Canine Paradox-The Show With a Leaf of Gold - By Starr De Belle-

Punk Pusher, Ark., October 5, 1946.

Dear Pat:

Creditors don't seem to understand this circus's method of paying off. This show settles its bills in full at the end and not during or before the season. We haven't a bookkeeper and work on an honor system. On closing day the actors, bosses, mu-sicians and workingmen come to the office for a final settlement, and the amounts they drew during the year is left to their honesty. Even the seat butchers carry all their sales monies and don't check up with the boss butcher until closing night.

On this trick, grandstand and concert ticket sellers carry thousands of bucks around in their kicks until the show is in the barn before checking in. Often one checks in too much dough and doesn't ask for a refund until up in January. The office agrees that when one has to remember the number of tickets he or she sells during a season, such mistakes are often made. Concessionaires in the Side Show work on the same system, and the bosses know they wouldn't steal a dime off of them.

At the show's Wednesday stand, Nut Shells, Ark., a sheriff attached the baggage stock while the parade was passing the courthouse. Every horse was unhitched and the wagons and dens left standing on the street. You can imagine how our three annex dancing gals suffered while sitting atop the monkey cage under a boiling sun for three hours before the wagon could be brought back to the lot. Our old and faithful elephant, Crumbwell, pushed each vehicle back to the grounds by 3 p.m. It wasn't the loss of the horses, it was the humiliation and the jeers of the na-tives lining the sidewalks that hurt.

However, the horses were back by nightfall, and we learned that the We - Loan - Cabbage - On-Anything-Company is now part owner of our train. Because we didn't ask the kid show concessionaires for a check -up, it was a moral victory for the show.

At teardown time, last Thursday, the carvasmen were surprised to see 15 men help roll the big top and sidewall. Thinking they were a group of circus fans out to give the boys a friendly lift, the boss canvas-man paid little attention to them un-til they loaded the canvas on several county trucks. Manager Upp, seeing his top being loaded, awakened to the fact that the Underbrush Tent & Awning Company was making a snatch. Rather than cause a commotion, the boss decided to let them have it, saying that if such a large firm was small enough to take a top that they sold him in 1939 he'd rather use his old one that was stored in the cars.

At Barefoot, Ark., Friday, we were playing to a very poor matinee crowd. When our spec was well around the track, a sheriff and his deputies stopped it and confiscated the ward-robe. They undressed everybody participating, leaving them all in their underwear and lingerie. One of our gal riders had to do a Lady Godiva back to the dressing room to a thundering applause. The crowd thought it was part of the act and their word-of-mouth advertising packed the seats that night. A poor packed the seats that night. A poor matinee today made our equestrian decide to rehash yesterday's spec, and again Lady Godiva gave us a turnaway tonight. We have decided to let the cowboys continue to act as sheriffs and present the spec under the title, Parade of the Unmention-ables.

# UNDER THE MARQUEE

Bernie Head was forced by illness to close last week as con-tracting press agent for the Big One. He was replaced by Allen Lester, R-B story man.

Ralph H. Bliss is still on the ad-vance of Sparks Circus, altho not yet fully recovered from injuries sustained in an accident earlier this season.

When a kid joins for a vacation fling at trouping he doesn't realize he's em-barking on a lifetime career.

Mabel Stark, who concluded her contract with Polack Bros. at Port-land, Ore., is among the line-up of acts taken to Hawaii by E. K. Fernandez.

Bob Stevens, of Bailey Bros.' Cir-cus, wishes to go on record as report-ing his show had a three-quarter ing his show had a three-quarter matinee and night turnaway at Bennettsville, S. C., where it played day and date with the Buck Owens show.

Seriously ill at Canton, O., is Rex [cConnell. . . C. W. Bodine, of Seriously III at Canton, O., IS Kex McConnell, . . . C. W. Bodine, of Pittsfield, III., is celebrating a birth-day October 14 but isn't saying which one. He reports Curly Cowden is still doing well at Ocean Trail Park at Florence, Ill.

that the mission stiffs are wiring scarce ahead for reservations in flop houses.

Clude Beatty has been having cat trouble. Several tigers and lions are being doctored as a re-sult of scraps in the arena which had Clyde and his attendants plenty excited but which most of the customers thought were "part of the act."

Bert and Corrine Dearo, who called at The Billboard's Chicago office last week, were bound for a vacation in Mexico after completing 10 weeks of fairs for Klein's Attractions. They'll return in time for Orrin Davenport's dates. . . Howard and Wanda Bell stopped off in Chicago recently, en route to the Muskogee (Okla.) Fair.

Conrad TenEyck, old-time stilt walker and clown of Albany, N. Y., is assisting Jim Stutz in the concession department of Hunt Bros. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Dan Stewart recently closed with the Hunt Show. Dan was on the brigade and Bobby was with Lee Bradley on novelties. It was reported they joined Sparks' conces-It was sion department.

No use trying to sell the glory of trouping to a rain-soaked workingman trying to sleep on a cold flatcar.

Francine and Lucy DeRizkie, with their mother, Mrs. Frank DeRizkie,



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enjoyed the Cole Bros. performance at Los Angeles. . . K. E. Simmons, who went to L.A. from Crawfords-ville, Ind., three years ago, and is now manager of the Vermont Theater there, was a frequent visitor on the Cole Bros. lot. He reports chats with Noyelles Burkhart, Ora Parks and Freddie Freeman. Freddie Freeman.

Don Jose Fernandez, aerialist with Sparks Circus, is nursing a fractured shoulder blade, result of a fall at Valdosta, Ga. . . . Visitors on the Sparks lot at Mobile, Ala., included Bernie and Marie Smuckler, of the Alabama Amusement Company; Joe Scholibo and Dick Best, of the Cavalcade of Amusements, and W. C. Richards, of Pensacola, Fla., old-time circus man out this season with a hillbilly unit.

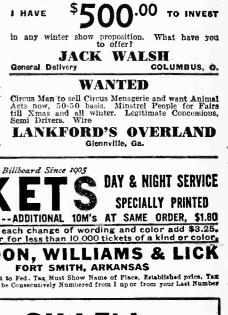
Buck Owens was given a two-column yarn by Howard White, city editor of *The Times-News*, when his show played Burlington, N. C.

In announcing that Beers-Barnes had closed, John Trimpin reported Merwyn the Great returned home to Pennsylvania; that Tex Lawton and family were headed for Miami to await the stork, and that next season Scotty Crawford would have abarge Scotty Crawford would have charge of the show's cookhouse.

Old-timers' stories about the early-day A billposter advises that rooms are so hardships don't impress today's young-carce that the mission stiffs are wiring sters. They have their own to worry about.

> While playing the Great Allentown (Pa.) Fair, Emil and Kate Pallenberg and Joe Galasso, of the Loyal Repen-sky troupe, visited Robert D. Good's sky troupe, visited Robert D. Good's Circus Room at Allentown. . . Joe Cantlin caught the Big One at Kan-sas City, Mo., and visited Howard Mentz, of the prop department, and Clayton Behee. . . W. T. Harper, formerly of the Three Flying Harpers, who was forced to quit showbiz in 1933 by a knee injury writes from 1933 by a knee injury, writes from 127 C Street, S. E., Washington, he is now in night club business.

Eva (Mrs. Ben C.) Davenport broke into print in great style when she "went home" with Dailey Bros. to Quincy, Ill., She was the subject of a feature story in The Sunday Her-(See Under the Marquee on page 91)



# **Ringling-Barnum**

Big events of the week were a wedding and a softball game between the dressing room and Merle Evans's band boys. The ball game was won by the dressing room, 10-4. The mar-riage was that of Willie Krause and Jeannie Davis at Dallas. Jeannie's dad, Marion Davis, was there for the nuptials. The ring stock boys really surprised Jeannie at menage time. When she came out, she found her horse covered with old shoes and tin cans and a "just married" sign on his rump.

Everyone is getting set for the French food and gin fizzes of New Orleans. Recent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Bondi Danwill, Miles Sheriff Bennett; Joe Ward, who joined clown alley at Fort Worth and Dallas; Eddie alley at Fort Worth and Dallas; Eddle Vaughan, Shirley Byron, Billy Pape, Mr. Katzberg, Tommy Genesta and the Plunkett family. Bob Kellogg is on the sick list. Birthdays: Mickey Behee and Johnny Manko. Around the lot: The shirts are fotting louder and the actively beta

Around the lot: The shirts are getting louder and the cowboy boots fancier. Paul Jerome, *The Billboard* agent, is the new judge in the men's dressing room and has been given the areasing room and has been given the name of Simon Legree by his co-workers. . . Paul Jung cutting it up in the back yard with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Mullan, of Leonard's Department Store, Fort Worth... Dorothy Durbin doing a good job in Ernie Clarke's place in the flying act, work-ing with Willie Krause and Dick Anderson... Tidwell, the bus driver, having his troubles trying to take everyone to the cars in one trip.... Everyone buying fruit cakes and sending them home.—DICK MILLER.

#### King Bros.

Kay Clarke Burslem's birthday party at Greenville, Miss., was a big success. Visitors at Greenville were success. Visitors at Greenville were Ray Marsh Brydon, Lord Leo and Cash Wiltsie, en route from the Co-lumbus (Miss.) Fair to the State Fair of Texas at Dallas; Frank and Ber-nice Ketrow, Mrs. Honest Bill Newton, and Charles Underwood, of the Sparks show. C. R. Montgomery spent several days with the show. The Silas Green Minstrels, playing at Durant, Miss., caught the matinee at Lexington, Miss. Tommy Brydon, advertising car manager of the Sparks show, and Ray Shea, lithosparks show, and Ray Shea, litl grapher, of Springfield, Mass., cau the night show at Ruleville, Miss. caught

Several new Chevrolet tractors have been added. Looks as if we'll run into December as Jack Foss just run into December as Jack Foss just received a shipment of mats from NEA. Paul Dulaney joined with his candy floss after a jump from the Indiana State Fair. Ted and Alice Wilson joined with their doll rack, also E. Breckenridge, sign painter, jumping from Hershey, Pa. J. C. Rosenheim, manager of the Wild Life exhibit with the Jimmy Simpson Shows in Canada the past season, is due soon. Chester Gregory is get-ting 50 cents for the Side Show, and the natives say it's worth it.— ROBERTA ROBERTS.

# **Bailey Bros.**

Another week of cloudy, cold weather started a contest to see who could find the warmest clothing in the bottoms of their trunks, and the scent of moth balls has replaced tweed and lavender.

Wilmington, N. C., was the first town this season where we spent three days. It made us feel like Big Show troupers, with no tire, motor or arrow worries.

Recent visitors were Mary and Roy Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Rhinour. Herman Joseph and a big party of friends, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Teander, cutting up jackpots with

BILLPOSTER AT LIBERTY AFTER OCTOBER 16 Four years with Dumont Shows. **B. F. BROWN** SOUTH HILL, VA.

# **Dressing Room Gossip**

#### Cole Bros.

At Oxnard, Calif., Frank and Helen Jones were the perfect hosts at a chicken dinner between shows. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Winn Partello, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thomas, Jo Jo Monarch, Golda Grady and Ethel reeman

North Hollywood was the scene of a real reunion for Hannefords, Freemans and Brambles. Mrs. Brambles is the former Elizabeth Freeman, and she and her fine husband and family were prisoners of the Japs for three years in Manila. You can imagine we were pretty thrilled after not see-You can imagine ing each other for so many years. We all had a great visit at Poodles Hanneford's ranch home just outside all North Hollywood—Mrs. Elizabeth Hanneford, looking younger than ever; Poodles and Grace Hanneford, young Grace Hanneford, Mrs. Eliza-beth Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brambles Longe and Bonnie Bram Brambles, James and Bonnie Brambles, Ethel Freeman and yours truly.

Visitors around the lot our first two days at Los Angeles would fill a book. I'll try to give them to you later. Our show was augmented for later. Our show was augmented for this date by Marilyn Rich, doing rings and one-arm planges (a very fine act), and the following clowns: Rene Thezan, Lee Jones, Bernie Griggs, Art LaRue, George Perkins, Bozo Prezo, and Huey the Clown and company. Lucio Cristiani took a nasty buster two days before we got to L. A. He hit the ring curb with his knee and had to have 10 stitches in his kneecap. He'll be out 10 days to two weeks.

Norman Carroll has done a bang-up job on radio and movie promotion. and hasn't been still a minute since we hit town. The following were on the Queen for a Day program, broadcast from Earl Carroll's in Hollywood: Harry Thomas, Norman Car-roll, Huffy Hoffman, Billie Burke, Charles Raimer, Howard Bryant, Dick Lewis, Billy Griffin, Dorothy Gravell, Janet LaPisque, Louise Hall, Alberta Voise, Mildred Shepherd, Jeanne Moore, Pat Scott, Rae Brownell, Maudie Moore and the four Caudillo sisters, looking as cute as new pins in that swell Mexican wardrobe.

Ralph Winarski, boss prop man, re-turned after an illness. Mr. McFarlan is the only equestrian director know who has a two-toned whistle. He sounds like a Chicago policeman. notice that since we came to sunny California, Larry Cardody has been heating water for the girls' baths. Thanks a lot, Cardody—FREDDIE FREEMAN.

the Sylvesters.

the Sylvesters. Thoughts while making up (Cedric Adams of *The Minneapolis Star-Journal* thinks while he shaves): Mac McDonald's little red pup, Teddy, is like some people—always in a hurry but never getting any place... Rube Simonds looks lost without his minia-ture double, Jasper Henderson. Albert Bowman's clowning is missed in the Ellis-Anderson department since he started buying nylons. Col. Bob Stevens is a jovial, happy-go-lucky personage these days. So-lucky personage these days. No wonder mothers get gray. Little Ronney Rooks and Diane Pressely looked like tar babies in the mud the source and the source of the s things I've ordered. . . The Knights big new trailer must be cold, for Monty and Pat were seen shopping for a stove. But still no warming party. . . Lois Stanley's acts were greatly missed while she was out of the program with aching molars. . . . Wonder why Jimmy Salter, our 24hour man, always signs his route in-structions with "Be Careful."— DOLLY JACOBS.

# Hunt Bros.

It is rumored this show will have a 30-week season, which would make the concession boys happy. Everyone on the show is singing That's What I Like About the South. This recording made a big hit with the natives on the midway. Lee Bradley enjoyed his tour of North Carolina so much he intends to winter there.

The concert, presenting Dave and Dolores Nimmo, with Dan and Buddy Carroll, has proved the most popu-lar we've had in recent years. Happy Spitzer and his comedy mule, Pea-nuts, wowed the patrons down yonder. Capt. Roy Bush has the show's elephants, Dolly, Blanche and Jewel, working fast. Roy recently bought a new trailer. complete with an air-conditioning unit.

A lot of visiting took place when this opera Sundayed at Pocomoke City, Md., and Dickman Bros. was at Princess Anne, 12 miles away. Dr. Rolland visited at Suffolk, Va., also the Great Karlton, magician, from Norfolk. Mr. Lloyd, former owner of the Cotton Blossom and Silas Green shows, greeted the writer at Suffolk. Monty Bieler, who had his pony, dog and monkey acts on the James M. Cole Circus, stopped over at Rober-sonville, N. C., when we Sundayed there. Other recent visitors were Bob and Mae Knoell, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Holland, Bob Demarest, Bob Dick-man, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rutter and Bob Russell.

'Tis whispered the love bird is flitting back and forth between the back yard and midway.—JIM STUTZ.

# Kelly-Miller

We've had a wonderful season, especially the last half-just like one

pecially the last half—just like one big happy family. Our little star, Karen Kay, is in school at Denver. Mickey Wayman finally made the big top and is going over great. Baby Barbara Jane has gained four pounds since joining. Jimmy Rossi is a new cowboy in con-cert line-up Evaluma Rossi is a putting cert line-up. Evalyna Rossi is putting on the dog, coming out in a new costume every tume every night. Ila Miller also knocks them cold with her new rhinestone outfit, as she and Dores work the bulls. Dores is doing a really hot dance on the wire, with the band playing the hot music to go with it. Obert Miller's firecracker act goes over big when he can get the firecracker.

Mel Lewis must love his radio: he sleeps with it on all night. Chief and Tillie Keys are in their own back yard in Oklahoma and having good crowds for the concert. Now that Dale has caught up I think she'll like it better. Jack and Dorothy Rober-son visited the George Bells at Ho-

bart, Okla. We're all dreading to say the parting word, now that everyone is so happy, but we'll all meet again next season .-- GEORGE BELL.

#### **Buck Owens**

We have been having some cool nights in the Carolinas. The old weather prophets say early fall. Business has been good and, aside from some mechanical difficulties, everything rolls merrily along. At Bennettsville, S. C., the Bailey Bros.' show was day and date with us, and a lot of visiting was done. At us, and a lot of visiting was done. At the P. O. Restaurant after the show, Skinny Goe, Otis Jones, Carl Wool-rich, Carl Bergran and Chief Wil-liams, of the Bailey band, and the members of our band had an enjoy-able get-together. We talked about everything but circus business. One night in trick riding it was noticed Buck Owens was doing no

noticed Buck Owens was doing no tricks. He just sat in the saddle and rode round and round. The reason (See BUCK OWENS on page 91)

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Two-day stand in Tucson was our best in Arizona, and we packed 'em in both matinee and night. First

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morning we gave a show on the lawn of the Veterans' Hospital, most of the patients watching from the windows. Show consisted of Fred Bowery and Smokey Chism, roping; George and Jack Fairburn; Ko-Ko and Lo-Ko, clowning; Landon and the Midgets, the Sugar Brown Indians, and yours truly with the dogs. After the final night show, we had a two-inch rain, but we were able to get off without helr

We had a day off when Nogales was canceled because of polio. The whole back yard went there anyway, paintthe town red across the border ing and darn near buying it out. Ruby Wood returned from Venice,

Calif., where she left Gingie with her grandmother. Don Haller, who ac-companied Ruby to relieve her of driving, came back with her. Lara Lee Koepp's mother sent her a birthday cake from Hollywood. Dorothy Sky Eagle gave a birthday

supper in the Blue Room of the Santa Rita Hotel for her husband, Smokey Chism. There were 21 guests, includ-ing Lara Lee Koepp, Don and Hope McLennan, Jake Jacobus, Pat Hart, Harold Smith, Skeeter Knudsen, Fred and Cecilia Bowery, Don and Rusty Haller Mr. Jand Mrs. London, Crace Haller, Mr. and Mrs. Landon, Grace Fairburn, Allen Wood, Tinker Tyler, Tina Kailer and the Henrys. Toasts were miniature bottles of tequilla and port, which some of the guests kept for novelty salt and pepper shakers. The guests chipped in and bought Smokey a Western gabardine shirt.

In another room of the same hotel, Mark Smith celebrated his birthday, guests including Jimmy and Ruby Wood.—TONI MADISON.

# Stevens Bros.

Everyone seems to be relieved now that closing date has been set. It was announced for October 8 at Hugo, Okla, then changed two days later to October 3 at Wagoner, Okla, and that is final. Since then the writer, who is also mail agent, has been loaded down with out-going mail for winter work. Clet Seabock, who has been doing

the contracting the past few weeks, dropped back to the show. Our best stand in Kansas, on our return thru the State, was Neodesha. Mr. and Mrs. Ross McKay, who have a tent picture show in Kansas, visited at Lyndon. Bob Grubb has been holding Jack Banta and John Ward in the line-up, doing trick and fancy roping. In my next and final column I'll give the destinations and winter plans of our folks.—HARRY VILLEPON-TEAUX TEAUX.

### Dailey Bros.

Quincy, Ill., proved a stronghold of Davenport relatives. Rosemary Stock and Norma Davenport were presented with baskets of fall flowers by Mrs. Stock. Terry Templeton, one-time Russell show employee, visited the writer. Tommy O'Brien's Great Aunt Jo, 96, came from St. Louis, ac-companied by bis sunt Mabella companied by his aunt, Mabelle Smith, and party. At Alton, Ill., Bee Baker served a chicken dinner to Mr. and Mrs.

a chicken dinner to Mr. and Mis. Kitchie, Madge Snyder and the writ-er. Tiger Bill Snyder had a p.-a. system to fix and couldn't attend. Poor Tiger. We met John Wiley, 82, selling papers on the lot. He's an old-time trouper who worked for Buffalo Bill, Ben Wallace, Popcorn Joe. Oklahoma Harry Hill and Capt. H. McArthur, crack shot. At Lincoln, Ill., Lonnie Robinson brought a sil-ver-mounted saddle valued at \$1,750 to the lot. Duke Keller used it on Lipstick, the \$25,000 stallion, in spec. Red Frievogel, 12-year employee, (See DAILEY BROS. on page 91)

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# **Crystal Beach** Has Top Season

New miniature train and Coaster planned for next year-ballroom receipts up

CRYSTAL BEACH, Ont., Oct. 5.-Crystal Beach Amusement Park here, which recently shuttered for the sea-son, registered its top season in history, both from the money spending and attendance standpoints, F. L.

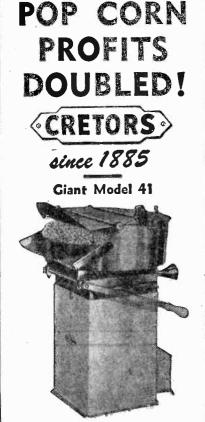
Hall, general manager, announces. On the three holidays, park did big business. Decoration Day crowd was business. Decoration Day crowd was estimated at between 30,000 and 35,-000; July 4 brought out 35,000, and Labor Day there were more than 30,000 on the grounds. Spot spent around \$150,000 this

year on improvements, including a Magic Carpet, Water Scooter, kiddie-land, candyland and improvements and additional interior decorations in the new solar bathhouses. Next year (See Crystal Beach Big on page 77)

# Ind'polis Longacre Sold by Thompson

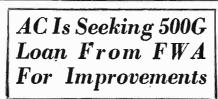
INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 5.-Longacre Park, 60-acre recreation area at 4700 Madison Avenue, has been sold by Edwin E. Thompson, operator since 1926. Rufus M. Dodrill Jr. is president and general manager of the new company, and Wilbur P. Fuller

is secretary-treasurer. Dodrill plans to increase the locker space to 3,500 and add more picnic and playground equipment. An effort will be made to stimulate picnics and outings.



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ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 5.-The resort's chances of obtaining some \$50,-000 additional Federal Works Agency money to plan and survey \$2,000,000 worth of additional local improve-ments hinge upon the city's ability to raise new revenue in face of the defunct sales tax, it was revealed this week by Albert B. Johnson, chairman of the Atlantic City Plan-ning Commission. He disclosed that situation with another to the effect that the resort has just contracted with Associated Architects of At-lantic City to prepare and submit plans ready for bidding in con-nection with the Wootton Tract, which is to be divided into various amusement features at a cost of \$250,000.

It is reported that in lieu of the sales tax, which was declared uncon-stitutional, the city fathers are giving serious consideration to a wage tax. serious consideration to a wage tax. Among the planned improvements is the conversion of Garden Pier into a show place on the order of the Italian exhibit at the last world's fair, complete with a cascading tower. Also planned is an open-air swim pool on the boardwalk at the site of the Hygeia Pool, which collapsed sey-eral wears ago eral years ago.

# HitsLuna'Ruins'

four-alarm proportions which broke out in the ruins of Coney Island's Luna Park, Wednesday afternoon (2), kept firemen busy from 2 o'clock until close to midnight. It brought out several thousand spectators who, when the blaze died down to a smoulder, patronized Surf Avenue eateries, bars, bingo parlors and rides, which

astute operators had opened up. Luna, gutted by the big fire of Au-gust 12, 1944, was in the hands of wreckers preparing the site for a housing project slated to replace the (Fire in Luna 'Ruins' on page 78)

# 20G Remodeling **Program Planned for** Tashmoo Funspot

DETROIT, Oct. 5.—Arley Fleming, former band leader who has operated former band leader who has operated Tashmoo Park on Harsen's Island, 40 miles northeast of here, the past four years, plans to remodel the ballroom at a cost of \$20,000. When finished, dancery will accommodate 4,000 dancers, Fleming says. The Tashmoo op plans to bring in name bands, probably for one or two-(Tashmoo Remodeling on page 77)

# Pat Mahoney Loans His Monkeys, Badger to Zoo

Monkeys, badger to Zoo VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 5.— Population of the Stanley Park Zoo here was increased with the arrival of several monkeys and a badger owned by Pat Mahoney, operator of the Monkey Show with the E. J. Casey Shows. Mahoney loaned the animals to the zoo for the winter months months.

A Vancouver evening newspaper used a two-column story, plus a cou-ple of cuts, on the deal.

# **Philly Zoo Gets Kinkajous**

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.-Philadelphia Zoo has been enriched by two specimens of kinkajous, popularly called honey bears. Pair come from Talara, Peru.

# AC Is Seeking 500G Trade Show May Overflow **Onto Sherman's Mezzanine**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—If any more applications for space at the annual trade show in the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, December 1-4, arrive at the Chicago office of the National Asso-ciation of Parks, Pools and Beaches, it means the show will have to add space on the mezzanine floor, Paul H. Huedepohl, NAAPPB secretary, said Wednesday (2). Huedepohl sold the last of the reg-ular allotted space Wednesday but has several more queries regarding CHICAGO, Oct. 5 .- If any more

has several more queries regarding booth space. He immediately con-tacted hotel officials about room on the mezzanine floor and was told he'd

# **Richwine Plans Airport for His** Williams Grove

MECHANICSBURG, Pa., Oct. 5.-Plans for the addition of an airport to Williams Grove Park and Speedway are announced by Roy E. Rich-wine, owner and promoter, with the purchase of an additional 200 acres of land adjoining the present park site.

Richwine said he would also enlarge parking facilities at the amuse-10-Hour Blaze <sup>large parking tachatter and construct two addi-(Richwine Plans Airport on page 91)</sup>

and



have to guarantee at least seven more booths.

"So if we get any more orders for booths," Huedepohl said, "we will have to hold them until we get at least seven."

The final three booths, which were unsold as of last week, went to the Ramona Manufacturing Company, Grand Rapids, Mich., a new kiddie ride org, which rented two, and the Giants Balloon Parades, Pittsburgh.

Not only is Huedepohl doing a land-office business insofar as the trade show is concerned but he reported the requests for room reserva-tions for the convention were coming in so fast that "this without a doubt will be the biggest convention, from the attendance standpoint, in many a moon."

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# Month's Tour For Confabs, **Exhibitions**

# **Group To Visit 6 Nations**

DETROIT, Oct. 5 .- A good will tour of European countries by skat-ing leaders, including both skaters and rink operators, was scheduled to start yesterday under joint auspices of two international bodies—the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Asso-ciation of both the United States and of Canada. Tour has been in the making for sometime, but was finally assured Tuesday night (1) when spe-cific diplomatic arrangements were completed, allowing all members of the party to participate.

Fred A. Martin, secretary-treasurer of the U. S. body, flew Wednesday to Toronto and Montreal, where conferences were to be held prior to the taffe-off Friday. Passages have been booked via Trans-Canada and Amer-ican Air Lines to London and return. ican Air Lines to London and return. Participants in the tour are William T. Brown, Seattle, president of the RSROA of U. S.; Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Barker, Vancouver, B. C., president of the RSROA of Canada; Fred H. Freeman, Medford, Mass., past presi-dent of the U. S. association, and Mrs. Freeman, and two United States RSROA champion roller strates RSROA champion roller skaters, Margaret Mary Wallace and Norman Latin, Brooklyn, both members of the Park Circle Roller Skating Club of that city.

### No Exchange Ideas

The overseas tour will cover more than a month and plans now laid in-clude conferences with rink men plus exhibitions by the American skaters at a number of British rinks, with scheduled trips to Belgium, France, Switzerland, Italy and Portugal. The conferences will be devoted to ways conferences will be devoted to ways and means of improving rink opera-tion, securing of necessary supplies incidental to the operation of rinks, exchange of ideas for the improve-ment of the sport of roller skating, and other details which have been set aside during the past seven years. Miss Wallace and Latin will be chaperoned by the ladies of the party. They are allowed only 66 pounds of baggage, and that must include their skates, records for musical accomskates, records for musical accom-paniment to their skating programs, costumes, repair parts for the skates and clothing.

### **Trip Long Delayed**

The idea of the good will tour from America to England is not new. A team of skaters were scheduled to A team of skaters were scheduled to participate in an international roller skating championship at Stuttgart, Germany, in 1939, but the war inter-vened and the meet was never held in an international respect as the (See RSROA MAPS on opp. page)

# "Vanities" Review CHICAGO, Oct. 5. — Skating Vanities of 1947, which num-bers among its cast some who got their start in amateur bene-fit shows staged in roller rinks, It shows staged in roller rinks, is reviewed in the current issue of *The Billboard* on page 4. The fifth edition of the coun-try's only professional roller-skating revue bowed September 20 to a perturbisetic sudiance in 30 to an enthusiastic audience in the Stadium here.

# **Milwaukee Spots** Sign Pros, Set **Class Schedules**

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 5.—This city's two roller rinks, Riverview on the North Side, and the South Side Palomar, recently obtained professionals to handle class work, according to announcements of the operators.

Riverview, operated by John F. Baumann, has signed the Rolling Buddies, two couples who were scheduled to open classes today. Classes have been set from 11 a.m. to 12 on Saturdays for youngsters under 12, with a two-hour class end-ing at 1 p.m. on Sundays for older skaters. Emil Cords is at the Wur-litzer organ for regular 8 to 11 p.m. skating sessions, with admissions skating sessions, with admissions scaled at 20 cents for children and 55 cents for adults.

Katie Adams Nelson has been signed to conduct Palomar classes slated to start October 22 on a Tues-day, Wednesday and Thursday night schedule. Matinee admission is 25 cents. Evening admission is 40 cents for children and 50 cents for adults. Clem Pallo is assistant manager of Palomar. Organist Rube Scholz plays nightly except Mondays.

# **Reopened Boulevard Skeds** More Classes, Speedsters

BAYONNE, N. J., Oct. 5.—Boule-vard Arena here, recently reopened after summer reconditioning, has slated additional classes for begin-ning and advanced skaters, according ning and advanced skaters, according to Manager W. Morris. Eddie O'Neill, pro, will be in charge of club classes. Juvenile class, inaugurated during the past season and continued thru the summer months, is expected to expand thru additions to the teach-ing staff and introduction of games and competitions to juvenile skaters. New speed skating division of the

And competitions to juvenile skaters. New speed skating division of the club is rapidly getting into shape, according to Morris, who expects it to be ready for competition soon. Morris believes that speed skating, heretofore taboo in skating circles, can be raised from the low plane to which it had been allowed to sink, to a clean and safe sport which will be enjoyed by spectators and skaters be enjoyed by spectators and skaters alike.



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# Manufacturers Take Gloomy RSROA Maps **View of Production Pic as** Rinksters Long for Skates (Continued from opp. page) Axis countries were the only partici-pants at that time. During 1920 the DODO

# Strikes in Supplying Industries Smash Production Skeds

CINCINNATI, Oct. 5.—Rink oper-ators who have been hoping for an early break in the bottleneck sur-rounding the production of roller skates, had better get out their repair kits and spare parts and see what can be done to keep their present supply of skates in usable condition, for manufacturers, when questioned by *The Billboard* this week about by The Billboard this week about prospects for resumption of large-scale production, sounded an ex-tremely pessimistic note about near-term prospects of getting into any-thing approaching pre-war produc-tion schedules. They just "don't know when the situation will better itself."

Difficulties being encountered by Difficulties being encountered by skate manufacturers stem from the trouble that apparently is becoming a chronic ailment of this country— strikes. The labor situation as it affects manufacturers, themselves, is not bad, but it is the unheralded strikes in industries supplying the skate makers that is throwing sand into the production gears. Bohert Ware president of the Chi-

Robert Ware, president of the Chi-

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cago Roller Skate Company, when questioned by *The Billboard*, re-ported general conditions extremely bad and he could give no indication of when he thought the situation would improve. He pointed out that last July, after a terrific struggle, his company thought it was beginning to light the problem when it achieved lick the problem when it achieved production of 1,500 pairs per day, a figure far below pre-war standards. Now, however, because of strikes in the malleable iron industry which supplies the bulk of the metal going supplies the burk of the hield going into skates, production of the Chicago company has dwindled to below 500 pairs a day and substitutions of all sorts are being made to maintain that figure. Most of the present produc-tion, Ware said, is going into side-walk scates tion, Ware s walk skates.

Officials of Richardson Ballbearing Skate Company, also of Chicago, re-ported that they are "simply plugging along," and said that under existing conditions no accurate prediction of prospects for the future could be made.

# **Heave-Ho of Polio Ban Starts Denver Rolleries Perking**

DENVER, Oct. 5 .- With the lift-DERVER, Oct. 5.—With the lift-ing of the polio ban on attendance of children under 18 at all public gatherings September 23, Denver rinks are getting set for the fall season. The ban has been in effect since August 21.

since August 21. Irving Jacobs's Mammoth Garden Roller Rink here is operating night-ly, except Mondays, from 8 to 11. Saturday and Sunday matinees are held from 2:15 to 5, with practice sessions from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Feature of the night sessions are dance classes from 7:15 to 8, under direction of Jack and Margo Werts, rink pros. rink pros.

#### Victor Sets Hefty Program

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., Oct. 5.— Don Victor, who is again managing Perth Amboy Arena, a link in the America-On-Wheels chain of rinks, reports that preparations are under way for the annual Hallowe'en party and that plans also are in the making and that plans also are in the making for a barn skate party at which prizes will be awarded. These are part of Victor's plans for more interesting programs at the rink. He plans to introduce new games and has scheduled more dance classes and practice sessions. Already organized is a racing club. Mr. and Mrs. Victor recently spent a two-week vaca-tion in the mountains at Hunter, N. Y.

# Schneider Heads Passaic,

Succeeding J. G. Carson PASSAIC, N. J., Oct. 5.—Joe Schneider, recently named manager of Passaic Skating Palace, succeeds J. G. (Doc) Carson, who was trans-ferred to the new Hackensack (N. J.) Arena of the America-On-Wheels chain after two years here. Schneider is a former skate me-

chain after two years here. Schneider is a former skate me-chanic at the New Jersey Boulevard Arena, Bayonne, and Twin City Arena, Elizabeth, having been with the AOW organization since 1940. He spent three years in the armed No. 321 DUSTLESS FLOOR DRESSING Cleanses the air, providing a snug grip with less cone wear and lower main-tenance cost. \$4.00 per gal., \$3.75 the A 25% with order, balance C. O. D. GAGAN BROTHERS 444 Second St. Everett, Mass.

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During 1939 the RSROA of U. S. brought Jimmy and Joan Lidstone to this country for a two-month tour of the American rinks. The trip was a huge success. The team was met with crowds everywhere and American crowds everywhere and American skaters were enthusiastic.

#### **Popular Reception**

Many letters received at Detroit have signified the acceptance of the trip by British and other rink men. trip by British and other rink men. With less than 30 roller skating rinks now operating in England, the sport there has a long way to go on its return to the popularity which it en-joyed before the war. America, on the other hand, has never had so many roller skating rinks operating as at present. Files at the RSROA office reveal that there are now approximately 5,000 rinks serving the public. Many are of the temporary. public. Many are of the temporary, tent and outdoor variety, but ap-proximately half of the total are permanent, year-round operations.

"It is hoped by the roller skating industry that the tour will insure closer and long-lasting ties which will improve the relations between the peoples of the countries visited and ourselves," RSROA officials said.

Phyllis Watkins and Leslie Bush, skating team, were winners Tuesday (1) in an all-talent contest at Club 509, Detroit, with an engagement at the nitery as the prize.

# **CRYSTAL BEACH BIG**

(Continued from page 75) Hall plans installation of a new miniature railroad and a Cyclone Coaster. The Miniature Railroad Train Company, Addison, Ill., will supply the 48-passenger train at a cost of \$15,000.

The Crystal Ballroom, under man-agement of band leader Harold Ausagement of band leader Harold Aus-tin, who also played the spot with his own band, reported business this year about 35 per cent ahead of last season. Credit, in part, Austin said, goes to the new policy of using 16-piece bands well-known in Canada, Pert Missi (fort four works of aca, Bert Niosi (first four weeks of sea-son) and Maynard Ferguson (re-mainder of the summer). Austin's band played relief and provided the musical entertainment on the special Sunday lake rides and for the even Sunday lake rides and for the eve-ning trips to and from the beach on the S. S. Canadiana show boat. Only one name band, Tex Beneke with Glenn Miller's band, was used and it made money.

George C. Hall, president of the company operating the park, is off to winter quarters in Fort Lauder-dale, Fla. Ed Hall, one of his sons, will join him in Fort Lauderdale later, while G. C. Hall Jr. and F. L. Hall, the other two sons, will re-main here to get plans started for main here to get plans started for next season.

# **TASHMOO REMODELING**

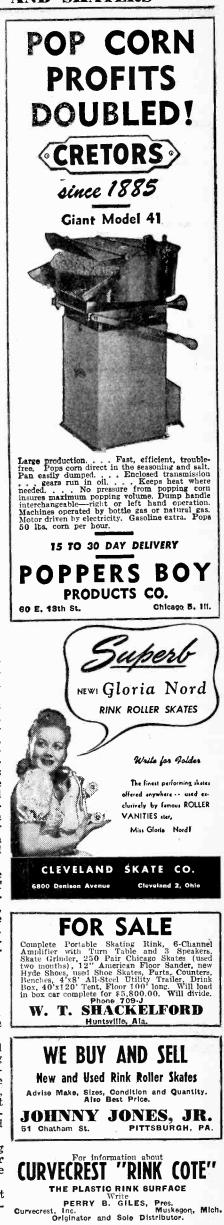
(Continued from page 75) week stands, in an effort to bid for business which proved so profitable at Walled Lake Casino this season.

Fleming plans a park promotional policy next season aimed at building industrial picnics to increase weekend daytime business. Park has three baseball diamonds, an athletic track, ballroom and picnic facilities. Spot had only one ride this year, a Merry-Go-Round, but more may be added next season.

Regarding 1946 business, Fleming said it increased 200 per cent over 1945. This is the heaviest increase reported by any Michigan park.

Tashmoo Park is one of the oldest amusement centers in Michigan, hav-ing been established in 1900.

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# **ROADSHOW FILMS-REPERTOIRE**

# **REP RIPPLES**

CHALMERS PLAYERS will operate in the Haverhill, Mass., area after the middle of October. . . Johnson and Daniels will soon have a film show playing under auspices in the Olean (N. Y.) sector. . . Carle, of Carle's Show, two people, now in the Southwest, writes: "We have a new pic outfit and film enough for twoin the Haverhill, Mass., area after week changes and are much pleased with results. . . W. J. Willis has Golgotha, religious pic, in St. Law-rence County, New York, playing auspice dates. This is his fourth sea-con rence County, New York, praying auspice dates. This is his fourth sea-son. . . . State Players, three people, are around Manchester, N. H. . . . Bailey's Texas Show is in the Fred-erick (Okla.) area and reports satis-factory returns. Org has a new 16mm. film outfit.

**B** YRON GOSH, agent, recently ran into George Hunt, now a booker with Bert Levey Circuit in Holly-wood. Hunt did a juggling act for Gosh more than 25 years ago. Gosh also visited Raymond Drake in Cul-ver City, Calif. Latter is with Co-lumbia Pictures. . . Ethel White, former rep character woman, is with Universal Pictures in Hollywood. . . . Clifford's Show is playing halls in Southwest Kansas with pictures. . . . J. L. McConnell has a religious film

Southwest Kansas with pictures. . . J. L. McConnell has a religious film show around Schenectady, N. Y. . . . Bird's Show is in Hunt County, Texas. . . . Walter L. Archer writes: "I will have a picture show in Northern Vermont this season, working out of Enosburg. I have a 35mm. outfit and film enough to play a month in each spot Have had a good season at spot. Have had a good season at





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Vermont and Canadian fairs with the Vermont and Canadian fairs with the pic, *Expose*... Foster Gray Players have opened their season and will be in the Richmond, Va., area the next month. ... Oregon Players, four people, will be around Portland, Ore., until the holidays. Willis L. Shannon is manager... Robert Corbin, writ-ing from Barnesville, O., states that he has closed his celebration dates with his calliope and is now teaching bands for the winter. Next season with his calliope and is now teaching bands for the winter. Next season he will work advance and play his calliope with a carnival. The Cor-bins celebrated the arrival of a son September 2. Youngster was named Richard Ricton Corbin, after the late "Barnum of the Sticks."

# High for Roadshow -By E. F. Hannan-

A. W. WOLFENDEN writes a siz-zling message from Twisp Wash.:

"I am glad to see that pix roadshows are getting a break in rep news. I have moth-balled my tent, and believe me, it was a headache this season. I am cutting my show to two people to play halls and schools. Your article Your article about keeping away from stem cities was to the point. There is plenty of territory and we can bring film to the natives for half the price they pay in castles on the big stem."

You can see that Wolfenden is steeple-high for road pix. He has been small-towning it for a long time.

Perretz Filmack Sales Mgr. CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Irving Mack, president of Filmack Corporation, announced today that Al Perretz has been appointed sales manager of the firm's newly formed prevue service. Perretz has been identified for the past 20 years with the trailer busi-ness and until recently associated with the Alexander Film Company. In his new post, Perretz will alternate his time between Filmack's Chicago and New York offices.

# N. M. HEADS FOR MARK

(Continued from page 67) record, set on corresponding day last year, was \$153,364.

Clinton P. Anderson, U. S. Secre-Clinton P. Anderson, U. S. Secre-tary of Agriculture, who lives here, attended and had horses entered. Visitors included Frank Means, Colo-rado State Fair; Paul Jones, Arizona State Fair, and Sheldon Brewster, Utah State Fair.

Featured night grandstand attraction is a rodeo presented by the Butler Brothers, of Elk City, Okla., and fireworks presented by Art Briese, of Thearle-Duffield Fire-Briese, of Thearle-Duffield works, Inc., Chicago.

The Folks Celebration Shows on the midway were running 20 per cent ahead of last year's take for rides and shows.

# **PEORIA OPENS IN '47**

(Continued from page 69) planning committee have been working the past three months on plans for the plant and for the operation of the event. Ekstrand formerly was a Boy Scout executive and a former board member of Wisconsin State Fair.

Fair. Plan is to operate the plant on a year-round basis, this city being without adequate facilities for sport-ing events, expositions and farm events, expositions and a es. A 10,000-capacity steel sales. and sales. A 10,000-capacity steel and concrete grandstand, together with a half-mile race track and other ex-position buildings, will be built. Buildings planned represent the latest in design. Special emphasis will be given to landscaping. Peoria has been without a fair for more than 20 years.

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# Alabama Folk Jam Annual; **Emphasis on Entertainment**

(Continued from page 67) the reception here was enthusiastic. Show featured the Lambert-Hild Dancers, with the Gentlemen of Song furnishing background music. Spe-cialties in the production numbers were offered by Gloria Hight, ballerina, and Kay and Glenn, ballroom team, with Edwards and Couzins handling the bulk of the warbling.

Acts were Tsi and Somay, Chinese contortionists; Five Leonards, acro; Chester Fredericks and Company, jitterbug; Helen Reynolds Skaters; No-vak and Fay, comedy hand-balanc-Noing; LaBrac and Bernice, unicycle; Stevens Brothers and Big Boy, com-edy bear; and Blondin Rellim, high act. Thearle-Duffield fireworks, su-pervised by Frank P. Duffield and featuring the Bikini atomic bombing, closed the chew. closed the show.

#### Autos Hold Track

Automobile races were presented by National Speedways, with Al Sweeney in charge, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, and another card set for today. Biz wasn't too

# SPEEDWAY ROUND-UP

(Continued from page 68) before a crowd of 6,000. For the en-tire race, Guthrie, Johnny Parsons and Bill Zaring fought it out with barely a length between the first car and the third. They finished in that order. Bill Cantrell won the semi-main event, with Bob Parker second, Bud Clemens third. Bud Clemens third.

SACRAMENTO — Wilbur Lamor-eaux took the final motorcycle race of the season here September 26 before 4,500 fans at Hughes Stadium. He also won the handicap event on the closing card. Peewee Collum was second in both events.

DANBURY, Conn.-Len Duncan won the feature 25-lap midget race at the fairgrounds here on the opening Sunday, September 29. His time was 6:05.90. Tony Bonadies was second; Bill Schindler, third, and Lloyd Christopher, fourth.

# FIRE IN LUNA "RUINS"

(Continued from page 75) fun spot. Sparks from a workmen's blow-torch are believed responsible. The blaze was discovered in rubbish under remains of the old Coaster and quickly spread to a large wooden building which had been used to house a freak show. Little of value, except from a salvage viewpoint, was left in the section of the park hit by the fire the fire.

Park now has half its area razed from the rear wall to the ornate entrance arches on Surf Avenue, which escaped the flames. Still standing in the other half are the ballroom, bathroom, pool, administration building and park structures on Surf Avenue adjoining the arcaded main gate. Surf Avenue buildings are separated from the park by double-deck ele-vated railway structure and will not be a part of the housing project under way.

Three blocks along Surf Avenue were closed to traffic, but pedestrians were not molested as long as they kept moving. Parked autos jammed all streets in the vicinity of the fire and bars, restaurants and bingo par-lors on Surf Avenue, most of which operate during the off-season on reduced scale, did a brisk business. Also operating on Surf Avenue were an Auto Skooter ride. a Merry-Go-Round and two Penny Arcades, which were hastilly opened. hefty Tuesday, but Wednesday the nut was definitely kicked loose. Emery Collins and Deb Snyder were top-flight drivers.

Frank R. Winkley's All-American Thrill Drivers furnished it for the afternoon audiences Thursday and Friday, with Capt. F. F. Frakes aug-menting Thursday with a dynamitetrunk number featuring Helen Howe.

Radio Station WSN's Grand Ol' Opry was a grind show in a building located near the main gate and it proved a popular attraction. Name talent was changed daily, and tonight it was set to be aired over a network.

# Hillsdale Hits 53G To Set New Record

(Continued from page 68) Also featured was an army air forces mobile exhibit.

Harness races, with purses of \$7,500, were held five days. Both light and heavyweight team horse-pulling championships were estab-lished. Fiftieth anniversary of the local women's congress, virtually the fair's women's auxiliary, conducted on Chautauqua basis, with speakers, contests, etc., clicked with older patrons.

Grandstand show, titled Cameos of Grandstand snow, titled Cameos of 1946, used a new 30 by 80-foot stage for the first part. Part of stage is raised above apron, and this section is backed by a dressing room build-ing, 20 by 64 feet. Upper stage is covered as rainy-weather measure, and conduits under the two la serve and conduits under the track carry wiring.

### Grandstand Draw Big

Revue, produced by Gertrude and Randolph Avery and booked by the Barnes-Carruthers office, Chicago, featured Tony Marr, canine act; Juvelys, acrobatic; Smiley Daley, comedy bicycle; the Littlejohns; the comedy bicycle; the Littlejohns; the Walkmirs, high perch; Donna Parker, singer; Dick Clemens's lions, and Barton and Brady, comedy team. Show ran 10 performances, to ex-cellent crowds. Extra seats, placed on the track, raised seating capacity to near 6,000.

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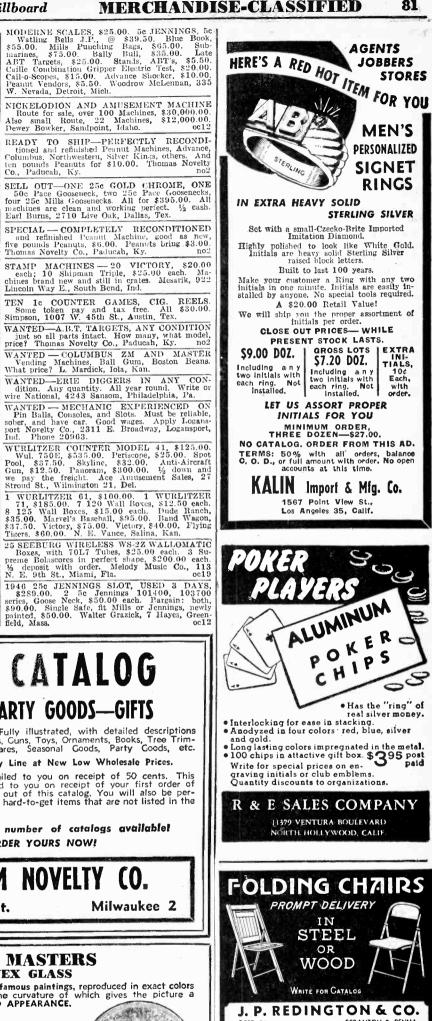
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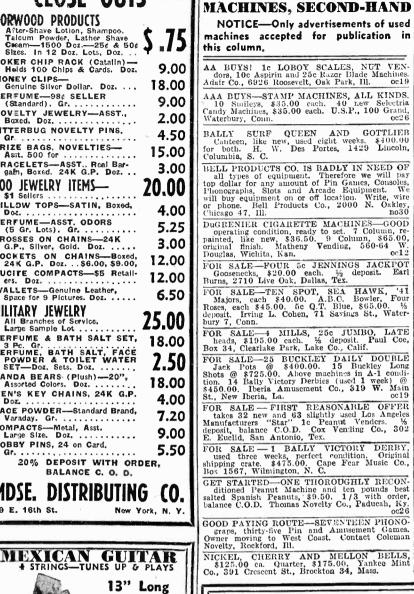
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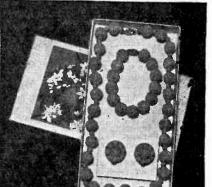


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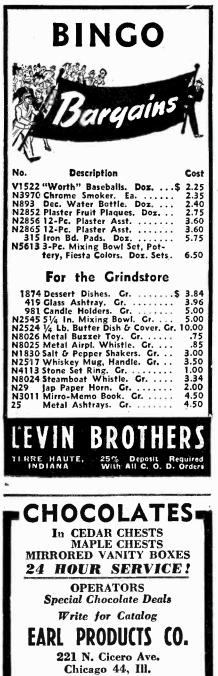
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# George Keneshaw -By E. F. Hannan

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George did his pitch in vaude after things got tight and it was so good that some big-stem monologists took it over without any credit to George. One of them even was getting big money later in Stem shows. Keneshaw finished up with mer-chants' contests and did well at that, too. He was a clever salesman when the forced sale was the big play.

# DAILEY BROS.

(Continued from page 74) was outfitted in a new suit, sent home in the gilly for a visit with his family Nemo, and brought back next day. the tusker, drew Red close with his trunk and chirped welcome on his return. Joe Wallace coerced the four Palomino hitch into working on the stake driver. They've belonged to the IWW all summer. Red Rumple has a new granddaughter, Jean Marie Donaldson. We wonder who worries most over the baby, the mother or Red. Johnnie Williams scouted Arkansas for minstrel talent and came back with some likely recruits. Fred Brad took a few days off to rest. Charlie Brewer was knocked down by a car and hurt quite seriously. John Osborne sent us pictures he took at Danville, Ill.

Come on lately: Rube Arnold, Har-ry Leonard, Kay Hall, Mary Frame, Betty Paige and Annie Slayton. Visi-tors from St. Louis: Doc C. Adams, tors from St. Louis: Doc C. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Harry LaTier and fam-ily, Virgil and Jerry McDivot; Jim Waller and Al Grabs. Other visitors: Al Humke, Mabelle Lee Miller, high act; Eddie Binletti, rigging builder; ex-Sgt. and Mrs. George Russo; DeFors' casting act; Harry Schell, former band leader, and wife; Slay-man Ali, booking agent; Mr. Nelson of The State Journal, Springfield, Ill., of The State Journal, Springfield, Ill., and Harry R. Mueller, CFA, publisher of the circus album for circus shut-ins, his wife and son, John, 4, who modeled for a special group of circus pictures. At Du Quoin, Ill., the writer was visited by a sort of relative, W. R. King. A recent visitor was Frank C. Upp. Starr DeBelle, could this be your Mr. Upp?—HAZEL KING.

# **BUCK OWENS**

(Continued from page 74) was simple; he'd torn his pants on a stake.

The portable radio habit continues to grow. You can hear all sorts of programs after the show. Of course, I think my Zenith is the best (no advt.).

Around the horse tent, you can hear any closing date that suits you, but officially we have heard nothing. Yours for finer tobacco.—NORMAN HANLEY.

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# Under the Marquee

(Continued from page 73) ald-Whig, written by Dave Tuffli, city editor, and illustrated with phot-(Billy Whiskers) Schnell, who trouped last with Dailey Bros., called at The Billboard's Chicago office last week, sporting clippings of a yarn with art from The Courier News at Elgin, Ill.

Tommie Madden, nearing his 85th birthday at Olean, N. Y., thinks pres-ent-day trouping is soft compared with his wagon show days of 60 years ago. In 1888, he was a singing and talking clown with Sig Sawtelle, and in 1891, he was on Allen's Great Eastern, which he says was the first circus promoted by John H. Sparks. He recalls how Charles Sparks, then a boy, played pranks on first-of-Mays by sending them for the key of the center pole. . . Charles Hacker, a trapeze artist in the 1880's and later part of a head-to-head bicycle act, is hale and hearty in his 81st year at Brantford, Ont.

Sailing for Honolulu to be producing clown for the E. K. Fernandez Cir-cus, Roy Barrett said he was looking forward to his second "summer" season in one year. After closing with Polack Bros.' No. 2 Unit at Belling-ham, Wash., he caught the Polack No. 1 Unit at Portland, Ore., and Cole Bros.' at North Hollywood, Calif. He also visited S. L. Cronin, Everett Hart and Ray Harris in Los Angeles. . . . Don Dorsey, currently playing a three-week engagement at Alpine Village, Cleveland, has been signed by the Zemater office, Chicago, for the Shrine circuses at Houston and Fort Worth.

### **RICHWINE PLANS PORT**

(Continued from page 75) l highways to the park and speedway to relieve traffic congestion.

The latest addition to the amusement center was the original Wil-liams estate, which together with what now forms the park, was deeded to the Williams family over 200 years ago by agents of William Penn. Rich-wine paid \$50,000 for the land.

Work on the airport construction, approved by the Pennsylvania Aeronautics Commission, will start imme-diately. Emphasis will be made on the servicing of privately owned planes, Richwine said, adding that hangars and other facilities to handle 500 planes are being planned.

This means, Richwine said, tie-down space for the parking of planes, gas service facilities, etc.

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# **COIN MACHINES**

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# Communications to 155 No Chicago 1, III. **Open Drive for Dime Juke Play**

# **Ops Discuss** As AMI Leads

Other manufacturers urged to join move as solution to soaring overhead costs

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—A concerted movement to up the price of juke box play from 5 to 10 cents, three for a quarter, was launched in Chicago this week. DeWitt (Doc) Eaton, vice-president and sales manager of AMI, Inc., announced that he and his firm were prepared to tee off the drive and expressed hope that other manu-facturers would join distributors and operators everywhere in making the operators everywhere in making the changeover.

Ray Cunliffe, president Illinois Phonograph Owners' Association, said that the increased price in play said that the increased price in play for juke boxes in the city had been discussed at a meeting of the exec-utive committee October 2. Cunliffe added that the matter would be dealt with at greater length in a meeting scheduled for October 7 at which all association members would be present.

Following Eaton's revelation that Following Eaton's revelation that his firm would touch off the drive by making changes in its juke box, dis-tributors from various parts of the country wired their reactions into the manufacturer's Chicago office. Some were heartily in favor of the plan; some had amendments to make; others condemned the idea.

(Sample comments, wired in on this subject, will be found elsewhere in this section.)

# **Hopes for Co-Operation**

Eaton, when he made his an-nouncement that his firm intended to push the drive for increased price per play, said he hoped that other manu-facturing firms would join in.

Faced with the increased costs of initial investment and upkeep, the music machine operator has been casting about for some solution which will enable him to remain in business at a profit.

The alternatives which usually

The alternatives which usuall suggest themselves are: 1. Adopt the practice of taking "top" or "front" money. 2. Make adjustments in the commission split to provide the operator with a higher percent-age of the gross. 3. Keep commissions as they are, but increase the price per play.

play. As has been noted in The Billboard previously, all three of these ideas have been tried by operators in an effort to determine which should be adopted. Thus far, there has been no unanimity of opinion as to which method, or combination of methods, would work out to the operators' ad-vantage play vantage.

#### Hard Feelings

Hard Feelings Many feel that the practice of ad-justing commissions, or of taking "front" or "top" money will lead to hard feelings between location own-ers and operators. Eaton pointed out that location owners could not be ex-pected to respond in friendly fashion when their own income was being re-(Tee Off For Dime Play on page 100)



"How many times must I tell you? I don't want to sell my juke box route!"

# **News Digest**

JUKE PLAY —Concerted drive was they are forced to this increase, no in Chicago this week to boost price of juke box play from a nickel to a dime, three for a quarter. Rising costs of equipment, records, parts and maintenance force the increase, its proponents claim. Only other al-ternative, they say, is to cut loca-tion commission or take "front" money. Trade reaction to the plan has not yet crystalized. has not yet crystalized.

**CANDY PRICES**—OPA threw a monkey wrench into the candy bar price picture this week by boosting the price of chocolate 27 per cent. Spokesmen in Washington said the increased prices were necessary to obtain imports of raw cocoa beans. Same spokesmen also intimated they believed the prices of nickel and dime candy bars would remain un-changed; candy makers were not yet certain. They are still trying to decide what measures to take as a result of OPA's MPR 615 reported in these columns last week.

**SOFT DRINKS**—Rumors flew thick and fast in the soft drink field as the week ended. Reports have it that Pepsi-Cola will soon be getting 6 cents for its 12-ounce bottle. Com-pany has made no announcement re-garding increased prices. If this firm made the change, other bottlers are likely to fall in step, with the ex-ception of one large national bottling company. Increase in price would catch many a drink vender operator short-handed until new equipment, with coin changers, arrives. Unless

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MUSICAL TRAINS—Santa Fe has a announced intentions of putting bar wired music on its crack all-Pull-ing man trains. Patrons will push but-int, tons to select the type of tunes they the want to hear. Tourist trains within to the next few years are expected to ins. have vending machines as an added bey convenience to travelers. Venders, and is installed would probably be opconvenience to travelers. Venders, if installed, would probably be op-erated by companies now engaged in selling merchandise in railroad cars.

**GAMING**—A court decision was is-sued to enjoin city officials of New Iberia, La., from participating in a local referendum on legal gaming within the city limits. This enjoinder would keep the referendum from having legal color. The it might ex-press the opinion of the local citi-zenry, expected to be in favor of legal gaming, it would not be legally ef-fective. fective.

LOCATIONS—Movement is under-way in Chattanooga to ban the sale of merchandise, including nuts, candy and cigarettes, from poolroom loca-tions. Officials have announced a drive to "clean up" the poolrooms reation.

# **Stock Broker Firm Surveys** Vending Biz

October 12, 1946

# Opines "It's No Toy"

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Big busi-ness aspects of the vending machine industry are dealt with in an article appearing in *Investor's Reader* (Sep-tember), a publication for investors issued by the stock brokerage firm of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Boone Beane.

Beane. Slanted toward buyers of securi-ties, the magazine looks at vending machines as a part of the general business scene. Article treats the industry as a new discovery, and contains little information not well known in the trade. Thus, in the opening paragraph, the writer says: "Automatic vending machines are still regarded as a sort of adult play-thing. Actually that mirrored, brightly lighted, smartly lacquered machine is no toy. It is big business." Giving no authority for statements,

brightly lighted, smartly lacquered machine is no toy. It is big business." Giving no authority for statements, the story lists a number of statistics concerning the vending trade. "The vending machine industry," it is said, "has bounced back from a war-stunted interlude to a period of great prosperity and expansion. Already pre-war figures are dwarfed. In those days, 4,000,000 machines dis-pensed \$500,000,000 worth of mer-chandise annually. Last year the world's largest soft-drink dispenser, Coca-Cola Company, sold over 40 per cent of its output thru automatic vending machines—205,000 machines poured out \$163,944,000 worth of cokes. The gargantuan cigarette in-dustry retailed automatically over 15 per cent of its total output—200,-000 machines sold \$301,050,000 worth of cigarettes. Candy accounted for another \$33,200,000 that flowed into 700,000 mechanical tills. Thus in 1945, cokes, cigarettes and candy alone tied the best pre-war totals for all merchandise. In common with other general pubfor all merchandise.

for all merchandise. In common with other general pub-lications' assessment of the industry, this one surveys the field for new vender ideas. "Already available are ice cream, automatically grilled franks and hamburgers, cellophane-wrapped fruits and sandwiches, and coin-operated gasoline pumps. Gen-eral Electric is making radios for the Radio-Matic Company, which will play two hours for a quarter; 350 hotels have already contracted for over 50,000 sets. And the indus-try eyes other fields." Special note is taken of wider

try eyes other fields." Special note is taken of wider vending machine possibilities made possible thru coin-changers which now are coming on the market. Con-stant availibility of machines, even tho nickels are not available, and convenience of getting merchandise and change in one operation are cited as advantages.

and keep them a strictly recreational place. Most observers are at a loss to understand how the sale of ciga-rettes, and other merchandise, could be construed as detracting from rec-mation

# Long Wait for Decision **On Challenge Production**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.-Decision for or against resuming production of the Challenge juke box and cup beverage vender will be held up for at least two months, or until a reorganization plan is completed for U. S. Challenge Company and other firms in the Ba-tavia Metal Products Company group, according to Joseph H. Schwartz, at-torney for the new owners.

Schwartz said that a reorganization plan could not even be presented until completion of independent audits of company assets both by the new owners and by the Federal government. Company audit should be completed by October 15, he said, but the gov-ernment audit probably will not be finished for seven weeks.

His statement followed the continued hearing here October 1 before Wallace Streeter, referee in bank-ruptcy. At the hearing, lawyers representing the firm's creditors were joined by Schwartz in further ques-tioning of Dr. Henry Garsson, former president, to uncover assets.

New owners for whom Schwartz is acting, as previously reported, are James Stein and Herman Starr, castern industrialists. I. G. Grawoig, Chicago management engineer and financial consultant, is president of the firm.

#### **Owners** Audit

Schwartz announced that the owners would present their audit of com-pany assets at the next session of the hearing, which was continued to, October 22. In commenting afterwards on plans, he reviewed the re-organization picture.

Previous to the hearing October 1, Previous to the hearing October 1, the new owners had asked permis-sion to pay off the company's indebt-edness over a five-year period. This reorganization plan, however, will have to be amended in the light of financial status revealed by both company and government audits, according to Schwartz.

He said that interim strategy has been to consolidate operations of the business to cut all unproductive expenses. This has resulted to date in a cut of about \$700,000 a year in non-productive help. But prospects for production of juke boxes and vending machines must remain unclear for some time, Schwartz concluded.

#### Another Slant

William S. Collen, attorney representing Batavia creditors, who initi-ated bankruptcy proceedings, had his own slant on this question.

"Chances don't appear to be too good," he opined. "Batavia's financial structure is top-heavy. It has im-

# **Slash Hartford Pin, Juke Fees**

HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 5.mon Council here, meeting in regular session September 30, voted 14 to 3 in favor of the amended city ordi-nance placing pinball fees on pinball games and juke boxes.

Aldermen followed a recommenda-Aldermen followed a recommenda-tion from the corporation counsel that the fees be liberalized. Instead of imposing a \$35 fee on pinball, the aldermen approved a \$24 annual fee. Juke box fee, as passed, will amount to \$6 annually instead of \$15.

Coinmen thruout the country watched with great interest this action in Hartford. Operators and dis-tributors alike were commended by city officials for their splendid co-operation in working out an equitable plan.

portant assets, matched by apparently greater liabilities, and as of nov certainly should be classed insolvent. Collen voiced the opinion that Grawoig, with his excellent record in successful industrial operations, was the biggest reason to hope that the concern would come out of its financial difficulties and that the coin machine ventures would be tinued.

# Green, Blatt & Sugarman Take **Over** Firestone

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Jack Fire-stone announced this week that Bar-ney (Shugy) Sugarman, Abe Green and Willie Blatt have purchased an interest in Firestone Games, Inc., and the name of the firm has been changed to Firestone Enterprises, Inc. Sugarman and Green will retain their interest in Runyon Sales and Blatt will retain his interest in his Florida distributing firm.

Under the new arrangement, Fire-stone will remain president, Blatt will be vice-president, Murray Gold-berg secretary and Green treasurer. Herman Perin will be general man-ager of the organization.

Five new games are expected to be added to the present line of three games very shortly, Goldberg states. In order to enlarge the production

space of the plant, 10,000 square feet have been added to the previous 20,000 square feet of the building. New showrooms and offices are now in the remodeling stage, Firestone states. Plans are now being made for the purchase of the building that they are now leasing.

# **Calendar for Coinmen**

October 7-Wisconsin Phonograph Operators' Association, Madison.

October 7-Junior Executive Division, National Association of Tobacco Distributors, Statler Hotel, Cleveland. October 10—Arcade Owners' Association of America, Park Cen-

tral Hotel, New York. October 12—Independent Vending Machine Operators' of Wis-

Consin, Dubuque, Ia. October 16-18—National Automatic Merchandising Association,

National Convention, Congress Hotel, Chicago. October 20-21-Carbonated Beverage Manufacturers' Association, Higganum, Conn.

October 20-23—National Industries Stores' Association, William
 Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh.
 October 21-26—Dairy Industries' Exposition, Atlantic City.
 October 29-31—All-Industry Refrigeration Exposition, Public
 Auditorium, Cleveland.

Auditorium, Cleveland.
 November 5-6—National Association of Popcorn Manufacturers,
 Sherman Hotel, Chicago.
 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.

# **Miss. Coin Biz Pays** \$7,452 Tax in Month

JACKSON, Miss., Oct. 5.-Collections from the coin machine privilege tax for September amounted to \$7,452, according to the Mississippi tax commission. This represents a substantial increase over the same period of a year ago when the figure was \$5.506.

Report also revealed tobacco and beer taxes were higher than in Sep-tember, 1945. Tobacco brought in \$493,230 in collections, while beer levies totaled \$248,612.

Revenue from all taxes for January 1 thru September 30 this year were \$29,658,792, compared with \$29,658,-729 for a like period a year ago, the commission said.

Date To Remember 1947 COIN MACHINE CONVENTION AND SHOW

Time: February 3-4-5-6

Place: Hotel Sherman, Chicago Booth sales to members of CMI closed September 25. Booth reservations from pre-war exhibitors began September 28. Jas. A. Gilmore, secretary-manager of Coin Machine Industries, Inc., predicts that all available booths will be let within 10 days.

# **Daval Has New** Non - Electric **Counter Game**

counter game with a free play feature was introduced this week by Daval Products Corporation here, according to A. S. Douglis, president of the firm.

New game, called "Free Play," has New game, called "Free Play," has the same features as a pinball game, according to the company, but is all mechanical with no electrical parts. New feature is device which offers players an award of from 3 to 30 free plays. Game operates from a 5-cent slot with fruit or cigarette meds reels.

Weighing about 20 pounds, the game stands 12 inches high, five inches wide and seven inches deep. It is built in modern design with a high color finish. Test location try-outs, according to the company, were successful successful.

# It's HY-G Music Co.

ownership.

HY-G will continue to operate from its present address.



Walter W. Hurd, coin machine editor of The Billboard and editor of the Coin Machine Digest and Vend, announced last week that he will retire to his farm in Kentucky March 1, 1947. Hurd has been associated with The Billboard Publishing Company since 1932 when he inaugurated the coin machine department in The Bill-board. He has been a student and follower of the trade since 1928, has seen it grow from infancy to the prominent place it has in American business today. For years he has business today. For years he has been acknowledged one of best in-Besides conducting the editorial work for The Billboard, Hurd has

been responsible for the development of The Billboard's Legal and Market

Research Library, one of the most extensive services of its kind in the trade publishing field. Hundreds of requests for information and advice

pass over his desk monthly. In announcing his retirement, Hurd explained that he has reached a point in life when the beckoning of his Blue Grass farm is to much to resist. Altho he will reside in Ken-tucky, he will continue to follow the industry and will serve The Billboard Publishing Company in an advisory capacity. He plans to continue to attend CHI shows and other prom-inent gatherings of the trade. Successor to Hurd will be promed

Successor to Hurd will be named prior to his official leave-taking next year.

CHICAGO, Oct. 5 .- A new type

# 200 Ill. Towns Ask State for **Cent Sales Tax**

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 5.—Au-thority to levy a one per cent sales tax was recently requested by repre-sentatives of more than 200 large and small cities of Illinois.

Proposal was first order of business for the Illinois Municipal League's 33d annual convention.

Municipalities' representatives in-structed league's legislative commit-tee to start drafting a program for the next session of the General Assembly would lead to this measure. which Committee was also asked to set up a bill permitting cities to tax hotel rooms.

Levy could be accomplished by amending statute which authorizes present two per cent State tax. Ex-ecutive committee's version would cut State's tax in half and grant authority for each city to levy a one per cent sales tax.

Waukegan's mayor told the execuwere sorely in need of revenue. He pointed out that the State's treasury had accumulated a surplus of \$180,-000,000 largely thru sales tax re-ceipts. "Return of half this amount to cities," he declared, "would en-able them to meet the demands of modern municipal government."

Chicago's budget director was on hand to note the reaction of other city officials. "We will be happy to co-operate in the league program," he said. His city has such a resolution pending before a city council committee at the moment.

# **Central Coin Multi-Pistol Game on Test**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.-Parker Brown, Central Coin Machine Company, an-nounced that his firm is producing a new four-pistol target game, first unit of which went on test location here this week. Brown said that the machine, for

Brown said that the machine, for which firm has made patent applica-tions, employs four black-lighted moving targets covered by the four pistols. Each pistol gives 20 shots for a 5-cent play, and from one to four people may play. Multiple pistol play layout offers a competitive element, which gives the clue to the game's name, "Con-test." Score of each player is rated first second third or fourth, with

first, second, third or fourth, with light-up ratings showing on target. Target themes just about cover the field for this type of game. The

four include Japs, German mother-in-law and a bartender. Germans, a Units included in the machine in-

clude gun stand, gun case and gun base, as well as separate target as in other coin-operated target games. Brown said that the machine now

is being tested at Jimmy's Lounge, Chicago, but that no report had yet een received on play. Production of the games is now been

under way, he said, and output goal set for next month is 200.

# N. Y. Resorts Push Season Into Winter as Biz Buzzes

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 5.—State officials report that resorts in the State are doing such good business that the majority of them plan to stay open until the weather takes a two for the worke

turn for the worse. Most of them had planned to close around October 1.

**Trade Directory** 

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Following tabulation of trade reports received during the weeks of September 14, 21, 28 and October 5, is made for the convenience of the industry. Tho the listings may be incomplete because of omissions, they are offered as an aid in revising trade files.

#### New Machines

Atomic Bomber (amusement game). International Mutoscope Cor-poration, 44-01 11th Street, Long Is-land City 1, N. Y. (amusement

Bat - a - Ball (b a s e b a ll game). Munves Manufacturing Corporation, 158 East Grand Avenue, Chicago.

Big League (pinball game). Bally Manufacturing Company, 2640 Bel-mont Avenue, Chicago 18.

Flash Hockey (hockey game). Coinex Corporation, 1346 Roscoe Street, Chicago.

Ideal Card Vender. Exhibit Sup-ply Company, 4222-30 West Lake Street, Chicago 24.

Whizz (skill game). Genco, 2621 North Ashland Avenue, Chicago.

### **Address Changes**

Active Amusement Company, In-dustrial Building, 1060 Broad Street, Newark, N. J.

Munves Manufacturing Corpora-on, 158 East Grand Avenue, Chition. cago.

Morris Novelty Company, 3007 Olive Street, St. Louis.

Bradley Distributors, 1650-54 North Damen Avenue, Chicago. American Amusement Company, 164 East Grand Avenue, Chicago.

Packard Distributing Company, 534 North Ninth Street, Milwaukee 3.

#### **Personnel Notices**

Mac Pearlman has joined the staff of Runyon Sales Company, of New

York, as manager for Connecticut. Thomas A. Ryan has been ap-pointed manager of the Chicago of-fice of the Sanitary Automatic Candy Corporation, 214 South Michigan Boulevard

Boulevard. Bob Wormington has joined the staff of the Melody Lane Music Com-pany, 1109 Broadway, Kansas City,

Mo. Golden Williams has been named Golden Williams has been named manager of the Seattle branch of the M. S. Wolf Distributing Company. Harry Ryther, owner of the De-troit Amusement Company, passed away in that city September 5. Vernon Depew has been appointed auditor and office manager of Auto-matia Coin Machina Company Kom

auditor and office manager of Auto-matic Coin Machine Company, Kan-sas City, Mo. Robert (Whitey) L. Reilly, veteran operator, died September 19 in his Long Island City (N. Y.) home. Bruno Kosek has joined the Mid-State Distributing Company, 2848 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, as a partner partner.

A. L. Littitt and Roy M. Westley have been appointed district man-agers of the Coca-Cola division of Mills Industries, Inc., Chicago.

### **New Firms**

American Phonograph Company, 5 North Twenty-First Street, Philadel-

phia. O'Connor Sales Company, 502 Loucialize in record, pinball and other coin-operated machines.) Russ & Phil Amusement Company,

16700 East Nine-Mile Road, East Detroit

Mark J. Linkner Amusement Company, 6109 Trumbull Avenue, Detroit. Modern Music Company, 1126<sup>1/2</sup> South Broadway, Scottsbluff, Neb. (Will operate jukes and pinballs.)

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# **Branch Offices**

Runyon Sales Company, New York, has opened a branch office of the firm at 956 Main Street, Buffalo.

Mills Sales Company, Ltd. Oakland, has opened a branch office at 2827 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles.

#### Purchases

Henry C. Lemke and James Domanico have purchased the Belle Isle Amusement Center, 7217 East Jeffer-son, Detroit. Firm will be known as the Henry C. Lemke Company.

Gil Kitt has purchased the Robinson Sales Company, 7525 Grand River Avenue, Detroit.

New York Coledrinx Vending Company has been sold to the Cola-mat Corporation, which will conduct the business from 791 11th Avenue, New York.

Manhattan Phonograph Company, New York, has been purchased by Leo Dixon.

Elmer Butts has purchased the Au-tomatic Music Company, 11 West Linwood, Kansas City, Mo., from Ransom Cleeton.

# **Distributors** Appointed

Speedway Products Company, New York, has named the following dis-tributors for its plastic grill cloth: Franco Novelty Company, 25 North Perry Street, Montgomery, Ala Alabama and Western Florida. Ala., for

Oley Brothers' Amusement Com-pany, 422 West Broad Street, Rich-mond, Va., for Virginia.

Timed Music, Inc., 4816 Avenue, Cleveland, for Ohio. 4816 Euclid

Navarro Distributing Company, 3706 Whittier Boulevard, Los An-geles, for Southern California.

Economy Supply Company, 2015 Iaryland Avenue, Baltimore, for Marvland Maryland and Washington.

Florida Automatic Sales Corpora-tion, 839 Flagler Avenue, Miami, for all but Western Florida.

Pioneer Distributing Company, 508 Hillsboro Street, Raleigh, N. C., for North and South Carolina.

Western Distributors, 3126 Elliott Avenue, Seattle, for Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

Mullininx Amusement Company, 302 Victory Drive, Savannah, Ga. Telequiz Sales Company, Chi-cago, has named the following distributor:

Astroupor: Markepp Company, 4310 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, for Ohio. Firestone Games, Inc., Brook-lyn, has named the following

distributors for its amusement games:

Silver Lining Distributing Corpora-tion, 2061 Broadway, New York, for New York State. Active Amusement Machines Com-

J., is handling the State. The other office of Active Amusement Ma-chines at 900 North Franklin Street, Philadelphia, will service Pennsylvania.

Bush Distributing Company, 257 Plymouth Avenue, Minneapolis, for Minnesota.

Klein Distributing Company, 2606 West Fond du Lac Avenue, Milwau-

kee, for Milwaukee. Charles Harris, 2773 Lancashire Road, Cleveland Heights, O., for Cleveland.

# Seek Poolroom **Cig Sales Ban** In Chattanooga

CHATTANOOGA, Oct. 5.-Regulations governing poolrooms, billiard parlors and recreation halls may be drastically altered here as a result of a grand jury investigation.

Four specific amendments to the city ordinance which controls these businesses were recommended to the mayor and the City Commission. Sur-vey was made in response to a court claim "that something should be done to prevent these places from becoming breeding places for crime."

Jurors pointed out in their report that in 1945 after a similar investigation several suggestions relative to regulating these establishments were incorporated into an ordinance. After further research they claim that more recommendations are necessary to help proprietors conduct this type business without fear of public of suspicion.

Most significant proposal would prohibit sale of beer, cigarettes, cigars or any other kind of merchandise in poolrooms, billiard parlors or recreation halls.

Report as submitted to Judge Darwin recommended that the city enact the following amendments:

1. That all screens, blinds, partitions or other obstructions which might obstruct or obscure a complete view of the place where poolrooms, bil-liard halls, recreation parlors or other similar places are carried on be removed.

2. On the revocation of licenses in any of these places that it be made unlawful to issue a license or permit to any person to operate a similar business on the premises occupied by the person or persons whose license was revoked for a period of 12 months.

3. That the use of lookouts or secret signal systems be made the basis of revoking the license of the actablishment establishment.

establishment. 4. That no other business be al-lowed on the premises occupied by said poolrooms, billiard halls or rec-reation parlors, and that licenses for such purposes shall limit their busi-ness solely to the operation of pool-rooms, billiard halls of recreation mandare parlors.

# Put Damper on La. Game Vote

NEW IBERIA, La., Oct. 5.—The 16th Judicial District Court has enjoined New Iberia's mayor, city trus-tees and city attorney from officially continuing their permit for holding a referendum on legal gaming within the city limits.

Court's action, while it may not stop the referendum—slated to be held October 8—will take the legal, official sanction from the referen-dum. This will be accomplished by the court action enjoining the abovelisted officials from participation.

In giving its opinion, the court said that it could not interfere with free expression of the people, and their right to peaceable assembly and to petition. Both federal and State constitutions guarantee these wights the court pointed out. rights, the court pointed out.

However, the court opinion added, public officials could be enjoined from participating in unauthorized elections and since the proposed gaming referendum was only for the purpose of sampling public sentiment it actually possesses no legal color.

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# Snafu Picture on Candy Prices NAMA Meet Candy Assn. Begins Push **To Draw 800: Speakers Set**

# Visitors Will Up Total

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Formal regis-trations of between 500 to 600 mem-bers, with total attendance probably climbing to 800, is the prospect for NAMA's 10th Anniversary Conven-tion in Chicago, October 16-18, ac-cording to C. S. Darling, executive di-rector rector.

Since Chicago, in a sense, is the "home town" of automatic merchan-dising, Darling predicted that there will be an influx of vending men who will attend sessions at the Congress Hotel without formal hotel reg-istration. Estimates, however, do not include numerous guests expected, such as wives of members and their guests.

Darling said that enthusiasm is running high for the convention, judging from reports coming in from thruout the country. Program, he said, is completely set, with three unusual speakers headlining as prom-inent leaders in fields outside of auto-

He pointed to J. Roger Ozmon, he pointed to J. Roger Ozmon, chairman of the board of National Candy Wholesalers' Association, as typical of the three. Ozmon is a 25-year-old veteran in the candy busiyear-old veteran in the candy busi-ness, now of Allen, Son & Company, Baltimore. For 10 years he has been secretary of Maryland Wholesale Confectionery Association and this year was named to head NCWA.

Speaking at the opening NAMA convention session, October 16, Oz-mon has chosen as his topic, "Auto-matic Merchandising Shakes Hands With the Jobber." Other headliners are Nathan Cum-

mings, president of Consolidated Grocers' Corporation, and Conger Reynolds, director of public rela-tions for Standard Oil Company (Indiana). Cummings is to address the convention October 17 during the luncheon session. Reynolds is sched-uled to speak on the convention's closing day.

# **Chase Candy Votes Stock Increase To** Swing Nat'l Deal

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Oct. 5.—Stock-holders of Chase Candy Company, at a special meeting here, voted to in-crease the company's authorized com-mon stock from 200,000 to 500,000 shares.

Of added shares, 170,000 are to be offered for sale to stockholders at \$10 a share on a basis of one new share for each share held, according

share for each share held, according to a financing plan filed with the Se-curities and Exchange Commission. Proceeds of this sale and the issue of other securities will be used to fi-nance purchase of National Candy Company, St. Louis. Directors of Chase Candy, at a meeting immediately after the stock-holders' gathering, declared a stock dividend of 100 per cent. Stock dividend will be paid October 3 to stockholders on record September 30. Directors also declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 12.5 cents a share. a share.

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Directors of the National Confectioners' Associa-tion meeting at their semi-annual conference here with executives of the candy industry this week voted unanimously to seek further price relief and removal of restrictions from the wet corn refining industry.

Vote was taken after problems had been discussed with all key industry executives, many of whom are of-ficers of local and regional associa-tions, by the NCA directors board from the eight geographical trading areas of the United States.

Philip P. Gott, president of the NCA, said: "Decisions were arrived at with full knowledge of the opinions of manufacturers representing all the different sections of the country."

#### Vote Approval

Unanimous approval for the con-tinuation of the association aims in its various committees was also voted by the directors following their reports.

Clarence O. Matheis, Walter H. Johnson Candy Company, chairman of the distribution committee, re-ported on the complete program set up for training wholesale candy dis-tributor's salesmen, and asked that the directors lend their efforts to the program.

Council on Candy committee re-ported that its fund drive as of Sep-tember 27 had yielded over \$325,000 and that the fund was mounting swiftly toward the \$500,000 goal for 1946.

Script for a proposed motion pic-ture on candy was submitted by the RKO-Pathe Motion Picture Company and was reviewed by the committee. General reaction, it was reported, was favorable. Script, however, was to be revised, shortened and some sell-ing angles subordinated to a more educational approach.

# **Appreciation Extended**

Resolution drafted by the NCA directors expressed their appreciation to members of the OPA Candy Indus-try Advisory Committee for their efforts in behalf of the industry on price relief matters. Further aggressive efforts to secure additional re-lief were asked. Such action, accord-ing to the directors, would make pos-sible the return of many types of lower-priced candy.

As worded in the resolution, "This relief is considered essential in order that adequate general price levels shall be established to bring the maxi-mum production and employment, and to enable the public to buy con-fections with a facility and width of choice comparable to what they enjoyed before the development of wartime pressures." Also voted was appreciation by manufacturers to the farmers of America for producing the near all-time record of crops used in confec-tions. As a result, they declared, Congress and the Secretary of Agri-culture removed corn, peanuts, eggs, As worded in the resolution, "This

culture removed corn, peanuts, eggs, milk and some fruits from maximum price controls.

#### Ask Removal

Ask Removal Directors also went on record as requesting that Secretary of Agricul-ture Clinton P. Anderson withdraw restrictions on the grind of corn by the wet corn refining industry. Said confectioners: "Removal of these re-strictions would permit increased production of corn sweeteners de-sired by the American public and

industrial food processors, including bakers, ice cream and candy manufacturers."

A report by Edwin O. Blomquist, of E. J. Brach & Sons, chairman of the sugar committee of the Food Industry Council, confirmed the belief that sugar allocations would be continued 60 per cent thru the first quarter 1947, followed by gradual, but of Doubt was expressed that the world supply would be adequate until 1948.

# Coin - Arts, Inc., **Shoe Shiner To** Have Dec. Show

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 5.—Coin-op-erated shoeshine service machine developed by Coin-Arts Industries here will be exhibited for the first time

will be exhibited for the first time to distributors at the Schroeder Hotel, December 12 to 15, it was announced by A. R. Slade, general manager. Showing was held back several months because of material short-ages and industrial strikes, Slade said, but first three models are now off the assembly lines and will be placed for assembly lines and will be placed for location tests immediately.

Machine, called Shine-a-Minit, is constructed to shine either black or tan shoes. Device shines each shoe upon insertion of a nickel in the coin slot.

coin slot. Slade said requests for hotel res-ervations have been made by dis-tributors in every State with the exception of Northern and Central Indiana and a portion of Iowa. Plans for the conclave include a discussion of plans, policies and pricing. Pro-gram for December 14 includes a banquet hosted by the firm. Frank Adams, chief engineer, said he was confident deliveries in quantity could begin about March 15. Machine, which features a stream-lined cabinet, will be manu-factured in Milwaukee.

# **Two Georgia Solons Favor Sales Taxes**

ATLANTA, Oct. 5.—At least two members of the 1947 Legislature are in favor of a sales tax, it was re-vealed in answers to a questionnaire circulated by a newspaper press as-

circulated by a newspaper press as-sociation here. Their answers, in favor of the sales tax, were to the query: "What do you think is the biggest job (or jobs) facing the new Legislature?" Said one: "Financing the program outlined by Governor-elect Tal-madge. Georgia's greatest need is an equitable tax program, including a sales tax. We should revise our tax structure with a view of finally attaining an equitable tax system for the State so as to attract new busithe State so as to attract new business

The other reply was shorter but to the point. It said the Legislature's biggest job would be "financing—I favor a sales tax."

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Bar goods makers hold up weight cut vs. price hike action as OPA adds orders

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—As makers of candy bars struggled to adjust their prices to the new weight reduction and price formula released last week, their calculations were complicated by further OPA action on two vital ingredients: chocolate and vegetable

OPA ordered a 27 per cent boost in manufacturers' ceiling prices for chocolate and cocoa, effective October 2. Affected are solid chocolate bars, cooking chocolate, chocolate sirup, chocolate coatings, cocoa butter and other products sold for production of chocolate items and candy.

Second order, released October 1, jumped price ceilings on refined vegetable oils in the following cate-gories: Soybeans, 1.89 cents a pound; corn, 1.89 cents a pound; peanut, 1.86 cents a pound; cents a pound.

At this date no candy manufacturer has complete enough information on the two actions to tell how they will affect him specifically. It is another price headache to be pyra-mided on existing ones. And the decision of individual makers as to weight reduction vs price increases. has weight reduction vs. price increases-so anxiously awaited by vending ma-chine operators—seemed to be even further away.

#### Straight Price Relief

On the basis of information avail-able, it appears that makers of molded chocolate bars (such as Hershey), who were exempt from the bar or-der last week, are given straight price relief thru the chocolate price boost. They, like other bar manu-facturers are given a choice of reprice rehef thru the chocolate price boost. They, like other bar manu-facturers, are given a choice of re-ducing weights or increasing prices-27 per cent in either case. Vending machine operators were encouraged by reports that these manufacturers probably would take the relief in the form of har weight reduction. It was form of bar weight reduction. It was still too early, however, to get a clear indication of prospects for this action.

For makers of coated chocolate bars and of bulk candies using chocolate, effect of the chocolate price increase was even more hazy. Price relief for this group, issued in MPR 615, authorized reduction in weight or boosts in prices of bars according to a formula based on prices paid for ingredients during the period from December, 1945, to September 17, 1946. Thus, neither the chocolate nor oil price increases in October can be counted in until an expected amendment is released by the Office of Price Administration. Wait and See For makers of coated chocolate bars

#### Wait and See

Wait and See Philip P. Gott, president of the National Confectioners Association, typified the attitude of candy makers which he represents in expressing a wait-and-see position on the whole question. Gott said that he had not seen the full text of the order, but that it appeared to discriminate be-tween makers of solid chocolate bars and makers of other types of bars. This he explained would result if

This, he explained, would result if the solid bar makers were to receive a straight 27 per cent increase, while others were tied down to the strict (Snafu Pic On Candy on page 98)





# **OPA Exec Tells How Candy Bar Price Order Aims To Help** Ailing Pre-War Pop. Brands

The Billboard

# Classify 5-10c Candies; Exempt Solid Chocolate Bars

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.--A study of the Office of Price Administration's MPR 615, issued this week to authorize new prices for candy bars and 5 and 10-cent packaged con-fections, throws some light on the un-certainty being expressed by makers of these vital vending machine supplies.

As the order reads, all types of these confections are included with two exceptions, as follows: (1) Solid chocolate molded items, either filled or unfilled (i.e., Hershey bars), and (2) any bar or packaged confections for which maximum price to whole-salers is less than 30 cents per dozen consumer units or more than 68 cents. consumer units or more than 68 cents.

# Follow Formula

With these exceptions, new maximum prices are authorized according mum prices are authorized according to the following formula: For each item, price will be determined by "total cost" of ingredients and pack-aging materials per unit sales. In the case of consumer items containing from 1 to 6 pieces—and this includes all chocolate-covered bars—a factor of 1.85. On the other hand, if more than six individual pieces are in-cluded, total cost is multiplied by the factor, 2.27.

Qualifying clause permits manufacturers who customarily have sold to retail stores, which are not units of a chain of four stores or more, to add an amount which they already have been allowed under previous regulations.

Section on retail and wholesale prices indicates that these sellers will be authorized to add the same percentage mark-up allowed on or fore June 29, 1946, to the new cost of acquisition, which is not to be in exof their supplier's maximum price.

#### Which Course?

From the explanation of the for-mula (total cost times factor), it is apparent that confection makers will have difficulty in determining what course to follow.

Interesting part of MPR 615 is a full summary of OPA action regard-



ing candy products since inception of the price control act. For the trade's information, substantial por-tions of it will be quoted as follows:

"Candy was placed under price control by the General Maximum Price Regulation, effective in May, 1942. There have been two modifi-cations of this original pricing struc-ture for candy covered by this regu-lation. In July, 1943, Amendment 7 ... was issued which allowed man-ufacturers of peanut candy to recalufacturers of peanut candy to recalculate their maximum prices to re-flect the ingredient costs current at that time.

#### Some Changes

"The maximum prices of pecan candy were increased October, 1945, by Amendment 13 to Supplementary Regulation 140. With the exception Regulation 140. With the exception of these two types of candy, the manufacturers' maximum prices of all bar candy covered by this regula-tion are determined under the Gen-eral Maximum Price Regulation."

Summary goes on to describe how popular bars of the pre-war period have been hurt because rising ma-terial costs have tended to channel production into cheaper new bars which could be priced under newproduct regulations.

This trend has been stimulated, it is said, by the sugar shortage and in-creases in material and labor costs. Manufacturers, to maintain or to in-crease their volume, have turned to items using less sugar, and with low-Items using less sugar, and with low-ering of sugar allotments since the war's end, has come smaller volume production resulting in higher unit costs. At the same time, it is pointed out, direct costs of candy makers have been spiralling due to price ceiling hikes for many important in-gredients. gredients.

#### "Freeze" Bars

"Freeze" Bars The report refers to pre-war bars, which have been giving way to new, more cheaply produced bars, as "freeze" bars. That is, bars on which prices have been frozen since 1942. Claim is made that trend away from "freeze" bars has resulted in circum-venting effects of price control. It is venting effects of price control. It is said that current earnings do not ap-pear to be below those of normal pre-war times, even when adjustments are made for changes in net worth.

What has happened, according to the administrator, is that distribution of makers' earnings has shifted ac-cording to degree of substitution by various firms of new items for "freeze" bars.

This line of argument is given as the chief reason for basing new prices the chief reason for basing new prices on a formula relating to material costs per unit sales. Thus, it is said, old standard bars can be increased in price or reduced in weight. Other items, however, which offer less value to the consumer currently, should be either increased in size or reduced in price or reduced in size or reduced in price.

How 5 and 10-cent items were divided into two groups (one to six pieces, and more than six pieces) is explained as follows:

#### **Division Explained**

"Cost data for a great number of and 10-cent items, showing the relationship of selling prices to in-gredient and packaging costs, were examined. A significant difference was found to exist between the bar-type items, or those containing six or less individual pieces, and items con-taining more than six individual pieces. The cost of ingredients and (OPA Exec Tells How on page 98)

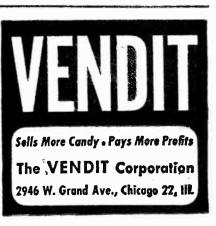
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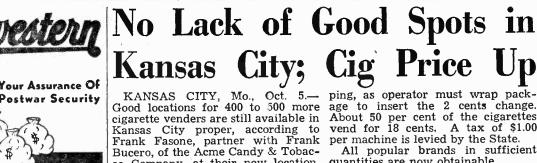
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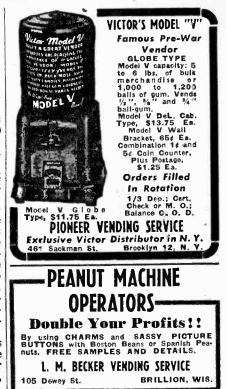
said

age to insert the 2 cents change. About 50 per cent of the cigarettes vend for 18 cents. A tax of \$1.00 per machine is levied by the State. All popular brands in sufficient quantities are now obtainable. co Company, at their new location, 410 East 10th Street. "Automobie agencies are top lo-cation spots. There are lots of good locations left in taverns and hotel lobbies. Everybody is short of ma-

"The rise in cigarette prices cut gross sales some," Fasone said, "but

gross sales some, rasone sura, and net sales are holding up." Acme, with 260 venders on loca-tion are the biggest venders on the Missouri side. Originally all sales were made thru venders, but since the parts and the vender itself became hard to obtain they have branched into the wholesale tobacco business and also put in a small counter where they retail by the carton. When they can get more , and ders the retail counter will be dis-When they can get more vencontinued.

"Candy venders will be added as soon as they are available," Fasone said. He also indicated that cigar venders, if equipped with a humidor,



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# **Snafu Pic on Candy Prices;** Cocoa and Oils Ceilings Up

nickel bars.

prices.

(Continued from page 95) cost - of - materials - and - packaging adjusted to take one or two coins basis laid down in MPR 615. and return change with the pack of

While the chocolate order tended to eclipse problems which will arise from the price boost for vegetable Along with corn sirup, sugar and other important ingredients, oils were another in a long list of vital ingredients for which rising costs have driven candy makers into their present price difficulties.

#### What About Retail?

big question in the trade was what would happen to retail price would happen to retail prices on candy bars and other vended proucts when all of the decisions were in.

As vending men know, candy bar manufacturers were as anxious as they to keep the popular nickel and dime bars. Expensive adjustments in machinery, packaging and carton-ing were the stumbling blocks to the alternative of weight reduction. Serthat the candy industry is keeping a careful eye on vending machine sales. One confectionery spokesman put it like this: "On the other hand, while the in-

dustry is acutely aware of the 'mer-chandising convenience' entailed in the single coin sale of a 5 or 10-cent candy bar, bar goods manu-facturers must figure what effects a traight out prior increase would straight-out price increase would have on their vending machine business, which is an important factor today in the sale of bar goods. These machines are geared mechanically to take a nickel. A six-cent price would pose a serious problem to automatic vending machine operators of going thru a costly procedure of adjusting their machines. However, one candy bar- manufacturer pointed out that

# **Soft Drink Tax Plan** In Springfield, Mo., Has Hollyw'd Touch

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Oct. 5.-Like other revenue-hunting cities, large and small, Springfield is toying with new tax ideas which may affect vending machines. Recent story carried by The Leader-

Recent story carried by The Leader-Press, local daily, described how the mayor and city commissioners hit on their latest plan—a tax on soft drinks. The mayor, it seems, re-ceived a telephone call in which an anonymous, would-be adviser asked the following question: "If you can put a tax on cigarettes, why can't you put one on soda pop?" Expressing interest in the sugges-tion, the mayor reported it to city commissioners and queried the city attorney for an opinion on the legality of the proposed levy.

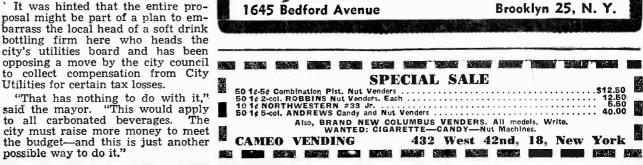
of the proposed levy.

Probably, according to the mayor, such a tax would be an occupational measure based on gross income. Al-tho it was not clear on whom the mayor thought the tax should be levied, his comments indicated that bottling concerns would be hit.

It was hinted that the entire pro-It was hinted that the entire pro-posal might be part of a plan to em-barrass the local head of a soft drink bottling firm here who heads the city's utilities board and has been opposing a move by the city council to collect compensation from City Utilities for certain tax losses.

the budget—and this is just another possible way to do it."

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# **Ice Cream Men** In 5 Confabs NEW YORK, Oct. 5.-Five ice

cream and allied products conventions will be held between October 21 and November 1 in Atlantic City coin-operated popcorn vending ma-and Cleveland that will be of interest chine manufactured by the Viking to coinmen thruout the country. Coin will be shown to the general trade ice cream vending machines are exice cream vending machines are ex- for the first time at the annual busi-pected to come up for discussion at ness meeting of the National Assosome of the gatherings. They are listed below:

Dairy Industries' Supply Conven-tion, Convention Hall, Atlantic City, October 21-26.

National Association of Retail Ice Cream Manufacturers, Hotel Tray-more, Atlantic City, October 21-23.

National Conference of Ice Cream Industries, Inc., Breakers Hotel, At-lantic City, October 21-23.

International Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers, Ambassador Hotel, Atlantic City, October 24-26. Refrigeration Equipment Manufacof Ice Ambassador

turers' Association (in co-operation with Frozen Food Locker Manufac-turers and Suppliers' Association), Cleveland Public Auditorium, Octo-ber 29-November 1.





**Popcorn** Vender **Of** Viking Firm To Be Unveiled

BELLEVILLE, N. J., Oct. 5.-New ciation of Popcorn Manufacturers in Chicago, next month, according to John Linstrom and Clarence Lommerin, heads of the firm.

Machine, which is entirely auto-matic, upon insertion of a dime in the coin slot, pours two and one-half ounces of corn into a popper, and in from 60 to 70 seconds empties the popped corn into a bag. The ma-chine, called "Minute-Pop," holds 250 bags of the confection. A deodorizer, built into the device, prevents any odor from coming from the machine, its makers claim.

The machine, invented after six years of experimentation, is being made by Viking on a royalty basis. According to Edward C. Leson, sales manager, each machine will be af-fixed with the stamp of the board of undewmitter. underwriters.

A two-week service school is being planned for all distributors and opreators of the machine, Leeson said. He plans to place students on the production lines at the plant in order that they may more readily understand operation and maintenance of the machines.

Lommerin said quantity production should begin about December 15, and full-scale output would be reached in from 30 to 60 days thereafter. Distributors have not yet been appointed.

# Tampa Debates **Coin** Tax Hikes

TAMPA, Oct. 5.—Finance com-mittee of the city's board of representatives, in what local newspapers termed "a surprise move," is con-sidering increases in license fees on juke boxes, pinball games, postage stamp vending machines and taxi-cabs. Purpose of the increased fees, according to the mayor of Tampa, is to offset a proposed cutback in property tax rates.

Attorneys for operators of the machines, who were present at the hear-ing, protested that the move was being made without public notice.

Opening the hearing, the city's at-torney said, "We have several more ordinances to be put thru as emergen-cies."

As originally presented, license fees As originally presented, license fees for pinballs would have been in-creased from \$25 to \$50; juke box fees from \$15 to \$50, and postage stamp venders from \$3 for any num-ber to \$1 for each machine.

After reading the proposed ordi-nance, and hearing from operators' counsel, the finance committee called for a revision to provide only a \$10 increase in license fees for both juke boxes and pinball games. This ac-tion will be recommended to the board of representatives.

Newspaper stories here quoted the city comptroller as saying that last year the city licensed 769 pinballs and 580 juke boxes.



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### **Opposition Cites Public Reaction; Rooters Eye Costs**

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Following are comments of distributors to the proposal that juke box play price be upped from five cents to a dime, three for a quarter. Comments from others on the subject will be welcomed.

Max Marston, Marston Distributing Company, Detroit: "We heartily endorse your campaign to change 5-cent play to 10 cents, providing you get other manufacturers to co-operate. Ours is the only business that has not increased the cost to consumer, while operating costs have tripled. Have submitted your plan to the local association for discussion and comment. Will advise results." Paul F. Jock, P. J. Distributing Company, Indianapolis: "Re 10-cent

play, I am with you 100 per cent and am for the idea. Will follow with views on this subject from all operators I talk with."

### **Question Acceptance**

Question Acceptance Boyd Alley, Automatic Music, Richmond, Va.; "You may count on my complete support in your pro-posed campaign. However, I feel it unlikely that 10-cent play will be ac-cepted in locations not serving beer or drinks, and possibly with limita-tions in those. It may alienate a large portion of the public to such an ex-tent that a subsequent reconciliation would be difficult even under a re-turn to 5-cent play. Rather than risk this loss, my suggestion would be for a primary goal of a revision in the percentage split." Bill Williams, Automatic Distribut-ing Company, Chicago: "With the prices of everything on the upward trend, it stands to reason that phono-

trend, it stands to reason that phono-graph play should follow in line. Today's rendition of top tunes thru the medium of the phonograph is the medium of the phonograph is definitely under-prices. Costs, main-tenance, etc., have proved to the operator that a change must be made to survive in this business. Your plan should be received as a boon to all operators. I wish you every success in putting this drive across, and further assure you that you can count on our full co-operation in this matter."

# **Definitely Opposed**

**Definitely Opposed** Frank J. Murphy, Murphy Dis-tributing Company, St. Louis: "Def-initely opposed to change from 5-cent to 10-cent per play, plus three for a quarter. You are increasing your 5-cent play 100 per cent, and your three for a quarter play 66 2/3 per cent. Public is adverse to paying double for one play, and will spend a nickel to play where they will not spend 10 cents. My experience in checking phonographs shows 80 per cent of receipts are 5 cents, par-ticularly in race locations. Unless you can get the co-operation 100 per you can get the co-operation 100 per cent of phonograph manufacturers, you are sticking your head out. And if you do go for the change, I would make it optional to the much make it optional to the purchaser, either a 5-cent play or above basis

ether a 5-cent play or above basis of increase in cost per play." W. H. Richardson, Pioneer Dis-tributing Company, Raleigh, N. C.: "Pioneer heartily endorses you in drive to change 5-cent play on all phonographs to 10 cents per play, three for a quarter. Believe all op-erators will support the campaign."

#### Four for Quarter

H. W. Dolph, Tulsa, Okla.: "The model A offers too much for five cents. However, I suggest that you think over the psychology of four for a quarter instead of three. Either

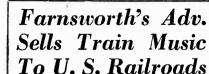
way I am in favor of it." Louisiana Coin Machine Distribut-ing Company, New Orleans: "Ten-cent play terrific idea. Behind you 100 per cent. However, I notice al-most complete absence of dimes in this territory. I personally had only four in past eight weeks."

Morris Hankin, H. & L. Distribut-ing Company, Atlanta: "Congratula-tions on this drive to change. Ninety per cent of AMIs we are receiving are operated on one play for a dime, three for a quarter. The take is three for a quarter. The take is more than double. No complaints from customers. Proprietors of lo-cations are very pleased."

cations are very pleased." Not a distributor, but president of the Illinois Phonograph Owners' As-sociation, Ray Cunliffe has this to say: "A number of operators here would be in favor of a switch to 10-cent play, but they have one big 'if.' It can succeed only if the nickel in-crease is uniform thruout the city. A situation in which a juke box on one side of the street plays for 5 cents, while one on the other side takes a dime would confuse and ir-ritate the public, having a bad effect on play."

# **Decree Juke Box Curfew**

DARLINGTON, S. C., Oct. 5.— Juke box Saturday night has been declared out of order after 11 p.m., according to a decree issued this week by the mayor and city council. Decree stated that there would be no Sunday, juke box jive and all jukes Sunday juke box jive and all jukes would be silent every night from 11 p.m. to 8 a.m.



CHICAGO, Oct. 5.-Evidence of CHICAGO, Oct. J.-L. -possibly coin-operated—on U. S. railroads was indicated this week in an advertisement by the Farnsworth Radio & Television Corporation.

Advertisement showed a clipping headlined, "Santa Fe Trains To Get Radio Music System." Copy with clipping declared Farnsworth work in that development.

Corporation, along with two other firms, manufactured over-all radio set-up installed on the Santa Fe line. Unit, which was installed in March on a diner car of transcontinental train, was equipped with a push but-ton selector for choice of two wire recorded programs.

Santa Fe officials meantime have been wiring all new rolling stock for installation of the equipment and will use the system on all principal trains such as the Chief, Super Chief and El Capitain.

# **Schwartz Heads New** Distributor Set - Up

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Shelby Distributors, Inc., has been organized with offices at 9 East 40th Street here to manufacture and distribute products for the radio and phono-graph industry, according to I. A. Schwartz, who heads the new firm.

Schwartz was affiliated with Philco here and in New Jersey for the past 15 years. Schwartz said his factory is currently in full production on a rim drive phonograph motor which was in use by radio-phonograph makers in satisfactory tests.

# Tee Off for **Dime Play in Chicago** Move

Said Best Alternative

(Continued from page 92) vised downwards This leaves only the third alternative—increased price per play. "Ten-cent play, three for a quarter,

"Ten-cent play, three for a quarter, has been discussed for a long time," Eaton said. "Nothing has been done about it except by a few scattered operators who made the changeover on their own initiative. It occurs to me that this is a good time for all of up to make that change." us to make that change."

He said that he was aware that the He said that he was aware that the increased price had been tested on both the East and West Coast, and that many operators in these areas had found the upped price working to their advantage.

As to this being the best time to As to this being the best time to launch a national, industry – wide campaign to increase play price, Eaton said that the trade is now com-ing into what is usually regarded as the best season for juke boxes, and that the country seems to be going into at least a partial economic up-swing swing.

### Play Off, Gross Up

It has been demonstrated in these It has been demonstrated in these columns before how some operators have found the 10-cent, three-for-a-quarter play price working to their best interests. Even granting that total play might fall off 25 per cent, and there is no reason to believe it will, gross receipts would climb pro-portionately by 50 per cent.

Suppose an operator has a machine This represents 400 plays at a nickel each. Suppose that this same opera-tor, after converting his machine to tor, after converting his machine to dime play, discovers he is getting only 300 plays in the same period he formerly registered 400. While this represents a 25 per cent decrease in total number of plays, the machine's gross amounts to \$30—or a 50 per cent increase over its previous ecomings

earnings. Making this change in equipment, Making this change in equipment, and upping the play price, is going to require a broad educational program. Operators will have to be convinced of the feasibility of the idea, while location owners and the public will have to understand why the change-over is necessary. The five-cent habit is a difficult one to break.

Along this line, Eaton said his firm had prepared to take two steps. First of these was to supply the necessary gadgets to convert the company's juke boxes from nickel play to dime, three for a quarter. Company will send out mechanical adapters, as well as a new front piece which will carry the revised play price. In addition, literature to promote the idea both among operators and location owners will be mailed out.

will be mailed out. One point which will largely deter-mine the success or failure of the price increase, Eaton said, is the re-sponse which other manufacturers, distributors and operators give. In-creased price perp lay idea is not likely to succeed unless everyone gets behind it for the good of the entire industry, he added.

# Donovan, Mathews, Stager Incorporate Florida Firm

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Oct. 5.— Among new charters issued this week by the secretary of state was one to D. & M. Automatic Music Corpora-tion, real estate, with 50 shares no par value. The charter was issued to Frank Donovan, Clayton Mathews and C. G. Stager.

# **Claude Hall Heads Up New** Alabama Music Ops' Ass'n

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quarters here.

Claude Hall, president of the group, said that the "association was formed in Alabama as a result of the growing need for some sort of organization due to the rapid growth of the music machine industry within the State."

Purpose of the organization, as an-nounced by the group's officers, is to promote, advance and maintain good will and harmonious action between music machine operators and agencies in creating and furthering wholesome atmospheres of recreation and play.

Chosen for general business man-ager of the group was Col. R. E. L. Choate, USA (Ret.), of Montgomery. Colonel Choate, who spent 27 years in the army-starting as a private and bringing his career to a close as commanding officer of Maxwell Field ---will co-ordinate activities of the association.

Association. Other officers of the association, besides President Hall and Colonel Choate, are T. E. Farned, first vice-president, Russellville, Ala.; J. H. Weinand, second vice-president, Fair-hope, Ala.; Sam H. Stewart, treasurer, Tuscaloosa, and I. E. Cohen, secre-tory. Montgomery.

Tuscaloosa, and T. E. Cohen, sette-tary, Montgomery.
Named to the board of directors were Nathan Allen, Birmingham; C.
L. Cawlishaw, Mobile; Paul Daniels, Montgomery; Mar Hurvich, Birming-ham; Jimmie James, Gadsden; Joe

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Oct. 5.—A Joseph, Dothan; W. B. Loosier, De-group of music machine operators catur; B. C. Pritchett, Demopolis; J. have formed the Alabama Music Op-erators' Association, with head-Walters, Selma.

"The music machine industry in Alabama has grown so fast in recent years that some sort of co-ordinating program is necessary," Colonel Choate said. "It is our ultimate goal to include all music machine operators in the State as members in order that we may co-operate fully with city officials everywhere to exercise con-trol over the location of music machines."

### Tells of Aims

Colonel Chote added that the "aims of the association are to promote and maintain good will between the individual members; to establish high standards of business operations; to create and maintain ethical business all things as are proper within the scope of such an association for the welfare of its members and locations."

In discussing prospective music machine operators in the State, Choate said that the association stands ready to offer counseling ad-vice to any one interested—especially eterans-in going into the business.

Meantime a one-day business meeting of the association will be held October 6 in Montgomery. Purpose of this business session is to map plans for the immediate future and outline a comprehensive program for 1947.

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MENRY BUSSE (Four Star 1138, 1139) Aren't You Kind of Glad We Did—FT; V. Hot Lips—FT; For You, For Me, Forevermore—FT; V. Temptation—FT.

Henry Busse returns to the whirl-

waxes and for his kick-off spins ing on this indie label picks on two pic tunes backed by strictly commercial instrumental flips. Don Regan and Betty Jane Taylor blend voices for an easy take duo of Gershwin's *Aren't You Glad*, milking the doublemeaning lyric for all it's worth. Ork, meaning lyric for all it's worth. Ork, built on reeds, strings and muted brass, holds a moderate terpsable beat. Forevermore, from the same pic, The Shocking Miss Pilgrim, is handled in a pleasing manner by Regan, with the Busse sugary mute trumpet taking over for a chorus. This is carried over to the solo spot for Hot Lins with ork sticking to its for Hot Lips, with ork sticking to its dated shuffle rhythm pattern. Strings and saxes get preference in *Tempta*tion, but arrangement has little to add that hasn't been done before.

With pic tie-ins lending a boost, topsides should win plays, especially Aren't You Glad

# The Billboard

While the instrumental and vocal efforts

are in high order for the race spots, the song material is heavily dated to make

for any real attraction at this late date.

I'll Never Cry Over You---W; V. I Wonder Why You Said Goodbye-FT; V.

It's the soulful cowboy chanting

that Ernest Tubb gives for these two torch tunes. To the accomps of gui-

tars, he gets a cry in his voice as he sings out in waltz tempo for *l'll Never Cry Over You.* And with string band backing, set to a lively

beat, there is a pleasanter shade of pathos in his piping for I Wonder Why You Said Goodbye.

Where the cowboys cry in their stir-rups, these sides may stir up some

The Wald brand of music more

than makes up here for Mary Nash's

than makes up here for Mary Nash's weak lyricizing. Solid treatment of the tunes involved will pay off in extra spinnings, and add to Wald's build-up. Maestro's clary tootlings are still the top feature, and his solos here have admirable texture and form. Pop tune, Your Conscience Tells You, starts out with Mary Nash urgetting with diffeult clured pate

wrestling with difficult slurred notes,

when Wald's clary is shurted to the front to meander thru a couple of stanzas with a prominent bass fiddle

giving him a big boost. Fem chirper returns to oriole out the last stanza of

the ditty. On Lazy Lullaby, treat-ment is reversed, with Wald and the

band riding out the first chorus and gal following up with vocals.

THE KING'S JESTERS (Vogue R766) G'wan Home, Your Mudder's Callin'—FT; V. Sepulveda—FT; V.

Top side, G'wan Home, is the bright novelty ditty Jimmy Durante introduced in Two Sisters From Bos-ton. Side is released a little late to tie

in with pic, but makes neat listening ---the trio harmonizing the tune with

Solid beat here will lure dancers at the

coin box interest.

JERRY WALD (Sonora 3014) Your Conscience Tells You-FT; V. Lazy Lullaby-FT; V.

ERNEST TUBB (Decca 46007)

CHARLIE SHAVERS QUINTET (Vogue R755) Broadjump—FT. Serenade to a Pair of Nylons-

-FT.

T. Dorsey-ites, headed by trumpet-er Charlie Shavers, produce some fine music, tho it's a toss-up whether the sides will mean much on the boxes. Quintet is composed of Shavers; Buddy De Franco on clary; Alvin Stoller, drums; John Potaker, piano, and Sidney Block, bass. Comparisons with the Kirby group and others are immediately obvious, but this five-some will hold its own in musician-ship. Broadjump is a torrid item. Beat is rabid; low register clary kick-ing off the side; muted horn, then piano picking up the riff and from then on, the instruments weave in and out in fascinating style. Serenade is slightly slower, but still with a steady, punching beat.

Collectors and hot fans will go for these: so will the j-bugs.

JOAN EDWARDS (Vogue R767) This Is Always—FT; V. Love Means the Same Old Thing—FT; V. A plug tune from pic Three Little Girls in Blue, This is Always is one of those plaintive love ballads which could have been written for the pashy Edwards tonsils. Chirp takes the first chorus a tenor sax works out on the chorus, a tenor sax works out on the melody in the second chorus and Joan returns for the bridge and last stanza. Vogue recording ork's backgrounds are solid but not lush. Another Millinder composition, Love Means the Same Old Thing on the flipover is a ditty whose complicated wordage spoils its effectiveness. Canary has difficulty with it, too, particulary when her tones stray out of her downward range.

The buffalos will flow for This Is Always.

### JOE BIVIANO QUINTET (Sonora 3021) Copenhagen—FT. Honeysuckle Rose—FT.

Accordion, piano, two guitars and a heavily-accented bass fiddle make up this swingy outfit. Lead box and lead guitar alternate on the melody, fill-ing in with harmonic backgrounds, filigree and counterpoint during the odd turns. Responsible for the solos are Anthony Mottola, electric guitarist; Joe Biviano, accordionist, and Michael Colicchio, pianist. Copen-hagen is taken at breakneck pace, while Honeysuckle Rose is just bouncey enough to be dancey.

Not slanted for jukes but Honeysuckle Rose will pay its treight anyhow.

HAL HORTON (Sonora 7022)

Dreamy Rio Grande-W; V. Rhythm in the Hills-W; V.

This artist is no average cowboy crooner. Horton's controlled tenor pipes dispense with any nasal twang and tackle these two Western ballads with the same finesse required for his with the same intesse required for his singing of the ditties in Song of Nor-way. Both are slow, dreamy waltzes, designed for smoky after-hours, and Horton injects just that type of at-mosphere. He takes first chorus on both sides, orchestra takes the second, and he returns to finish cut the min and he returns to finish out the spin.

Unusual Westerns, these sides will glean sugar for ops.

TERRY FELL (Memo 3003)

There's a Gold Moon Shining-FT; V. You're Not Wanted Here-FT; V.

It's down-to-earth nasal vocalizing that gives these folk songs their rural appeal. Fiddles and guitars set the outdoor scenes as Terry Fell plain-tively warbles the woes of a one-sided love in Gold Moon. Instrumentalists chime in vocally here as well as on the reverse, where they tell an untrue gal You're Not Wanted Here Here.

Sides will find takers at folk machines. (Continued on page 131)



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**RECORD REVIEWS** (Continued from page 31). engaging blues shouter in this spin-ning. However, this cutting must have been made too long ago. At any rate, material is heavily dated at this late date that finds Milton taking sides for the story of heroics when MacArthur smashed thru in the Pa-fic Theater.

CLAUDE CASEY (Victor 20-1955) I Wish I'd Never Met You-FT; V. My Little Tootsie-FT; V.

It's the rustic singing of the backwoods that Claude Casey offers to the accompaniment of fiddles and guitars for his original hillbilly creations. For I Wish I'd Never Met You, Casey polishes off the spin with an attrac-tive lick of yodeling, which is more attractive than his singing or the not make up for the triteness of his My Little Tootsie tune.

The Carolina backwoods, where Casey enjoys a large following, may bring phone attention.

ROY MILTON'S SEXTET (Hamp-Tone 104) Burma Road Blues-FT; VC. Parts I and II. Drummer boy Roy Milton, with a blues blowing sextet, makes for an

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Lift and interpolating with old-style vaudeville gags and dialect bits. Boogie piano introduces *Sepulveda*, all about a certain street in L. A. Tie-up will get plays on West Coast right away. Ditty itself is jivey and the jazzy ivories are heard behind the boys' vocalizing all the way thru. Occasional guitar bit helps also.

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phonos.

Sepulveda will nab nickels on West Coast in particular.

# CHARLIE SHAVERS QUINTET

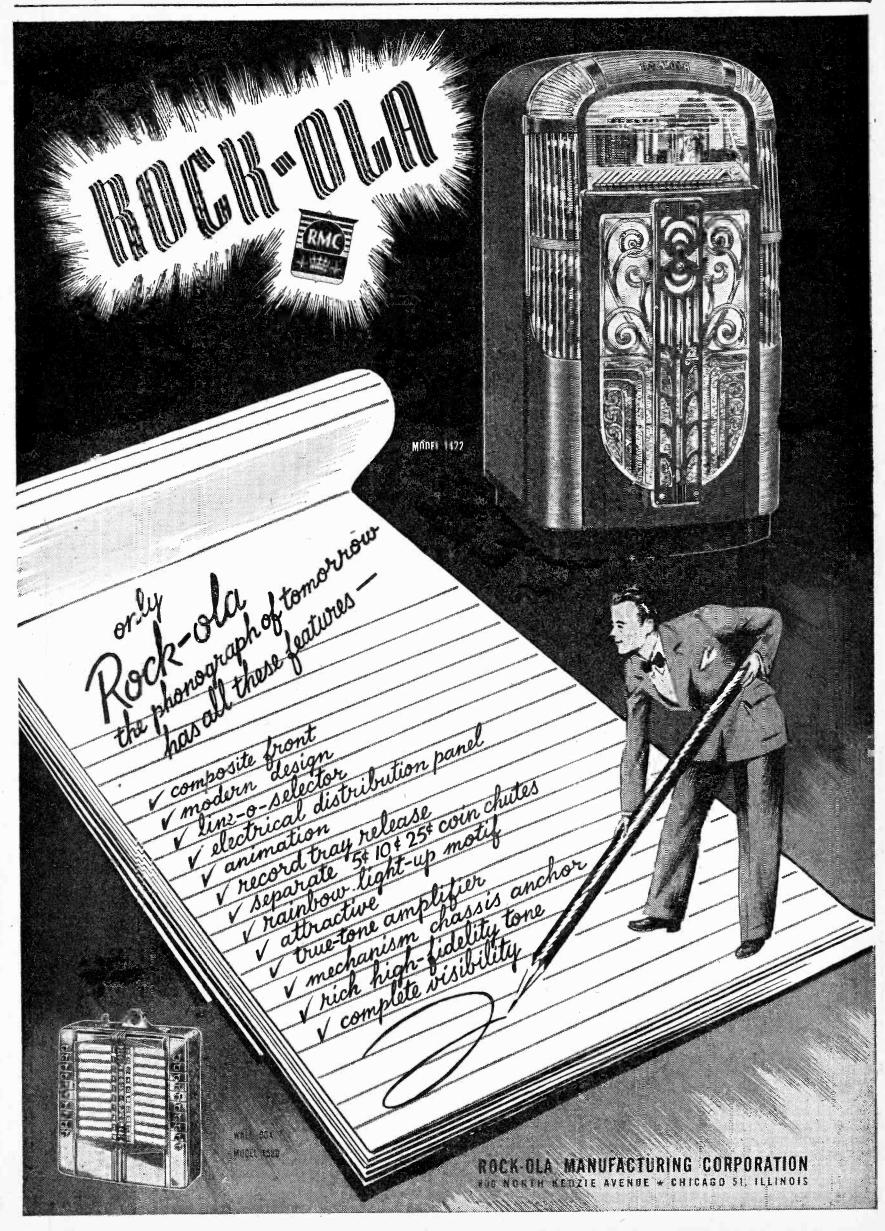
(Vogue R754) Dizzy's Dilemna-FT. She's Funny That Way-FT.

Buddy De Franco's liquid, mellow clarinet vamps into She's Funny That Way, and Charlie Shavers's raspy, whispering voice takes up the lyrical chant. Pace is slow and bluesy, in that drenched 6 a.m. manner. Buddy follows Shavers's vocal with some more clary and its hard to remember when he fades out to let Shavers trumpet ride out the side. Dizzy Dilemna is another cyclone-paced instrumental, with Shavers's muted horn getting in a flood of notes. Alvin Stoller's black and whites also take their turn, and John Potaker contributes a fed succinct bars of bass.

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other coin-operated machines may be in prospect for coinmen in the smaller cities of this State. At the 1947 General Assembly a lobby for the League of Third Class Cities of Pennsylvania will push for this type of logilation.

During a recent convention here the League adopted a resolution ask-ing that Section 2601 of the Third Class City Law be amended as fol-

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CLIFTON, N. J., Oct. 5.—Addition of 17,500 square feet of plant pro-duction space to the existing 2,500 square feet of space in Telematic Products, Inc., building here has now been completed, Manny Ehrenfeld, firm president, states. Bernie Wolf-son is general manager of the organization.

Nickel Nickel

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—The Chi-cago Daily Times limmerick artist, Stan Arnold, chose re-ports of headaches juke box operators are having with new-issue nickels for the recent

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Executive offices of the concern are now located at Passaic, N. J. National distribution of the music studios made by the firm are being handled by Runyon Sales, New York. "Pro-duction," Ehrenfeld states, "is ahead of schedule."



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# M.S. Wolf Has **Portland Class**

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 5.—Port-land branch of M. S. Wolf Distribut-ing Company conducted a two-day school September 23-24 on maintenance of AMI juke boxes for some

30 operators from three States. Branch Manager A. A. Moss had Monte West, factory representative from Chicago, here to tear a machine down to demonstrate construction and operation of phono's "organs" and explain theories involved.

Sessions were attended also by the firm's general manager from Los An-geles, A. L. Silberman.

firm's general manager from Los An-geles, A. L. Silberman. Those attending were Clifford G. Martin, Granite Park, Ore.; Orville Nelson, Portland; Jack Campbell, Salem, Ore.; Vern Row, Seaside, Ore.; Happy Ross, Astoria, Ore.; Mrs. Harry Knaus, Woodland, Wash.; Har-old Rouse, Goldendale, Wash.; Roy Davis, Portland; Walter Autrane, Pendleton, Ore.; E. O. Stratton, Pen-dleton; J. T. Campbell, Portland; H. Hopper, Portland; D. Moore, Port-land; V. L. Sanders, Portland; Ray H. Witherspon, Portland; K. C. Mat-tox, Portland; Robert Newman, Esta-cada, Ore.; Willard C. Freeman, Portland; J. A. Martin, Portland; Warren Taylor, Oakland, Calif.; Frank Sandberg, Portland; F. H. Claus, Portland; H. D. Taylor, Port-land; Harry Knaus, Woodland, Wash.; Ernest Beaudiar, Woodland, Wash.; Canes, Portland; R. S. Capri, Port-land; Charles L. Edwards, Portland, and Mary E. Smith, Portland.

# **300 at Banner** W. Va. Showing

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5 .--- At least 300 coinmen and operators from West Virginia and Maryland attended a virginia and Maryland attended a special display by the Banner Spe-cialty Company at Charleston, W. Va., it was reported here this week by I. H. Rothstein, executive of that firm. According to Rothstein, similar

showings are now being planned for various cities in Pennsylvania. Fea-ture of the showing were Packard

Play-Mor products. Firm has recently finished mod-ernization of its new two-story build-ing at 199 West Girard Avenue. Be-sides the latest designs the new building will contain 18,000 square feet of space.

# **Juke Tax Receipts** Drop for Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oct. 5.--Despite a general rise in all other collections, taxes on music machines hit a slump during August, dropping \$14,370 compared with 1945, according to a tax commission announce-ment this week.

Tax collections for the State have jumped more than \$1,500,000 over last August the report disclosed, while music box receipts totaled \$14,-478 against \$28,948.

478 against \$28,948. Among other figures released were those for cigarette taxes which indi-cated a rise of \$157,205 or \$710,607 against \$553,402 in 1945. Cigarette license tax also showed an increase with collections hitting \$15,863 against \$13,172, according to the re-port port.



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#### **Burnette Scouts**

Smiley Burnette's transcontinental personal-appearance tours have stood him in good stead as a talent scout which he co-stars. He knows per-sonally nearly every folk music artist in the United States and has been radio stations. He was the guest of Brownie Reynolds and other meminstrumental in bringing these people to Hollywood.

Columbia has used Merle Travis, Hank Penny, Ozie Waters, Zeke Clements, Slim Duncan, Hank New-man and the Georgia Crackers, and Mustered and Crackers (1997) Mustard and Gravy, of Wilson, N. C.

Columbia anticipates using Curly Williams, Texas Jim Lewis, Curly Clements, Bill Russell and Art Young in forthcoming Westerns. All of these artists were submitted for Columbia's approval by Smiley Burnette.

Blondie Force, cowboy singer and entertainer, known as "The Driftin" Cowboy," recently returned to L. A. from another p.-a. tour of the South and East. He appeared at army and

AMERICAN FOLK TUNES Cowboy and Hillbilly Tunes and Tunesters

Ernest Tubb, on the Grand Ole Opry program. His latest song, Goin' Back to Texas, has been published by Westlake Music Publications, of Los Angeles.

Bobby Gregory and His Cactus Cowboys have recorded on Pop-U-Lar Records four of the tunes the boys made popular on their various rodeo and radio engagements. | Tunes are Pardners, Western Polka, Gay Nineties Polka and Montana Is Call-ing Me Home. The boys have signed to make four more sides for Pop-U-Lar Becords scop Lar Records soon.

Goodwill Frolic Barn Dance show, currently heard over Station WJR, Detroit, launched a personal-appear-ance tour October 5 at Richmond,

bers, who have appeared with Renfro Valley Folks and other well-known hillbilly troupes, will concentrate on p. a.'s for the balance of the winter, and arrangements have been made for an extensive tour of Michigan or an extensive tour of Michigan under canvas this coming summer. Organization is under personal di-rection of Ernie Lee, with L. Curtis and R. W. Couls handling the ad-vance. Troupe has a large following in Michigan, and advance sales and backing reist to what leads hill be bookings point to what looks like a record tour.

Leeds Music Corporation, of New York, recently accepted the following swing spirituals and Westerns: Get Right With the Lawd, Take a Good Look at the Good Book, Hallelujah in Yo' Soul; Reach Down, O Lord, and Carry Me Home and Carry Me to Laramie.

#### Dude Moves

Dude Martin, with a 4.8 Hooperatbude Martin, with a 4.8 Hooperat-ing tucked glowingly in his belt, is moving his *Radio Roundup* from Monday to Sunday nights at 8:30 (PDT) over the ABC Coast network. Martin's success in this spot is a tribute to KGO, San Francisco, executives who recognize the popu-larity of Western and folk music. Move forces Dude to discontinue his Sunday night barn dance at the Persian Room, of the Hotel Sir Francis Drake, where he has played for 18 weeks.

Bill Boyd and His Cowboy Ramblers, stars of radio, screen and RCA Victor Records, flew from Dallas to New Orleans recently for their fall record-ing session with Victor. Boyd has been with RCA Victor since 1934 and has turned out many hits, including Tum-bling Tumbleweeds, New Spanish Two-Step, Home-Coming Waltz, New Steel Guitar Rag and some of his more recent releases, Down the Trail to San Antong, Roadside Rag, and I Don't Know Why, But I Do.

Chuck Harding, who was a mem-ber of the Swingbillie Revue while with the army's entertainment branch in the Pacific area, is back at WJOB, Hammond, Ind. Chuck formerly was with Pete Pyle's Mississippi Valley Boys at WSM. However, Pete re-cently left WSM and is now at WJOB. Country Music Publishers, of Chicago, is putting out a new song book for Chuck, and is now negotiating with a well-known recording firm and expects to wax some time this fall.

pects to wax some time this fall. Imco Music Company, of South Bend, Ind., was organized recently by William J. Bickel and will publish religious and folk tunes. Music for this company will be furnished ex-clusively by staff members for the present. First song is a religious one called *Hail Mary*, which is set for national distribution. If this song proves a hit, according to Bickel, he intends to put the money into a free surgical hospital for boys and girls surgical hospital for boys and girls up to the ages of 14. Words to the song came from a prayer centuries old.

#### **McLean's Newest**

Hamilton G. McLean, of Los An-geles, has had a new Western ballad, There's a Special Moon O'er the Prairie, written in collaboration with Lew Mel and Max Terhune, accepted for publication by Wallace Fowler Publications, Nashville. The Mays Brothers, Budge and Fudge, are back in radio ordin of

Fudge, are back in radio again after an absence of several years when they were in the service. They are broadcasting over the Bluefield, W.

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long stay at WWVA. He has three of the station's former singers with his act, the Kissinger Brothers and Jimmie Hutchinson.

WBT, Charlotte, N. C., has its big Carolina Hayride and Hit Parade on the air every Saturday night from 9:15 to 11, and among featured artists are Whitey and Hogan, Fred Kirby, Claude Casey, Swanee River Boys, the Briarhoppers, Johnson Family, and Arthur Smith and His Carolina Crackerjacks. Show is emseed by Grady Cole and really goes over with WBT listeners.

Texas Bill Strength is emsee and manager of the new show that is proving popular with Fort Smith and Eastern Oklahoma folk song lovers. At present show consists of five At present show consists of five pieces, and plans have been made to increase the number soon. Show is called the Melody Trail Riders and includes Jack and Audrey Manning, Rusty Russell, Jackie Jackson and the Larson Sisters.

Frank Dudgeon now has his own recording company, known as Frank's Folk Tune Record Company, Cleve-land. His first release is Old Shep, backed by I'm Waitin' for My Darlin'.

backed by I'm Wattin' for My Darlin'. His records will all be folk songs and hymns. Frank started out in radio over a Zanesville, O., station. A prose-poem, My Church, written by Mary Jean Shurtz, with music by Clarke Van Ness, has been published by Dixie Music Company and appears in their Bound Ibn of Song Hitr for

by Dixie Music Company and appears in their Round-Up of Song Hits for Radio and Recording, Book No. 14. The Singing Drifter, Clair L. Meek-ins, starting October 7, will be heard with the whole Cornhuskers Gang, broadcasting over WFIN, Findlay, O., daily at 10:30 to 11 a.m. and 4:15 to 4:45 nm He also has a program of 4:45 p.m. He also has a program of his own at 7:30 every Saturday morning. Meekins formerly had his own band, but disbanded due to war re-strictions on gas and tires. Band was known as the Noveliers.

### From Hollywood

From Hollywood William Boyd, screen's Hopalong Cassidy, was signed by Little Folks Favorites, Inc., to record an album of children's folk stories. Spade Cooley staged a farewell party for Sioux City Sue (Gayle Hofstead, winner of Iowa's State-wide context to find a girl who two

wide contest to find a girl who typi-fied the song) at his Santa Monica Ballroom.

In conjunction with the premiere of Walter Wanger's Canyon Passage Fred O. Hansen staged an old-fashioned Western dance at his Painted Post, chalking up a record turnout. Among celebs attending were Dana Andrews, Brian Donlevy, Susan Hayward, Patricia Roc, Hoagy Carmichael, Ward Bond, Andy Devine and his two sons, Tad and Denny.

and his two sons, lad and Denny. Tex Williams and the Western Caravan have renewed their 9 p.m. Saturday spot on KXLA for broad-casts from the Palace Barn Dance. Riverside Rancho reopened under management of Bobbie Bennett. Hank Penny will front the band, featuring Caraling Cotton and pignist arrangem Carolina Cotton and pianist-arranger Eddie Bennett. Western dancery will operate on a five-night-a-week basis, Wednesday thru Monday.

Tex Ritter is being considered for the musical revue, Los Angeles, to be produced at L. A.'s Philharmonic Auditorium.



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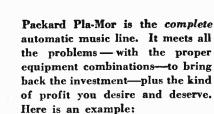
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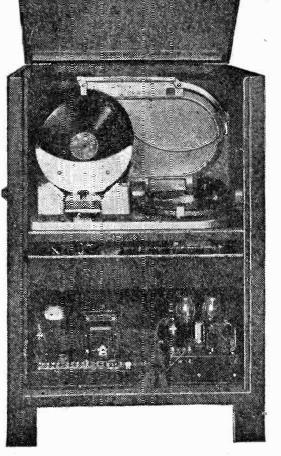
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 ROBIN HOOD ALBUM (2-10")
 Ine Be Bop Boys (GOOD KICK).Savoy 619

 Drinking Song
 The Hunt Is Up

 Morris Dance
 Two By Two

 Robin Hood
 Two By Two

ROCK MY SOUL ...... Johnson Jubilee Singers (WHERE CAN)

 SONGS OF AMERICA ALBUM

 (2-10")
 Crane Calder.....Musicraft RR5

 Early Days in America
 Negro Songs

 Mountaineers and Others
 The West

 Early Days in America Mountaineers and Others
 The West

 SOONER OR LATER (You're Gonna 'Be Comin' Around)
 The Merry Macs (THERE'S THE)

 SPEAK EASY
 Anson Weeks Ork (Dick Balou) (PASSE)

 STARS IN MY EYES
 Gaylord Carter (BRAHM'S LULLABY)

 STAY AS LONG AS YOU LIKE
 Larry Vincent (Feilden Foursome) (IF I)

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 Duke Ellington (JUST SQUEEZE)

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THAT GAL'S NO GOOD Ralph Willis Alabama Trio (SO MANY)
THE GIRL THAT I MARRY Eddy Howard Ork (YOU ARE)
THE SORCER'S APPRENTICE ALBUM
THE       THINGS       WE       DID       LAST         SUMMER       SUMMER       Majestic       12007         THEM       WHO       HAS—GETS       Jimmy       Lunceford       (SHUT-OUT)
THERE'S THEM THAT DO The Merry Macs (SOONER OR)
THEY'RE LAYING DOWN THE Larry Vincent (Feilden Foursema)
LAW TODAY
TICK-TOCK-TALE ALBUMJules Werner-Paul CrestonSonora MS-485         Parts 1 and 6Sonora 1144         Parts 2 and 5Sonora 1145         Parts 3 and 4Hal McIntyre (A GAL)Cosmo 517         TIME ON MY HANDS—UNDER A         BLANKET OF BLUEHal McIntyre (A GAL)Cosmo 517         TOMORROW BEGINS ANOTHER Harmie Smith and the Southern Swing- YEAR
TRIFLIN' WOMAN BLUES Clyde Bernhardt and His Blue Blazers (Clyde Bernhardt) (SWEET JAM)
TWILIGHT SPIRITUALS ALBUM The McNeil ChoirBlack & White BW-61         Babylon's Fallen       Black & White 4001         Don't Call the Roll, John       Black & White 4002         Hold On       Black & White 4002         Po' Mourner       Black & White 4002         Soon I Will Be Done       Black & White 4001         Black & White 4002       Black & White 4002
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WHERE CAN I GO? Johnson Jubilee Singers (ROCK MY) WINKY-BLINKY PEEK-A-BOO Larry Vincent (Feilden Foursome)
(THEY'RE LAYING)Pearl 11 WOULD YOU DO ME A FAVOR? Clyde Bernhardt and His Blue Blazers (Clyde Bernhardt) (LAY YOUR)
YOU ARE EVERYTHING TO ME Eddy Howard Ork (THE GIRL)
YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU       Majestic 1083         STARTED (When You Started Adele Clark (Walter Gross Ork) (A Kissin' Me)
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Holidays and Seasons Morning at School

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 5.—Nick Fasci, veteran Kansas City juke operator, announced that he will move his Music Mart and Mo-Kan Amusement Company to 3933 Main Street, where he plans to expand the business to include a complete line of electrical appliances. Firms have been located at 3914 Main.

Jack Gorham, manager of the disk and appliance departments, said the company is drawing up plans for a complete remodeling of the new loca-

K. C. Juke Operator Adds Appliances to Expanding Business ition. New building, which was ob-tained under a 10-year lease, has two floors and full basement, 25 feet wide by 75 feet deep. This will give the firm 5,625 square feet of floor space compared with about 3,000 in the old location.

Singing Games Story of Old King Cole

Fasci said he expects to re-open in Fasci said he expects to re-open in the new shop in about a month or six weeks. Hold-up is that the lease of an exclusive dress shop which occu-pies half of the new premises will not expire until November 1.

Record shop and phonograph ac-cessories will be located on the first floor with platters stored in the base-ment. Second floor will be devoted to washers, refrigerators, radios and other appliances. New shop is located in the heart of a very active outlying

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business district and offers an excel-

Justices district and others an excel-lent display to motorists coming onto Main from Westport Road. Fasci reports that business has been pretty slow on the juke boxes during the summer, since most of his are located in restaurants. He blames are located in restaurants. He blames the food shortage and hikes in meal prices for the drop in play.

# Name Dave Rosen of Philly As Modern Records Distrib

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.—Mod-ern Records announced this week the appointment of David Rosen, coin machine distributor, as distributor in Eastern Pennsylvania, Baltimore

and Washington. Harry Rosen, brother of David partment here.

# **Plan Juke Silencer** In Columbia, S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Oct. 5.-Antinoise ordinance, which would ban un-necessary sound from juke boxes was one of three matters pending before the city council here this week.

Ordinance was proposed at the last council session by the mayor and will come up for a second reading this week. As the proposal stands, the new law would prohibit all forms of loud noise in the city such as horn blowing and juke boxes.

Rosen, is in charge of the record de-

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## Southern California Juke Ops in First Ass'n Meet

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 5.—Newly formed Southern California Automatic Music Operators' Association held their last open meeting October 1 at Embassy Auditorium here. Hereafter members only will be allowed to attend the meetings.

Managing Director Jay Bullock, in charge of the evening's activities, announced that prior to meeting time 65 operators had joined the new association, which is affiliating with the local AFL Teamsters' Union.

Bullock announced that earlier the same day the association's board of directors had met with union officials to carry out final negotiations. Additional questions from the floor were directed toward Bullock, regarding the union situation and planned affiliation. Bullock substantiated everything he had previously said along these lines. He reviewed the failures of the former Music Operators' Association of Southern California and gave a resume of the reasons that had prompted the decision for the new association to affiliate with the union.

New Set-Up

Bullock repeated that under the new set-up there could be no more jumping of spots or selling of equipment to locations. AFL Teamsters' Local 396 will serve as the mother union and supervise other locals involving operators in other districts. Every machine must bear a union sticker and be run and serviced by union members. If this is violated, locations involved will be picketed by the teamsters and deliveries halted.

New association is charging \$25 union initiation fees and will assess each machine \$3 per month. Many operators were at the meet-

ing who had not previously attended, due to the recent vote to affiliate with the union. There was slight resistance offered by a few of these operators to the union idea, but a lengthy dissertation by Bullock as to ideals and plans already decided apparently stemmed any doubt held by some members not heretofore advised as to the wisdom of the union move.

At the conclusion of the meeting another 35 operators joined the new association, and Bullock announced he would have the entire organizational set-up completed by the next meeting, to be held in the near future.

## Philly Music Union on Way

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 5.—Another effort to unionize music machine servicemen was under way here this week with better results than in the past, according to information from reliable sources.

Proposed union is being set up by organizers for the American Federation of Labor, who are concentrating at the moment on music service and repair men. Several such attempts to unionize music men have reportedly failed. Present plan by the union, accord-

Present plan by the union, according to sources, is to take in all machine servicemen. Some talk indicating a strengthening process is also under way, with the proposed union including radio service and repair men as well. Operators and distributors are making no effort to block the union's organizational activities, it was revealed.

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### New York:

Joe Beck, vice-president in charge of sales of the Telequiz Sales Company, spent some time in town this week showing his firm's new machine. Joe left today (5) for Milwaukee, but will be back again in two weeks. Clarence Lommerin and Edward Leeson, Viking Tool, plan to exhibit their popcorn machine at the Chicago con-vention of the National Popcorn Association in November.

Dave Lowy, of the firm of the same name, is finishing remodeling his establishment. . . Sammy Lipman, West Side Distributing, is now run-ning the firm's parts section. . . . Art Connors, president of A. Connors Distributing Corporation, Buffalo, and Larry Roehm, his general man-ager, spent some time in town this week on business. Manny Ehrenfeld Telematic presi-

Manny Ehrenfeld, Telematic presi-dent, tells us that his firm has just added 17,500 square feet of space to its plant in Clifton, N. J. . . . Bernie Wolfson, general manager of Tele-matic, is ill with la grippe. . . Barny (Shugy) Sugarman and Abe Green, both of Runyon Sales, and Willie Blatt have purchased an in-terest in Firestone Games, Inc., changing the name of the firm to Firestone Enterprises, Inc.

Harry Berger and Stanley Arnold, Harry Berger and Stanley Arnold, Coin Diathermy Corporation, have started production of their new coin machine. . . Helen Anderson, Per-sonal Music Corporation, Newark, N. J. was married recently. . . On Oc-tober 10 at 8:30 p.m., in the Park Cen-tral Hotel, the Arcade Owners' Asso-ciation will begin its new season. . . . Barney Schlang, AMOA, reports a sellout for the association's annual a sellout for the association's annual banquet.

Maynard A. Laswell, vice-president of the Personal Music Corpora-tion, was recently elected to the board of governors of the Propeller Club. . . . Ben Fielding, license commissioner, gave a radio address last Sunday (29) morning in which he

Sunday (29) morning in which he mentioned coin machines. . . . Ted Seidel is the new addition to the sales staff of Dave Lowy Company. R. B. Jenkins, Jacksonville, Fla.; Dan Dalullo, Waterbury, Conn.; Wil-liam L. Orlin, Santa Ana, Calif.; A. S. Hardy, Malone, N. Y.; Bob Schwartz, Detroit; Leonard Fleshing, Baltimore, and Harold T. Loomis, Honesdale, Pa., were some of the many visitors along the avenue this week. . . Al Schlesinger, Square Amusement Company, dropped into Jack Fitzgibbon's Musical Minutes, (See NEW YORK on page 112)

### **Roston:**

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Blackie Blackman, head of Blackie's here, now flies a Cessna two-seater on his service calls. In a talk with Henry Facktoroff, of Asso-ciated Amusement, Blackie declared that this is an economical way of servicing his out-of-town locations. He said that he can service a client 100 miles from Boston as cheaply as he could a spot 20 miles from the city. Blackie brings the total of operators who use personal planes to three. They are Art Strahan, Mohawk Music, Crossfold and Los Polletion Fort Greenfield, and Leo Pelletier, Fort Kent, Me.

Thomas Cosgrove, of Rockland, Mass., was adding to his pinball route this week. . . Ed Blanchard, of Webster, Mass., left on a short buying trip this week to Boston. . . . Si Redd, of Redd Distributing Company, is keep-ing mum on recent transfers of jukes. It is believed that Redd can report startling developments in the New England music distributorship when the opportunity presents itself. when

Recent guests of Ed Ravreby, at the Recent guests of Ed Ravreby, at the Associated Amusement showroom, were A. S. Douglas, of Daval Prod-ucts Corporation, Chicago; Jack Gar-liner, of Buffalo, N. Y., and Dave Bond, of Trimount Coin Machine Company here. Bond and Ravreby conferred on plans for a million dol-lar fund raising drive for the Salva-tion Army. Boston coinmen have been asked to support that cause.

# **COINMEN YOU KNOW**

## Kansas City:

J. D. Kintzel of Chicago, salesmanager of Telotone Corporation, was in town to confer with Bert Smith and his associates in Telemusic, Inc., which is Midwestern distributor for Telotone. F. B. Harris, of Dallas, prexy of Telemusic, has bought a home here and moved his family from Dallas. He just returned from a business trip to Fort Smith, Ark.

Carl Hoelzel, of United Amusement Company, reports that his firm now has six bowling teams hitting strikes and spares in various alleys of the two Kansas cities, and it paid off with a piece of good publicity in the local paper recently when one of the bowlers rang up an 801 total in three games. Item was headed: "He Earned This Jackpot." None of the bowlers. This Jackpot." None of the bowlers, however, actually work for United except on the pins. Mildred Nelson, Hoelzel's secretary, says she is ready for another vacation this year after the company did the biggest business in its 15-year history during the first (See KANSAS CITY on page 118)

### Halifax, N. S.:

Frank Hanlon, pioneer juke box and pinball distributor and dealer of Nova Scotia, is really up in the air these days. His 18-year-old son, Carl, recently received an airplane pilot's license. Now the flight school operators have informed him that operators have informed him that the boy is itching to become a full-time commercial pilot. Carl has been working at various odd jobs in order to save enough money to buy a light aircraft. It would not be at all surprising to see the father and con combinition dropping cut and son combination dropping out of the clouds to make business calls in the near future.

### **Portland**, Ore.:

**Portlana, Ure.:** Frank Sandberg, of Mills Sales Company, and Howard Taylor, of Ellis & Taylor, teamed up on the Mount Hood Country Club course the other day to trim Fred Claus, of United Service, and A. A. Moss, of M. S. Wolf Distributing Company, in a duffer's class golf tournament —competition being restricted to -competition being restricted to those averaging 110 or more. Tour-nament took seven hours to play, in an all-day rain.

## Los Angeles:

Harry Williams, of Williams Manu-facturing Company, flew out from Chicago in his own plane to spend two weeks vacationing here with his father, Bill Williams, who runs the local M. C. Williams Distributing Company. Bill is now without the services of steno Evelyn Shell, who has returned to her native Mississippi to live with her family there. . . Jimmy Rutter, of Operators Service, is back in Chicago again exhibiting his new Del Mar game.

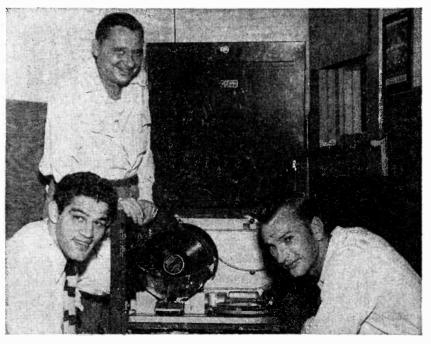
Aubrey Stemler, of Stemler & Gallagher Distributing Company recent-ly celebrated his birthday with a small family group at his Van Nuys home. Stemler reports his new busihome. Stemler reports his new busi-ness is now rapidly increasing, and he and partner, Skeets Gallagher, have just spent several days in hud-dle with Ray Moloney and George Jenkins, president and vice-presi-dent respectively, of Bally Manu-facturing Company, who are cur-rently on the Coast making plans for the new plant to be opened in Holly-wood by Bally. wood by Bally.

C. A. (Chet) Wiser, of Coast Record Manufacturing Company, has just returned from a trip thru the East. Chet reports business is good, and Coast's Louis distributor, Commercial Music Company, is opening a branch in Cin-cinnati. . . . Bill Wolf, of M. S. Wolf Distributing Company, is spending a couple of weeks in Chicago on busi-(See LOS ANGELES on page 112)

### leveland:

Leo Dixon, Triangle Distributing Company, traveled to the East Coast to check coin developments in New York....Cleveland Phonograph Association held its monthly meeting at Hotel Cleveland October 3. Presi-dent Jack Cohen handled the pro-ceedings. . . Israel Epstein made a sudden dash to Los Angeles to comfort his son who is ill there. . . . Joe Abraham is back at Ohio Distributing Company after a trip to Chicago.

It's good news this week at Reliable Music. Firm's Herbert Rosenfelt was up and about after battling an illness that persisted for too many weeks.... Local coinmen were sorry to learn of the passing of Gary Weber's mother. She died in Chicago recently.



BOXER TOMMY GOMEZ, contender for world heavyweight title, gets ringside look-see at a new Packard juke box at Walter R. Sellers' West Coast Amusement Company distributing offices in Tampa, Fla. Photo shows Sellers at right, with Gomez at lower left, and his Tampa host, restaurateur Harry Taylor, above.

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**Chicago:** 

Bob Gnarro, at ABC Music Serv-ice, is lamenting the record problem and wondering what he and other juke box operators can do about it. Big headache, he says, is getting enough of the top popular records, as diskeries appear to be more and more hypnotized by the mass consumer market developing with in-crease in home phonographs. Gnarro hopes operators will find a way of showing platter-makers that jukes remain a powerful advertising me-dium and convincing them that jukes should rate top priority.

Morris Nozette, Bradley Distributors, had George Trad as a week-end visi-tor here. Trad, one of the owners of Tradio, Inc., Asbury Park, N. J., came out to confer with Nozette on distribu-tor activities for the firm's coin radio, incidentally got a chance to look over new Bradley headquarters on North Damen Avenue. . . . Max Glass, off on a short trip to New York, is expected back this week-end.

Leo Lewis reports a lucky break in ouying amusement machines resulting from a concentrated effort made recently by his Lewis Coin Machine Serivce. Vince Murphy, sales chief at Monarch Coin Machine Company, is celebrating his first anni-versary in the coin business these days. . . Barney Schultz has added two men to his Coin Amusement Games shop staff to speed work on revamp of army practice machine guns which he latched on to recently.

Ray Cunliffe, head of Brown Music Company and president of Illinois Phonograph Operators, Inc., reports operators are taking the city's new \$25 juke box tax in stride. Most ops, he says, feel it's too high, but a dis-tinct improvement over the original \$50 measure. Worries now are con-centrated on lagging play and increased overhead, according to Cunliffe. He described play here as down 15 per cent from a peak reached four months ago, said that the 10-cent play proposal will be discussed as a way out at the association's meeting, October 7.

Jeff Landers, at Mercury Coin, is still chuckling over a four-page let-(See CHICAGO on page 114)

### **Detroit:**

Theodore Polemiadis, a 20-year op-Theodore Polemiadis, a 20-year op-erator of cigarette vending machines, plans to move his office when his lease expires in a few months. He says that he will continue to operate from his present 2210 West Warren Avenue address until that time. Juke operator Glen Yuille, of the Wol-verine Sales Company, will take over the Warren Avenue building for his own business. own business.

The Triangle Vending Company, 2014 Blaine Avenue, is being set up by Myer Brenner and Morris Richman.... Coinmen were glad to learn that Carlo Di Liberto, of the Jay-Cee Music Com-Di Liberto, of the Jay-Cee Music Com-pany, was dropped from the sick list. . . Frank Matranga and Raffaele Quasarano have joined him at Jay-Cee and have opened a new base of operations at 7912 Mack Avenue. John Rellias, fresh out of the navy, (See DETROIT on page 116)

## **B**uffalo:

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Buffalo: Phyllis Clark, long time Girl Fri-day of Ben Kulick, Mills Amusement Company and Fay-San Distributing Corporation, is telling intimates about her engagement to Morton Slesinger, which will officially be announced October 13 at a family dinner party here. . . Mr. and Mrs. Kulick are in Clifton Springs, N. Y., at a sana-torium. Both still are on the con-valescent list after a serious auto smash-up some months ago. Kulick hasn't been able to spend much time hasn't been able to spend much time at his offices, even after his return to Buffalo, and at present his return son, Sanford, a veteran of the ETO, is working at Fay San Distributing Corporation part time, while taking a business administration course at the University of Buffalo. Sanford is an-(See BUFFALO on page 116)

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## COINMEN YOU KNOW

## New York:

(Continued from page 110) Inc., showrooms this week to talk things over. Jack has the new music box ready now.

Expect to see many coinmen in At-lantic City the week of October 21 for the ice cream and dairy conventions (four of them) that week. Rumor has it that several coin machines will be displayed. . . Leo Knebel, Manhat-tan Phono, reports that huge ship-ments of Aireon jukes are arriving. Hymie Rosenberg, of the firm of the same name, is busy with his new Connecticut outlet.

Ben Palastrant, Aireon's New Eng-land sales manager, spent part of the week in Boston, but returned Satur-day (5) to attend the AMOA affair, . . . Maurice Schack, Milk-o-Mat president, is back in town. . . . Paul Gardner, Gardner, Amusement Sales Gardner, Gardner Amusement Sales Corporation, San Francisco, is in town visiting friends. . . Marty Kloser, Bronx op, will be married around the first of the month to Harry Miller's daughter, Mary. Harry Booklyn Australian coin

Harry Miller's daughter, Mary. Harry Rooklyn, Australian coin-man, expects to return to New York in about a week from his Midwestern business trip. . . Hal Meeks, East-ern Electric Vending Machines, re-ports that production is "booming." Distributing Company record section is now complete. . . . Al Blendow, International Mutoscope, reports that the new Atomic Bomber game is "getting production" now.

Sol Wohlman, Pan Coast Amusement Company, reports that a new roll-down game by his firm is "about" ready. . . . George and Victor Trad, Tradio radios, are putting finishing touches on something new. . . New Pan Coast shoe-shine machine is on production lines. . . Al Bloom, Speedway Products, is enlarging his 

Hymie Goldblatt has purchased an arcade in Miami. . . Arcade owners in Coney Island reported "boom" business during the Luna Park fire. Seems crowds came down to see the four-alarm fire and stayed to spend coin. Jewish holidays have kept the avenue quiet this week, but next week biz is expected to pick up. . . . Irv Morris and Joe Ash, Active Amusement, went stepping last weekend with Pearl Francis, Lyndon Durant and Bill Deselm, all of United Manufacturing Company, in Philly. Seems something is in the mill.



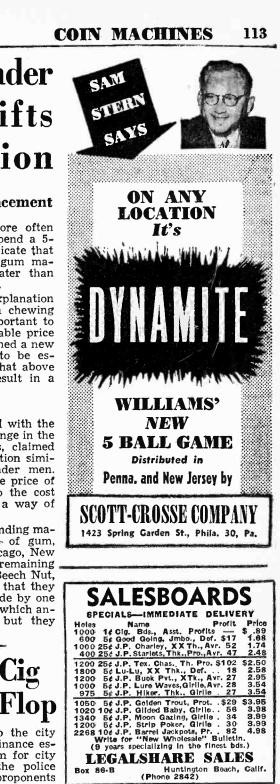
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## Los Angeles:

(Continued from page 110) s. Wolf's general manager, Silberman, and Monty West, AMI factory representative, have just factory representative, have just joined in conducting two-day schools in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle, teaching operators the mechanism of the new AMI phono.

Out-of-towners who recently Out-of-towners who recently dropped in at Badger Sales Company offices include W. M. O'Dell, Earli-mart; G. F. Cooper, Riverside; Irvin Gayer, San Bernardino; Harold Mur-phy, Palm Springs; Fred Allen and Ted Brown, Bakersfield; Ivan Wil-cox, Visalia; Stanley Little, Long Beach; Jack Bahler, Inglewood; Ben Korte, Glendale; James and Lillian Scherer, Compton: also local ons Art Scherer, Compton; also local ops Art Sternall, Ed Groves, Shannon Douglas and Abe Hanlin.





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CHICAGO, Oct. 5 .- Following the pennies for gum much more often release of chewing gum from price control this week, Phil K. Wrigley disclosed that his firm is contemplating a change in price for the sale of their product thru vending machines.

First announcement of its kind from gum manufacturers after price control was lifted, Wrigley's state-ment did not indicate what plans were being made to effect the change.

While it seemed obvious to coinmen that prices would not go down, Wrigley said that at this time it would not be advisable to indicate what measures were to be taken in the changing of vending machine gum prices.

## Caught Unprepared

As to the sale of his product thru other mediums, Wrigley declared that nothing had been decided as yet. Two of the remaining big three manufacturers felt that the removal had caught them unprepared to make any change. All admitted that they were considering the problem.

In New York, American Chicle Company, manufacturers of Beemans, Dentyne, Chiclets, Black Jack, Yuca-tan and Cloves gum, asserted that their firm had no statement to make at this time but an announcement, one way or the other, would soon be issued.

The company, according to officials there, does not operate any vending machines, but does supply to opera-tors a 1-cent gum package for sale thru vending machines. Venders of its products are found in factories, 10-cent stores and elsewhere.

Leaf Gum Company of Chicago, reported the largest gum maunfac-turer outside of the big three—Wrigley, Beechnut and American Chicle also stated that there was nothing they could say at this time. Sam Shankman, general manager, de-clared that their product is not made in penny sticks but reaches the vending market thru candy machines.

### Sugar Main Interest

Their main interest, Shankman said, is not the change of price, but the availability of sugar and other ingredients. That also was the state-ment of all the manufacturers.

than they are willing to spend a 5-cent piece. This would indicate that the total sale of a 1-cent gum ma-chine will always be greater than that of the 5-cent machine.

Said the OPA in their explanation said the OPA in their explanation of price control release on chewing gum: "It (gum) is not important to the cost of living—if equitable price controls were to be maintained a new ceiling price would have to be established at a level somewhat above that which is likely to result in a free market."

### Similar to Candy

But operators, confronted with the news of a possible price change in the sale of gum thru venders, claimed that they may face a situation simi-lar to that of candy vender men. They believe that, altho the price of gum was not important to the cost of living it certainly was a way of of living, it certainly was a way of living for them.

The Wrigley firm uses vending ma-The Wrigley firm uses vending ma-chines to expand the use of gum, operating machines in Chicago, New York and Boston. The remaining member of the big three, Beech Nut, of Canajoharie, N. Y., said that they knew of a letter to the trade by one of the other manufacturers which announced a price change, but they had no plans to announce.

## See Denver Cig **Tax Hike Flop**

DENVER, Oct. 5 .- Altho the city council has passed the ordinance es-tablishing a pension system for city employees, exclusive of the police and fire department, the proponents of an additional 1-cent tax on ciga-rettes and tobacco to pay for it ap-parently are losing ground.

Councilmen are said to be leaning toward a 5 or 6-mill increase on the ad valorem tax rate rather than im-pose the additional tax on tobacco, upon which a 1-cent city tax is already being levied.

Jean Breitenstein, attorney for the Retail Druggists' Association, asserted the entire pension plan could col-lapse if sale of cigarettes decreased Belief of many operators was that lapse if sale of cigarettes decr the public is willing to spend odd because of a prohibitive price.



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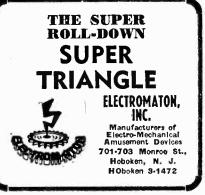
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## **Badger Cafemen To Postpone Closings**

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 5.-Wisconsin's coin machine operators, faced with a possible loss in location play, were Chicago: granted a reprieve last week when members of the Wisconsin Resturant Association postponed their scheduled closing in protest against OPA restrictions.

Originally set to close October 3, the restaurant organization, heavily backed by individual locations, set the date forward to October 8 and if relief promised by OPA is granted, they probably will not close at all, according to Ralph J. Drought, attorney for the association.

The agency announced last week an increase on meat-based meals would be granted, but the amount of the boost was not told and association ojfficials said that if the amount were not sufficient to afford a profit, the restaurants would close.

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(Continued from page 110) ter he received this week from a Mr. Conway, of Conway, Ark. Seems Mr. Conway had a long list of suggestions for coin machine manufacturers, gave them all to Jeff, who wishes to reciprocate with his regards. Parker Brown said Central Coin Machine Company's new four-pistol target game went on it first test location at Jimmy's Lounge here this week, reported production was already under way.

Miami distributor Christopher was over to the Globe Distributing Company telling Perk Perkins that he was glad to see fall arrive. It seems that business in the Florida metropolis was definitely slack during the summer. Globe visitors this week included operators "Bunker" Hill and Ray Joiner, of Greenwood, Miss.; Texas distributor Herrington, and Columbus (O.) distributor Shaffer, of Shaffer Music Company.

pany. Operator Clara Heinz found doings in the coin machine capital interest-ing enough to hurry north from her Memphis retreat. Mrs. Heinz was also in our midst during the last part of August. . . . Amusement Enter-prises, of Houston, sent Bill Siros to check Coin Row developments. . . . Arnold Lee, of the Lee Sales Com-pany, Fort Wayne, Ind., must like our town quite a bit. Anyway, be-lieve it or not, he was back in town again. again.

Sheboygan (Wis.) operator Radike was making the rounds of local coin machine companies. . . Smitty Smith, of Buckley Trading Post, says

there is no news from Pat Buckley. He figures Pat is probably getting ready to return from France if he has not already to feith from France if he has not already started the long way home yet. . . Murray Rosenthal, over at the Coinex Corporation, claims the firm's Slash hockey game is going over even better than they thought it would. He says orders are rolling in from all constants in from all over the country.

In from all over the country. Al Sebring was happy to report that his Bell Products Company had located one of its coin changers in a Walgreen store on Milwaukee ave-nue... Operator Hopperstead came in from Woodstock, Ill., to visit Joe Schwartz, of National Coin Machine Exchange Exchange.

Vince Shay and Bill Mills were telling those who would listen of their victory this week over Gordon and Herbert Mills in a golf tourney at St. Charles links. However, it was reported that the latter two have challenged them to a rematch. Vince, Grant Shay and John Ryan are proud possessors of new Buicks, according to reports around town.

To add to the symbolism of the Owl entertainment room at Bell-o-Matic, William Beard, a distributor from Pottstown, Pa., in town last week, presented the company with two metal Owls, wired for elec and the eyes flash and shine. electricity Jake Friedman, distributor from At-lanta, Ga., was in town this week to see friends and look at equipment.

Joe Ash, of Active Amusement Machine Company, was in town this week to see his friends at the Empire Coin Machine Exchange. Ash is from Philadelphia. . . Also in town for  $\alpha$ short stay was Bill Jay, of Jackson Amusement, from Jackson, Mich. . . Ken Frauhiger, an operator from Warsaw, Ind., was looking over local conditions here this week.

Bill Morris, operator from Rock-ford, Ill., was seeing friends at the

Atlas Novelty Company this week. Another visitor to Atlas was Ken Miller from Freeport, Ill. Al Morandi and his partner were shopping around this week while on a short visit. They hail from Peru, m.

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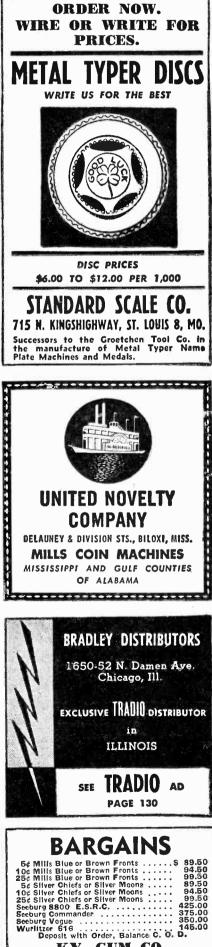
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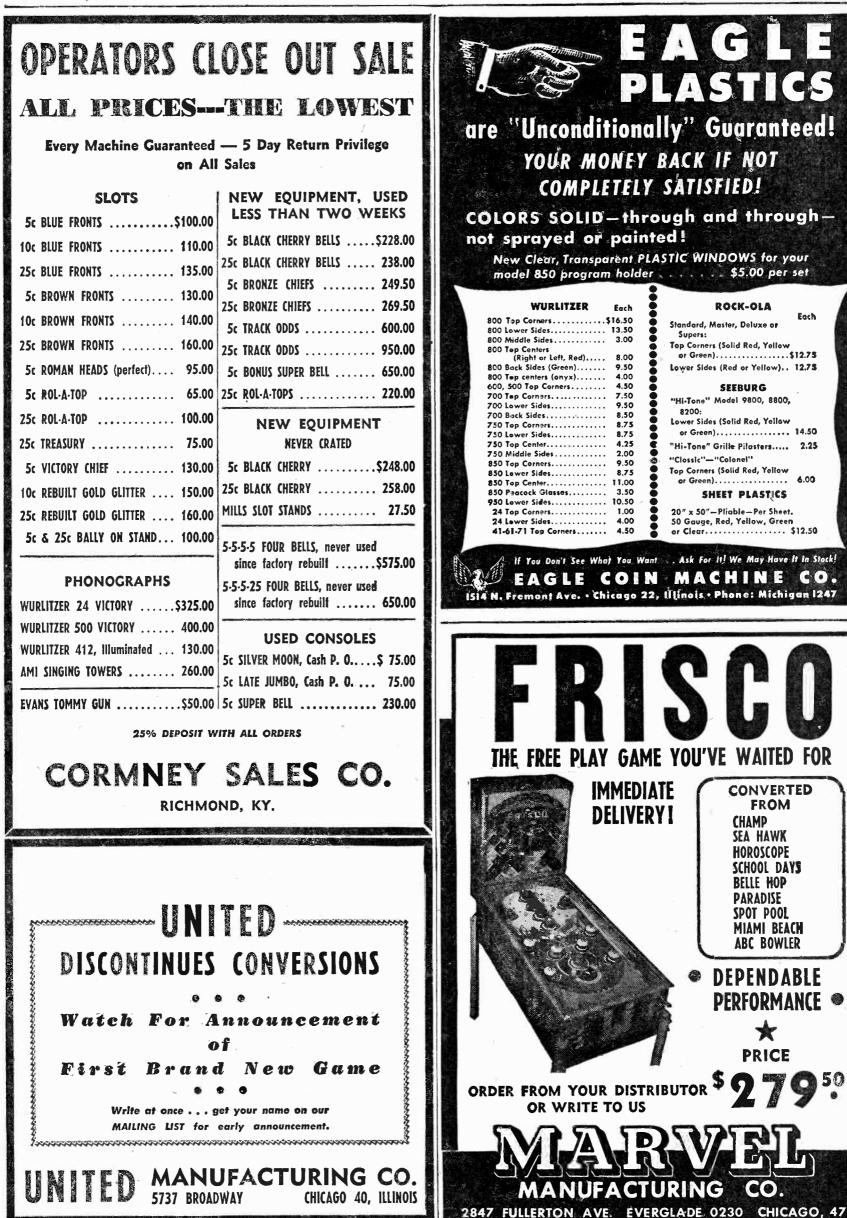
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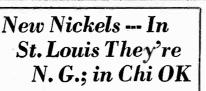
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CHICAGO, Oct. 5 .- Stories that the post-war nickel caused headaches for coinmen in St. Louis were discounted by operators here, who re-ported that they can't seem to get enough of them.

In St. Louis, a few complaints that the new coins were slightly thicker than the war-time nickel-less coin and were thus jamming coin-operated machines were reported. Here, how-ever, coinmen declared that they have had no trouble, altho 500,000 of the nickels have been put in circulation at the Federal Reserve Bank.

Most of the jammings reported mentioned machines that operate by mentioned machines that operate by gravity such as cigarette and candy dispensers, and jukes with remote control stations. The new nickel, they said, is the biggest headache since the copperless penny.

New coin, one expert stated, is the same as the pre-war 5-cent piece. It contains 25 per cent nickel and 75 per cent silver, set to a specification of .078 of an inch. This was also the standard for the wartime nickel-less coin The coin due to its nickel-less

According to the Federal Reserve Bank here, the new nickel can be recognized by the date 1945, and the

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out, you'd think he had one, too.

**OPA** Explains **Cocoa** Prices WASHINGTON, Oct.  $5 - H \circ W$ world cocoa bean prices led to the 27 per cent price ceiling boost for molded and solid chocolate candy

bars was explained by the Office of Price Administration in a statement issued simultaneously with the announcement of increase this week.

As a result of the world shortage cocoa beans, said OPA, selling of prices in the countries which produce them have advanced far above the maximum import prices previously set by the agency. Because U. S. buyers could not compete with other consuming countries, stocks have ap-proached exhaustion, last shipments arriving July 1.

Under the OPA Extension Act, this situation is remedied by a provision requiring domestic ceilings to be raised when a higher world price curtails imports. To comply, OPA announced a ceiling increase of 5.85 cents a pound on imported cocoa beans.

Monticello Building on one surface. The mint mark was placed there, they said, to identify the nickel-less coin.

Sharp edges on the war-time coin often caused jamming, machine re-pairmen reported, and some of the newly minted coins have caused the same trouble, altho not in the same proportion. The trouble is expected proportion. The trouble is expecte to stop with the usage of the coin.

coin. The coin, due to its nickel-less content, often varied and did cause trouble for repairmen and coin chute manufacturers.

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HARTFORD, Oct. 5.—,Despite a general decline in tax receipts for corporation, inheritance and other levies, returns from Connecticut's cigarette and beverage taxes con-tinued to climb during the last fiscal year.

According to the State comptroller's report to the governor, ciga-rette taxes had brought in \$2,010,375 more than during the previous year. Liquor tax receipts were up \$876,072.

## Wachtel, Smith Set In Larger Quarters NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Perry Wach-

tel and Ben Smith, De Perri Advertising Agency, moved their offices yes-terday (4) to the 16th floor penthouse at 95 Madison Avenue from 50 East 42d Street. New quarters of the firm "is about five times the size of the old offices."

Extensive remodeling operations of the new suite of offices is still being made. Completion of the quarters is not expected until January 1.

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Warn 5-Cent Drink May Fade as Short Sugar Prices Rise

price on scarce sugar is a threat to production of 5-cent bottled drinks, Joseph W. Milner, president of the American Bottlers of Carbonated

Milner pointed out that while prices of carbonated beverages are unchanged, the price of sugar, a major element in soft drinks, has advanced 2 cents a pound since the first of the year.

the nickel price be maintained, Mil-ner said, "a larger supply of sugar which will permit greater production and a lowering of unit production and distribution costs, is the only way to





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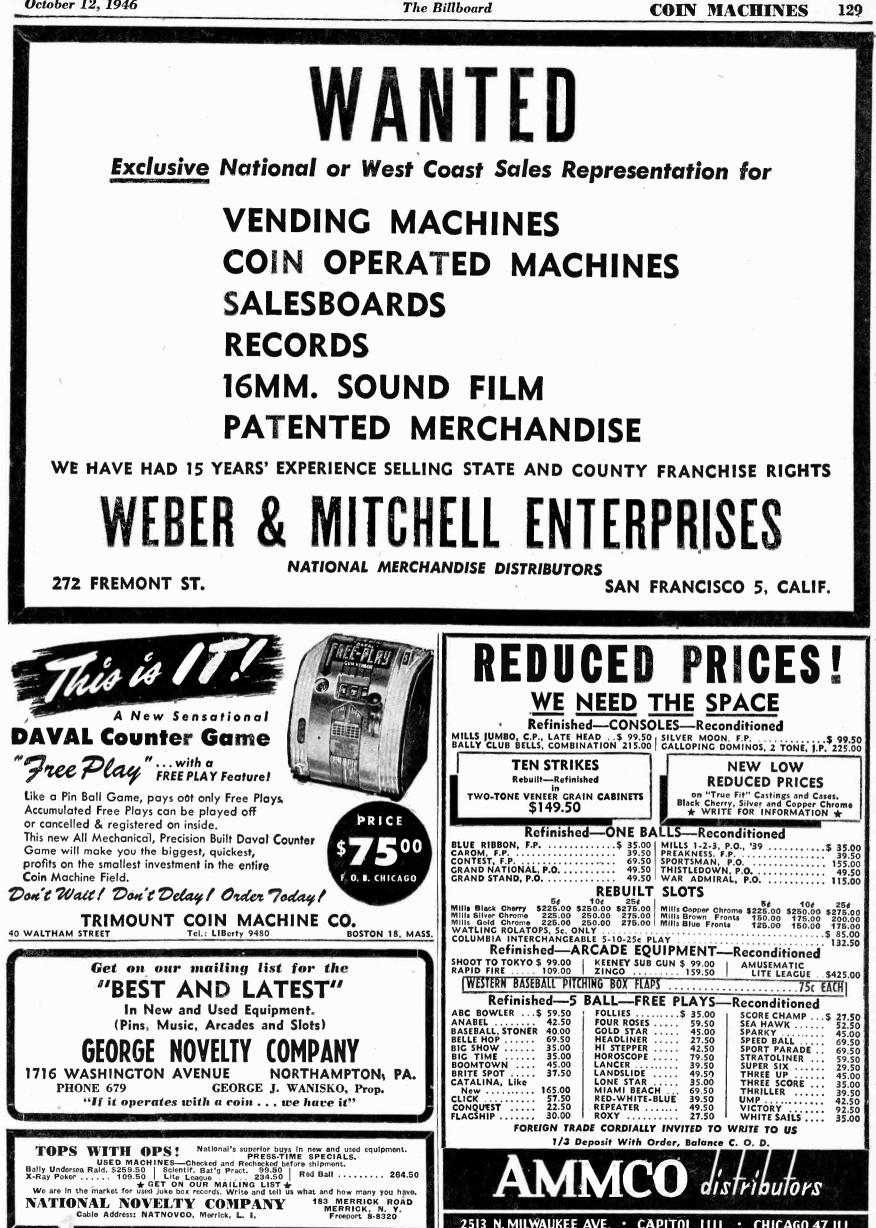
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# **Powdered Fruit Offers Possible**

of a new field for vending machines were seen this week in powdered apples, pears, oranges and prunes. Forecaster is Leonard P. Helpher, executive vice-president in charge of sales at the Powdered Fruit Corporation of America.

Spring of 1947, Helpher says, will seen new powdered fruit products offered thru regular distribution channels to merchandisers. Already two manufacturing firms, Telecoin two manufacturing firms, Telecoin Corporation and Milk-O-Mat, have announced their intentions of bringing out fruit juice vending machines. Other machines are in the formative stage.

Advantage of the powdered fruit juice, its proponets claim, are ease of transportation, lack of spoilage and money-saving qualities, since buy-ers can prepare the exact amount necessary for immediate use.

One of the big problems facing the vending of fruit juice has always been the problem of spoilage. A sec-ond problem, nearly as important, is that of price variation between differ-ent parts of the country and in different parts of the country and in different seasons. Many vending men be-lieve that powdered fruit juices would overcome both of these difficulties, since spoilage would be eliminated and buying could be con-

# Douglas Street Is FT; V. Douglas Street Is **OmahaCoin Row**

OMAHA, Oct. 5.—Douglas Street is rapidly becoming the hub of coinoperated machines in this city.

Hymie Zorinsky, of the H. & Z. Vending Company, the street's vet-eran coinman, has offices in his new building there. Frankel Distributing Company, of Rock Island, Ill., is also operating from the same location. Firm distributes juke boxes in Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota and Missouri.

Recently discharged veteran Joe Rothkop is another newcomer to the budding Coin Row. He bought the building at 1115 Douglas and is a distributor.

# **Capehart Speaks at**

FRENCH LICK SPRINGS, Ind., Oct. 5.—Homer E. Capehart, presi-dent of Packard Manufacturing Corporation, is to be the principal speaker at the fall meeting of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce. Announcement was made by direc-tors of the organization, who have scheduled the convention for October 5 and 6 5 and 6.

Chamber spokesmen say that State officials have been invited to partici-pate in discussions. Taxation, trans-portation, personnel relations, agri-cultural problems and Social Security will be the main topics of the meeting.

## Theatercorn, Pa. Vending Firm, Forms Corporation

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 5.-The owners of Theatercorn recently announced that they have formed a legal association. In the future, the firm which deals in popcorn vending machines, will be known as Theatercorn, Inc.

Morton N. Hulda and Audrey Brod-sky are the incorporators with an initial capitalization of \$20,000.

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she tries her hand at a Western-styled ballad in Somebody To Love (from David O. Selznick's Duel in the Sun). Unbilled ork, heavy on strings, adequately sets the prairie scene. Aside from "cute" lyrics, reverse has little to offer tunewise. Tho listenable, side doesn't invite replays.

Big ballyhoo of pic's release promises ops plenty of revenue for Somebody To Love.

DOTTIE AND THE THIN MEN

DOTTLE AND THE THIN MEN (Planet 601, 602) To Each His Own—FT; V. Root Rooti—FT; V. Prove It by the Things You Do—FT; V. I Need It Bad—FT; V.

This is a case where the vocalist is good, but her efforts are marred by an unimaginative and at times corny singing instrumental group. If the Thin Men would stick to their piano, bass and guitar, sides might fare better. Tho a little dated, Miss Webster's intimate styling of Things You Do appeals. Even her schmaltzy To Each falls easy on the lobes. But in both cases the accompanying three-some chime in vocally. Flips are rhythmic ditties, but there's nothing

outstanding in either one. Things You Do may snare some coins.

JACK McVEA (Black & White 792, 793)

Anyone who has seen Dusty Fletcher do his Open the Door rou-tine will get a bang out of Jack McVea's version. Tale of the lockedout drunk is altered for waxing purposes, deleting all reference to liquor. poses, deleting all reference to liquor. Instead of pie-eyed, McVea's Richard is just "late." Novelty side, divided between comical dialog and singing, packs plenty of chuckles for the listener. Rhythm section sustains the moderate but contagious beat. Only weakness, side ends on a fade-out instead of building to a climar out instead of building to a climax. Flip finds Rabon Tarrant earnestly chanting the slow Lonesome Blues to a lowdown ork setting. Lad whips up some eight-to-the-bar enthusiasm for Crow's Boogie. Opens with Stein-way squatter riding his left wing deep into the bass to set the pattern as his right hand picks out some

## Ind. C. of C. Meet Plan Lipstick **Tissue** Vending In Match Mchs.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Announce-ment that Diamond Match Company ment that Diamond Match Company would shortly issue thru regular channels purse-size packages of tis-sue to be used for removing excess lipstick and similar purposes has led operators here to plan to sell them for a penny thru converted gum and book match venders.

It was pointed out that the varied uses found for the tissues such as eye-glass polishers, make-up re-movers and depositories for used chewing gum would make them sell in many types of locations including wash rooms in theaters and office buildings buildings.

Orders have been filed with the match company for 4,000,000 tissue books, according to V. R. Kendall, general sales manager. He said that women would eventually expect tis-sue book giveaways with purchases just as book matches are now given away with tobacco sales.

Use In Venders Gotta Get Me Somebody To Love-FT; V. Gotta Get Me Somebody To Love-FT; V. Honeyfoglin' Time-FT; V. Titter First to please as finds Tarrant voicing a weak wax interesting chord progressions. Couple filler.

Richard can go anywhere for good re-urns. Jazz jukes will spin profitably turns. Jazz with Boogie.

## JOHN LAURENZ (Pan-American 063) Passe-FT; V. Lovely Fantasy-FT; V.

John Laurenz, who chants Western ballads in horse opera pix, proves he can make the love lullables count in his first non-folk disk offering. Guy has a quality in his pipes that's reminiscent of Bing Crosby 10 years ago. His styling of *Passe* shows he knows how to put a song across to make it count. Joe Venuti's Strad heavy ork adequately creates the mood for the topside, but fails to spark the melodic ballad on the reverse. Song seems a natural for a atin beat, but gets a palid one-two

With Passe hit-headed, the Laurenz version should prove a real coin clicker. HARMONEERS QUARTET (Victor 20-1979) Just a Little Talk With Jesus-FT; V. On the Jericho Road-FT; V.

This is old-time gospel singing on the part of a male foursome with a piano pounder to help them keep in rhythmic step. However, neither their vocal blend nor their harmonies stack up with the spiritual singers on the spinning sides. Moreover, their exposition of these spirituals is woefully weak in any degree of religious fervor.

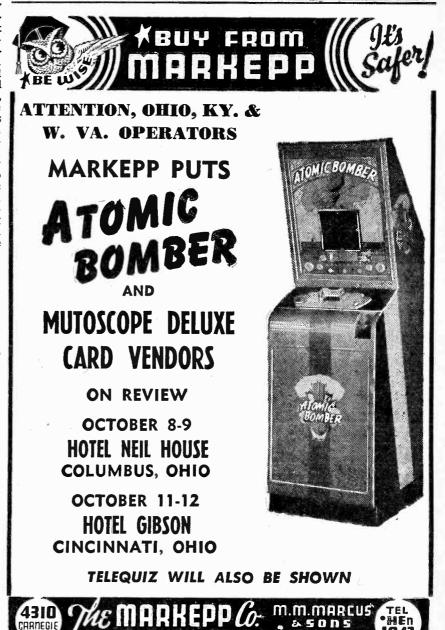
Not for the music machines.

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## **Discuss Sales Tax To Pay** Pennsylvania's Vet Bonus

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 5.— Possibility of a sales tax in Pennsyl-vania was discussed here this week by legislative planners as a means of financing a veterans' State bonus. Legislature for 1947 will meet in January. The House and Hall the Senate will be elected in November.





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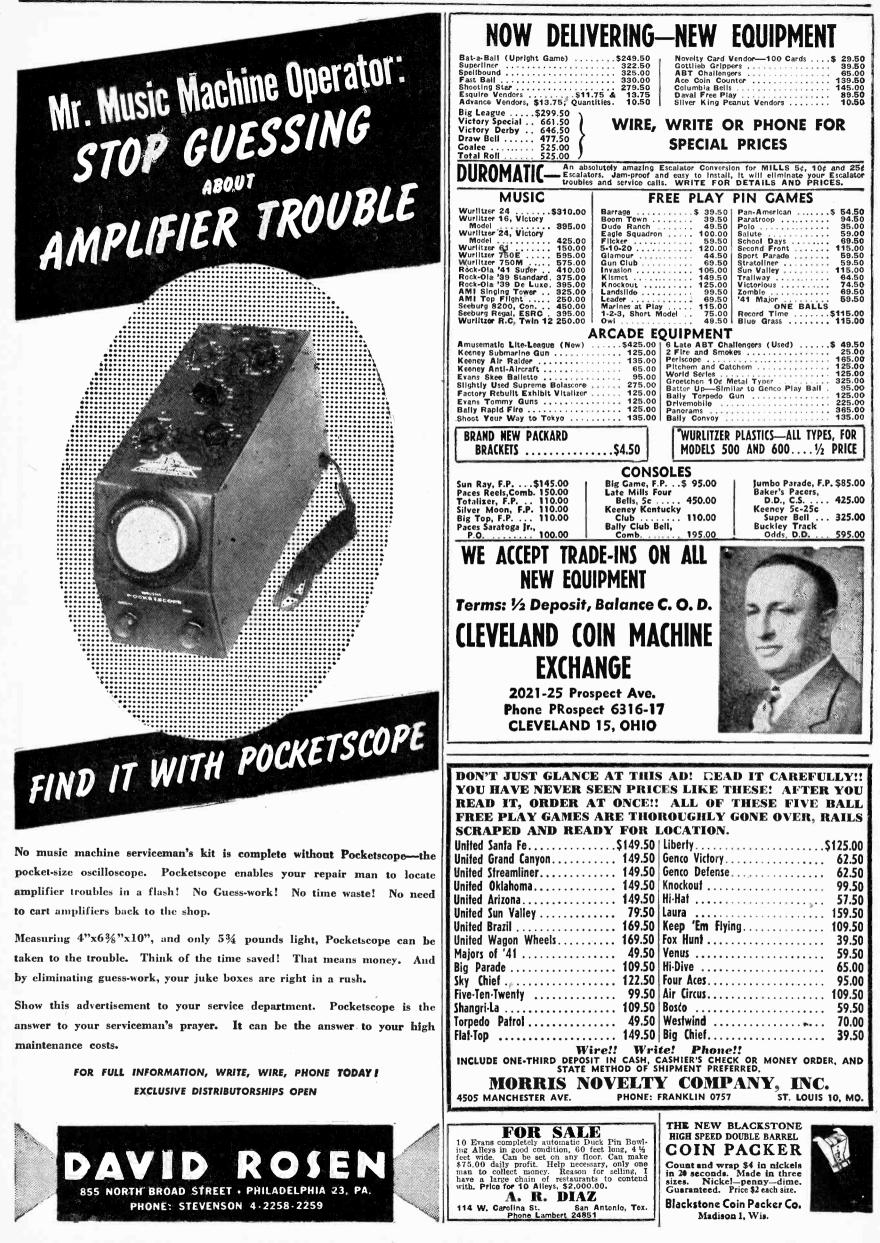
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## Vender Supply And Mfg. Firms List Dividends

CHICAGO, Oct. 5. - Dividends payable in October and November by a number of firms which manufacture vending machines, as well as supplies and parts for the machines, were listed in financial newspaper columns.

Longest list, for makers of merchandise sold thru vending machines, included the following:

Beechnut Packing Company, chewing gum, quarterly dividend of \$1 on common stock, payable October 1.

Canada Dry, soft drinks, 15-cent interim dividend on common stock, payable October 1.

Chase Candy Company, bulk candy and bars, 100 per cent stock dividend payable October 3, and 12½-cent interim dividend payable November

Curtiss Candy Company, candy bars, \$1.12½ quarterly dividend on preferred stock payable October 15.

E. J. Brach & Sons, candy bars, 50-cent quarterly dividend on common stock payable October 1.

Dixie Cup, paper cups, 62<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-cent quarterly dividend on series "A" shares, payable October 1; 25-cent dividend, payable October 31.

Hershey Chocolate Corporation, candy bars, \$1 quarterly dividend on preferred shares, payable November 15; 75-cent quarterly dividend on common shares, payable November 15 15.

Philip Morris, Ltd., 37½-cent quart-erly dividend on common stock, payable October 15.

Wilbur-Suchard Chocolate Company, Inc., candy bars, 100 per cent common stock dividend, voted October 1.

Firms Firms which manufacture coin machines or supplies included the which manufacture following:

Bath Iron Works, vending ma-chines, 50-cent dividend, payable October 1.

F. L. Jacobs Company, vending machines, 62%-cent quarterly dividend on 5 per cent preferred shares, pay-able October 31.

Sylvania Electric Products, electric lamps and other supplies, 25-cent quarterly dividend on common stock, payable October 1.



COIN-CHUTE ACCORDION, with 10-tune selection, is the invention of Louis Bacigalupi, of Los Angeles, who makes adjustment of paper music rolls in machine here. Inventor calls it the Accordamatic.

## **Confusion Reigns in** Miami Cig Tax Fight

MIAMI, Oct. 5.—Whether a referendum will be held on the new cigarette tax here, or whether city com-missioners will go ahead and set a date for assessing the tax, appears still undecided.

Latest reports indicated that the commission would be notified by the city manager that the tax on ciga-rettes would stand. In such a case, it would be left to the commission to set a date for assessing the tax.

This turn of events contradicted previous reports that enough names had been secured on a petition to force the measure to a referendum vote, or to hold action over until the 1947 elections.

At the same time, it was said that the utility tax, which had been passed concurrently with the cigarette tax, would be held up, pending referen-dum or vote in 1947.

Arcade Owners Convene at N. Y. Park Central Oct. 10 NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The first meeting of the fall season of the Arcade Owners' Association of America will be held Thursday (10) at \$30 p.m. in the Park Central Hotel, Al W. Blendow, association president, states. "There are several matters of interest that will be discussed." Blendow adds that will be discussed," Blendow adds.





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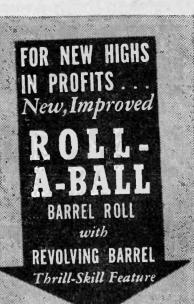
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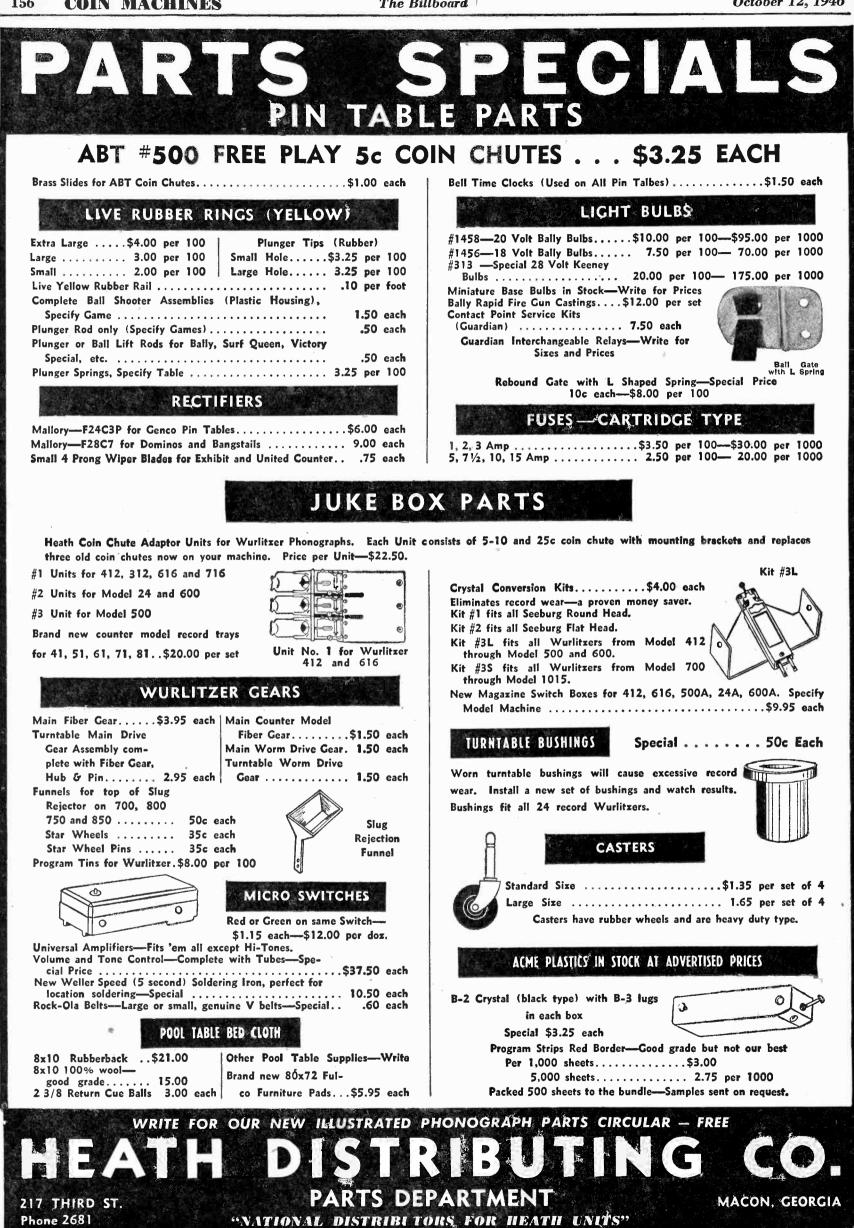
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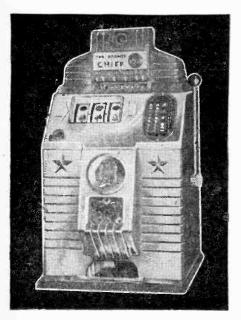
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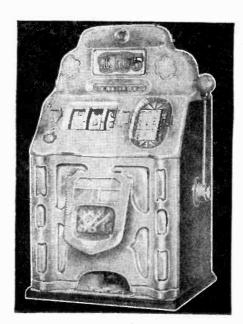
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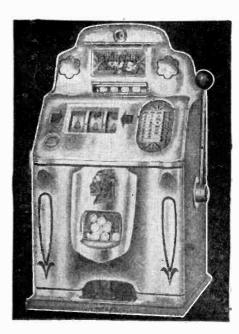
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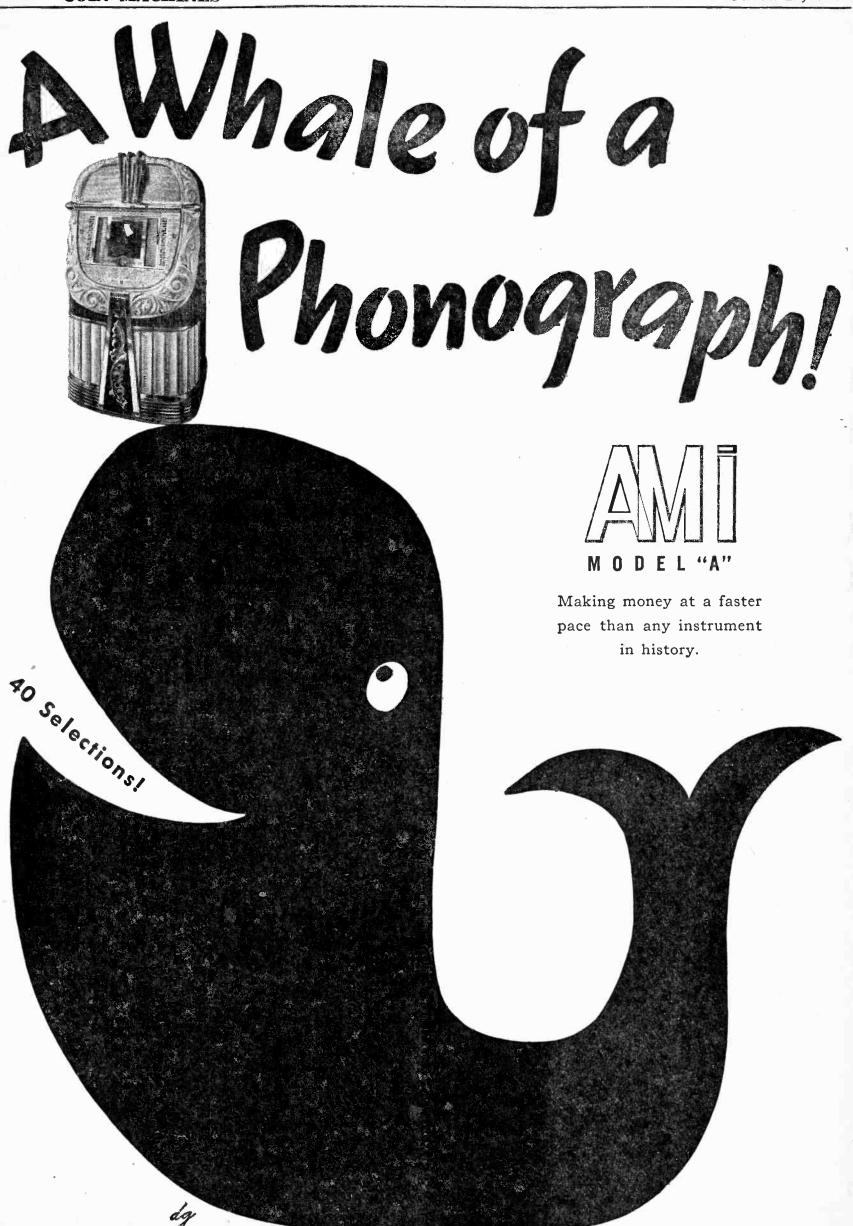
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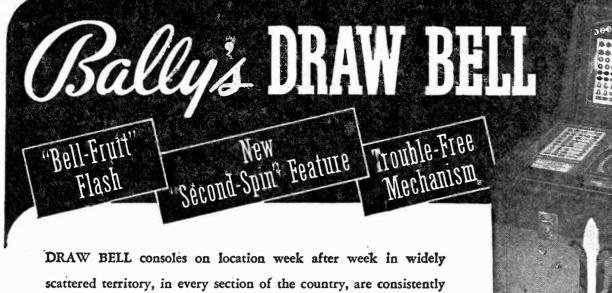
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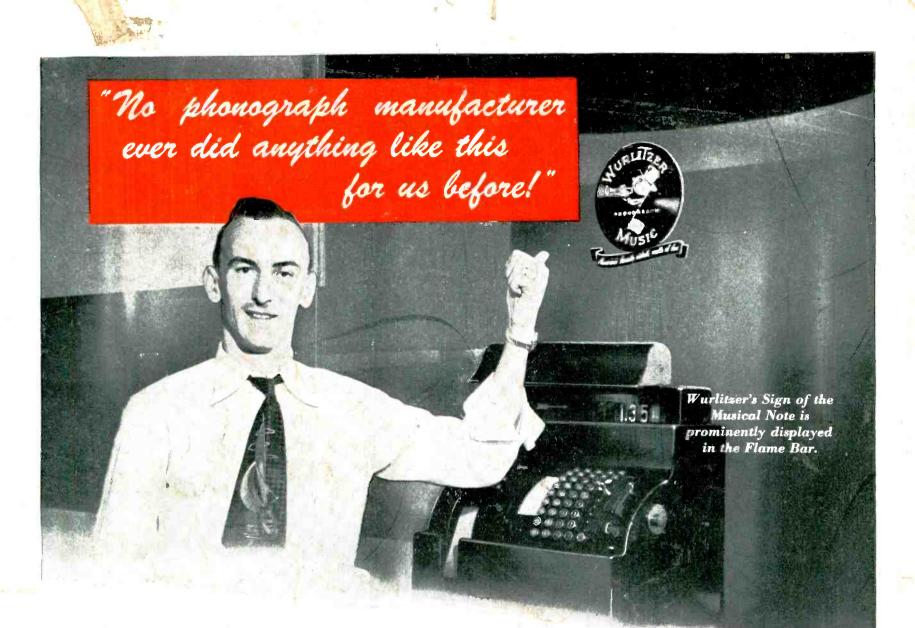
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