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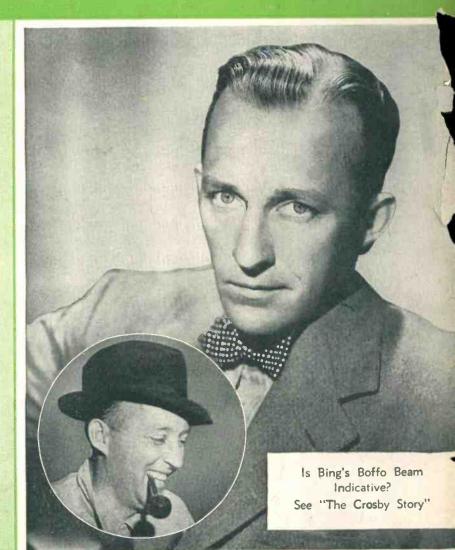
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WHAT'S YOUR "CROSBY"? ... NEW ERA IN PROGRAMENUS? ... BACK-TO-BACK SEGMENTATION AS A WINDFALL TO LISTENERS. (ALL THE ABOVE ON PAGE 3 AND RADIO-MUSIC DEPTS.)



WILL THESE DELIBERATIONS ALTER THE FACE OF U. S. RADIO? NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of BROADCASTERS October 21-24, Chicago November 2nd, Columbia's key station changes its call from WABC to

# WCBS

For the listener, America's foremost station thus becomes unmistakably associated with the network which has made it great.

**WCBS** advertisers, local and national-spot, will profit from the explicit linking of station-call and network-call ...station program and network program...station prestige and network prestige.

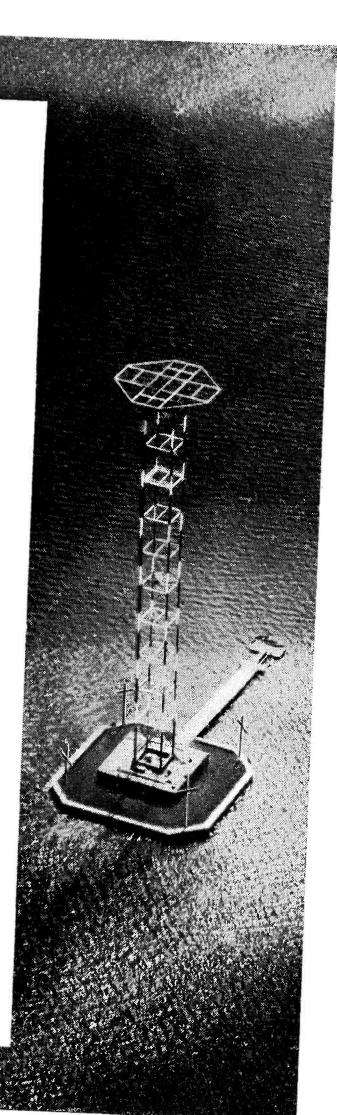
**CBS network advertisers**, too, will share new advantages from this reinforced identity between network program and local outlet. For instance: national program promotion, in whatever form, is now *automatically* translated into localized promotion for more than 13 million people.

Sponsors and agencies already have recognized the compelling logic in this change.

Some of them ask why we didn't think to make it years ago. We should have.

> Still 880 on your dial. Still the key station of the Columbia Broadcasting System

On the same date, WABC-FM changes to WCES-FM. WCBW, Columbia's New York Television Station, changes to WCBS-TV.



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BINGLE'S TRANSCRIBED TINGL "Love That Gov.,"

Hayes' New Theme

by a glamorized photo of the actress,

#### All But Legit Socked in Pitt **Power** Strike

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 19. --- The Nixon Theater, legit house, was the only one in the entertainment field doing business during the past week as the city staggered aimlessly into its fifth week of a paralyzing power strike with no relief in sight. Anna Lucasta was the lure that brought \$28,000 into the Nixon till during the \$28,000 into the Nixon till during the past week while niteries and burly were doing about 50 per cent of their average business. Nixon's manager, Eddie Wappler, also reported a heavy advance sale for The Magnificent Yankee, opening Monday (21).

A slight relief was felt Tucsday (15) when 200 of the normal 400 trolleys and busses were put back into service, but a saboteur fired a rifle shot into one of the company's generators Wednesday and 100 trolleys had to be taken off to conserve power.

The hotels are still deadlocked in strike negotiations with the hotel and restaurant employees, Local 237, and the eight largest hotels are closed to everyone but permanent guests.

The niteries are standing by watching their dwindling beer supplies as a jurisdictional union dispute has made it almost impossible to procure any local lager.

#### **Det. L&E Reported Reopening**; Penob **Club To Shutter**

DETROIT, Oct. 19.—Fate of two major local night clubs changed this week, with reports from apparently authentic sources that Lee 'n' Eddie's, shuttered for three months, would be opened within a few weeks by new owner. Group is propriedly headed owners. Group is reportedly headed by David Taxie, who is a new name in the field here, and not otherwise identified. Plan is to reopen under the new name of Bel-Aire.

the new name of Bel-Aire. Meantime, the Penobscot Club was slated to be closed Monday (21) by order of the State Liquor Control Commission. Move is latest in a long series of maneuvers, with the com-mission now making the ruling after being upheld in its right to do so a few weeks ago by the State Supreme Court. Meanwhile, there was the Court. Meanwhile, there was the further possibility of court action in the matter, as a hearing on the com-mission action is scheduled for Wayne County Circuit Court here November 1. Ĩr,

#### Maxine Sullivan to Vanguard

NEW YORK, Oct. 19. — Unusual booking will send Maxine Sullivan into Village Vanguard, Greenwich Village nitery, October 31.

Richard Dyer-Bennett will be on the same bill. Deal is surprising be-cause Miss Sullivan generally plays uptown clubs and Vanguard is considered a springboard to name class. Dyer-Bennett, who has appeared several times at the Vanguard, is currently at the Blue Angel.

# The Crosby Story **Entire Trade Watching Bing** NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—While the majority of showbiz names enlisted to aid in the November elections are on the Democratic side (The Bill-board, October 19), the Republicans are handpicking some headliners to sell their candidates. And Philco Plattery Show As Public Taste Challenge Latest is Helen Hayes, who goes Dewey-cyed about the present N. Y. governor in the campaign mag Band-wagon, currently on the stands. En-titled A Bit of Sunshine and fronted

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Concurrent with the NAB convention in Chicago--that association's first post-war trade-wide meeting and one of the most vital in radio's history—The Billboard is devoting the major portion of the radio section of this issue to the

the major portion of the radio section of this issue to the most important programing development in years—the Philco-Bing Crosby transcribed series. The entire radio industry—networks, agencies, talent, sponsors—as well as showmen in related fields, long has been concerned with this new venture with a degree of interest seldom attending other premieres. The "Crosby Story" is important for many reasons. It may be the forerunner of many such programs,

recorded by radio and picture names alike. Reactions of top pix and air names are given in one of the radio section stories. It is important because it is the first major test of public acceptance—or resist-

ance-to a big-time pancake series. What that public reaction is, as shown in a special study made exclu-sively by C. E. Hooper, Inc., for The Billboard, also is published in this issue. This same survey treats an-other key subject, namely, the effect of the Crosby program on the audi-ences tuning in—or tuning out—

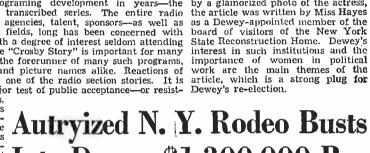
#### Most Important Development Since RCA-NBC Divorcement

other networks.

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For the American Broadcasting System no more serious pivotal de System no more scrious pivotal de-velopment has taken place since the day when, as the Blue Network, it was divorced from RCA-NBC. Since that divorce ABC has been pitching hard to gain equal standing with CBS and its one-time sister web. If, in turn, ABC now delivers a top Hooperated show, on a week night, as it has Sundays with Walter Win-chell, it will obviously find itself in chell, it will obviously find itself in a much better sales position than ever before. It may also help con-siderably in splking the claim that ABC stations lack the power and dial locations to deliver consistent audiences.

The "Crosby Story" means plenty to CBS and NBC--and to a lesser degree Mutual--as well. CBS and NBC have been involved in a pro-graming dog fight for some years. Crosby on ABC, virtually a dark-horse entry, now hits both other webs smack between their Wednes-day evening eyes. NBC, particularly, has consistently spurred its adver-tisers to bolster weak programs, and chances are that in view of that policy, NBC will not take a weakie (See ENTIRE TRADE on page 8)



Into Dream \$1,300,000 Peg NEW YORK, Oct. 21 .--- A sensational 10-day box-office avalanche which began the middle of last week will send the "World's Championship" rodeo

into the super-special class with a gross of \$1,300,000 when the finish tape is crossed next Sunday (27) at the Garden. This is an average of about \$24,500 per show for the 53-performance run of the cowboy classic which got underway September 25 and rides thru as the longest of its kind on record

#### **Cain-Connelly Tiff Over AAA Meeting**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—James M. Cain and Marc Connelly sizzled the atmosphere at the Gotham Hotel Fri-day afternoon (18) with a verbal exchange occasioned when Cain learned that a scheduled meeting of authors under the auspices of the Authors League to discuss American authors authority proposal, had been canceled because of illness of Elmer Rice, league's prexy. Rice was taken Rice, league's prexy. Rice was taken to the Lenox Hill Hospital Friday night (18).

Connelly, according to reports, claimed to represent Emmett Lavery, Screen Writers Guild prexy now in Hollywood, and allegedly refused to hold the meeting because of Rice's illness. Cain is said to have retorted that Connelly was alibing. Both al-(See Cain-Connelly Tiff on page 4)

anywhere in the world.

The money job also gives the 21st renewal the all-time jackpot. It isn't ever, because last year, the 20th in the series, with Roy Rogers starring, the series, with Roy Rogers starring, just managed to spill over into the charmed circle with a take of a few thousand bucks past the round socko mark. That was a 48-performance skein, however, tho show for show still below this year's record pace. This year Gene Autry returned in the starring slot with his horse, Champion, after being absent since the 1942 show via an army hitch.

It took both the rodeo and Autry a little time to go into the full force of its potentialities, teeing off in lat-ter stages of last month and pushing hard the first few weeks before going into high gear. In first half of the cowpoke cluster the folks were ignor-ing the low-priced pews, and still are to some extent, setting their lush sights on anything near the \$6 top. From last week on in, they were un-bending on lower-scaled tickets, an indication that they were back to apologize for not making up their minds soon enough. Two more good reasons why the round-up is in there busting records: The "forever Autry" lure has got around after the four-year hiatus, sparked also by his "back in the saddle again" network show (CBS) for the chewing gum set (Wrigley). No. 2 is the weather, pleasantly cool. Warmishness in early stages was the kiss of death to box office. cowpoke cluster the folks were ignoroffice.

Cavalcadeo moves into Boston Garden from here for a short run at tapered-down top of \$3.50, considered fancy enough for the Hub.

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# Showbiz Ops Have Mixed **Reaction on Price Boosts;** John Q. Public Is Fall Guy

#### Radio View Rosy, Nitery and Music Glum, Legit So-So

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Radio industry's formal request to OPA for decontrol of radio prices appears to have a better than even chance of getting OPA okay. Radio-set indus-try advisory committee will formally submit the request to OPA next week, insisting on immediate decontrol of radio sets from OPA willout recourse to the prolonged procedure for formally petitioning the price agency.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- Now that the lifting of price controls has moved from conjecture to fact, and the promise of even further relaxing of the clamps is imminent, showbiz, like all other businesses in this country, is better able to take stock of its posi-tion and to evaluate the OPA-less future in respect to its dollars and cents.

Frankly, the outlook is anybody's guess. In some phases of showbiz, such as radio, the future has a rosy glow, with increased ad dough ready to be spent. On the other hand, in the nitery field and in the music field, the situation has many difficult wrinkles, and pubs and ops are quite candidly grim about the situation. In the legit field there appears to be little change expected; maybe a slight hike or two in plush-seat prices, but this is still problematical. In fact, the only thing on which all phases of showbiz agree is that, sans OPA, showbiz will cost more and more to operate, with help crying for more dough to offset the spiraling cost of living. Higher wages and costs mean less profits, unless showbiz can make John Q. Public divvy up the differ-ence. That is where the problem comes, for the public may balk at paying too high for its entertainment.

#### Radio Is Happy

Raco is really quite happy about the whole thing. For one thing, the lid raising is certain to send borderline advertisers back on the air. Un-der tight controls, quite a few adver-tisers preferred to wait for the de-control period before spending air dough. Ad agency execs foresee cur-rent situation leading to a price hike, rent stutation leading to a price like, with high levels gradually settling back, but leaving enough profit mar-gin to make air advertising worth while. Besides, with newsprint con-tinuing scarce, radio has a better chance to pull in more advertisers.

But radio exects are not unmindful of the fact that control lifting does not necessarily mean a sellers' mar-ket, because of the likelihood of a highly competitive selling situation. One indication of this is the recent sizable increase in installment buy-ing; a type of buying which gives additional credence that consumer buying power has been dissipated of late. Nevertheless, taking all angles into consideration, radio staffers feel that optimism is justified and that the big buyers will be purchasing larger and larger blocks of what time is available, with a resultant boom by Christmas.

Thus far web billings have held up well, with major nets left virtually without any good evening time avail-able. Daytime slots, however, still have time, and with production ex-pected to get into its stride this win-ter there alots are evented to find ter, these slots are expected to find bank-rollers.

Indies, too, anticipate benefiting from the control loosening, with bil-lions bouncing via increases in spot biz.

Legit Shows More Expensive

Legits Shows More Expensive the plan at a meeting of writers at Legiters along the Stem and on the 8 p.m., Monday (21), at the Henry road are faced with the plain fact Hudson Hotel.

that shows are going to be more and more expensive to put on and to maintain, even with the SRO sign out frequently during a run. Al-ready production prices are touching the ether, and with the inevitable demand by help for more and more dough to satisfy living costs, the nut is going to be larger and larger. Actually, there is very little legit can do to effect much economy and still operate as a magnet for the public dough. Rumors are around that ducats might get a boost, but there's no official confirmation of this situation, and as some on the street main-tain, the price of pasteboards is just about at ceiling now. Thus, all in all, legit looks like having to face lower profits and stay satisfied. The after-dark section of showbiz

is also faced with the rising cost of help as well as the rising cost of liv-ing. With the musicians barely thru ing. With the musicians barely thru their demands, now other help want hikes to take care of living costs. Cooks, for example, are asking a 30 per cent raise. Waiters, who get be-tween \$20 and \$22 a week (the gravy here is tips), want a 30 per cent raise and bus boys are demanding \$6 per weak. This situation is likely to turn week. This situation is likely to turn nitery ops' thoughts to the easiest way of committing hari-kari.

Today, for one thing, night spots (See Mixed Reaction on page 13)

#### Fredericks Plan Pittsburgh Office

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .-- Rumor rampant here this week and backed by several reliable sources is that Fred-erick Bros. will set up a Pittsburgh office within the next month. Office will be a mid-point between FB's New York and Chi headquarters.

At present time no other major booking offices have an outlet in the Pittsburgh area. Move is reportedly first of a number of branch offices which are contemplated in an FB expansion program.

#### Veloz & Y. Terp To Top

Take on Tour; Set for '47 HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.-Two 1947 concert tours have been skedded for Veloz and Yolanda following smash biz this year. Twelve-week season will kick off January 6, taking in the North and Midwest. Second swing thru the East and South started October 6.

Terpers recently completed an 11 week tour, grossing \$210,000 in 74 concerts, with five engagements re-portedly bringing in more than \$33,-000. Two performances at the Chi-cago Civic Opera House grossed \$14,-000, with two shows at the Los An-geles Philharmonic pulling in \$13,350. One performance at San Francisco's War Memorial Opera House drew \$5.990.

#### **CAIN-CONNELLY TIFF** (Continued from page 3)

legedly accused each other of lacking

authority to speak for the writers. Cain was burning because he had traveled from the film city to attend the meeting and discuss the contro-versial plan, which calls for the author to becoming a co-trustee with the authority of his own writing. The screenwriter said he would outline

#### Showbiz Put All This in Uncle's 1943 Grab Bag

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Showbiz kicked in to the U.S. Treasury to the tune of more than \$22,000,000 in in-come and excess profits taxes in 1943. come and excess profits taxes in 1943. according to Internal Revenue Bu-reau figures this week (18). Total take by the government from 68,202 taxable corporations amounted to \$15,925,000, a boost of 30 per cent over the grab for 1942.

over the grab for 1942. Amusement taxes, exclusive of movies, including pin-ball and juke box ops among 4,766 returns, break down into \$15,814,000 for excess profits taxes, with \$6,199,000 coming from personal income sources. Eat-eries, night club and bars contributed a yield of \$34,549,000, which figure includes dance halls, bowling alleys and other recreation places. Juke box and radio mapufacturers coughed box and radio manufacturers coughed up \$97,166,000 in total tax, \$175,103,was from excess profits taxes and \$22,063,000 from personal income.

#### A. C. Hotel Owners Say Travel Orgs **Blacken City's Rep**

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 19.—Presi-dent Frank Sutch, of the Atlantic City Hotel Association, last week charged that a majority of trayel agencies is giving the resort a "black eye." He urged a survey of the condition, said it had been learned the practice was being carried on by 10 big trayel bureaus that had been 10 big travel bureaus that had been checked.

Such told members of the A. C. Hotel Association that travel bureau representatives allegedly had given out false statements concerning prices, availability of rooms, and amusements offered here. Resort's 1946 biz, despite extended

Resort's 1946 biz, despite extended efforts toward attracting cash cus-tomers thru September with the Miss America pageant and horse racing, has produced many headaches. It was definitely not the season it started out to be. Plenty of cus-tomers were here, but the money wasn't, altho season began excep-tionally well tionally well.

#### Overpriced

Hungry hotels, restaurants, and others decided to make money too fast. Prices hit all-time highs, and the visitor found constant hands in his pocketbook. Even the dime hot dog jumped to 25 cents. Amusement prices hit tops, with motion pictures going to 98 cents, the highest in the history of the resort. The Steel Pier jumped to \$1.25 plus a few odd extras which made a full visit cost around \$3. As a result, all business was hurt, and the expected August pick-

The race track, which many felt would build business for the town, had a terrifically successful meet, as far as the track itself was concerned, but a survey of amusement men failed to disclose any who found they received any direct benefit. Second meet in October likewise failed to come up to expectations.

Pageant went ritzy this year, as far as talent and entertainment was concerned, but was never more than an amateur show. Emsee Bob Rus-sell worked himself silly trying to put the not-so-talented girls over. Convention season now under way

is the greatest in the resort's history. This does not mean too much to amusement interests, as conventions schedule their own entertainment, and delegates rarely have any time to visit the rest of the town.

Leaders are putting their heads together to develop new promotions and put Atlantic City in the running for next year.

#### Boston Bradford, New Pa. Club, Tagged Unfair by AGVA

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Two out-of-town clubs have been placed on AGVA's unfair list. The Bradford Roof, Boston, was placed on the list to take effect October 31, but Arthur Fisher, house booker, said it was all a mistake. AGVA asked for \$450 allegedly due Dorothy Blaine. It gave the spot until Wednesday (16) to get the dough up and when it didn't show clapped the unfair label on the room.

Fisher said that he had tried to Fisher said that he had tried to talk to Matt Shelvey on numerous occasions to discuss the Bradford matter but Shelvey was never avail-able. Shelvey in turn said he had tried to phone Fisher but was unable to reach him. When Fisher was notified of the unfair action he said he sent the check to AGVA, so the whole thing should be settled. Controversy grew out of a date for Dorothy Blaine at the Bradford last

Dorothy Blaine at the Bradford last June. Her agent and husband, Senya Gamsa, claimed date was for three weeks. Fisher said it was for two weeks. There were arguments and counter-arguments about unauthor-ized erasures and finally AGVA was

called in. The Belvedere Club, McKeesport, Pa., a new nitery, has been called unfair by AGVA for failure to nego-tiate a basic agreement and refusal to put up a large enough cash bond. Spot recently opened by J. C. Lewis, has Bonnie Baker heading the cur-rent show, and has bought Gypsy Rose Lee, Jack Durant and Donald Novis for succeeding shows. Union demanded that, with such a talent budget, \$6,000 cash bond was necessarv.

According to AGVA, Lewis replied that he was buying these acts only as a starter to give his room an impetus. a starter to give his foom an impetus. But his policy in the future would call for talent budgets of \$1,200, and that was the figure he was willing to put up. AGVA's reply was that when his budget was cut to the \$1,200 figure it would return \$4,800 to him. When Lewis refused the unfair pation was taken effective Neuropher

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**RECORD NAB MEET STARTS** 

# **Industry Tone** Seen Hope for Gov't Peace

#### Miller To Sound Keynote

#### By Our Washington Burcau

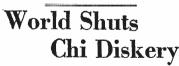
By Our Washington Bureau WASHINGTON, Oct. 21. — NAB President Justin Miller, who will keynote the association's conclave which opens in Chicago today, is ex-pected to set the industry's tone for the coming year when he couples a hope for government industry co-operation and a warning that NAB will use every legal means to fight any threat to radio freedom. Miller is expected to call for clarification of issues involved in such controver-sies as those raised by the Blue Book and the Mayflower case. Miller will argue that courts or Congress, not a government regulatory agency, should establish decisions. Miller is not expected to take a

should establish decisions. Miller is not expected to take a verbal whack at the FCC itself, but he will insist that the FCC, in inter-preting some issues, may have stepped beyond legal bounds. He is expected to insist that what the Communications Act needs, accord-ing to NAB view, is proper crystalli-zation. This only the courts or Con-gress can provide. NAB is not anx-ious, however, to ask Congress for revision of the act, and Miller is ious, however, to ask Congress for revision of the act, and Miller is not expected to suggest such a meth-

NAB bigwigs at the conclave are expected to try to avoid an official NAB stand on FCC's practice of is-NAB stand on FCC's practice of is-suing wholesale AM grants, even tho some small station owners are ex-pected to raise a row against this FCC policy. Strategy will be to em-phasize the danger of increased FCC power if NAB urges the commish to take economic factors into ac-count in licensing.

#### FM Policy

FM PolicyMuch the same line is expectedin FM licensing policy with actionhanging fire pending clarification ofFCC policy by Acting ChairmanCharles Denny Jr., at the conven-tiqn's FM panel. Other questions areexpected to develop on FM, however,disbanding of FM Broadcasters, Inc.Several FM members are plunkingfor continuation of the FM inner orgs a separate outfit, arguing thatNAB is essentially an AM organiza-(See Industry's Tone on page 18)



CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Partly be-cause World Broadcasting Company cause World Broadcasting Company building here is being purchased by P. K. Wrigley Company and partly because of a decision by top World execs to cut firm's Chicago staff, World will not make transcriptions here after November 1. Sales staff of World will remain here.

Wrigley will use the two-story World building, which is now equipped with complete sound studios, as an experimental laboratory. While World will no longer make transcriptions here, Decca, since train which has been using the same build-ing, will continue to do so, it is said.

#### The Billboard at the NAB

This issue of The Billboard was delivered to Chicago's Palmer House, scene of the full-dress convention of the National Association of Broadcasters, 12 to 36 hours ahead of regular distribution in the United States and Canada. One thousand copies were flown westward Monday (21) as they came off the presses in Cincinnati, marking the fastest point-to-point distribution in the history of this publication (established 1894). Delivery was made direct to the dele-gates and others attending NAB's most significant delibera-(EST), arriving Chicago 5:20 p.m. (CST). The Billboard has thrown the full weight of its per-sonnel and facilities behind NAB coverage—split between

working rooms at the Palmer House and our offices at 155 North Clark Street. The working Chicago contingent: R. S. Littleford Jr., co-publisher and managing editor; Maynard L. Reuter, general manager, Midwest division; Cy Wagner, Midwest radio editor; Herb Bailey and Johnny Sippel, radio reporters—plus editorial staffers Pat Purcell (outdoor edi-tor); G. R. (Dick) Schreiber, executive news editor-Chicago; Herb Dotten, Hank Hurley, Justus Edwards, and Jack Sloane, Hilmer Stark, Ed Grassick, Cliff Strom, commercial radio.

From New York: W. D. Littleford, co-publisher; Leonard Traube, editor-in-chief; Paul Ackerman, radio; Joe Csida, veepee-music; K. (Haps) Kemper, commercial radio. From home office Cincinnati: Bob Schueler, chief of promotion; Ed Hale, radio promotion.

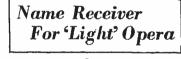
From Detroit: Haviland F. (Hal) Reves, bureau chief. Backstopping and handling copy in New York: George Berkowitz, executive news editor; Jerry Franken, radiodesk and features; Leon Morse, radio orgs-unions; Thor Krogh, radio; plus staffers Frank Gill, Bob Francis, Bill Smith, Jim McHugh, Don Marshall, Hal Webman, Ted Wolfram. In Cincinati: Bill Sachs, executive news editor, and Bob Doepker. In Los Angeles: Sam Abbott, Harold Jovien, Lee Zhito and Al Fischler.

Fear Petrillo **Out To Stifle** 

this week in Chicago by AFM Prexy James C. Petrillo—and which caught nobody but the wax men by surprise —is being interpreted on basis of three factors: (1) Hike is in line with traditional AFM policy, which has always been to raise wax rates and so discourage the entire e.t. business. (2) AFM, while not specifically men-tioning the Bing Crosby platter show, views this seg with alarm and wants to discourage future programs of the same type. (3) Petrillo, in his maneuvering with the wax men, may

maneuvering with the wax men, may back down from his original de-mands in an effort to find common ground with them in AFM's war against the broadcasters, especially small stations, chief platter users. Validity of the latter point was stressed at the Tuesday (15) meeting in Chi, where Petrillo tricd to line up the wax companies against the smaller ones. He stated, it's said, that the chief programing expendi-ture on many of these percolators was the cost of wax, and that with (See FEAR PETRILLO on page 18) (See FEAR PETRILLO on page 18)

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CHICAGO, Oct. 19.-Latest round in the fight between Irna Phillips and Emmons Carlson over The Guiding Light was won in Circuit Court this week by Carlson's attorney, Earle Schiek, in getting a receivership appointed for the soap opera. Receiver is George A, Lane, who will impound all future profits, but prob-ably as a result of the controversy, General Mills has announced inten-tion of canceling the show around December 1.

Soaper, which was held in Chi by ourt order despite recent removal court court order despite recent removal to Hollywood of the other three tear-jerkers in the General Mills-NBC hour, is expected to show about \$1,000,000 profit since its beginning in 1937. Carlson claims half of this as a partner, but is willing to settle. Court ruled he is a partner, but as a counter-move Miss Phillips filed assets to show she isn't worth more than \$75,000 at the present time.

Sponsor, as predicted earlier in The Billboard, got tired of the litigation and the resultant publicity and has decided to call the whole thing off as far as it's concerned.

Details of AFM settlement with recording industry at Chi confab will be found in the Music Depart-ment of this issue of *The Billboard*.

# **Vital Industry ProblemsFace Chi Convensh**

Radio Men in Serious Mood

#### By Cy Wagner

CHICAGO, Oct. 21 .-- With almost CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—with almost 3,000 registrants on hand, the 24th annual convention of the National Association of Broadcasters got under way at the Palmer House here today in one of the most important meetings in the industry's history. Never be-fore has there been such a need for airing of problems and seeking their solutions. That was the general tenor for talk among early arrivals here from virtually every State in the Union, and even from foreign coun-tries and U.S. territories. General attitude of those who were

on hand for the first day's sessions was this: "We haven't had a real conwas this: "We haven't had a real con-vention since the war began. In that period some of the most vital de-velopments in the trade took place. More are expected to take place this next year. We are at the crossroads More are expected to take place next year. We are at the crossroads and it is up to us to get down to business and attack these problems." Whereas at past NAB conventions

there has been an attitude that the there has been an attitude that the meetings were merely opportunities to get away from the home office and have a little fun and listen to a lot of stuff about which everyone knew the answers, attitude for this one, as exemplified in preliminary conversa-tions, was one of seriousness.

#### **Big** Attendance

Proof that the trade sees this convention as an important one was evi-Vention as an important one was evi-denced in the registration figures. Altho a few weeks ago only 2,000 were expected to be on hand, reg-istrants today approached the 3,000-mark, highest ever to attend an NAB convention. Proof of the importance of this convention to the general pub-ie as yould as to the track was also lic as well as to the trade was also forthcoming. This came in the form of a registration of over 100 working press members, representing na-tional press services, magazines, tional tional press services, magazines, many important dailies and trade papers.

Among the most important matters to be disclosed were the FCC Blue Book (The Billboard, October 21), speeches by Acting FCC Chairman Denny, FM problems, advertising standards and programing. Con-ventions also were looking forward (See Vital Probs Face on page 18)

#### Wm. Green Raps Anti - AFM Bill

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- The Lea Act. the bill specifically aimed at James C. Petrillo, president of the AFM, was termed a threat to all labor here was termed a threaft to all labor here this week by William Green, prexy of the AFL, of which the AFM is a part. Bitterly assailing the bill, Green said, "This hideous law must be completely wiped from the books." Green called for the defeat of Representative Lea, California Demo-crat, but this matter would call for a, referendum of his constituents as

referendum of his constituents, as Lea is running without an opponent in the current election.

**INDUSTRY SCRUTINIZES BMB** 

# Bureau Seen Facing Crisis; **Revision Due**

#### **Reports Not Thoro Enough**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—As a result of general feeling in the trade here that recently published BMB station re-ports do not supply all information necessary for a comparative analysis of relative value of stations in terms of coverage, ways in which the BMB may be improved were discussed freely here this week.

One concrete suggestion on how the research report could be made more valuable was made by Dave Dole, as-sistant radio director and chief time sistant radio director and chief time buyer of the Henri Hurst & McDon-ald Agency. Dole, one of the top research experts here, made his sug-gestions after careful study of the recently released BMB station reports and after talking with many members of the trade here. Dole states that the NAB, AAAA, ANA and BMB In-dustry Committee and exects should decide a better, more equal way of judging various station coverage maps as determined by BMB surveys and BMB reports. Dole also sug-gested how this more equal basis of comparison could be made.

Prefacing this suggestion, Dole stated that WOR, New York, after Dole seeing that its BMB map gave it cov-erage from Georgia to Maine, dis-avowed the report and stated that it would consider as coverage only that area in which it has a BMB index of 50 or more. This would be the area in which 50 per cent more of the sample stated it listened to WOR at least once a week. He also stated that other station dissatisfaction with the report was indicated by the recent statement of WKY, Oklahoma City, which declared, "We are constrained to disavow the BMB audience map."

#### **Minimum Index**

Dole also stated, "It would be sim-ple for WOR to say, 'Okay, we don't claim all this. BMB does. We'll go along with an area comprising only those counties for which BMB re-ports an index of 50 per cent or greater.' This would probably reduce WOR's area to something similar to its past claims. However, the use of a minimum index of 50 per cent for WOR and the use of the com-pleted BMB 10 per cent area on any other percentage between the two as a minimum index by other stations would immediately throw out the basic attribute of BMB—comparisons between stations—all stations."

Dole added that a 50 per cent minimum for all stations would not work because, for example, "Applying the 50 per cent minimum to a station like KFEL, Denver, would eliminate 47 of their 58 BMB counties daytime and 41 of their 50 BMB counties nighttime."

Dole's suggestion goes like this: the BMB, thru its industry committee, (See Industry Eyes BMB on page 15)

The Billboard's Talent Cost Indices, based on the 'First Fifteen' Hooperatings for evening programs and the 'First Three' Sunday afternoon segs and the week day daytime shows, will appear in the next issue.



# **Cohen Sees Peace** Weapon in Adequate

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—In his address to the NAB convention Tuesday (22) Ben Cohen, assistant secretary-gen-eral of the Department of Public Information, is scheduled to point up the importance of radio as an effective medium of peacetime morale. Stating that "certainly radio has ex-traordinary means with which to work for peace," Cohen will stress adequate coverage of United Nations' activities with the statement that the UN is the "voice of mankind's con-science caving for peace and security science crying for peace and security —a concept which radio must make -a concept which radio must make crystal clear thru every kind of pro-gram." Cohen will tell the broad-casters, "You can show how closely related is the United Nations to the day-to-day lives of the listeners in your community."

Cohen's line of thought includes the hope "that the NAB will further implement its avowed interest in the UN by giving leadership to the radio stations through the country with re-spect to their United Nations broad-casts." He will also suggest that the NAB might set up a special com-mittee to serve in an advisory capac-ity to the United States Radio Liaison Office. Such a committee, according to Cohen, could make pro-gram planners aware of the experience of other stations, help formulate new program ideas and generally serve as an agency to help utilize radio in the interests of peace.

Apropos of the need for the UN to establish its own radio network, Cohen will state that an advisory committee is already preparing a re-port on the subject, with data ex-pected to be ready by November 10.

With, respect to the UN broadcasting of the proceedings of the general assembly, scheduled to start Wednes-day (23) at Lake Success, New York, Cohen's speech points out that while no vast network has been set up, the broadcasters will nevertheless tempt to bring to as many countries as possible the developments at the general assembly. To this end, co-operation has been extended by the State Department's international division, the CBC and the BBC and other radio services.

Broadcasting will be done in five languages, English, French, Spanish, Russian and Chinese. Overseas listeners in Scandinavia, Central and Southeast Europe, the Middle East and Africa will be able to hear daily programs from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and again from 3-7 p.m. To listeners whose native language is Russian, Chinese or Spanish, half-hour broad-casts will be relayed six days a week in their own language. It's expected these broadcasts will be rebroadcast. these broadcasts will be rebroadcast

# **CBS** White Collarites Ask 35% Pay Hike; Union Plans N. Y. C. Organization Drive

#### Union Also Sets 25 Job Classification Categories

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—United Office and Professional Workers of America (CIO) Thursday (17) presented its demands to the Columbia Broadcasting System. Basically, the union is asking for salary likes amounting to 35 per cent or, alternately, raises to scales specified in the union's revised job classification list, whichever is greater. Demands drew no comment from CBS, web exects having not yet had time to study proposals in detail. Arrangements for confabs between UOPWA and web exccs have already been set for Tucsday and Wednesday (22 and 23). UO

#### Air Coverage of UN New Sales Promotion **Group Set by NAB**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Committee on sales promotion, which will op-erate as standing sub-committee of the NAB sales managers' executive committee has been organized, and will start functioning following the NAB convention in Chicago. Head-ing the group will be John R. Outler, general manager of WSB, Atlanta.

Appointed to membership for the 1946 '47 term were H. Preston Peters, Free & Peters, Inc., New York; Louis Hausman, director of presentation, CBS, New York; Joe Creamer, advertising and promotion director, WOR, New York; Shurick, director of promotion, KMBC, Kansas City, Mo., and John Carl Jeffrey, general man-ager, WKMO, Kokomo, Ind. Hugh Higgins, NAB assistant director of hypodeseting will not as secondary broadcasting, will act as secretary.

Group's aim is to increase the use and promote the effectiveness of radio as an advertising medium.

ference at the Continental Hotel here October 21-23. George Jennings, director of the conference and acting rector of the conference and acting director of the radio council of the Chicago Board of Education, stated that whereas last year's enrollment was 800, this year's is expected to be 1,800, due to greatly increased in-terest in radio and its use by educa-tional bodies during the pact year tional bodies during the past year.

Jennings purposely scheduled his conference during some of the days the NAB conference is to be held here (NAB confab is October 21-25) in order to give NABer's a chance to hear the educational aspects of radio. He has worked out an arrangement by which those registering for the NAB convention will be able to at-tend his meetings and whereby registration at his conference will constitute permission to see exhibits at the NAB meeting.

by local radio organizations. ville transmitter of CBC will be used to carry a signal to Eastern Europe. Broadcasts in Spanish, for the Latin-American countries, will go out over the State Department's international broadcasting division's facilities.Mondays thru Saturdays, 9:15-10:15 p.m.

To sum up, according to Cohen, the proceedings will be on the air about nine and one-half hours daily.

plans a city-wide radio drive, with WMCA organized already.

Opening of negotiations Thursday followed a meeting of CBS white-collar staffers Wednesday (16). Meeting adopted a resolution calling for an industry-wide strategy committee, "consisting of representatives from all of the radio stations whose purpose it shall be to act as advisory and co-ordinating body; to guide and assist the CBS negotiations committee; to mebilize the white-collar staff thru-out radio behind the CBS negotia-tions, and to enlist the substantial support of our pational union in supsupport of our national union in sup-port of the CBS workers and the thousands of other radio white-collar-ites who will be affected by the prog-ress of these negotiations."

Union's revised job classification plan, which covers some 800 people in various departments, contains 25 categories. Salaries called for in the first or lowest grade are \$30 for beginners, \$32.50 after six months and \$35 after three years. In the top grade salaries specified are \$120, \$130 and \$140 after similar periods of experience.

#### **Contract** Proposals

Peak Attendance Seen for Chi School Broadcast Confab CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Largest en-rollment in its 10-year history is ex-pected for the School Broadcast Con-Union's presentation to CBS also insists on a union shop, are chiefly these:

(1) A five-day, 35-hour week, with overtime at time and a half.

(2) First consideration on promo-tions to be given to individuals within the department who possess the nec-essary qualifications, and among such individuals, special consideration shall be given to seniority.

(3) In event curtailment of work necessitates layoffs, union shall be consulted in advance of notification o employees. If layoffs are necessary, they are to be based on seniority, with last hired to be first laid off. Provision is also made for regaining of seniority rights upon rehiring, and of seniority rights upon remaining, and also for severance pay, the latter in the following proportion: two weeks pay for up to six months of service; three weeks pay for six to nine months of service; four weeks pay for nine to 12 months, and one week's pay for each additional six months of employment.

(4) No discharges without cause, with arbitration in the event company and union disagree.

Other contract proposals include coverage of such points as trial periods for new employees, holidays, temporary work, grievance machin-ery, sick leave, leave of absence, maternity leave, job training pro-(See Collarites Ask Hike on page 18) NAB Member Cap Sportscaster Majority of FM Stations Tally Breaks 1,000 Mark

**CP** Increase Main Reason

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—For the first time in the history of the Na-tional Association of Broadcasters, membership has passed the 1,000 mark, according to the organization's 24th annual report. This does not include frequency modulation broad-casters, until this year an independ-ent organization of some 150 mcm-bers, now in the NAB. Merger not ent organization of some 150 mcm-bers, now in the NAB. Merger not only created an FM department within the NAB but established a "more nearly united front among broadcasters in meeting their com-mon problems."

Total NAB membership as of Oc-tober 1 was 1,079, an increase of 371 over last year's membership, which was 708. This includes 833 standard broadcast stations, 35 FM stations, two television stations, three net-works and 206 associate members.

According to the report of Secretary-Treasurer C. E. Arney Jr., big jump in membership was due partly to the appointment of Prexy Miller and his "sound and construc-Miller and his "sound and construc-tive approach to the problems of the industry" and partly to the sub-stantial increase in the number of station licenses granted. Report said that small market stations' activity within NAB resulted in bringing a large number of such stations into the organization. It was also stated that there is a growning recognition that there is a growing recognition thruout the industry for the need for united industry action on industry matters.

#### KLAC Kw. Boost Tightens L. A. Indie Biz Fracas

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.—FCC last week granted KLAC's request for a power hike from 1,000 to 5,000 watts, with change-over to become effective as soon as outlet can secure addi-tional equipment. Thackrey-owned station thus joins ranks of other L. A. indies which have been granted additional power lately.

With added coverage to be gained from upping in power, station will revamp programing structure to keep pace with other top local indies.

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#### **CIO** Seeks Detroit Station

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19. — CIO's United Automobile Workers are again spurring union participation in radio, this week filing with Fed-eral Communications Commission an application for a 250-watt standard broadcasting station in Detroit. Under the name of UAW-CIO Broadcasting Corporation of Michigan, request asks for daytime ops on 680 kc.

# Yens House Seat; Vows to Gab Plenty Go to Key Cities; Rural

FCC'S AMAZING

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19. — Con-gressional halls will echo to bigger and better speeches if Arch Mc-Donald, radio sportscaster, keeps his Donald, radio sportscaster, keeps his campaign pledge made to voters this week-and if he gets elected. Mc-Donald, running for a seat in the House from Maryland's Sixth Con-gressional District, opened his elec-tion drive Thursday (17). McDonald told a democratic rally that his republican opponent, Rep. L Clean Boll has been in office four

J. Glenn Bell, has been in office four years and has spoken a total of only 24 minutes on the floor of the house.

24 minutes on the floor of the house. His longest speech, McDonald said, was only two minutes. "That is no sign of a hard-working congressman," McDonald told his listeners. "Gee whiz, I couldn't keep quiet that long if I wanted to—and I don't intend to."

#### WBZ, WBZA Panel Strike Settled; \$7 a Week Raise

BOSTON, Oct. 19.—Strike of 31 technicians at WBZ, Boston, and WBZA, Worcester, was settled Mon-day (14). Strike had forced execu-tives and white-collar workers to witch in and run the striking from pitch in and run the stations from September 24 until settlement date. According to station manager W. C. Swartley, wage settlement was at a top rate of \$90 for a 40-hour week. Included in the settlement is a straight across the board increase of \$7 a week retroactive from April 14, 1946, to the date of the walkout. This increase matches a similar pay boost granted Westinghouse parent company workers in April.

**Areas Given AM Outlets** Ouestion Economic Wisdom of Licensing Approach By Our Washington Burcau

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control.

control. Development of an all-India radio web is definitely in the offing, ac-cording to De Peterson, altho the language situation presents real prob-lems, as does the fact that station owners are widely scattered thru various language belts. India is open for radio sales, De Peterson declared, citing success of the former commercial station Io-cated in Saigon, French Indo China. Station beamed to certain parts of India and built up a good following.

# matters. Membership increase has brought a corresponding increase in the as-sociation's income. Financial report reveals that total income between July 1, 1945, and August 31, 1946, amounted to \$691,966.02. Expenses for the same period amounted to \$596,735.58. Excess of income over expenses during that period amounted to \$52,230.44. Expenses included the purchase of a new build-ing in Washington last July to house the increased NAB staft. Webs Call Industry Which Meets on AFRA Campaign To Organize All Affiliates Negotiations Postponed Till After NAB Convention

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-AFRA's insistence that networks stop feeding NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—AFRA's insistence that networks stop feeding shows to outlets which refuse to negotiate with the union—one of the knottiest problems in contract discussions—will be aired at a special meeting Monday (28), called by the webs. Powwow will include AAAA reps, AFRA excess from outlying regions and network brass. It's known that AFRA is adamant, not only on the point that webs stop feeding recalcitrant stations, but also in its demands that one contract be signed for the entire country and thet the Benefic Coart differentials he diministrated Beneriting use of the webs as a lever to force outlets into line, the union feels that with web

support it can really organize the country. As of now, only 124 out of more than 900 commercial stations in

he country are signed to AFRA pacts. Union back in 1944 made up its above, but was loathe to press for a showdown during war years. Insiders say all stops are pulled now

Prior to the webs calling of a special confab, the last step in the negotiations was nade by AFRA, which offered a counter-proposal to the networks' offer of a 10 per cent the networks' offer of a 10 per cent wage increase. Offer, however, was not a shaving of the union's demand for a 35 per cent wage increase. Regarding AFRA's position that outlets must negotiate, union feels its (See AFRA Adamant on page 18) fice.

#### **MBS in Hypo Move** For Coast Programs

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19 .-- A step in the drive to hypo Mutual's Coast originations was made this week with the appointment of Ned Tollinger as program co-ordinator. Tollinger will act as Mutual co-ordinator here, working with Don Lee's program di-rector, Charles Bulotti Jr. He will have supervision over a total of 73

have supervision over a total of 73-quarter-hour shots now originating in Hollywood for Mutual's 349 stations. Tollinger was formerly an NBC producer in Hollywood and more re-cently on the production staff of Young & Rubicam's Hollywood of-

By Our Washington Burcau WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—An astonishing trend in which six out of every 10 standard broadcast construction permits are going to communities below 25,000 population while nearly 60 per cent of the FM CP's are going to large cities is underway full-scale, an exhaustive study of Federal Com-munications Commission grants reveals. Survey, compiled by The Billboard on the basis of FCC grants since July 1, shows that FM, originally hailed as a boon to rural areas, is now as-suming big-city concentration, while AM, which was figured as having to hit or stations within the continental United States since July 1, 78 went to midget-size communities below 25,000 population, while 31 others went to communities belowen 25,-000 and 100,000, the survey shows. Relatively small balance went to cities over 100,000. Altho FCC ob-servers have been aware for some handing out AM licenses to dwarf-sized hamlets on an increasing scale, augusts of the grants since July handing out AM licenses to dwarf-sized hamlets on an increasing scale, analysis of the grants since July shows the trend far sharper than shown in the piecemeal reports. The disclosure overshadows another in-teresting finding in the survey---the fact that FCC has been issuing FM grants at a ratio of two and a half to one for AM's one for AM's.

one for AM's. Already emerging as a big ques-tion mark to radio economists is the fate of such recent grants as a 250-watter to Moses Lake, Wash., where there are 326 residents, or Oyster Bay, L. I., which has a population of 466. The flood of grants to small communities included such others as the following: A 1 kilowatter for Crew, Va., which has 2,048 residents; a 250 watter for Shelby, Mont., which has 2,538 folks; a 250 watter for Mc-Minnville, Tenn., population 4,469; Glendale, Ariz., population 4,469; Glendale, Ariz., population 4,469; Glendale, Mark, population 3,524; Al-pine, Tex., population 3,866; North Richield, Ocial, population 3,52; Ai-pine, Tex., population 3,866; North Wilkesboro, N. C., population 4,478; Oakhill, W. Va., population 3,213; Clinton, N. C., population 3,557, and Stamford, Tex., 4,810.

Stamford, Tex., 4,810. CP's for Sticks Six of the AM grants in the last four months went to hamlets under 2,500 population; 14 others went to communities between 2,500 and 5,000 population; 35 others went to communities between 2,500 and 5,000 population; 35 others went to communities between 2,500 and 10,-000, some of which already had oth-er stations; 13 went to small cities between 10,000 and 15,000 popula-tion; 12 went to communities between 15,000 and 25,000; 19 to cities be-tween 25,000 and 50,000; seven to ci-ties between 50,000 and 100,000, and the balance to cities over 100,000. Expectations are that FCC bigwigs, when they take a recount of their recent grants, may register surprise at the number of grants to commu-nities below 10,000 in the last four months. One-third of the entire to-tial. FCC in a compilation skedded for

FCC in a compilation skedded for FCC in a compilation skedded for release Monday (21), shows its step-ping up of AM grants. Meanwhile, the pace of FM license issuances is at all-time high, with commish's pol-icy seemingly reversed in favor of metropolitan communities over ru-rals. Prominent FM winners on re-form the first statemetric for the statemetric for the first statemetric for the statemetric for the first statemetric for the (See Most FM Stations on page 15)

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THE CROSBY STORY. To the Larynx **On Weak Side** 

#### "Tweedy" Not in Same Class

By Paul Ackerman

NEW YORK, Oct. 19. — NBC Wednesday night programing oppo-site ABC's Pot o' Gold-Bing Crosbysite ABC's Pot o' Gold-Bing Crosby-Henry Morgan parlay has plenty of weak spots—certainly enough to give the senior web cause for serious con-cern. Immediately opposite Bing in the 10 p.m. slot is The Fabulous Dr. Tweedy, with Frank Morgan in the lead role, that of a harassed academician with a penchant for get-ting involved in so-called comical academician with a penchant for get-ting involved in so-called comical situations. Wednesday (16) show was singularly lacking in boffs de-spite the usual enthusiasm of the studio audience. In fact, the only funny element in the set was Mor-gan's nutty laugh, and this vocal curiosity lost its novel appeal long ago. Program's story line, involving

### NBC Opposish

Station--WEAF (NBC network). Pro-gram--Wir, District Attorney." Spon-sor-Bristol-Myers. Time-9:30.10 p.m. Agency-Doherty, Clifford & Shenfleid. Program--WThe Fabulous Dr. Tweedy." Sponsor-Amarican Tohacco Company (Pall Mall). Time-10-10.30 p.m. Agency (Pall Mall). Time-10-10.30 p.m. Agency -Forjat, Cone & Belding. Program--Kay Kyser's Kollege of Mu-sical Knowicdye. Sponsor-Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Company. Time-10:30-11 p.m. Agency-Ted Bates, Inc.

attempts of Tweedy and other pro-fessors to get to a ball game and the delays and mishaps which befell the delays and misnaps which bereil them, was just a routine effort on the part of Robert Tiley Crutcher and Rik Vollaerts, scripters. Production, under the supervision of Z. Wayne Griffin, was timed well and had pace, but with a basic lack of strong comedy material, the seg was sorely handicensed handicapped.

Commercials for Pall Mall on the (See NBC OPPOSITION on page 14)

#### Hash Opposish

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .--- Airing of the Crosby seg at 10 p.m. in the East and at 9-9:30 p.m. in the Central, Mountain and Coast zones plays havoc with the opposition of the major webs, ac-

cording to observers here. NBC opposition to Crosby, for instance, is Fabulous Dr. Tweedy in the East and Central, Tweedy in the East and Central, but in the Mountain area the senior web's opposish at 9 p.m. is the repeat of the Chesterfield Supper Club, NBS opposish on Coast at 9 p.m. is the repeat of *Mr. and Mrs. North.* CBS opposish is similarly scrambled. In the East and Central it is the Squibb opus, *Academy Award Theater.* In the Mountain area the opposish includes Lowell Thomas for the first quarter hour and the Jack

quarter hour and the Jack first Smith Show for the second quarter. On the Coast the re-peat of the Jack Carson seg bucks Crosby.

# NBCOpposish Crosby Premier Sock Radio With Some Loss in Fidelity

By Jerry Franken NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Radio's newest, and one of its most significant commercial program developments since the late George significant commercial program developments since the late George McClelland first conceived the idea of advertising merchandise on the air, was introduced Wednesday (16) when the transcribed Philco-Bing Crosby program, *Philco Radio Time*, made its debut over the American Broadcasting System (10 p.m. EST). Few programs, if any, in the history of the business have been subject to so much discussion and ballyhoo as the Groaner's new project. Its significance derives not only from its importance as a measure of how success-fully a stellar program may be put on wax and whether there is any public resistance to such programs, but also whether it will be the public resistance to such programs, but also whether it will be the forerunner of many such shows. In turn, this latter element raises a highly important question. That question is: if recording big-time programs becomes the custom, what happens to the entire network structure of radio as it is now constituted?

#### Credits on Crosby "Philco Radio Time Program"

Reviewed Wednesday, 10-10:30 p.m., EST. Slyle—Transoribed variety. Sponsor—Philco Corporation, Talent—Bing Crosby, Lina Romay, the Chari-oteers, Skitch Henderson, John Scott Trotter ork, Ken Carpenter; Bob Hope, guest. Writers—Bill Morrow, Al Lewis, Larry Clemmons. Producer-directors— Morrow and Murch MacKenzic. Agency—Hutchins Advertising Company, Inc. Station—WJZ (ABC network). Program—"Pot o' Gold." Sponsor—Lewis-Howe Company. Time—0:30-10 p.m. Agency—Roche, Williams & Cleary, Inc. Program—Henry Morgan. Sponsor—Eversharp, Inc. Time—10:30-11 p.m. Agency—Biow Company, Inc.

But from the standpoint of programing alone, without regard But from the standpoint of programing alone, without regard to the overtones of Philco-Crosby venture, the story is simple. It sums up to the effect that the initial stanza was as boff a half hour as Crosby ever gave his listeners when he worked in the flesh for Kraft Cheese. All the Crosby qualities—the classic, casual, off-hand style in delivery; the nonparell vocalizing, and above all, in his crossfire with his cinematic sidckick, Bob Hope, guesting for the preem, the same ad libbing and disregard for the script, all were there. Wax or not, it was Crosby, and that means top radio. And the old showbiz axiom still applies; the show's the thing. Only in one respect was it noticeable that the program had been platterized. This came whenever a piano became dominant in the (See CROSBY PREMURE on page 14)

(See CROSBY PREMIER on page 14)

Affected by

"Does this program sound better than or not as good as other Bing Crosby programs?", and "Have you any other comment?"

Most answers to these questions expressed very strong liking for the show. Some of the more interest-ing answers to the first question above were as follows: "He is always tops"; "Clear and good"; "Different from his other, but it is good": "Sounds as the it would

it is good"; "Sounds as the it would be better than ever"; "Bing always

good." In answer to the second query, the following were among the more interesting: "Sounds different, but I like him just as well"; "Better bal-anced"; "Don't like comments on Pittsburgh Pirates"; "Always good, exceptional tonight"; "Omit Bob Hope"; "Bob Hope made the pro-gram"; "Twe been waiting a week for this." One listener observed that, "The

One listener observed that, "The first five minutes were very tinny, being transcribed, but the condition

(See Listeners Satisfied on page 15)

E.T. Element

#### **Entire** Trade Few Listeners Eying Bing's E.T. Challenge

(Continued from page 3) like Dr. Tweedy-American Tobac-co's show opposite Bing-for too long:

# AFM Seen Entering "Mechanization" Picture

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Public opin-ion on the Crosby program taken by C. E. Hooper, Inc., by arrange-ment with The Billboard, indicates that the transcribed nature of the show scarcely affected its appeal to -listeners. While not using the term "transcription," in order to avoid giv-ing interviewees a negative sugges-tion, two questions, calculated to bring out such complaints had they existed, were asked. These were, At least one branch of radio's labor At least one branch of radio's labor picture is keeping close tabs on the Crosby show and the others likely to follow. That is the American Federation of Musicians, which has had a policy of fighting the mechani-zation of music for many years. More waxed shows might very well have a detrimental effect on mu-sicians' employment. In turn, this might mean demands for new pay hikes for musicians employed by webs, stations and pancake manufacwebs, stations and pancake manufac-turers. Similar developments in the

AFRA field are not impossible, either. AFRA field are not impossible, either. But the one over-all question which only time can answer is the effect such e.t. programs may have on network radio as it is known to-day. The undcrlying reason for the network taboo against transcriptions —a taboo broken by ABC's Crosby precedent—has been the fear that such shows might destroy, or seri-ously damage, the network structure. For if a sponsor can buy several For if a sponsor can buy several hundred stations with one transcrip-tion, he can buy that same number of stations without telephone connections merely by buying a platter for each station. Why, then, a network? The "Crosby Story" is a long way

from completion.

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good."

# **CBS** Grunts But Loses to **Crosby Groan**

#### Stars Fail To Twinkle

#### By George Berkowitz

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-The haughty NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—The haughty matron of Madison Avenue tried hard to ignore the presence of the brash upstart who had crashed the Wednesday night (16) party, but it was a lost cause. The uninvited, un-welcome guest not only had the crust to intrude, but made Columbia's star-studded line-up look like a bunch of fair-to-middlin' mikesters on an average evening. on an average evening. It wasn't that CBS didn't try.

beat Crosby, for the evening, the web lined up a flock of celebs, names which generally send the dial twisters into paroxysms of anticipation, in-cluding Frank Sinatra, Dinah Shore, Peter Lind Hayes, Lily Pons, John Garfield, Charles Jackson, Oscar Le-vant, Franklin P. Adams, John

#### **CBS** Opposish

Station-WABC (CBS network). Pro-gram: Dinah Shore Show. Sponsor-Ford Motor Company. Time--9:30-10 p.m. Agency--3. Waiter Thompson

Ford Ploter Company. Atme-Juor An Company. Program.-'Academy Award Theater.'' Sponsor-E. R. Squibb & Sons. Time-10-10:30 p.m. Agency-Geyer, Cornell & Newell, Inc. Program - ''Information Please.'' Sponsor-Parker Pen. Time-10:30-11 p.m. Agency-J. Walter Thompson Company.

Kieran and Clifton Fadiman. But you could tell that the hearts of Paley's boys weren't in it. They knew they were licked before they entered the fray and they were in there to put up a fight, not because they hered to win but because they they hoped to win, but because they wouldn't give up without a sign of (See CBS GRUNTINGS on page 14)

#### **Radio Editors** Laud Preeming Crosby Program

Early samples of daily paper radio editors' reactions to the Bing Crosby editors' reactions to the Bing Crosby debut show were highly favorable. In New York, for instance, Harriet Van Horne (World-Telegram) hailed the show as being "Bing at his best." She added, "There's little you can say about a Crosby program that isn't redundant. He is-O worthy clichel --absolutely wonderful..." In The New York Daily News, Ben Gross noted that "A revolution in programing came to radio... Cros-by's first transcribed sample was a breezy, thoroly entertaining item. Bing is still Bing, even if his voice is not what it was years ago... "Now comes the question. If the listeners hadn't been told that this program was transcribed, would they have known it wasn't a 'live' show? In my opinion, the answer is: No. After all, it was a 'live' performance when it was recorded. So, basically, what's the difference?" Si Steinhauser, veteran radio col-umnist of The Pittsburgh Press, noted (See Eds Laud Preeming on page 15) debut show were highly favorable. In

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# **MBS** Weakest Of Webs at **Bing's Time**

#### No Competish for Groaner

By Joe Ceida NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Crosby's rating figures to be little affected by Mutual, or WOR in New York, op-position. Spotted against Der Bingle in the 10-10:30 slot on about 120 stations on the net is the unsponsored Author Meets the Critic, which by now standard "literary" segment should continue to attract its own fairly limited audience and neither lose too much to, nor gain from the Philco item. On WOR, in this same slot, is the new Scalamandre Concert Hour, a middlebrow, longhair music offering appealing to the limited but loyal non-pop mob. In the 10:30 to

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A A Station--WOR (MBS network). Pro-gram -- "Spolight Bauds" (Xavier (ugal). Sponsor--Coea-Cola Company. Timo-9:30-10 p.m. Agency--D'Aroy. Program-Scala mandre Silks, Inc. Time-10-10:30 p.m. Agency--New Century.

Heart in Synthese Holds of the Agency-New Century. Heard aver WOR, One hundred and twensy web stations carry unsponsored "Author Meets the Critics."

11 stretch Mutual usually airs dance ork remotes, but when caught (16) an Alfred E. Smith memorial dinner, featuring a talk by W. Averill Harri-man, was carried. WOR carries the solidly established symphonette in

this spot. Directly ahead of Crosby's time, 9:30 to 10 on both WOR and Mutual, 9:30 to 10 on both WOR and Mutual, is the Xavier Cugat Spotlight Band Coca-Cola shot. Cugat's lush, con-cert-tinged arrangements and his se-lection of standards, rather than straight pops, may build a batch of (See MBS OFFERING on page 15)

#### Philco Ad Agency Plans Merchandise Push in November

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- Hutchins NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Hutchins Advertising Company, Inc., agency handling the Phileo account, will stress heavily the merchandising angle in its promotion of the Crosby seg. Campaign will get into high gear in November and succeeding months, at which time Phileo's pro-duction of vaccing the incompted

and the proceeding and succeeding months, at which time Phileo's pro-duction of receivers, etc., is expected to roll into high. Hutchins' angle is that it is not only selling a radio program but merchandise as well. Bally will therefore go in for dealer tie-ins, window displays in department stores, etc. Radio, it is widely believed, will not be used for this phase of the campaign. First in a series of merchandising tie-ups has already been planted in Macy's window in New York, which contains a display plugging Crosby's Paramount pic, Blue Skies. Hutchins arranged a deal with the Para promotion department, with result that window also includes a Philco radio. (See Philco Mdse. Push on page 15)

# -Exclusive Hooper---Billboard-Survey Charts Bing's Audience

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-First nationwide survey of transcribed NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—First nationwide survey of transcribed program of top network caliber, Bing Crosby's opening Philco seg on ABC, was completed for *The Billboard* by C. E. Hooper, Inc., with the purpose of checking the flow of audience and listener reaction to transcribed nature of the show. Results, as tabulated on the basis of the Wednesday (16) seg, which grabbed a 24.0 Hooperating, indi-cate that in the minds of the great majority of listeners, the fact that the show is transcribed has virtually no negative effect on the program's appear program's appeal.

program's appeal. Statistics also indicate that of the total audience listening to Crosby on ABC, the greatest audience flow came from NBC, whose Mr. District Attorney, 9:30-10 p.m., contributed 29 per cent of the Crosby audience. ABC's Pot o' Gold contributed 29 per cent, where-as the CBS Dinah Shore-Ford seg contributed 17.3 per cent. MBS' Spotlight Bands, which was carried on most, but not all of the web's stations, contributed 4.7 per cent. Remaining 19.1 per cent listening to Crosby had their radios off prior to the show. Questions asked of those interviewed will be found in an adjacent

off prior to the show. Questions asked of those interviewed will be found in an adjacent column. It will be noted that questions No. 5 and 6 deal with the fact that the program was waxed. However, the questions them-selves were specifically phrased so as to avoid use of the word "transcription," purpose being to avoid implanting even uncon-sciously, a negative reaction in the minds of those interviewed. On the other hand the phrasing was calculated to bring out whatever require interviewer prior being to have bed with variors to the two requirements. -either from the standpoint of mechanical sound or other weak-nesses which some feel are inherent in e.t.'s. Among these is the disputed point of topicality, which, according to one theory, cannot be present in a program recorded some weeks before it is aired. Answers to the questions dealing with the e.t. element came out as follows: out as follows:

out as follows: Of those interviewed, 75.4 per cent indicated that the program source meant virtually nothing, typical answers being: "Just as good," "better," "same" or "no difference," "wonderful," "about the same," "same," "no difference," "wonderful," "about the same." Another 17 per cent gave such replies as 'don't know," "too early to tell," "can't tell," "haven't decided." Another 7.6 per cent gave such replies as "not so good," "don't care for transcriptions." "doesn't sound as well," etc. Of the total number of respondents, Hooper states, only 4.5 per cent identified their reaction to the program with its transcribed nature. Of this small percentage, most of the reactions were negative.

Apparent lack of negative reaction of transcribed nature. Of this small percentage, most of the reactions were negative. Apparent lack of negative reaction of transcribed nature of Crosby show is highly significant for all radio--including webs, indies, advertisers and agencies. And perhaps for the FCC. Major webs have always maintained a stringent clamp on wax. Reasons for this have been various, including the fact that in some quarters it's believed excessive use of wax wight work well ways in a brack. it's believed excessive use of wax might very well result in a break-(See Exclusive Hooper on page 15)

# **Film Producers and Stars** See E. T.'s as Welcome Boon

HOLLYOOD, Oct. 19 .- Transcriptions are opening a heretofore un-HOLLYOOD, Oct. 19.—Transcriptions are opening a heretofore un-tapped talent pool by making available pix names who heretofore shied away from radio. Flicker circles, abuzz since Bing Crosby first sealed his wax deal with Philco, are now hot for waxed air packages. Groaner's kick-off spin Wednesday was an eye-opener to many flicker folk who would welcome a similar set-up. Some already have their biz reps putting out feelers, and chances are the next big show on wax will bring on a pix player relatively new to regular rag. refused to allow their top names to

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player relatively new to regular ra-dio. Some trade seers say that if the trend turns e.t.-wise, you can look for an air-talent upset. They predicate an air-talent upset. They predicate this on the fact that a number of screen topnotchers will invade the radio field, giving bankrollers more names from which to choose. Such a situation could result in a possible lowering of the price par on the talent market talent market.

Many among flicker-famed have heretofore steered clear of both live and canned radio for a number of reasons. Aside from an occasional guest shot, many filmsters have been mike shy because weekly broadcast-ing would intofere with bir ched mike shy because weekly broadcast-ing would interfere with pix skeds. Others need more rehearsal time than radio permits. Altho studios welcome free plugs, pix bosses have tried to discourage season radio con-tracts because players could not be used at studios' will, blocking loca-tion checking othe Also time lett in ition shooting, etc. Also, time lost in radio rehearsals and broadcasts run into heavy dough for pix companies. In numerous instances studios have tion as far as they are concerned.

refused to allow their top names to undertake regular radio stints be-cause the risk was too great. Million-dollar properties could be ruined box office-wise should mike-green Thesps turn in below-par performances. For the same reason, screen players themselves have often turned thumbs down on airshow offers. If radio can make use of "motion pic-ture techniques" (which means cutting out and re-doing bad spots) so that the final product nears perfection, then both studio bosses and screen Thesps are in favor.

Open-end e.t.'s have long been nixed by studios to the extent that the Motion Picture Producers' Assoclation recently banned use of pix people even on canned interview segs. Since studios don't know who the bankrollers would be, they don't want to take the chance of linking valuable talent properties to a pos-sible "undignified" sponsor. A single national sponsor on wax is the solu-

# Stars Agree E.T.'s Better Than "Live"

**RV CHAPTE** 

Benny, Burns, et al., Vote Yes

#### By Lee Zhito

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19. — After bending an ear to the Crosby kick-off platter, the majority of Holly-wood's air show talent toppers are hot for wax. Headliners surveyed by The Billboard agree the Groaner's got something there, with most of them indicating a desire for similar deals. Some would like to hang on the fence for a while, saying it's okay for others, but not for their program formats.

Some in the trade think if talent wants wax badly enough, radio per-(See STARS AGREE on page 11)

#### Survey Questions

Herewith are the questions, followed by the answers, asked by interviewers for C. E. Hooper, Inc., in the special Crosby study made for The Billboard:

THE QUESTIONS

1. This is a nationwide radio survey. Were you listening to your radio just now?

2. To what program were you listening, please?

 What station, please?
 What station, please?
 A. Asked during the 10-10:15 p.m. time period: Were you listening to the radio be-tween quarter of 10 and 10 o'clock, that was about 15 minutes ago. If yes, what station, please?

B. Asked during the 10:15-10:30 p.m. time period: Were you listening to the radio between 10 and quarter after 10, that was about 15 minutes ago. If yes, what station, please? 5. Asked of all persons listen-

ing to Bing Crosby or the sta-tion carrying the Bing Crosby program:

Does this program sound better than, or not as good as, other Bing Crosby programs?

Bing Crosby programs? 6. Final question: Have you anymore comments? THE ANSWERS To the questions: "Does this program sound better than or not as good as other Bing Crosby programs?" and "Have you any other comment?" 75.4 per cent gave such replies as "just as good," "better," "same," "no difference," "won-derful," "about the same." 17 per cent gave such replies

as "don't know," "too early to tell," "about the same." 17 per cent gave such replies as "don't know," "too early to tell," "can't tell," "haven't de-cided," etc. 7.6 per cent gave such replies as "not so good," "don't care for transcriptions," "doesn't sound as well," etc. NOTE: Of the total respond-ents only 4.5 per cent identified their reaction to the program with its transcribed nature. Of these, 3.7 per cent were negative and 0.8 per cent favorable. HOOPERATING 24.0

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PHILCO SETS BALLY RECORD

# **Crosby Show Gets Million-\$ Ad Budget**

#### All Media Used in Drive

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.--Never before in radio history has an air show received so much ballyhoo as Bing Crosby's wax fling for Philco. Actual figures on over-all promotional cam-paign are not available, since the network, individual stations, manufacturer, distributors, dealers and Paramount Pictures are pooling re-sources in an effort to give the Groaner his biggest air audience to date. Some close to the story evaluate the joint drum-beating campaign at well over \$1,000,000. Philco has turned over its entire black-and-white ad schedule to Crosby, hitting all the major national publications with full-page spreads. Philco dis-tributors bought space in daily newsthe kick-off program, with dealers also turning over their space to the Crosby cause.

In this area Philco's distributor, Gough Industries, Inc., intends to spend \$50,000 before the first of the year in boosting the show. Wednes-day, newspapers here, with excep-tion of The Times and Examiner, were flooded with ads on the Groaner, indicating what can be done when a web snows distributor and dealars web, sponsor, distributor and dealers decide to get behind a program. Times and Examiner were comparatively weak in Crosby spreads be-cause sheets follow a policy of keep-ing air-show ads down to a couple of Ing air-show add down to a couple of inches. Daily News, however, and community newspapers like Holly-wood Citizen News, were practically taken over by Crosby ads. Big spreads were purchased by ABC, Philco and Gough, with dealers' smaller ads hitting readers on nearly every page.

every page. Philco is sinking between \$30,000 to \$35,000 per week into Der Bingle's show and can't afford to skimp on promotion. Distributors and dealers have been laying off their black-and-white ad budgets because prod-uct deliveries have yet to reach their peak and what is shipped in finds ready buyers. Show's kick-off gives

#### **311 Crosby Outlets**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—A final figure ranging between 400 and 450 stations is expected for the Crosby-Philco series, but as of the maiden broadcast Wednesday (16), station list runs to 311. Of these, most are ABC affiliates, with 217 ABC stations so far set for the program. Web. has 224 stations as of this date. Hutchins agency, which handles Hutchins agency, which handles the account, is now working on time clearances for many more, Crosby list breaks down as follows:

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# **Pre-Fabricated Showmanship**

#### By Leonard Traube

**IF** IT proved anything at all, the Bingsday program established that the show isn't worth a hoot without Der Bingle himself to spark it, and that Crosby would be just another performer if he weren't one of the greatest showmen of his day. There may be better balladeers and troubadours, but Crosby came thru on this shot (as he has done time and time again) as something more than a mere singer with a socko style whose manner suggests that he really likes what he's doing.

He's a toughie to figure, being a helluva lot more than a guy with magnetizing pipes and a sure-fire brand of high-jinxed repartee and patter. If the Bing were a lousy magician, his line of chatter would sky him into what passes for greatness in this thing called show business. Crosby is something you buy with your eyes shut-tered. Crosby is showmanship at its distilled best.

But beyond all this is the intent and impact of waxed program-ing-and the intent, however lofty and important, can never hope to get anywhere without the impact of Crosby himself, plus his choice of playmates such as the superlative thing a gent like Bob Hope adds as fillip-plus to a show. Maybe even Spike Jones, No. 2 guester in the transcribed sweepstakes, will be a better Spike when he welds his zanyisms with Crosby's.

Riding herd on the impact is prefabricated entertainment-the kind of set-up that's taken for granted because it's so indigenous to movies. Films have been at it for a long time, but the Bingsday thing is the first king-sized approach to what radio may have to do to ac-complish its entertainment objectives in a way that will set a pattern for future moon-shooters.

There are not too many Crosbys around, but with the improved techniques of e. t. programing that will surely come, fissioned by the know-how and savvy of which Crosby may be accepted in time to come as pioneer, there need not be a personality to make mike enter-tainment more lush. It could be—and probably will be—that the personality will be subordinated to the show as a show. The greatest plays are great, fundamentally, because the writing is great. The Joe Jeffersons, et. al., who breathed more life into them may be said not to have done them any harm.

Crosby adds velvet and dividends every time he goes to bat. Is it his infectious informality? His cleverly contrived nonchalance? Whatever it is, the men who claim a share in making radio tick will be left way behind in the program procession if they don't give at least a little ear to the big noise sounding all around them. They might be accused of trying to commit first-degree program formatricide.

them a good excuse to make a big splash now, tying in radio sets with Crosby.

#### Para Busy Too

Paramount can't afford to let one of its most valuable talent properties fall thru radio-wise, lest the slump show up at the box office. Pic company has worked out a co-op deal with Philco on ad tie-ins plugging the Groaner's airer. Working arrange-ment is so close that once Philco gets off its Crosby drum-beating spree, it will use the flicker factory's other stars in testimonial ads, returning the Crosby favor by plugging future Paramount releases. These will be Paramount releases. These will be carried over into dealer window-counter displays.

ABC is working hand in hand with Philco in the West in staging stunts Philco in the west in staging stunts aimed at pulling potential listener-ship to ABC outlets. Johnny Par-sons, Philco's Coast promotional chief, is holding a contest among the net's affiliates, promising an award of a radio set to the station promotion of a radio set to the station promotion man who does the best job. Indica-tive of what's being done, KUTA's (Salt Lake City) Al Thomas is stag-ing a loud-shirt contest among col-lege kids and a shirt-making contest among town's fems. Loudest shirt is to be flown here for Bing. A dilly was pulled by Harvey Wixson, KGA, Sookane with Spokane's mayor of-Spokane, with Spokane's mayor of-ficially proclaiming last Wednesday 'Bingsday." Spokane is Crosby's

home town. Loudest drum-beating campaign for an air show ever to hit Holly-wood was staged by ABC's Coast pro-motional chief, Jack O'Mara, aimed at both the public and the trade. To

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#### Wayne U. Students Help WXYZ in Crosby Build-Up

DETROIT, Oct. 19 .--- WXYZ, ABC outlet, gave the Bing Crosby debut Wednesday night an energetic kickoff locally with a novel touch added to the usual promotional gimmicks of ads, radio plugs, publicity, etc.

of ads, radio plugs, publicity, etc. Fifteen Wayne University students carrying signs reading "Bing is back tonight and every Wednesday, 10 p.m., WXYZ, sponsored by Philco," were spotted at strategic locations thruout the city. Each had a portable radio going full blast, tuned, of course, to WXYZ. They gathered wherever crowds congregated. En-thusiastic collegians even rode busses and crowded street cars with varied degrees of recention from transit ofdegrees of reception from transit officials.

Students were paid.

get the point across to film city's radio row, ABC last Wednesday virradio row, ABC last Wednesday vir-tually took over the Hollywood Brown Derby, radio biz hangout. Walls, usually bedecked with carica-tures of flicker and radio toppers, were plastered with Crosby cartoons. Each picture (more than 1,100) was covered with Der Bingle's likeness. NBC toppers walked in, squirmed and did an about-face out of the spot. O'Mara is blanketing L. A. and San

O'Mara is blanketing L. A. and San Francisco areas with 10,000 sticker-bearing pennies, carrying Crosby message. Additionally, streamer planes, neon lighted after dark, will spread the ABC tune-in gospel every Wednesday for next couple of weeks.

# Nat'l Mags, Dailies, Disks Used by ABC

#### **Stations on Their Own**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Promotion for the Bing Crosby-Philco show over ABC Wednesday nights went into high gear the week prior to seg's debut (16) with ABC and Philco filling the air with blurbs and buying high space in deblics and buying big space in dailies and national magazines. ABC service to affiliates magazines. ABC service to affiliates included an elaborate brochure out-lining audience promotion gimmicks and supplying suggested quarter-hour scripts plugging the show, plus mats, glossies, etc. The works, in short. Web's bally, while using Crosby as its heaviest ammunition, also stresses the Wederscher width contra with the the Wednesday night parlay, with the brochure also including ads pointing up the Pot o' Gold and Henry Morgan.

Transcription-wise, two sets of promotion disks were prepared by ABC. First set includes snatches of Crosby singing. Local stations used the disks, with local announcers com-ing in with blurbs at the conclusion of the Crosby vocalizing. Second se of disks made by the web for station use presented Der Bingle doing a bi of chatter, with local announcer, again cutting in with an audience come-on. Space campaign of the web in

Space campaign of the web in-cluded large ads in all importan show business papers and ad mags as well as ads in *Saturday Evenin*, *Post* and *New Yorker*. Web figure it reached 14,000,000 potential listen ers thru the *SEP* space taken in th October 26 issue. Another one wil run November 2. Two ads were als scheduled for the *New Yorker*, th first of which appeared last Frida (11) with the next slated to pop i two weeks. two weeks.

#### Dealer Aids

Dealer Aids Web is following thru on othe promotion angles, including manu facture of more than 2,000,000 er velope stuffers to be distributed b local Philco dealers. These carry th blurb, "Bing Is Back and Philco Got Him." There are also car card with individual station call letter pointing up Wednesday as Bingsda; According to Ted Oberfelder, AB exec, what the stations do on the own in the way of local advertisir is strictly up to them, but as of nov indications are that the outlets ar co-operating closely on their use the web's promotion service. We

the web's promotion service. We too, on Sunday (13), devoted Pa Whiteman's one-hour show to a Cro

by salute. Question of how long ABC w keep up the bally is a moot one, b Oberfelder expects it to continue f a long time, dependent, of course, a how the seg shapes up in listener a peal.

One factor will be the success lack of success which will attend t bally efforts of other webs opposit the ABC Wednesday night prograt ing. NBC, for instance, plotted a t six campaign (*The Billboard*, Se tember 14) to plug its Wednesd night schedule of Duffy, Gildersleet Frank Morgan, Kay Kyser and A District Attorney in opposition to t ABC parlay. This gimmick of lin ing the segs was deemed necesse because Crosby is heard at differe (See ABS Uses 'Em All on page 1 One factor will be the success 37 11 11 11

# Stars Agree E.T.'s Beat 'Live'; Benny, Burns, et al., Vote Yes

(Continued from page 9) sonalities could offer bankrollers a sonalities could offer bankrollers a year-round deal whereby shows would be plattered for 52 weeks for the same money now paid for 39 live shows. No hiatus period would be necessary, thereby sparing sponsors the annual headache of putting to-gether summer replacements. While the annual headache of putting to-gether summer replacements. While such a set-up looks good on the sur-face, nearly all the personalities queried say no. Talent thinks sum-mer rest is good for audiences, giv-ing shows fresh appeal when they come back in the fall.

#### Talent Reactions

Cross section of talent's feeling to-ward wax is provided in the following statements:

ing statements: Jack Benny (NBC): "Transcrip-tions are good for Crosby or any mu-sical show, but not for comedy. I don't feel funny trying to write four or five shows ahead. However, I will go along with the trend if many others follow the Crosby pattern." George Burns (NBC): "I heard the show and think the idea is terrific. The advantages of editing out flaws and building perfect shows are some-thing you can't overlook. Since I'm

thing you can't overlook. Since I'm still under contract, it's not up to me to say; but if I had my choice, I cer-tainly would take transcriptions."

Eddie Cantor (NBC): "At present I Eddie Cantor (NBC): "At present I haven't made up my mind one way or another as to preference. How-ever, I like to feel that a home au-dience is listening when I broadcast." Lou Costello (NBC): "I like Cros-by's deal, since the artist has a better chance of making a perfect chan.

chance of making a perfect show. If a show or parts of it are bad, you can re-record. I think the transcribed edy as with any other kind of a show. Transcriptions also make it easier on us when we are shooting a pic-ture."

Joan Davis (CBS): "It's a great idea, but I don't mind live broad-casting. I'll do what the others do when the time comes. Of course there are advantages and disad-vantages to both."

Dick Haymes (CBS): "Who am I to doubt the old master? If Crosby can prove the idea is sound I will go along by all means. I would be will-ing to cut 52 shows per year if re-quired. The transcription idea ap-peals to me because of the freedom it offers. You can your at the transcription offers. You can record when you feel like it, and they would be a wel-come break when making a picture. The going gets difficult when you have to squeeze broadcasts into busy film schedules." offers

film schedules. **Bob Hope, Too** Bob Hope (NBC) is reportedly in. favor of platters. Out of town at this time, sources close to the comic say he has indicated a desire to wax his warés. Since Hope carries a heavy pix sked, some think the platter plan would be a natural for the funny-man.

Art Linkletter (CBS and NBC): "There's nothing I'd like better than to transcribe my show. I'd run over-



time, then trim out any lulls so that the show would go like sixty from the start. But I'm afraid our format, People Are Funny, House Party, doesn't fit recordings. People listen because they expect someone to slip up. If our show came on transcribed, listeners would feel stunts are put-up jobs. I think the studio audience also would be affected. When an audience knows the show is actually going out on the air, it's far more responsive."

Ozzie Nelson (CBS); "Transcrip-Ozzie Nelson (CBS): "Transcrip-tions lead to sloppiness. If you know 'this is it,' you try your best, but if there's a feeling it can be done over, the old spirit isn't there. I vote for live broadcasting."

Dinah Shore (CBS): "Bing can afford to pioneer because he is king. By transcribing a show you can have By transcripting a show you can have the best choice of guest stars because shows can be recorded when the people you want are in town. 'The idea of achieving perfection is very appealing. But then I think there's a certain amount of spontaneity that is lost when the artist feels the show can be re-recorded if something should go wrong."

Frank Sinatra (CBS). "Transcriptions are definitely the coming thing. I hope Crosby is successful because

he's paving the way to make it easier for others. I think it's only a matter of a year when e.t.'s become a regu-lar thing for big shows. As nearly lar thing for big shows. As nearly all of us experienced in doing the command performance transcriptions for servicemen, recorded shows are perfect. You can cut out fluffs, gags that didn't go over, etc. I don't like the idea of cutting e.t.'s too far in advance, mainly because I want to sing tunes on each week's show that are currently popular. I probably would never do more than two records in advance."

Rudy Vallee (NBC): "I'm happy with live, but if I had my choice I'd take transcribed. There are many advantages afforded by the recorded medium which make for better shows.'

Mutual is twelve ... and in twelve years we've had time to do and to learn a lot of things about network broadcasting. What we've done is history. What we've learned is more important-how to become a better network-by living up, better, to our responsibilities to our listeners; providing opportunities to artists and writers; by delivering improved service to our stations, sponsors and advertising agencies. This, then, is our Pledge for Tomorrow. Happily, we have the experienced people to carry it out. Many of our men and women have been with us for years-others only a comparatively short time-but they are all alive to our responsibilities, they all stand behind our Pledge.

#### THE LISTENER AND ARTIST

Pledge

TOMORROW

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Always we have worked to give our listeners an ever-widening choice in listening in public service and educational as well as sheer entertainment programs. We will continue to seek out and develop new programs, to attract top-name artists and writers and to encourage new ones. And we'll continue to give right-of-way to free speech.

We have another responsibility: to bring network radio to communities which had never had it on a satisfactory basis. That is why we've added so many stations-become the network with the most one-station cities. We will continue adding until we reach all the people.

#### FOR SPONSOR AND AGENCY

Our No. 1 goal here is to deliver coverage where it is most productive. We are very strong in many top markets - in others, competitive. We are particularly strong in more than 220 Mutual "onestation" markets which account for 24.8% of the nation's radio homes and where we capture more than 50% of the audience, day and night. And now that FCC grants are on the way-we will be able

to plug our weak spots and add to our strength.

Our second goal is to deliver more for the sponsor's money. This we are already doing - and will continue to do, in even larger measure.

#### **OUR AFFILIATES**

Our programming and sales, has made Mutual a better network for our affiliates. We have more than 359 stations and the size of our average sponsored hook-up has increased each year. We will continue to be this kind of network, so that we may some day have 400 or more stations.

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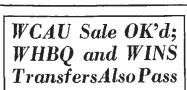
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**AFRA** Defeats **Anti-Red Bill** 

NEW YORK. Oct. 19.-Special NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Special meeting of AFRA Tuesday (15) at City Center defeated an anti-com-munist resolution by 198 to 148. In its stead, the gathering of more than 700 members passed another resolu-tion which stated that "recognizing the malicious allegations which have been made and may be made in fu-ture against this labor union, AFRA is dominated by no political party, creed or individual, but is the servant of the will of its members demo-cratically expressed." Original resolution now goes to a referendum.

#### **Newsmen Elect Huntley**

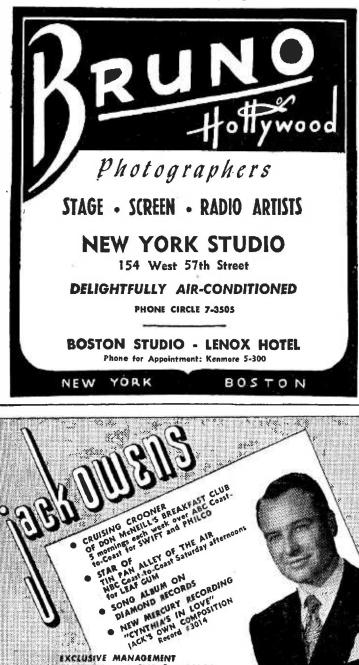
HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.—Radio Newsmen of Southern California attracted 40 members to its char-ter meeting. Group picked Chet Huntley, CBS Coast public af-fairs chief, as prexy; Clete Rob-erts, ABC, v.-p., and Bill Burns, ABC, secretary-treasurer. Group's objectives include establishing a uni-ABC, secretary-treasurer, Group's objectives include establishing a uni-form code of practices among web and indie station news writers. Org will also strive to establish equal rights for radio news reps with regular press scribes. It appears newspaper boys have been trying to albow radio men out of energial prove elbow radio men out of special press conferences, etc.



The Billboard

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19. - Legalists are still voicing surprise over the ease with which the FCC handed down its long-anticipated okay on the \$6,000,000 sale and transfer of clear-channel Station WCAU and WCAU-FM (Philadelphia) this week (17) to The Philadelphia Record without hearings. Altho approval of the sale of the 50,000-watter to J. David Stern's paper had been ex-pected, it had been generally believed that FCC would at least go thru the motions of a hearing, since sale in-volved a newspaper and a standard broadcast station which will come in for discussion at clear-channel hearings, and also because of the high price of the station. Commissioner Walker registered the only dissent.

FCC also okayed a \$300,000 sale and transfer of license of WHBQ, Inc., Memphis, to Harding College. Sale is outright and gives the college ownership of all the 250-watter's outstanding capital stock. Commish granted assignment of license and permit of WINS, New York, from the Crosley Corporation to its newly formed subsidiary, Crosley Broad-casting Corporation.



EXCLUSIVE MANAGEMENT CENTRAL BOOKING OFFICE . CHICAGO

#### Educators To Hold Confab on College Radio Curriculum

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Educators in the field of radio are scheduled to gather Monday (28) in Columbia, Mo., where a three-day radio con-ference, built around theme of the radio curriculum in the colleges, will be held at Stephens College for Women. Conference, planned by the college in co-operation with a national radio advisory committee chair-maned by Judith Waller, direc-tor of public service for the central division of the National Broadcasting Company, will be the first in a series of national conferences planned for the discussion of different aspects of college radio.

Highlights of the three-day session Highlights of the three-day session will include a panel discussion of "subject matter fields in radio," with Wynn Wright, of Wynn Wright As-sociates, serving as chairman. Speak-ers will include Virginia Payne, stars of *Ma Perkins* show; Mrs. Dorothy Lewis, co-ordinator of listen-er activity for the National Associa-tion of Broadcasters; Mrs. Frances Farmer Wilder, consultant for day-time programs at CBS; Mrs. Alma Kitchell, president of the Association of Women Directors, and Mary Margaret McBride, radio personality.

#### **Seeds Denies Racial Bias in Smith Return To Skelton Program**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.-Rumors that Wonderful Smith, Negro actor on the Wonderful Smith, Negro actor on the Red Skelton show had forced the Russel M. Seeds Agency to put him back on the show by raising the veterans' rights issue and racial dis-crimination angle were emphatically denied here last week by Jack Simp-son, radio director for the agency. Instead, he said, Smith has just been signed for another 39 weeks.

Signed for another 39 weeks. Simpson said "certain rumors" circulating on the West Coast that agency tried to reneg on Smith's contract on his return from service were started "without a grain of truth in them" truth in them."

truth in them." "When Smith returned from serv-ice last year, we honored his 39-week contract with us by full payment," Simpson declared. "However, the format of the show was changed so he couldn't get a big separate spot in every show. This happens to any show and any talent on the show frequently. We could have paid off without writing him in the show at all, but we liked him enough to keep a part for him in spite of changed a part for him in spite of changed format."

Simpson asserted Smith was satisfied with the whole deal and hadn't put any pressure on the agency via the Veterans' Administration or the Negro press.

#### ABC USES 'EM ALL

(Continued from page 10) hours in different time zones. Banknours in different time zones. Bank-rollers and their agencies have been mulling the creation of a fund to buy space bucking the ABC programing. In any event, Philco is set to "keep the ball rolling" promotion-wise. Philadelphia office this week indi-cated there would be no let-up. Company has already taken full-page ads in Colliers, Time, Life, Saturday Eve-ning Post, This Week and Parade, and on Wednesday (16) ran 1,000-line ads in dailies in major markets and 500-line ads in secondary mar-kets. Next Wednesday (23) a 420-line ad is skedded to run in newspapers in both major and secondary markets, and on October 30 a 200-line ad will break in majors and secondaries. These are not placed by Philco alone but by dealers.

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#### **Orr Cops Jergens** Biz; Blows L&M

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Lennen Mitchell lose one of their top a counts December 1 when Robert O moves out with the fat Jergen Woodbury account in his pocket. O is now an L. & M. vcepce. Offici confirmation of a report publishe yesterday (Friday) by Walter Wincl ell will be forthcoming Monday.

Winchell is among three radio pr grams now sponsored by Jergen Woodbury, other two being Louel Parsons and Mr. and Mrs. North. A count runs well over a million ai nually, schedule calling for conside able slick mag space.

#### ABC To Add 4 More Station

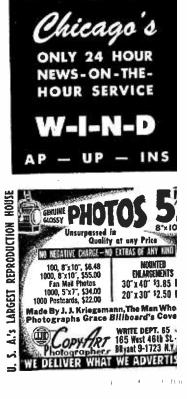
NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- Four st NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Four st tions, now under construction, shor ly will join ABC to bring its tot number of affiliates to 224. Effecti November 15, WGIN, Glens Fal N. Y., operating full time with 1 watts on 1240 kc., joins the we Station will be managed by John Station will be managed by John McKenna.

WGAT, Utica, N. Y., which w operate daytime only with 250 wa on 1100 kc., joins December 1. St tion will be managed by J. Eric W liams.

WHBS, Huntsville, Ala., which w WHBS, Huntsville, Ala., which w operate full time with 250 watts 1490 kc., affiliates November Owned by The Huntsville Times, st tion will be managed by A. L. Smi Owned by General Newspape Inc., WGNH, of Gadsden, Ala., joi the web December 1 and will opera full time with 250 watts on 1400 l Henry A. Jones will manage.

#### Philly "News" Eyes Tele

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 19. – I Ellmaker's Daily News, only one Elimaker's Daily News, only one the four local daily newspapers r owning or about to own a radio st tion, is eying the tele field. Pag is asking for a charter of incorpor tion for the newly organized Da News Television Company. No corporation is being set up to bu build or lease a television station.



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# Mixed Reaction On Price Hike **But Radio Takes a Rosy View**

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are not making dough. Their grosses are terrific, but the nets are low. Even when ops are turning folk away from their doors, the tabs of those who get in don't add up to a profit. Too many night clubbers are sticking to many ment chubbers are stocking to minimums, which some ops regard as an omen of the future. Even with upped food prices, the food doesn't upped food prices, the food doesn't pay off, as a result, some ops are seriously considering cutting out the kitchen and relying on drinks. For this phase of showbiz the prospect is anything but rosy, with or without

Music Hangs Crepe Music, too, is inclined to hang crepe over the lifting of the price lids. Costs in music publishing have mounted in practically every phase of the industry. Printing, paper and help have all become a lot more costly.

Right now pubs are negotiating with AFM on increases for copyists, arrangers, etc. (see Music Depart-ment). The songwriters, thru their Songwriters' Protective Association, are making a king-size effort to get more from pubs for their tunes. It is very unlikely even with these raises very unlikely, even with these raises facing them, that pubs will up price of sheet music. It now retails for 35 cents, and biz on racks and in music cents, and biz on racks and in music stores has been off since early sum-mer. Sheet music has always been a big profit maker for pubs, and when it is off there's not much hope of recouping from mechanicals or performances. With some indies fold-ing (and others helind in payments ing (and others behind in payments to pubs), and with the disk biz off now, puss can't look for a pick-up in money from mechanicals. Perform-ance dough is holding up well, but not nearly enough to offset sheet and mechanical drops.

In the disk biz, too, costs have soared for the past 18 months. Every item which goes into the manufac-ture of a platter is up, some items to well over 100 per cent. This forced all majors to up 50-centers to 60 cents, and prevented indies from dropping their 75-centers to 50 or 60 cents. Manpower, too, is more ex-pensive. Musicians just got a 37 ½ per cent hike, and pressers, members of UERW, jumped not too recently some 5½ cents an hour in wages. Some 5/2 cents an hour in wages. Diskers insist, despite musicians' hike, that they won't and can't raise price of platters. An upping of the platter cost would mean an imme-diate drop in volume, they say, and biz being off already, diskeries don't want to take chances on hurting even low sales. But, despite protects now low sales. But, despite protests now, diskers later may have to jump disk prices to make out.

#### Band Prices Spiral

The band price spiral has stopped. During the war admissions to ballrooms and one-night dances were as high as \$2.40 including tax. Promoters claimed that they had to go this high because name orks were demanding sky-high guarantees. Result, attend-



ance dropped and big orks laid eggs on one-night stands. Now nearly all bands have dropped guarantees and promoters have scaled down admissions. However, biz is still off on one-nighters, in ballrooms, on hotel and theater locations, while musi-cians' scales have been jumped by AFM. Result is that in some spots they're using fewer musicians, and where possible, have cut out bands altogether. Music means a headache to ops who have to pay out large chunks, even for scale, while they cannot get it back from the customers.

ers originating from Chi are under-going an overhauling with an eye toward making them commercial products. Harold Stokes, the web's new program director in the Mid-west, is sparkplugging the changes in line with V.-P. Ed Borroff's policy of more and better salable Chi orig-inations for ABC. Programs af-fected are Our Singing Land (M-F, 22:30-12:45) At Your Request (M-F 12:30-12:45), At Your Request (M-F. 11:30-11:45) and Stringing Along (M-F, 12:45-1).

All shows are getting comprehensive ideas behind them, according to Stokes, and along with better pro-duction are slanted for sales cam-paigns. Heretofore segs were thought of as being strictly on the non-com side and didn't rate the same labor side and didn't rate the same labor as commercials. For instance, Our Singing Land, which used to be more or less of a hodge-podge of singing with no central idea, is now getting a narrator, Jess Pugh, with format following definite pattern of story-tolling hus choice telling plus singing. At Your Request, another musical

which was just a musical, is also get-ting a gimmick, as is Stringing Along.

All this is taking more dough from the standpoint of writing and pro-duction, but Stokes feels the extra output will be warranted even if the shows don't sell. ABC now carries more than twice

as many shows as any other web from Chicago, having increased its summer total from 14 to 18. Of these six are commercial.

#### **Elgin AmericanTests 3G** Wayne King Ork Show on Chi Local

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- One of the CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—One of the most costly local shows ever aired here will start on WBBM, CBS o. and o. station, Saturday (26) when Wayne King and his orchestra start a new sponsored program for which talent and production costs alone will run to cure \$2,000 more weak. Brogram to and production costs alone will run to over \$3,000 per week. Program, to be titled the "Wayne King Show," will be sponsored by Elgin Ameri-can, manufacturer of compacts, cig-arette cases and dresser sets, and will be aired Saturdays from 9:45 to 10:15 p.m. In addition to King and an orches-tra of 19 the show will feature vocal-

tra of 19 the show will feature vocal-ist Nancy Evans; Bill Leach, WBBM staff baritone, and John McCormack, narrator.

Elgin American hopes eventually to make the program a network airing originating from here and is setting up format and ironing out bugs with the local program. Elgin American is not to be confused with the Elgin Watch Company. Agency on the King show is Weiss & Geller, Chicago.



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# **NBC Opposition** To the Larnyx **On Weak Side**

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Tweedy show are hopelessly bad both in conception and taste. Multivoiced plugs are attended by a ruffle of drums, the fanfare serving to introduce several oft-repeated phrases. Phraseology of the com-mercials is bad enough, but the manner in which they are used, the constant repetition, is even more dis-concerting.

Tweedy is preceded by Mr. District Tweedy is preceded by Mr. Instrict Attorney, seg of proven merit in the 9:30-10 p.m. slot. On Wednesday (16) Jay Jostyn, as D. A., gave his usual crisp performance in an opus tagged Right This Way to Murder. With Vicki Vola and Len Doyle ably coming thru in supporting roles, dramatization outlined the case of a carnival performer who was murcarnival performer who was mur-dered by another dame conspiring to take over both the performer's act and her husband. Seg had carnival atmosphere about it and carried thru to the end the element of suspense. Script work, handled by producer Ed Byron in collaboration with Bob Shaw, on a high level thruout, with production maintaining plenty of

Last seg in the NBC opposition to the Pot-Crosby-Morgan parlay is Kay Kyser's College of Musical Knowl-edge, 10:30-11 p.m. Wednesday (16). Show presented the corny but show-manly Kyser in a show which, while not too bright, was never-theless pleasant. The questions on the quiz seemed uninspired, and often, as usual, Kyser all but gave away the answers. Still the professor's show is listenable and re-quires little effort or concentration on the part of the radio audience. This is an important consideration for a show aiming at mass appeal. From This is an important consideration for a show aiming at mass appeal. From the musical standpoint, Kyser's show is just fair, with band doing a rou-tine job and Michael Douglas and the Campus Kids okay on the vocals. Merwyn Bogue (Ish Kabibble) needs brighter lines than the verblage given him Wednesday. Commercials for Colgate-Palm-

him Wednesday. Commercials for Colgate-Palm-olive-Peet are now quite subdued and in much better taste than on Tweedy, the preceding seg. One bright spot on the Wednesday night NBC programing is Duffy's Tayern in the 9-9:30 p.m. slot. Ed Gardner seg continues as a sprightly piece of Americana. Wednesday (16) show had, in addition to Gardner's curious accent, Martha Raye in the guest spot. Very socko.



# **Crosby Premier Sock Radio** With Some Loss in Fidelity

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arrangements. Thus, when pianist Skitch Henderson, one of the cast regulars, did his symphed-up version of *Turkey in the Straw* with John Scott Trotter's orchestra, the fidelity was noticeably weak. Henderson's piano had a tinny quality—and this was checked on three radios, one a Philco console, if you please. This probably stemmed from the recording rather than studio weakness. With e.t.'s being what they are today, a minor defect such as this prob-ably doesn't present too much of a problem.

#### **Program Is Socko Musically**

In practically all other respects it was a typical Crosby half hour, with Trotter's socko arrangements to back up I Got the Sun in the Morning (Crosby solo), Moonlight Bay (Crosby and the Charioteers, who are superb); Put It There, Pal (Crosby and Hope), and Cynthia, Bing alone. Those Trotter arrangements are plain whammo, doubly valuable because they so perfectly complement Crosby's lazy larynx style. The Crosby-Hope crossfire, similarly, had belly after belly, following the usual style of trading insults. Only the way these two guys do it, it's good. Topper of the lot, probably, was Hope's crack that he was glad to help Crosby make his "comeback." So fast was some of the delivery that it was hard to tell where the script left off and the delivery that it was hard to tell where the painful and the ad libs came in. Lina Romay did a vocal, not too painful.

Only deviation from the norm was Ken Carpenter's announce-ment that "this program was produced and transcribed in Holly-wood," certainly a smart way to dispose of the FCC-required e.t. identification. Public reaction to the difference, if any, between Crosby live and Crosby plattered will be found elsewhere in the radio section, in a report tabulated by C. E. Hooper, Inc.

Carpenter also handled the brief Philco commercials, done in good taste. First was a welcome to Crosby from Jimmy Carmine, Philco veepee; the other was a socko bit of selling, which came just before Bingle's getaway tune. On it Crosby noted that Hope, as usual, had overstayed his welcome, leaving little time for a commer-cial. However, he added, he had prepared for just such a con-tingency, arranging with Carmine to tear up the last sales plug if the show ran over. Whereupon he proceeded to tear it up, with accom-panying sound effects. It was smart merchandising—as smart as all the merchandising which so far has accompanied the Philco-Crosby the merchandising which so far has accompanied the Philco-Crosby enterprise.

All concerned with this one can take a bow, not the least of whom is bald Bill Morrow, ex-Jack Benny scripter. now co-pro-ducing and co-directing Philco Radio Time with Murdo MacKenzie. Morrow also is in on the script, co-authoring with Al Lewis and Larry Clemmons. It's big league stuff, all around.

#### Bing Gets Little Help From His Network

Meanwhile the increasing importance of back-to-back schedul-ing serves, with the debut of the Philco show, to emphasize ABC's glaring program-anemia. Preceding Crosby is Pot o' Gold, with Henry Morgan's new half-hour Eversharp Schick Injector stanza following. Latter also made its commercial debut Wednesday. Of course, there's less strain on Morgan, since all he has to do is follow Crosby, but chances are that Bing will get little consistent help from the Tums-sponsored giveaway show.

the Tums-sponsored giveaway show. Pot o' Gold was a dog when it made its air debut in 1939, and it's a dog now, only more so. It's poor programing, perhaps inadvert-ently stressing radio's bankruptcy insofar as new ideas go. Done with a maximum of hysteria; a brassy, rhythm pounding orchestra that sounded as the it were auditioning for Hit Parade: noxious commercials and truly sad comedy, it adds up to offensive radio, perfect ammunition for anti-radio groups. Its formula remains unchanged; three wheels are spun, one to determine the regional phone book from which town is selected, the other two the page and winning line. Kitty held \$2,800 Wednesday, with a Philadelphia woman the winner. Prize money is \$1,000 weekly, \$100 of which is given to the phone subscriber should he or she fail to answer the given to the phone subscriber should he or she fail to answer the call, balance being carried over to the following week. But it's a stage wait, with a cash bonus.

stage wait, with a cash bonus. The Henry Morgan Show is something else again. Morgan's humor is sardonic and pungent, and it frequently satirizes the current American scene with an acid-telling effect. It's the sort of humor which delights a hep audience, but built up to a half-hour proportion. on a coast-to-coast network, as opposed to his purely local quarter-hour stints done heretofore on WOR and WJZ, it poses the question as to suburban reaction. Morgan's wit lacks the broad appeal of a Benny or McGee, and as a purely commercial product, does not impress this reviewer as having b.-o. potency. That is not an evaluation of his humor as such but rather as a marketable com-modity. modity.

With a capable cast of stooges, amusing support by Bernie Green and his orchestra and a what's-it vocal by the Vagabonds (4), Morgan's first show under sponsorship satirized public servants— cops, waiters, et al., and coming attraction trailers shown in pix houses. Stuff produced chuckles rather than bellies. Maybe the Crosby-Hope memory hurt.

Except for Morgan's brief of his razor sponsor's long-winded name-Eversharp Schlck Injector Razor-the plugs are poor. Payoff plug involved something called a "shavathon," with Ted Husing giving a stroke-by-stroke description of a shaving derby. It might be funny with some House of David ballplayers as participants or if satirized by Morgan. Right now, it just stinks.

# **CBS** Grunting Prove a Losi **ToCrosbyGro**

(Continued from page 8) resistance, and it was expected them.

The lack of vitamins in the diet was apparent right at the be ning of the bracket checked (! 11 p.m., E.S.T.). Sign-off of Sinatra show (9-9:30), insteat being followed by a vigorous 1 being followed by a vigorous 1 to hold the audience, was cap with a Jack Smith e.t. spot on WABC call letter switch to W( Then flowed the Ford Show in usual variety seg vein and pat Dinah Shore opened with a son be followed by Peter Lind Haye a comedy skit, back again to D and guest Lily Pons, then the co skit in which Hayes burlesquee opera singer.

Lily Pons is a fine canary, she's been around the airwaves a recently, so her draw power is ne sarily less than it would be if a sarily less than it would be if a sonal appearance by her wer rarity. There may not be anyt finer, but Dinah hasn't char --so there's no greater pull there y usual. Hayes is an up-coming h Usual. Hayes is an up-coming h caliber comic but no name compe-for what was cooking in the  $_4$ corner. So it all added up to a 1 of-the-bill, rather humdrum s despite the competish during half hour — Mr. District Attor NBC; Pot o' Gold, ABC; Spotl Bands (Xavier Cugat ork), MBS. Of course only the East and (

Of course, only the East and ( tral zones caught the Ford SI The Mountain ears heard Lo Thomas and the Jack Smith SI while the Pacific listened to Jack Carson Show.

Jack Carson Show. At 10 p.m. CBS made a plea post-Crosby listening with a hi hiker for Information Please. so to yawning with a weakie, Squ sponsored Academy Award. Wedi day night's installment was B on the Sun, starring John Garfi Columbia couldn't have pickee worse direct opponent to Bing i tried, except maybe a talk on I keeping. Even a disk jockey sj ning Crosby disks would have t better. better.

better. It wasn't John Garfield. It merely that Academy aired a t story, the short-lived, pale bloon which had been ravished in 1945 a flicker of the same name. theme of Japanese antics against the Americans living in Nippor. the brink of war is stale, or at 1 Blood was. Garfield tried his t but his transfusion just couldn't bi the corpse to life. the corpse to life.

the corpse to life. The mistake, of course, was no selecting a terrific story and sal' it with names, names and n names. Then Academy would h stood a chance to pull at least heave-and-sigh and handkercl twisters against the Crosby oppos Bucking Garfield on the two of webs at this time were Frank Mor in The Fabulous Dr. Tweedy, N and Concert Hour, MBS. and Concert Hour, MBS.

and Concert Hour, MBS. The 10:30 spot missed the it again by plugging a re-airing of earlier broadcast from Nuremb Then came CBS's bait for some the Crosby audience, Informat Please, bankrolled by Parker. Des the old stand-bys, Fadiman, Kie and Adams, plus old grad, garrul Levant and author Jackson, it ' all cut-and-dry stuff compared to other corner. CBS was in a geni late position by this time and 1 couldn't help much because ABC ! Henry Morgan, NBC Kay Kys College of Musical Knowledge in MBS Symphonette. MBS Symphonette.

To sum it all up: did anybody the number of that truck?

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#### **Most FM Stations** To Key Cities; **Rurals Given AM**

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cent listings include St. Louis, with 1,370,000 population; Milwaukee, 790,000 population, and Baltimore, 1,045,000 population. More than 215 2,101 FM awards were made by the FCC in the last three months, while 65 conditional grants were issued. Despite the fact that FCC long ago passed the 1,000 mark in AM grants, FCC now has granted a third of its allocated outlets for FM, with the rate expected to continue to increase in coming months. As of Septem-ber 25, 65 FM stations were listed by FCC as carrying regular segs, with another 48 outlets holding regcent listings include St. Louis, with In coming months. As on Depoint ber 25, 65 FM stations were listed by FCC as carrying regular segs, with another 48 outlets holding reg-ular licenses. Conditional or final FM construction permits have al-ready gone out to 531 applicants, on the basis of commission figures, and 328 other FM applications are pend-ing. This compares with 1,005 AM licenses, 330 broadcast CP's and 827 pending applications for standard broadcast stations. Newspaper-owned AM stations, meanwhile, have been swinging into FM at a two-in-every-five rate, and many gazettes without standard broadcast outlets are moving into the FM picture. Illinois Leads

#### Illinois Leads

Illinois, on the State breakdown for the past month, has been grant-ed five final FM grants, one condi-tional grant, and an AM CP, to lead tional grant, and an AM CP, to lead all other States. In the runner-up class, however, are California, with four FM finals, one FM continual and an AM CP; New York, with four FM final awards and one AM grant, and North Carolina, with four FM finals and two AM grants. Survey reveals further that some States, not-ably Iowa, Michigan, Kansas and Wisconsin, have seen no commission action at all within the past month.

As indicative of the general trend, New York State's three-month rec-ord is regarded as significant, with a box-score of 19 FM awards to two a ox-score of 19 FM awards to two standard broadcast grants. Distribu-tion of awards has gone mainly to up-State communities, with Syracuse topping the State totals with four of the 19 grants, thereby completing the city's FM quota of six until July 1, 1947.

1, 1947. Commish, in awarding FM grants, has shown no reluctance in giving newspaper-controlled outlets FM fa-cilities. Case in point is the August hearing for nine Washington FM sta-tions, with the decision going to three newspaper-controlled outlets in the city. WMAL, owned by The Eve-ning Star; WINX, Washington Post property, and WOL, controlled by Cowles Publications, all were on the winning team. Prime reason seen by some is the experience gained in AM broadcasting.

#### EDS LAUD PREEMING

(Continued from page 8) that "Bing Crosby's first recorded network program demonstrated that there is no difference in Crosby on or of records—he's good. But the piano used with the orchestra and in solo sounded definitely of the tin can type, to our amazement. . . . Rest of the broadcast was perfect mechanically."

Don Foster (Bill Irvin), of The PHILCO MDSE. PUSH Chicago Times, declared: "The Crosby (Continued from page 9 Chicago Times, declared: "The Crosby opener seemed an adequate answer to those who have been wondering if a transcribed program would not stifle spontaneity and destroy the quality of timeliness possible on a live pro-gram... There seems to be enough leeway for bright banter to keep the show from sounding like 30 minutes of canned music. If a transcription does detract from a program's value, it wasn't evident to this listener."

# Exclusive Hooper ---- Billboard Survey Charts Bing's Audience (Continued from page 9)

(Continued from page 9) down of the entire network structure. Thus, other major webs are watching the Crosby seg with more than ordinary interest. Significance of the Crosby program to talent is obvious and is taken up in another story in this issue. This also points up the possibilities of advertisers cashing in with many performers willing to do 52 wax shows for the same money as 39 lives. This would constitute a "bonus" for advertisers in that it would eliminate the summer hiatus and the headaches of putting together replacement shows. Such a development would change the entire summer listen-ing nicture

ing picture. High initial Hooperating for the first Crosby seg was expected in view of Crosby's large personal following and the all-out ABC-Philco promotion leading up to the seg's debut. But the figure of 24.0 socked the trade between the eyes and offers some interesting comparisons with ratings the Groaner grabbed for Kraft.

comparisons with ratings the Groaner grabbed for Kraft. During his last full season, for instance—from November, 1944, to May, 1945—Bing opened with a 22.6 rating, which ranked him seventh among the top air shows. During that same season the top rating achieved by Bing was 25.8. He hit this peak twice, ranking third and fourth among the top airers. His lowest rating during the 1944-'45 season was 20.6, which landed him sixth. One point stands out, namely, that Bing's opening on ABC this year, via transcription, netted a higher rating than his initial show two years ago on NBC—despite the fact that the latter hit the air in November, a better listening month. Bing's all-time high in ratings, incidentally, was achieved in

Bing's all-time high in ratings, incidentally, was achieved in February of 1938, when he grabbed a 32.1, just below the one-hour Chase & Sanborn Charlie McCarthy seg, and Jack Benny.

Analysis of the flow of audience and the rating of 11.1 made by the Henry Morgan seg following Crosby brings up the question of whether ABC will be successful in building and maintaining Wedneswhether ABC will be successful in building and maintaining Wednes-day night programing in opposition to the other webs. In other words, how successful will the Pot o' Gold-Crosby-Morgan parlay be? As indicated by the flow of audience table, Pot contributes 29 per cent to the total Crosby audience. Some of this 29, of course, may originally tune ABC in anticipation of the oncoming Crosby seg. Negative angle here, however, is that Pot immediately precedes Crosby only in the East and Central zones. In the Mountain and Coast zones, where Crosby hits the air at 9 p.m., Pot is broadcast at ,7:30-8 p.m. and 6:30-7 p.m. respectively. In other words, the parlay breaks down, with Pot unlikely to contribute as much else where to the Crosby audience as it does in the East and Central zones.

Where to the Crosby audience as it does in the East and Central zones. Henry Morgan, however, does follow Crosby in the Mountain and Coast zones. How much good this does in the way of building up the web's Wednesday night schedule is problematical at this point, for on his initial Hooper, Morgan tallied 11.1. This is a good rating for an initial show, but it nevertheless represents a very sizable loss in audience from the Crosby seg. Trade opinion on Morgan varies, many claiming he's not commercial. As against this, however, is the fact that he did grab a fair rating—even tho he followed Crosby—

and may be expected to build in succeeding weeks. Flow of audience figures, showing that largest segment of the Crosby show audience comes from NBC, indicates that while NBC takes a strong loss here, the show in that 9:30-10 p.m. slot, Mr. District Attorney, is likely to keep its high rating. Also indicated here is the selectivity of the radio audience, in that such a large proportion of listeners apparently figure they want to catch Mr. D. A. and then switch to ABC for the Groaner.

#### LISTENERS SATISFIED (Continued from page 8)

cleared up and the program seemed more alive." The awareness of a lay person to the fidelity element impressed observers as indicating the keenness with which the radio audience had looked forward to the Crosby show Crosby show.

Philco's playdown of plugs also made an impression, a typical reac-tion being, "Show is more for the radio audience than the studio audience, with not so much advertis-ing. All around, a better program." Another commented that, "It was better than the Kraft Music Hall."

Strongest adverse criticisms were summed up by this observation: "I like programs in person. This is good, but I dont care for tran-scribed programs. I could tell by the piano it was transcribed."

(Continued from page 9) This is the type of promotion the agency figures will sell goods, and similar windows are planned for Marshall Field's in Chicago and other stores thruout the country.

Agency's decision to splurge on merchandising tie-ins beginning in November is based not only on the receiver production angle but also on the fact that execs figure it is hoo.

#### a more exact comparison would not be determined by the stations, by time buyers or by station reps, but would have to be determined, he said, by experts who have studied various markets and know what comparative

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INDUSTRY EYES BMB

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(Continued from page 6) ought to set a standard whereby cer-tain percentages of the BMB total stations coverage could be accepted as valid. This percentage could be applied to similar stations in similar markets. This would make an added basis of comparison, thus making the report more valuable to time buyers. However, Dole emphasized that this figure or any other one used to make a more exact comparison would not

percentages could be applied to vari-ous cities and stations. Even, he said, by everyone, "it would provide a common basis from which time buyers and time sellers could proceed to use the material BMB has amassed." Dole concluded that if a better basis of comparison were not adopted by BMB, it "will miss the boat and we'll all find ourselves floundering in the same old sea of confusion, with everyone making his own interpreta-tion of BMB. We will not have com-parability of stations."

wiser to make the splurge immediately following, rather than coincident with, the first flush of the ABC bally-

# **MBS** Offering WeakCompetish At Bing's Time

(Continued from page 9) listeners who could be sold on stay-ing with WOR for the Scalamandre Symphonette span, and it would seem that WOR may be missing a bet by not spotting a "don't go away" an-nouncement for the longhair segs at the close of the Cugat show.

Among tunes Cugat show. Among tunes Cugat did Wednesday. werc Jalousie, Vem Vem and Rhumba Rhapsody. Only "pop" tune was Full Moon and Empty Arms, based on Rachmaninoff's 2d Piano Concerto. Adding nothing at all to the Coke show are the inane intros to the musical numbers. Apparently in-tended as humor, they only succeed in making the maestro who does 'em in making the maestro who does 'em sound silly. 'They gave the whole program a hammy atmosphere, by no means in keeping with the colorful quality of the music dished out. Three Coke "pause that refreshes" com-mercials are necessarily dolivered mercials are pleasantly delivered, easy to take.

#### Good Longhair

The Scalamandre concert half hour is good, standard longhair. Emerson Is good, standard longhair, Emerson Buckley, Mutual's assistant music di-rector, put a group of competent musikers thru their paces on items ranging from show tunes thru snatches of opera. Whether playing behind soprano Mary Henderson or bary John Baker, who was batting for Hugh Thompson, or doing a ditty on its own, ork shows that it is a on its own, ork shows that it is a well-rehearsed, able group led by a guy with a real understanding and feel for the stuff he is doing. Miss Henderson's voice thins out somewhat in the upper ranges, but her work on such pieces as Mimi from La Boheme is excellent. Baker comes thru with robust renditions worthy of the Met, whence both he and la Henderson hail.

Dignity of the show is well upheld by brief opening and closing com-mercials for Scalamandre silks and by middle plug which took the form of a short interview on use of trims for drapes with announcer Carl Caruso spieling with decorator Caruso spie Marion Hall.

Symphonetic (transcribed) rolls along in its well-worn unbarbered groove, with Michel Piastro, fiddler-conductor, heading up a solid symph ensemble. Commercials here for Longine-Witnauer are nicely re-strained, in keeping with mood of the show.

Preceding the Cugat-Coke web offering are *Real Life Stories* (9:15-9:30) and Gabriel Heatter (9-9:15), both of which are network and WOR, and hold a decided appeal for those who like their news and drama off the cob. As far as Mutual is con-cerned, it would seem the web fig-ures that ABC-Philco-Crosby can have the Wednesday night audience; there are six other nights and days in the week. Some Mutual stations, of course, are carrying the Crosby show.



alter nate

NATIONAL Broadcasting Company will use recorded station breaks, produced in Hollywood and featuring web's top stars, to plug call letter changeover when web's New York affiliate WEAF becomes WNBC November 1. Spots, 10 to 30 seconds long, will be used for several days to familiarize listeners with call letter switcheroo. CBS plugging of the call letter switch of its Gotham affiliate from WABC to WCBS, also effective November 1, is emphasizing the phrase, "Soon to become WCBS" in station breaks. . . Eddie Foy Jr., signed by J. Walter Thompson Agency to replace Edward Everett Horton on Kraft Music Hall beginning January 1.

Priming for the day when it will have its own tele outlet, WFIL, Philly, this week started a series of weekly tele indoctrination classes for its entire stadi, under supervision of Tom Hutchinson, who recently became station's video consultant. At same time, station continues its training course in tele receiver maintenanco and repair for nearly 100 radio servicemen in the area, . . . Earl Frank Feeley has joined news staff of WDAF, Kansas City, Mo., replacing Shelby Storck, who has opened an ad agency. Feeley was formerly with WIBW, Topeka, Kan, and WHNC, Henderson, N. C.

E. W. Ziebarth, education and production director for WCCO, Twin Cities CBS outlet, appointed educational director for CBS Central Division. . . DuMont's Ann Bergishagen leaves New York in a few days to join production and program staff of WWJ, Detroit, video department. . . . Bret Morrison, The Shadow, has written a series of 13 songs for a musical which he plans to produce shortly. . . Worthington Miner, director of WCBW (CBS) in New York, on a three-week vacation at his home in Connecticut . . . Kenneth K. Kellam, executive director of ABC's Hot Springs, Ark., affiliate, KTHS, in New York visiting web officials.

Ed Cashman, Hollywood indie producer, named supervisor of "Academy Awards Theater" seg on CBS Wednesday nights, by Geyer, Cornell & Newell. . . . "Sound Off," Mutual's Mark Warnow show, starts airing from Hollywood November 28. . . "Coupt of Monte Cristo," MBS dramatic seg, loses sponsorship of Paralta Wines October 29 and remains on as a sustainer. Product shortage blamed for cancellation. . . Norm Varney, of J. Walter Thompson flacquerie, touring

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Southern States for visits with station men and radio editors on behalf of "Lux Radio Theater."

WLOL, MBS affiliate in Minneapolis-St. Paul, conferring with FCC officials in attempt to straighten out "blanket the dial" complaints since outlet went to 5,000 watts. L. C. Herndon, of FCC Chicago office, and Donald A. Murray, St. Paul district officer, represented the government. . . Application for 1,000 watt station at Wadena, Minn., has been filed by Associated Broadcasters, Inc. Proposed operation on 920 kc., would have unlimited hours.

Narragansett Brewing Company, Cranston, R. L. will again sponsor play-by-play broadcasts of the Red Sox and Braves home baseball games during the 1947 season. Pact has already been inked by baseball oxeas and WHDH. Boston, thru the exclusive facilities of which all Boston major league broadcasts will originate. It is possible that other New England stations will carry all of the games on the air for the full season during 1947, but no arrangements have yet been completed in this connection.

ABC has taken four of its cops and robbers segs and placed them in consecutive time periods Saturday night, in order that armchair detectives may catch them all within a brief time span. Beginning at 8 p.m., each of the following half-hour shows will be heard: Famous Jury Trials, I Deal In Crime, Gang Busters and The New Adventures of Sherlock Holmes. . . . Beginning with performance of November 16, entire season of Saturday afternoon opears as given at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York will be broadcast over ABC under sponsorship of the Texas Company, which bankrolled the opera in previous years.

Trek from Ruthrauff & Ryan, Inc., to Sullivan, Stauffer, Colwell & Bayles continues, with Thomas F. Victor the latest to make the switch. He joins the radio department. SSC&B has also added Beth Holmes to the creative staff. She was formerly associated with Bamberger's, Newark; Franklin Simon, New York, and Wanamaker's, Philadelphia..., George E. Reedy Sr., former UP correspondent and Philadelphia Inquirer staffer, takes over 7.30 a.m. news spot on WOL, Washington, Monday (21).... Arthur Godfrey, CBS early riser, originates his early local Washington and New York shows from his home at, Leesburg, Va., beginning Thursday (24).

WMAQ, NBC outlet in Chicago, working with Chicago Times to select fem singers to compete for a guest appearance on Bob Hope Show. Contest is part of the newspaper's annual Harvest Moon Festival. . . . Lucy Elliott, former scripter at WWDC, Washington, now continuity head of WKLY, Lexington, Ky. . . New Jcrsey Education Association has chosen Jerry Devine's ABC program, This Is Your FBI, as an outstanding seg to be broadcast at its 92nd annual convention in Atlantic City November 8. Choice made on basis of "Good taste and public usefulness."

Bill Ray, NBC Central Division news oditor, will speak on "Use of Special Events Technlque in Radio News Programs" at the National Association of Radio News Correspondents to be held in Cleveland Friday (25)... Berry Kroeger, New York radio and stage actor, has been given an important role in Maxwell Anderson's new play, "Joan of Lorraine," starring

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Ingrid Bergman, slated for Broadway, ... Clark Andrews has joined ABC as staff director on web's "Dick Tracy" program and a new seg to be announced later.

French-Kettle Onion Soup has started an intensive ad campaign, with Emil Mogul Company, agency on the account, having already signed up three women's programs to plug the product. Segs are Breakfast With Dorothy and Dick, which preemed Wednesday (16) over WOR, New York; The Yankee Kitchen, starting Monday (21) over the Yankee Network in New England, and Mrs. Page, also debuting Monday (21) over WJR, Detroit. Mogul Company expects to expand the campaign to include the Middle West, Coast and South.

Formation of the Maine Broadcasting System, a group sales and State network organization embracing the NBC-affiliated stations in Maine, including WCSH, Portland; WLBZ, Bangor, and WRDO, Augusta, was announced recently by William H. Rines, manager. Sales will be directed by Rudolph O. Marcoux, with headquarters at WCSH, Portland. Stephen Laird, CBS correspondent covering the goings on at Nuremberg, had a chance to scoop the world on the suicide of Herman Goering. He missed the opportunity, however, be-

the suicide of Herman Goering. He missed the opportunity, however, because he took the word of a general against the word of a G.I. on the matter of Marshall Goering's finale. As Laird himself explained on the air, the G.I. indicated that Goering had taken a dose of poison, but the general later said "all" bigwigs had all been executed. . . . John W. Haigis, owner of WHAI, Greenfield, Mass., has accepted the general chairmanship of the building fund campaign for the Frànklin County Hospital.

What is believed to be the nation's first "drive in" radio studio is being constructed in suburban Mesa to house KTYL. Phoenix, Ariz. One side of the building will be glass-enclosed so the public may sit in their autos and witness the shows. Bill Mickel. now with KSAL, Salina, Kan., will be continuity chief, while Mel Standage will be program and production manager. Broadcasting to start December 1.

Last-minute switch in plans of Biow agency will leave Henry Morgan in New York for another year, instead of airing him from Coast. Could be, according to gossip, that Biow wants the "unpredictable" Morgan close to home for supervision. . . George P. Leighton, of Dalton, Mass., has joined announcing staff of WMBZ, Saranac Lake, N. Y. . . . Jack White, WJR, Detroit, newscaster, will assist Bob Kelly, of KMPC, Los Angeles, in play-by-play coverage of Los Angeles Rams' football games in the East and Midwest this scason. . . Don Herbert, Chicago free-lance radio writer, newly appointed director of script-writing department of Radio Institute of Chicago.

Tentative date for KCMO, Kansas Citl, Mo., to switch over to 810 kc., with 50,000 watts daytime and 10,000 night, is in latter part of February. Meanwhile work is also under way remodeling downtown offices to give station three studios instead of present two. . . . Comedian Morey Amsterdam replaces Henry Morgan on WJZ, New York, Monday thru Friday, 6:45-7 p.m., for two weeks beginning Monday (21). New program being readied as a permanent replacement. Morgan is relinquishing the local seg in order to devote full time to hi show on ABC Wednesday night 10:30-11 p.m.

Rex Davis replaces Guy Runn as news director of KMOX, St. Lo effective November 3, when la leaves the CBS post to become g eral manager of KXLW, Clayton, . One day later KMOX news staff u add John Raleigh, former WCt Minneapolis, newsman, who gai: wide experience during the war wide experience during the war an overseas correspondent for C ... Intercollegiate Broadcasting S tem has appointed Lewis H. Ave Inc., as its national advertising 1 Avery will handle both spot sales : network programs for the coll network and its 23 member static

Don Manchester joining Dance Fitzgerald-Sample, Inc., to take over account exec duties on Oxydoi... Chester F. Craigie Jr., with J. Walte Thompson flackery in Chi, moving i the Encyclopaedia Britannica as a manager... Ray McBride replacin Bea Pepan as radio editor of *Th* Milwaukee Journal... Around-th clock promotion of safety by WB' Charlotte, N. C., has drawn prain from Gregg R. Cherry, governor of th Tar Heel State... William Edwar Ellwell named manager of progra operations at WABC, New York, Joi ing the CBS key outlet 17 months ag Ellwell had been program director.

Two new affiliates join ABC 1 vember 1, raising the total to 2 Stations are KVOS, Bellingh: Wash., operating full time with waits on 790 kc., and WRTA, toona, Pa., operating full time w 250 watts on 1240 kc. KVOS construction permit from FCC gra ing increase in power to 1,000 we and the station expects to make boost effective when construction v be managed by Roy F. Thompson.

W. Ward Dorrell, in charge c station subscriber relations fo C. E. Hooper, Inc., since Apri at a special board of director. meeting recently.... "Prudentic meeting recently.... "Prudentic Family Hour" on CBS Sunda (20) will be devoted to the musi of Ernesto Lecuona, Cuban com poser. . . Philip G. Lasky, vice president and general manager c Associated Broadcasters, Inc San Francisco, this week an nounced appointment of John C Campbell as sales manager of re cording department of KSFO... ABC television department ha prepared a video course fo Ithaca College, Ithaca, N. Y Course, designed to produc Course, designed to produc trained personnel, will run tw semesters and count three credit toward graduation. ABC tel chief Paul Mowrey, ABC writer producer Dick Goggin and Har vey Marlowe, web's top produce: gave the first three lectures, bu execs from other broadcastin companies are also scheduled fc the professorial role.

Delphine Carpenter appointed r motion manager of WJZ, New Y( ... Ronald C. Bradley, formerly merchandising manager with Emporium, San Francisco depi ment store, has joined Doherty, C ford & Shenfield, Inc., in New Y as an assistant account exec.

NBC this week announced folds of its Welcome Home Auditions, s up by the web as a war project give men and women vets a chan to audition in music. drama, etc. A cording to Clarence Menser. wet vice-president in charge of program almost 16.000 were interviewed an more than half of that number autioned. Twenty-three per cent of tho, who passed the auditions, said Mense were given employment in some pha of radio. Menser closed the vet autions because applications dropper sharply in recent weeks. Network regular audition policy continue however, with Menser stressing th an open-door policy provals.

**King's Party Line** 

Reviewed Saturday (12), 8:45-9:15 p.m. Style-Audience participation. Sus-taining over WCBW (CBS), New York.

John Reed King's Saturday night

stint is a nice little show but it

doesn't measure up to King's stand-

pulling gags and gimmicks as he did on his original video show of two

years ago-Missus' Goes A Shopping.

ing a question or problem and asking

home-viewers to call studio with right answer. Prizes are awarded to win-

answer. Prizes are awarded to win-ners. Program guests help with the gimmicks. Whenever program begins to sink, as it frequently does, King yanks it up with a zany blt or some fast corny patter. Essentially he's the entire show.

Wrestling Matches

Reviewed Thursday (17), 9-9:30 p.m. Style—Wrestling. Sustaining W6XYZ (Paramount), Hollywood.

Lensers went into high gear for

this one, giving home viewers a better-than-ringside peek at outlet's studio staged grunt 'n' groan matches.

Panning was well-handled, following muscle-men with smooth sweeps, yet

keeping subjects centered at all times.

Plenty of close-ups with an eye to-ward an occasional good angle shot,

added to pic's interest. Altho pro wrestlers got a little corny at times

with their screams and anguished faces, seg still packed plenty of eye-pull, combining action with rough-house comedy. Idea of studio audi-ence chiming in with boos and cheers,

Michael Roy as announcer did well

in calling the holds and providing participants' background info. Gor-

don Wright in the control room han-

dled cutting from one camera to the other with good judgment, bringing

in close-up shots when they meant

shelf loaded with hair goo. In this

on the relative merits of guns used in hunting, followed by a film on duck-hunting. It was not only old but badly edited.

Edge is a good commentator and knows his stuff when it comes to sports, but needs material that flows

smoothly. Entire production seemed to be a waste of the viewer's time. Director was Phil Booth.

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.—Patrick Michael Cunning, Hollywood tele-vision film producer and partner in the Bergen-Cunning tele set-up, will trek to Minneapolis for confabs with

Sister Kenny Institute regarding use

of video in forthcoming Sister Kenny drive. Cunning will try to set up a program plugging Kenny infantile paralysis campaign over all of nation's video outlets.

Cunning is currently in New York,

techniques developed at their lywood Stage 8 studios. Bergen's

with partner Bergen demonstrating

Barnyard, first telefilm produced by outfit, is now en route to New York

Hollywood Stage 8 studios.

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particular show, Edge gave

gave seg added realistic flavor.

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Gimmick in Party Line is King pos-

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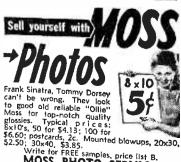
#### Medium's Impact Stressed

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- Example of what video experts here term a good idea to sell video where it countsto potential sponsors—took place this week when the local office of Ruth-rauff & Ryan conducted a two-day television symposium for its clients, television symposium for its clients, many of whom came from out of town for the meeting. After the first day's meeting Wednesday (16) Paul Mowery, head of television for ABC and one of the speakers, stated that if more agencies would hold similar symposiums tale computer. similar symposiums, tele acceptance and sponsorship would be speeded. Point was raised by one of the Chi excess that such symposiums should be conducted by the Federated Ad-vertising Club of Chicago so that a larger group of sponsors could be given the video pitch at once with guest speakers of top importance from all over the country. It is exected that this proposal will be made to the club soon.

In his speech to the meeting Mowery emphasized that altho sponsors today cannot expect tangible results in the way of increased sales thru tele, money invested brings concrete tele, money invested brings concrete returns in experience in the use of the medium and in promotion and publicity. But to show that video could also sell products, Mowery told the bankrollers that after a one-time 30-minute show for Bab-O aired by ABC in New York, utilizing a give-those which demonstrate product advertised.

#### Tele Is Radio Costs

Paul Raiburn, president of Para-mount Television Productions, Inc., also sold video to the advertisers at also sold video to the advertisers at the second day's session Thursday (17). Raiburn compared the status of video today with that of radio in 1929, stating that radio had grown from a 42-million-dollar-a-year in-dustry in 1929 to a 400-million-dol-lar-a-year industry in 1945. Impetus to this growth be stated was super lar-a-year industry in 1945. Impetus to this growth, he stated, was given in 1929, when 4,000,000 radio sets were sold at an average price of \$175. He stated that video could do at least as well if not better a job in selling tele sets in the near future. As a result of mass audience to be built thru set sales, tele can get itself in a position similar to that of radio, he stated, with an average cost per he stated, with an average cost per listener per quarter hour of 17 cents. He admitted that video productions would be more expensive but would be more expensive, but claimed the medium would be five but times as effective as radio owing to added impact of sight.



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# TELEVISION REVIEWS

#### How To Make a Life Mask

Reviewed Monday (14), 9-9:45 p.m. Style—Demonstration. Sustaining over W6XAO (Don Lee), Hollywood.

Even assuming that there are enough home video focusers to be interested in the technicalities of makards of fast patter and zany tricks with home and studio audiences. Frances Buss, director of the show, has King shackled to a telephone being a life mask, this seg would fail to satisfy discriminate viewers. Chief trouble was that lensers failed to pick up enough action shots in a rather stagnant setting. Presented has King snackled to a telephone be-hind a desk with only six or seven people in the studio participating. Consequently, with King so limited in action, feeling is that program is forced. King rings bells when he has a studio audience and can run around sulling rags and simplify as he did by high school students and instruc-tors, idea was to demonstrate actual processes involved in creating a life mask. Demonstration was handled fairly well by art teacher Clara Banta, working on a willing, if not comfortable, subject who withstood mask. the distress of having plaster applied to face for nearly half an hour.

Over-long sequence could easily have been brightened by interesting camera work. Lensers missed ex-cellent chances to dolly in for closeups of plaster being applied to face or showing full-camera shots of the gooey stuff being worked into vicgooey stuff being worked into vic-tim's face. Instead cameramen settled for medium close-ups which after a few moments became static and dull. Occasional long shots brought out little or no detail.

So-called educational features such so-called educational features such as this one can be made interesting and even entertaining. A little re-source and imagination would have done the trick. Amateur talent is at best unsatisfactory and the only way tyro Thesps can put on a good show is with a shot in the arm from the is with a shot in the arm from the boys in the control booth and those behind the view finders. Sometimes, however, it seems that those who guide production and programing fail to do the obvious—and the end re-sult is far from acceptable. Don Lee -and should-have done better couldwith this stanza.

#### Shorty

Reviewed Sunday (13), 8:30-8:45 m. Style-Cartoons. Produced by D.m. Doherty, Clifford & Shenfield. Sponsored by Bristol-Myers over WCBW (CBS), New York.

In spite of cartoonist Syd Hoff's humorous line of patter while draw-ing his character, Shorty, poor direction and not enough variety in camera shots made for a dullish show. Also shots made for a dullish show. Also featured was Patty Foster, six-year-old radio and stage performer, who supposedly ad libbed while Hoff pattered to her as he sketched. Seg could have been jacked up consider-able if Patty, a cute kid, had been in view more often and had better lines. Instead, Director Phil Booth passed her by completely event for an occaher by completely, except for an occa-sional cutaway shot. In order to maintain pace, Hoff also used prepared sketches.

Ipana film commercial at beginning was the usual tooth paste stuff show-ing a gal with a toothy smile. In this case, film was cut so badly that only part of the copy could be read. Tail-commercial, which was good, had Shorty plugging the tooth paste. With a lot of brushing up seg could be de-veloped into a good show that would please adults and tickle the kids.

#### **Sports** Almanac

Reviewed Sunday (13), 8:45-9 p.m. Produced by Doherty, Clifford & Shen-field. Sponsored by Bristol-Myers over WCBW (CBS), New York.

Only good part in this show, which features sportscaster Bob Edge as background narrator on sport-films, was the commercial. On film it used fade-in shots of what the well-groomed Vitalis man should look like, BRyant 9-8482 a shot of Edge and a revolving glass

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# FCC Waives Telecasters 28-Hr. Week

**Ruling Effective Thru '46** 

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.-FCC is easing up its rules and regulations governing commercial television, pending the outcome of the CBS hearing on color standards in December. This week, upon petition of Television Broadcasters Association, FCC waived for the remainder of the year, its rule requiring at least 28 hours of video broadcasting a week on commercial stations. Commish, at the same time, is determined to keep experimental video on a strictly noncommercial basis, nixing request by Television Productions, Inc., Los An-geles (Paramount) for permission to put commercial spots on its experimental outlet.

FCC legalists view waiver of 28-hour rule by commish as implied permission to industry to idle along until clarification on standards can be de-termined. As for the experimental ruling, FCC move is regarded here as based on commish reluctance to establish a precedent.

Commish meanwhile granted construction permit for a new commer-cial video station to Associated Broadcasters, Inc., San Francisco, with assignment to channel No. 5,76-82 mc. wave band. Station was authorized a visual power peak of 23.6 kw., aural power of 12.6 kw., and permission to locate main studio in Mark Hopkins Hotel.

#### **Calif. Weather Delays TransmitterErection**

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19.-Barring a series of minor miracles, Los Angeles' proposed five new video outlets won't be beaming their air pix to set owners in this area much before April or May of next year. Even if FCC blessings come thru immediately, area's engineers doubt ability to se-cure equipment and complete construction for another six months. Gloomy outlook stems from double freeze—on building materials and weather which will hit Mount Wil-son, proposed transmitter site, from December thru March December thru March.

Of eight applicants for seven local video channels, all but one, Howard Hughes, plan transmitter sites atop Mount Wilson, which means con-certed drive to complete actual construction once various governmental okays come thru. Tele engineers, however, say only basic building will be possible at the start, with bulk of construction to be held up until equipment deliveries can be made.

Last year's winter, comparatively mild, enabled television productions' Klaus Landsberg to complete in-stallation of W6XYZ's transmitter early in March, thus being first local video outlet to go into operation from permanent site. Don Lee currently operates from Hollywood's Mount Lee, with Mount Wilson proposed as permanent site. permanent site.

Applicants for Los Angeles chan-nels planning Mount Wilson sites in-clude Earle C. Anthony, Los Angeles Times NBC, local indie KLAC, ABC, Don Lee, and Television Productions, Inc. (Paramount pix). For his trans-mitter site, Howard Hughes has se-lected Cahuenga Peak adjoining Mount Lee in the Hollywood hills. \*

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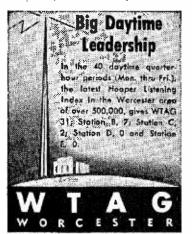
# Fear Petrillo May Stifle E. T.'s; Philco Deal "Scares" AFM

(Continued from page 5) this low program expense stations were making a lot of dough. AFM chief then asked the e.t. firms to up their rates, adding that if they refused to do this they might eventually have to join the AFM in a "march to Washington." In trade quarters this remark was construed as meaning that in Petrillo's opinion, the e.t. companies would have to join musi-cians in a fight against NAB and Congress. Petrillo also stated, "if you congress. Ferrino also stated, "If you pay us, what you pay goes directly to the musicians... our salaries in the union are small ... the money goes where it should .... to the musicians."

In Chi, consensus of opinion is that the wax companies will have a much tougher fight with Petrillo than did the record companies. One reason for this is statement Petrillo made at the meeting that his fight with the broadcasters was going to continue. He laughingly commented upon the ne laughingly commented upon the confabs he had with Justin Miller, NAB prexy, and said they were en-tirely unsatisfactory and that he could never get together with Miller and his crowd again.

#### Co-Ops as Alternative

Relative to whether small stations would pay higher prices for wax if Petrillo's demands went thru was the statement of one station manager, who said that if e.t. prices went up, he would not buy any made under the new rates, but would concentrate no platters cut under the old scale. He added that for musical segs his station would use standard records and disk jocks, pointing out than in some cases cost of better wax shows ran as high or higher than his local time charge. What was not mentioned at the meeting, including transcription and station men, was the pos-sibility and perhaps necessity of stations using more co-op shows in the event Petrillo remains adamant in his e.t. demands. E.t. companies have long regarded co-ops as a threat to their busines in view of the low prices prevailing for such top talent as Raymond Gram Swing, H. V. Kaltenborn, Fulton Lewis, et al. And





with the major webs now making a more determined effort to join MBS and ABC in cutting up the co-op business, some of the wax companies see tougher times ahead. A price rise will make it still tougher. Musical co-ops, of course, are out of the question, AFM having knocked them off in the era of Joe Weber, but other types of co-ops are selling better than -and they look well before the FCC because they are live.

Electrical transcription companies are currently suffering from a ter-rific squeeze play, and indications are that they have been putting forward their strongest efforts to best AFRA rather than the AFM. Recent meeting of e.t. execs in New York had as its purpose the setting up of a united front against AFRA, and the planning of demands which the companies would make of AFRA for the "good of the industry" rather than vice versa. Nothing w tioned of the AFM brawl. Nothing was men-

#### Look to Lea

Mood of e.t. men in New York varies, some of them feeling that the Lea Bill will be declared conof Petrillo's star. Others, on hearing of Petrillo's demands, stated, "that's nonsense. We'll give him what we like, not what he wants. He's in a tough spot and must raise a lot of noise to keep his men in line."

Relative to the Philco-Crosby show angle, execs at Local 802 in New York weeks ago opined the AFM exec board now meeting in Chi would not only pack up e.t. rates, but would do so with the express purpose of discouraging platter deals of the Crosby pattern. According to the union's way of thinking, Crosby seg, if broadcast over some 600 stations as originally planned, would dis-place musicians on that many sta-tions. Reports that other top talent tions. Reports that other top talent would like to do wax network segs similar to the Philco show aggravates musicians, who feel that one way out would be to raise the scale so high that a wax program would cost even more than a live one.

Some, however, even some union kecs themselves, believe Petrillo xecs will come down in his demands and settle for a hike of approximately 37 per cent—as he did not only both in phonograph records and in recent "The pattern," said one spokesman, "was set in such contracts as the one with Movietone and reaffirmed in the record pact. The transcription deal is likely to follow the same course."

At any event, a rough and tumble ght is expected in Chi Tuesday fight is (22) when confab resumes, with transcribers calling upon the NAB for support and with Petrillo using the transcription demand as a weapon in an attempt to get broadcasters to ease up on their over-all fight against him.

#### **COLLARITES ASK HIKE** (Continued from page 6)

gram, veterans' seniority, arbitration, regular merit review at six-month intervals, etc.

Another provision calls for the CBS pension plan to be revised to cover all employees of the CBS office staff. Another provides for automatic cost of living wage adjustment at the end of each three-month period. It is proposed that the wage shall be upped by a percentage equal to the rise in the U. S. Labor Dept. consumer price index.

Entire contract is to be retroactive to June 14, date of the CBS election which certified the CIO as the white collarites' collective bargaining agent.

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#### Industry's Tone Seen as Hope for **Government** Peace

(Continued from page 5) tion, and as such, can't possibly push FM against AM. NAB chieftains counter that they can certainly han-dle the over-all issues, since their policies regarding FCC and labor are identical for both FM cond AM identical for both FM and AM.

identical for both FM and AM. To hear these vital radio issues threshed out, a goodly sprinkling of Washington luminaries will be pres-ent at the meeting. Representing FCC will be Acting Chairman Charles Denny Jr., Commissioner Ewell K. Jett, Commissioner Rosel Hyde; George Adair, chief engineer; Benedict P. Cattone, commission gen-eral counsel; Harry M. Plotkin, as-sistant general counsel; Vernon L. Wilkinson, assistant general counsel; Dallas Smythe, chief of FCC's eco-nomic division; C. M. Broum, chief of FM engineering section; John A. Willoughby, assistant chief engineer; Willoughby, assistant chief engineer; William Massing, assistant to secretary of commission, and Earl Minderman, assistant to chairman.

Invites have also gone out to Alon-zo F. Blairio-Sicco and Amelia Az-carraga, president and founder re-spectively of the Inter-American Asspectively of the inter-American As-sociation of Broadcasters; Sen. Bur-ton K. Wheeler, chairman of Senate Interstate Commerce Committee; Rep. Clarence F. Lea, chairman of House Interstate and Foreign Com-merce Committee; John W. Stude-bates U.S. Supergravity of the states baker, U. S. commissioner of education; Gen. J. Lawton Collins, in-formation chief, War Department; formation chief, War Department; Capt. Leonard Schmitz, chief of radio section, War Department; Gen. Jo-seph F. Battley, executive officer, information division, War Depart-ment; Capt. E. M. Eller, informa-tion director, U. S. Navy, and Com. Harrison Holton, chief of navy radio contion section.

#### AFRA Adamant on **Contract To Cover** The Entire Country

(Continued from page 7) position on this point is unassailable, since it is willing to arbitrate all questions with the exception of the AFRA shop. According to AFRA thinking, its members are not only scabbing when webs feed shows to stations get a bigger bank-roll with which to fight the union.

Negotiations between web brass and the union have been postponed for a week while the NAB convention is holding forth in Chicago. It's expected the execs will return from the conclave with a clearer idea of what they can concede to AFRA. Thus far, however, webs have consistently claimed that they cannot dictate policy to affiliated, non-web owned stations.

One item of top significance, as seen by observers, is the fact that AAAA reps will be at confab the latter part of this month. It's believed this may be the first break in the policy of having networks do actual negotiations with the union, while AAAA, which pays the commercial rates, sits in as an observer.

Last meeting between AFRA and transcription execs brought forth small concessions from e. companles, and the union is considering them now. However, real negotiating will not begin until platter merchants see the kind of deal AFRA wangles for itself from the networks. Additional confab on e. t.'s is scheduled this week.

Key demands in AFRA's proposed network contract call for one nation-wide contract; elimination of Pacific Coast differential and a pay hike, originally set at 35 per cent.

#### Vital Probs Fac Chi Conclay **Execs** Serior (Continued from page 5)

discussing two new impor to problems which have arisen in last few weeks. One of these is industry's dissatisfaction with B Since the research outfit recently leased its first station coverage m many have found faults with rest claiming that coverage maps are true representations of stations' a ity to do a markeling job. Cr also claim that BMB's proposed 1 of its reports do not represent so research theory or practice. Th beefs and others are expected to aired at the BMB session Tues afternoon, when Hugh Feltis, E president, and J. Howard R chairman of the board, will sp Indications are that this will be of the most important meetings, of the best attended, and one in wl those attending will get up and their piece.

#### Petrillo, as Usual

Another new problem facing industry was also given much cussion today. This was the nev move of the American Federation Musicians, which last week deman an increase for transcriptions. Ja C. Petrillo, AFM prexy, who week said he would never again r with NAB President Justin M (see story in radio section), is to be defying broadcasters by scl uling a meeting with the transcrip companies Tuesday noon—in Palmer House. While some conv tioners consider this an additi-and typical Petrillo affront, others it might help the industry, in that industry will be present at the Pal House in a body, and if arrangem can be made, can present a un front to the AFM. Some have  $\underline{\epsilon}$ so far as to state that the new trillo crisis should be the subjec a special meeting of the NAB m bership, and if not of the meml ship, at least of the executive bo

Even the the convention will t practically every problem affec the industry, some of those on h were a little perturbed that there be no discussions of television. It admitted, of course, that this wi meeting of broadcasters and not t casters, but they reasoned that s many broadcasters hope to own t vision stations, the NAB was gu of an oversight in not schedulin least one panel on television.

#### Parties, as Usual

But, just to make sure that no gets the idea that the industry changed completely overnight, changed completely overnight, should be pointed out that those are anticipating some fun, too, of course, a little of the usual el Indicative of the exter bending. fun making is the fact that cocl NBC, CBS and MBS, have set the for Tuesday at the same time, 1 and MBS at the Palmer House CBS at the Drake.

However, in spite of the expe gaiety, most of those on hand to were serious. This, evidently going to be a serious NAB con tion. Conversations in hotel re and the frowns on the brows of t at the Palmer House proved it. is one NAB convention that may duce results.

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Day-by-Day, Play-By-Play Review

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.-Following is a day-by-day, play-by-play account of what took place in the Palmer House here, in the four days of ne-gotiations between the AFM and the record manufacturers.

October 14.—James C. Petrillo and his executive board hand diskers copies of AFM's proposals for new scales. Record men read 'em, do some fast pencil work and estimate that the proposals represent a 566 per cent in-crease for pop tootlers, somewhat less for the unbarbered boys. Diskers gasp and adjoin to meeting of their own to consider the proposals, and plan counter-offer.

#### **Slightly Grim**

October 15.—Looking slightly grim, diskers come back into meeting with the AFMers, state that they were "stunned" by the proposals, maintain that no such proposals have ever bethat no such proposals have ever be-fore been made by any union to any industry. They begin to outline to Petrillo some of the rising costs with which they have been faced in the past year, try to point out that an increase even approximating what Petrillo wants could put them out of business. Petrillo says he doesn't want to put anybody out of business. The diskers submit their first counter proposal of 171/2 per cent. Now it's Petrillo's turn to express astonish-ment and say "ridiculous." He does.

#### The 20 to 25 Jump

October 16 .--- Still looking slightly grim, the diskers make their second offer, a 20 per cent increase. They again go into the reasons why they can't take any more of a jump.

can't take any more of a jump. The musician spokesmen counter with reasons why 20 per cent is only 2½ per cent more ridiculous than 17½. Music makers, they point out haven't had a disk hike in a long time, while practically all other workers have had several. They also main-tain that the diskers have been clean-ing up, and insist that the record business is going to get even better. Some of the record men's earlier statements, at this point, come back to plague them as the AFMers pull out a flock of tear sheets of stories from The Billboard, in which some from The Billboard, in which some diskers have said they are going to make 7,000,000, 9,000,000, 11,000,000, etc., ad infinitum disks per month pretty soon. The record men take a short recess, kick the situation around some more among themselves and (See The Negotiations on page 108)



#### **A Frantic 96 Hours**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- After proposing a set of new scales (and condi-tions) calling for increases up to 500 per cent (see Old Scales and Original Proposal box) James Petrillo and his American Federation of Musi-cians' executive board accepted 37% per cent increase across the board per cent increase across the board (see New AFM-Record Manufacturer Contract box) from the disk makers Thursday (17). Just four days elapsed between the AFM's original proposals, which were made Monday (14) and the time of the settlement. But in that four days the music and record business went into such fren-zied activity as has rarely been seen in any American industry.

#### Felt New Disk Ban Certain

Here in Chicago, in New York and Hollywood diskers, music publishers, band leaders and other industry (See Big Ask, Fast Deal, on page 108)

Those 4 Days In New York; The Reaction

#### Indies Worried, Worked

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Independent ecord manufacturers' reaction to the 37½ per cent musicians' recording increase was generally favorable increase was generally favorable here. Many indies, tho they confess that the boost will do them no good, felt it could have been much worse and agreed that the musicians were entitled to the raise. Most also agreed that the wage boost will benefit musicians who wax there will be fewer musicians used in cutting indie wax wherever possible in order that added salary costs for dates could be pruned. Many indies agreed that in addition

to lowering the number of musicians (See 4 Days in New York, page 108)

Those 4 Days In Hollywood; The Reaction

#### **Plenty Coast Cutting**

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19. - Settle- Stark Fills in Pro Mgr. ment of AFM-Recording Company wage squabble in Chicago Thursday (17) brought a joint sigh of relief from recording quarters here and put an end to one of the wildest record-ing sprees seen in several years. Town's record firms, swarming with rumors of fantastic wage hike de-mands, spent the first half of the (See 4 Days in Hollywood, page 108)

# The Negotiations--- Big Ask, Fast The Old Scales and the AFM's Original Proposals

#### **Old Scales** Popular

\$30 per man per three-hour session during which not more than 10½ inches of recorded music is made on not more than four 10-inch master records. . . . Or not more than 15 minutes of recorded music is made on not more than three 12-inch master records.

Classical \$28 per man per two-hour session, not to exceed 40 minutes

playing time per hour. Leaders and/or contractors to receive double pay in old scales

**AFM Original Proposals** Popular

\$50 per man per hour (\$150 per man per three hours) during which hour not more than five minutes recorded music is made.

#### Classical

\$50 per man per two-hour session, not to exceed 40 minutes of playing time per hour, plus \$12.50 for each additional half-hour or fraction thereof, of which not more than 20 minutes

and original proposals for new scales.

# **Dopesters Try To Figure Petrillo's Fast Comedow**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Wildest stories following signing of the new d NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Wildest stories following signing of the new d pact with a 37½ per cent hike revolved about the possible reasons why Jar. Petrillo and the AFM excc board dropped from their original 500 per c increase demand to 50 per cent and then settled for 37½ per cent in short span of four days. One school of thought claims that some ins development took place in connection with the imminent hearing on Petril: alleged violation of the Lea Bill between the time the original 500 p cent proposal was made and the time of the 37½ per cent settlement. T inside development is supposed to have been of such a nature as to scare the beegeesus out of the AFM prexy and bring bim down 450 per cent to his second offer of 50 per cent.

cent to his second offer of 50 per cent.

#### Hush-Hush AFL Angle

Another group of guessers hold that word came down from American Fed-eration of Labor biggies telling Petril-lo that the battle he had started for lo that the battle he had started for a 500 per cent jump in tootler scales was incompatible with some new and imminent national scheme of the AFL. This theory, of course, assumes that the AFL knew nothing of Petril-lo's intentions prior to the AFM meet-ing with the diskers. Most competent trade observers consider this quite an assumption assumption.

#### Advisors' Bum Steer

Third set of Monday morning quar-Third set of Monday morning quar-terbacks say that Petrillo's advisors gave him a bum steer in urging him to shoot for the 500 per cent hike, and that AFM prexy discovered this shortly after the conferences with the diskers started.

Most of the record men who repre-sented the industry at the meetings feel it was simply a case where they convinced Petrillo that the 500 per cent increase, or anything even ap-proaching it, was entirely impractical and would hurt musicians rather than and would hurt musicians rather than help. They don't, however, attempt to explain the AFM prexy's compara-tively reasonable attitude in these negotiations, as against his previous somewhat more stubborn approach. Maybe, say some diskers, the old boy is just getting a little softer with age.

# Post at Paull-Pioneer

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- Death of Ira Schuster left the post of professional manager open at Paull-Pioneer Mu-sic. Larry Stark is temporarily handling duties while the firm is mulling

plans for the future. Song that firm is working on, Let's Put Our Hearts Together, was writ-

# **Re New Scale** For Arranger

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .--- While mu biz attention last week was focu sharply on the AFM-record compa bia pipy on the AFM-record compi negotiations in Chicago, the pi lishers were quietly negotiating the new contract with Local 802, AI for arrangers, copyists, etc. El Shapiro-Bernstein heads the pi committee which is carrying on negotiations. Shapiro says a nu ber of points have already bi agreed upon, with others still in negotiating stage. Unverified repi say that 802 originally proposed 100 per cent jump for the dood but that the pub negotiators his already whitted this down to 50 cent. Final settlement will probe be considerably under 50 per c be considerably under 50 per c Next meeting between the pubs the union is set for Monday (21).

#### Work Stoppage at Decca Pla

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .--- While I ton Rackmill, Decca exce veepee, in Chicago with other disk reps ( rying on negotiations with the A rying on negotiations with the A last week, Leonard Schneider, rej the United Electrical and Ri Workers here, UERW workers Decca's New York plants walked Monday (14) over alleged and un closed grievances. Neither Schne nor union officials cared to comm on the situation, but an early on the situation, but an early tlement was anticipated late week.

ten by Schuster and the late : Rosenberg, both of whom died cently.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Pub-lishers' printers are not only having trouble getting paper to print their songs on, but pubs are having just as much trouble cotting are having just as much trouble getting the precious stuff for packaging the printed ditties. Situation reached a head this week at Mills Music when the firm, completely out of stand-ard wrapping paper, used Christmas wrappings to package its printed music—and consid-ered that a gift from Santa un-der present strained conditions, **.OR MAN, WAS THAT CLOSE!** 

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# Mexican Masters & Nix to Truman Are Could-Have-Beens

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—If the AFM had held out for anything approxi-mating its original proposals, the disk industry would probably have been faced with a repetition of the 27month disk ban which began in Aug-ust 1942. Here are some of the developments which might have taken place.

Number of releases per week would have been cut down by all record companies, attempting to hold out as long as possible. Band leaders would scream at their agencies even louder than they now do to get them some han they now do to get them some airtime, preferably commercial, to keep the band alive. Same band lead-ers and their handlers would be hounding the diskers trying to get their platters released. Publishers would be doing likewise.

#### Another Mexican

As their supply of unreleased disks began to peter out, some of the smaller companies without a sufficient backlog would disappear from the scene. The supply of unreleased recscene. The supply of unreleased rec-ords of current and early future pops would soon run out, and record buyers wouldn't get any more current stuff, unless some disker could find a Mexican who had made masters of new pops, which the disker could buy from him. The disker wouldn't re-member the name or address of the Mexican when the AFM queried him on it. Some platteries would start making a capella disks which wouldn't sell.

President Truman would wire AFM Prexy James Petrillo, asking him to lift the ban so that the American people could have the solace of music. Petrillo would wire Truman that he was sorry, but he couldn't lift the ban. Seven hundred, twenty two news-papers would write editorials denouncing Petrillo. Finally one of the record companies would steal a march on the others and sign with the AFM. Pretty soon the others would sign, too.

# **Music Printers** Mull Price Hike

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Music Printers' Association met this week to mull a general price increase for music printing. Dave Kuperman, of Kuperman & Del Guercio, said that nothing definite will be decided until noting dennite will be decided until around the first of the year. He said that raises in cost of paper and labor will necessitate the price boost for the music publisher. Kuperman ex-plained that a hike in printing prices would be set on minimum and maxi-mum levels determined by the rise mum levels determined by the size and capacity of the firm making the estimate.

Kuperman said that the music printers were still hard hit by the printing houses in the city were operating on a minimum without overtime and had completely dropped their night shifts. The printer added that the houses hardest hit were the firms that had specially built presses for bigger size music, such as folios, which require long runs and large quantities of paper to operate with-out loss.

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Not more than 15 minutes of recorded music is made on not more than three 12-inch master records. Lenders and/or contractors to receive double pay. Overtime at same rate with any fraction of an hour considered

a full hour An \$11.25 increase over the old scales per man per three-hour session.

**Classical and Symphonic Records** 

\$38.50 per man per two-hour session, but not to exceed 40 minutes of playing time in each hour.

Leaders and/or contractors to receive double pay. Overtime at same rate with any fraction of an hour considered a full hour.

A \$10.50 increase over the old scales per man per two-hour coscion.

# Diskers' Confab Co-Op May Lead to Nat'l Association

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- Settlement manner in which the representatives of the new AFM record company con-tract at 3712 per cent, after the AFM had originally proposed increases as high as 500 per cent, is being attributed in many quarters to unprecedented

of the various diskeries worked to-gether during the negotiations. This talk leads to the possibility of the manufacturers banding together in a national association.

Today's New Problems?

BMI All Out at of Chi as ASCAP Hosts D. C. Meet

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- This week has foreign licensing biggies at the has foreign licensing biggies at the international federation meet in Washington beginning Monday (21), while Broadcast Music, Inc., radio's own licensing org, will be doing an all-out job in Chicago, beginning the same date, at the National Associa-tion of Broadcasters' convention.

While ASCAP is hosting the foreign performing rights toppers in an allout manner, BMI has by no means fluffed the boys from abroad. In a quiet but persistent manner, the radio group's foreign department has managed to hold confabs with practically all of the foreign delegates at one time or another.

# **On SPA-MPPA Front**

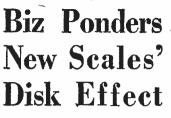
NEW YORK, Oct. 19.--Tho a quiet stranger in on the Songwriters' Protective Association-Music Publishers' Protective Association contract situ-ation on this week following the ex-clusive story in last week's issue of The Billboard provider that the alor The Billboard reporting that the cleffers were forming a committee to in-vestigate author James M. Cain's plan rights, Cain's arrival in town seemed peculiarly propitious.

Cain's primary purpose in coming to New York was to address a group of authors concerning his plan under the auspices of the Authors' League. (See Cain in New York on page 112)

Tradesters who consider formation such an intra-industry group likely pooh-pooh the cold-water tossers who claim that the disk manu-facturers have never been able to facturers have never been able to work together and cite chapter and verse to show how they cut each other's throats at every turn. Believ-ers in the probability of an effective manufacturers' association point out that negotiating new scales with the AFM is only one of the problems facing the industry today. Negotia-tions with other labor frouns in the tions with other labor groups in the disk biz are equally important, as are any number of other pressing matters having nothing to do with unions or union negotiations.

# **Cost of Cutting Longhair Disks Ups With Hike**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-New AFM Cain in N. Y.; Cleffers May See Him; Hush O., SDA MDDA E-cont August 2010 May See Him; Hush of playing time per hour) jump seems innocuous enough at first blush, waxery execs point out that in most contracts with symph orks the record company pays the conductor a certain royally, pays another fee to the symph association and then pays each of the individual musicians on the date. (In pop platter contracts the diskery makes its deal with the leader for a given advance against royalties, and the leader pays the musicians). A fast look at the number of tootlers in any classical or symphonic group, plus a little multiplication gives a quick picture of the difference in cost to the record companies of cutting a classical session under the old and the new scales.



#### Less Meu Per Unit Scen

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- The ink had hardly dricd on the new disk pact when record and music men began speculating on the probable effects the  $37\frac{1}{2}$  per cent jump in recording scales would have on the business. After the first relief over the fact that the increase was only \$11.25 per man per three-hour session for pop muper inree-hour session for pop mu-sikers and \$10.50 per man per two-hour session for the longhair lads, instead of 500 per cent over previous scales, most record men realized that the increase was still an item. In the face of rising costs in all items entering into the manufacture of disks it seems most platteries will try to ma-neuver so that the new scales will add as little additional as possible to the cost per disk.

#### Many Possibilities

Wherever it's practical the num-ber of men in an outfit will probably (See Effect on Disks on page 108)

Waxers Don't **Plan Platter Price Jumps** 

#### But Possibility Remains

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Whether the 37½ per cent increase, which the AFM won for its disking musicians will soon, or eventually, result in a record price increase was one of the more serious questions being mulled following signing of the pact. The record manufacturers, to a man, maintain that they are not going to raise platter prices, that such a raise under today's conditions would be tantamount to an automatic slashing of sales volume. One indig distant of sales volume. One indie disker even went so far as to say that he was going to shoot for big enough production and sales to enable him to cut his price.

#### Recall 50 to 60-Cent Jump

Trade observers, however, recall that it wasn't too long ago when the majors said they wouldn't up the price (See No Jumps, Say Waxers, p. 112)

# Will 371/2% Hike Cue Hefty New UERW Demand?

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .--- While ma jority of record manufacturers felt that the 37½ per cent increase granted the American Federation of Musicians wasn't too horrible a deal, the pessimist brigade pointed out the possibilities that the increase would result in tough demands from other (See What About UERW?, page 112)

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#### $\mathbf{22}$ MUSIC

# **RKO Link Seen** In Atlas Buy of **Musicraft Slice**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- Sale of a piece of Musicraft Records to Atlas Corporation has the trade buzzing. Guesses have Floyd Odlum's organization tying a link between Musicraft and RKO Pictures, in which organization Atlas holds a controlling interest. Basis for these guesses is that the new MGM diskery and the hunt that Paramount Pictures has made for its own record dispensary might have given RKO similar ideas.

Musicraft sources explained that the Atlas purchase into the diskery was the first such plunge for the holding corporation, and that, tho the investment ran into tidy figures, Jeffervestment ran into tidy figures, Jeffer-son-Travis still retained the control-ling interest in the waxworks. Trade guesses on the Atlas investment ran around the million-dollar mark. In addition to selling a piece of the record firm, J-T disposed of its marine radio division to the Emerson Corporation for an undisclosed sun, leaving them with their Union Avia-tion Products plant, wire tape re-corder and Musicraft. Combination of J-T and Atlas has many trade peo-ple feeling that Musicraft might have received the needed injection to bring eceived the needed injection to bring the firm into the major category.

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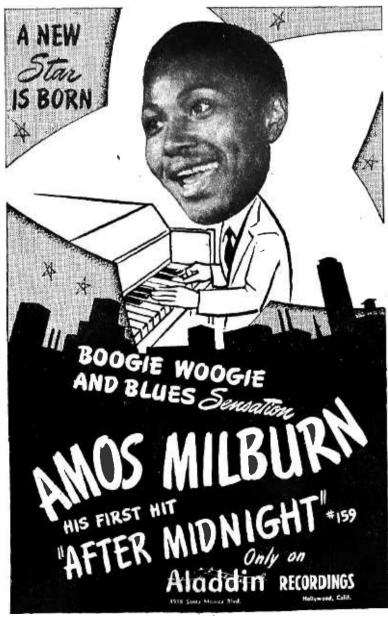
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NEW YORK:

NEW YORK: E. E. Marks Music threw a cocktail party Thursday (17) afternoon in bonor of Ernesto Lecuona. High-light of party was introduction of Lecuona's score for Carnival in Costa Rica pic as performed by the com-poser at the keyboard and name Latin-American singers. . . Art Tatum into the Downbeat on No-vember 19. . . Sam Donohue ork, all ex-navy vets, will appear on Navy Day ether celebration via NBC and Mutual. . . Buddy Johnson ork to play a week at Newark's Adams The-ater beginning December 12. ater beginning December 12.

Sam Braverman, of Neisner Bros." chain, was erroneously reported as dead in this column last week. It was another Braverman, not in the music biz. . . Fran Warren, ex-Charlie Barnet chirp, goes into Claude Thornhill ork as replacement for Jeanne Shirley, . . . Murray Massey left Stevens Music to join Sammy Kava's World and Republic firms as general manager.

Jimmy Saunders, Charlie Spivak Jimmy Saunders, Charlie Spivak vocalist, on two weeks' notice after backstage flareup during band's re-cent Paramount Theater date. . . . Continental diskery signed Machito and His Rumba Ork to waxing deal. . . After six years with Barney Josephson's Cafe Societies, the Ed-mond Hall Sextet closed Uptown on October 19. . . Manor Diskery to cut an Al Trace-Dona Davis version



of Hausel and Gretel with narration by Lew Lehr.

y Lew Lenr. Paramount flick discovery. Olga San Juan, pacted with Mercury Rec-ords. . . New Keynote 88-album leatures keyboarder Bernie Leighton with Dave Tough. Hy White and Trig-ger Alpert rhythm section. . . Dard de bergen Paleur Freiter terment Dead-pan chirp Pearl Bailey to appear in Paramount pic. Variety Girl. in Paramount plc. Variety Girl. . . . Bridgeport, Conn., Operetta Guild presenting new musical comedy tabbed Princess Yvette. . . Bay! What a Girl. Hérald Pictures all.Negro flick, will be released on November 15. Pic features music of Sid Callett ork, Slam Stewart Trio, Brown Dots and Ann Cornell.

#### CHICAGO:

Record execs who attended the AFM executive board meeting here this week reported that their record-ing supervisors worked 16 hours per day on the average, waxing artists before the AFM's increased scale took effect October 21. . . Dave Baum-garten, of MCA's band location de-partment, was father of a daughter, Judy, born Monday (14). . . . Richard Bradley and his National Recording firm, who hold Tower and Teagarden Presents labels, moved to new headquarters... Mercury readying seven moppets albums for November 1 de-livery... Howard White, Omaha territory band booker, abandoned his Chi office.

#### KANSAS CITY:

KANSAS CITY: Leo Pieper is moving his band from Vic Schroeder Agency, Omaha, to the McConkey (of Kansas City) banner, with Cole Keyes handling. Pact is inked for Pieper to play his first McConkey date in Club Casino, Quincy, Ill., opening November 12 for three weeks after a ruh of one-night-ors thru South Dakota Nebraska and ers thru South Dakota, Nebraska and Iowa after checking out of the Pla-Mor. Beverly Easton, of St. Joseph, Mo., has joined the Pieper band as wocalist, and Pieper reports that with the return of Sid Jensen (third alto) from the service his pre-war "old guard" is back again on the stand.

Barnoy Jaffey, Tower Theater man-ager, who is handling bookings for Hotel Muchlebach's .Terrace Grill, says he is booking bands into the spot on "band to band" basis. Don Reid's ork, there currently. is set for four-week run, winding up November 5. . . Tommy Flynn's band is currently in the Pengun Room of the Con-tinental Hotel, and Kenny White's ork is handling the Saturday night dances on the hotel's Sky-Hy Roof.

#### PHILADELPHIA:

PHILADELE INA: Pat Patterson ushers in a season of public dancing at Castle Ballroom. . . Clarence Fulurman takes over the bandstand chores at Wagner's Ballroom. . . Esy Morales dropping his batoning chores to head for the Weef Coast for a rost ... Los Fraselto West Coast for a rest... Joe Fraselto got a bonus for his music-making for the Atlantic City Miss America pageant and also clinched the job for next year.

#### HOLLYWOOD:

Charles Calvert named musical di-rector for indie Station KMPC, fill-ing job vacated several months ago by Ted Steele. . . . Singer Ricky Jordan to record first three sides for Exclusive Records next week. . . . Ork fronter Leonard Sucs goes on Mickey Rooney p.-a. tour, opcning in Boston October 24. . . . Look for big shake-up of top brass at Pan American Records, with several part-ners eased out. . . Mel Torme, Charles Calvert named musical dihers eased out. . . . Mel Torme, Miguelito Valdes and blues singer Lead Belly all waxed batch of sides

for Musicraft last week. Harry Schooler on cross-country junket to sell his new musical game, Tune-O. Box-office gimmick now used by Aragon, Avadon and Santa Monica ballrooms. . . Carmen Cavallaro

# **Benecke May Go Air**

October 26, 1946

Wax; Ork Changes NEW YORK, Oct. 19. — Tex Benecke-Glenn Miller orchestra is cutting an audition transcription in Hollywood Thursday (24) for a pro-posed canned half-hour air show, Network hu hursday for a pro-Nationally known magazine may sponsor the 39-week series. Excuse for the use of the transcription gimmick is that ork booking schedules would not have to be shuffled in ordcr to make room for the ether effort. Don Haynes, band's manager, is flying to the Coast today to supervise the cutting and editing of the audition disk.

Current Benecke vocal group, Crew Chiefs, will drop out in favor of Mello-Larks, a newly organized three Meilo-Larks, a newly organized three boy and one girl group. Exit of the Crew group means loss of Artie Malvin and Lillian Lane, who had split single vocal chores with Ben-ecke, and trumpeter Steve Steck, who doubled as part of the vocal group. Gary Stevens, Spivak vocalist of several years back, coming in to replace Malvin, Jack Steele, of the Glenn Miller AEF ork and recently with Ray McKinley, coming in to replace Steek, and there will be no replacement for the Lane chirp at the mo-ment. Total band personnel will now ment. Tot total 36, total 36. Benecke was appointed dance band leader chairman for next year's March of Dimes drive last week. Ork will also play the half-hour army recruiting show over Mutual from November 9 thru December 7. On December 14 Benecke crew go on the Judy, Jill and Johnny show for 13 weeks, following which the band will return to the army recruiting shot as a regular feature.

broaking records at Ciro's. . . Pal-ladium boss. Maury Cohen, heads for Gotham this week on band-buying expedition. Cohen will be gone a month and expects to line up a batch of new attractions for next year.

#### LONDON:

Ted Heath and his ork doing a tour of the Scandinavian countries last week. . . Recdman Joe Van Straten opened a six-string guitar factory in London with a "Competi-tion to America" campaign as a leader.

Hey! Ba-Ba-Re-Bop and E-Bob o-Lee-Bop carrying on in England where they lott off in the States. . . Rumba specialist Roberto Inglez had a narrow escape in an auto crack-up. . . . Ambrose and ork returned to London after their first post-war continental booking in Monte Carlo. . . Twelve-year-old drum prodigy. Victor Feldman, drew a meaty role in a new London musical, Piccadilly Hayride, Hazel Bray, former Eric Winstono chirp. also featured in the show.

Hamish Menzies is new pianist-vocal rave in Britain.... Woody Herman's Herd causing as much critical controversy in the United Kingdom as it did when their blast first hit the States. . . Latest thing in British-produced radio-phono combinations sells for a merc \$868. Report has it that scene of these games are on their that some of these gems are on their way to the United States where some trade observers feel they will be stone cold dead on the market.

#### Hicks' Way

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .--- Press agents have been called lots of things, but a Hicks advertising agency publicity handout this week came out with a new one. It announced that Dagmar Van Haur was going to work for the firm as a "musicologist." Closer inquiry found Hicks officials ad-mitting it was just a "new way of saying 'press agent.'"

# West Coast Meadowbrook And Trianon Cut to Week-Ends Only as Biz Drops

#### Aragon Adds Names; Others Try Promotion Hypos

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.—With ballroom biz generally off 25 to 35 per cent, at least two spots threw in the sponge this week and curtailed opera-tions to week-end nights only. Meadowbrook, in Culver City, and Trianon, South Gate, both decided against taking further losses on week nights. At least several others broadly hinted that unless biz picks up, they, too, will follow suit, rather than go into the red. Meadowbrook's Joe Zucca indicated that will show awayd for bands.

Terpery will probably scale down admish tariffs from current \$1.50 scale to about \$1 when the James engagement is over. Horace Heidt's Trainon will be open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sun-days beginning November 8, with thouget baut \$1 when the James engagement is over. Horace Heidt's Trainon will be open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sun-days beginning November 8, with thouget for a four-week run. Prices remain same (\$1 on Fridays and Sundays, Sund Saturdays) and spot will add enlarged floorshows in effort to hypo

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#### Casino and Aragon 7 Days

Casino Gardens and Aragon, both Beach locations, will continue seven-day operations for present. Kermit Bierkamp, Casino manager, is curto stimulate biz, and nothing definite will be decided until promotional Will be decided that promotional campaign has been given a fair trial. Casino will run special events, in-cluding high school nights, "over 30" sessions of sweet music, and ball-room prize dance contests to be staged by the Eddys, well-known ballroom team. If promotion fails, however, it is balance not may join

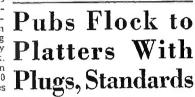
ballroom team. If promotion fails, however, it is believed spot may join other ballrooms in semi-shuttering, at least during winter months. Aragon, currently housing the Jan Garber crew, has hypoed week-end biz by adding a second bigger name band. Cugat engagement last week-end grossed \$22,000 in three days, and Spike Jones ork is expected to do big biz this coming week-end. Hollybiz this coming week-end. Holly-wood's Palladium continues under present policy, having edge over other ballrooms by central location and top band policy. Avadon, new-est downtown terp palace, is re-portedly set to partially shutter.

#### Mark Warnow Inked by MGM Diskery for Broadway Album

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Mark War-now, long-time Hit Parade conductor, has signed a long-term recording pact with the new MGM diskery. War-now will cut his first sides in mid-November at Carnegie Hall for an album to be tabbed Broadway Melodies. Leader will guide 50-piece ork and a 16-voice chorus, in addition to the individual chirpichores of Betty Mulliner and Glenn Darwin.

#### Calling It

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—In a pre-meeting story in the October 12 issue of *The Billboard*, which hit the newsstands and reached hit the newsstands and reached subscribers October 10, four days before the first AFM-record manufacturers meet on Monday (14), the following pre-diction was made: "... New scale is likely to be from \$36 to \$45 per man per three-hour ses-sion, as against the present \$30. ..." Actual new scale (see how Actual new scale (see box in this department) is \$41.24 per man per three-hour session.



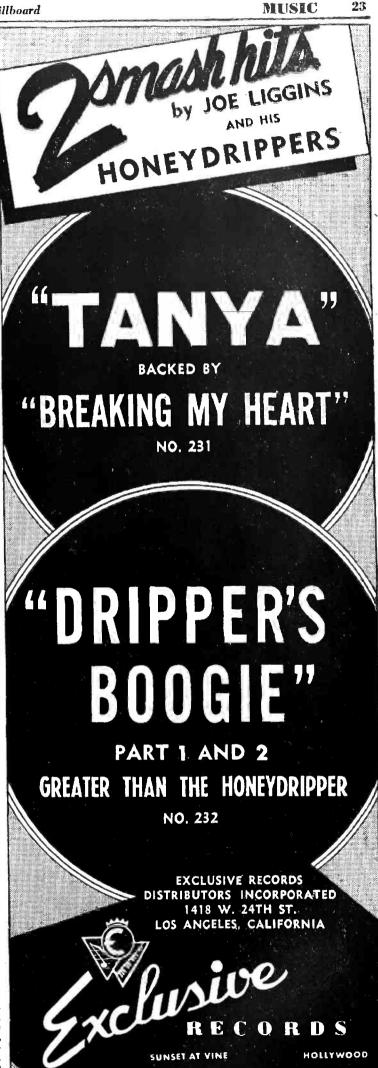
tunes were scheduled for further in advance than have probably been skedded during any four-day period in the history of the music business, from Monday (16) when the first word came thru that the AFM was asking for approximately a 500 per cent jump in disk scales to Thurs-day (19) when the 37½ per cent selflement was effected. Professional managers and their staffs covered every recording com-pany in town, loaded with copies of their current plugs, their plugs for January, for next March, not to men-tion their standards and near stand-

tion their standards and near stand-ards. And plenty of the tunes were cut in the frenzied etching sessions in which a majority of the diskers indulged in an effort to build a backlog to withstand what everyone fig-ured would be another 27-month ban on recording. Practically every studio in town was in use around the clock. A rumor that one disk session was taking place in the men's room at Lindy's, however, proved unfounded.



#### LEARN TO DANCE THE RHUMBA

(Vogue Album V-102-1) Apparently first of a series of pro-jected albums, designed to provide jected albums, designed to provide the listener with a complete set of instructions how to sway in that south-of-the-border style, this album shapes up as an excellent vocal text-book on the rumba-step by step. Lessons are planned by Paul Shahin, Chicago radio teacher, and music is by Kiki Ochart's ork. Novel gimmick is the enclosure of a set of cardboard is the enclosure of a set of cardboard feet to be laid out on the floor, so you can't miss on where or when to put your tootsies when carving the one, two, three, kick. First three sides in the set find Narrator Ed Allen Jr. giving preliminary instructions on such essentials as "the hip move-ment," the left and right side step, the square, and the forward and backward side step. After preliminaries. Shahin calls out the numbers while the music starts and the student couple is expected to follow out the pattern of the cardboard feet on the floor. It's not as complicated as it sounds, and with the announcer's persuasive voice it actually gets easy. Fourth side in the set is a complete rumba, Give Me All of Your Heart, by Dick LaSalle and his Society Or-chestra, tossed in for good measure. Piano solo and heavy Latin beat are outstanding features. On the album outstanding features. On the album cover itself, a complete set of printed (See Album Reviews on page 137)



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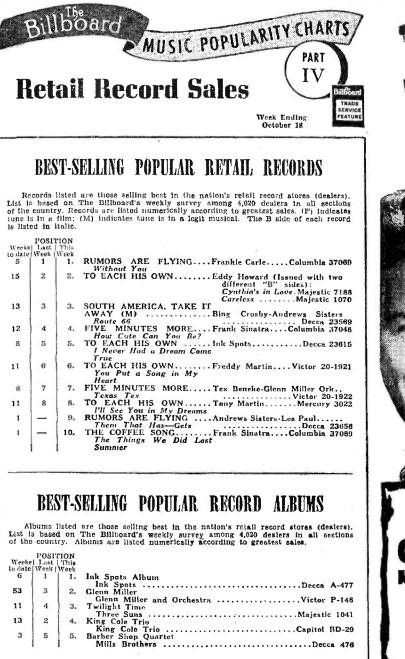


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2	9	11.	RUMORS ARE Betty Rhodes (Charles Dant Ork) FLYING Victor 20-1944-ASCAP
2	10	12.	FLYING TONY Martin Martin Academic 2000
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2	8	13.	OLE DUTTERMILK
· 1		13.	RUMORS ARE Andrews Sisters-Les Paul (Vic Schoen FLYING Ork)
2	9	13.	PASSE Tex Beneke-Glenn Miller Ork
1		14.	IF YOU WERE THE ONLY GIRL IN THEPerty Come (Russ Case Ork)
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2	-	14.	CHOO CHOO Louis Jordan and His Tympany Five CHBOOGIE
9	7	14.	TAKE IT AWAY (M), Xavier Cugat, Columbia 2704, ACCAD
7 1	10	14. 14.	TO EACH HIS OWN. Ink SpotsDecca 23615-ASCAP PASSE
1	-	14.	THE WHOLE WORLD IS SINGING MY SONG. Les BrownColumbia 37086-ASCAP
₽	7	15.	TO EACH HIS OWN Tony Martin Mercury 3022-ASCAP



## BEST-SELLING RECORDS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS

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#### POSITION Weeks | Inst | This to date | Week | Week

70	1		Chopin's Polonaise Jose Iturbi Claire de Lune
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54	2	2.	Claire de Lune
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28	3	] 3.	Jalousie
44	1		Boston Pops
			Warsaw Concerto
			Arthur Fiedler, conductor; Leo Litwin, planist, Boston Pops
-	1	1.11	Pops
21	4	5.	Warsaw Concerto
	1		Andre Kostelanetz

# BEST-SELLING RECORD ALBUMS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS

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to date	POSITI Last	This	
. 6	1	1.	Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 2 in C Minor Artur Rubinstein, pianist, NBC Orchestra; Valdimir Gol-
36	2	2.	schmann, conductor
14	5	3,	Tchaikowsky Nuteracker Suite Eugene Ormandy, conductor Philadelphia Orchestra
62	3	4.	Rhapsody in Blue Oscar Levant, Philadelphia Orchestra; Eugene Ormandy, conductor
1	-	5.	Tchaikowsky Nuteracker Suile New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra; Rodzinski, conductor Columbia MM-627



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#### **RECORD POSSIBILITIES**

NO, DON'T STOPI

Eddy Howard Orchestra with vocal by MISSOURI WALTZ

The wall's favorite of all the years is brought back with reisebing qualities in the persuasive voent harmonies of Eddy Howard and the male threesome out of the band. And considering that the Howard singing style has cought on in a big way, his three-quarter time dreaming for this evergreen should make it blossom anew. Filpover finds another pleasant three-quarter timer with maestro Eddy singing it alone for the well-wishing "My Best to You."

#### RECORD REVIEWS

Lightface portion of reviews is intended [users. Boldface portion is intended for for information of all record and music guidance of juke box operators.

#### TEX BENEKE (Victor 20-1991)

Oh, But I Do-FT; VC A Gal in Calico-FT; 1 vc.

A Gal in Calico-FT; VC. Both tunes from the forthcoming movie "The Time, the Place and the Girl," from the pens of Leo Robin and Arthur Schwartz, they are dressed up by Tex Beneke in a manner that arrests the attention for both the band and the songs. The blend of charinets and sakes set the stage for the ballad, "Oh, But I Do." for which Artle Malvin articulates in romantic fashion. And at a faster clip, spacestro Beneke and the barmonles of the Grew Chiefs make it attractive and fully hydronic for "A Gal in Calico." Band beats it solid for the side with Beneke getting in a lick of his tenor say. Mavie association may land both sides

Movie association may land both sides in the music boxes, in which event the Beneke biscuit will serve well.

#### KAY KYSER (Columbia 37095) Huggin' and Chalhin'-FT; VC. The Old Lamp-Lighter-FT; VC.

The Oid Lamp-Lighter-FT VC. Plenty in this platterlar to occupy the attention, particularly in the novelty rhythm ditty. "Ruggin' and Chalkin'." which spins with a nent bounce beat. And more unportant, it's the boyth chant-ling of Jack Martin, assisted by the Campus Kids, for the unusual lyrical twist that packs plenty of contagion. Professor Exyser cuts it with plenty of rlythmic arge, which adds up to atten-tion-getting for the side. Mated is a smooth spin for "The Oid Lamp-Lighter," with Michnel Douglas pouring out the lyrical nostalgia assisted by the Campus Kids, Thone fans will delight in "Huwin' and

Phono fans will delight in "Ruggin' and Chulkin',"

#### DUKE ELLINGTON (Victor 20-1992) Just Squeeze Me-FT; VC. Swamp Fire-FT.

Swamp Fire-FT. With a terrific lift to the beat, Duke Billington has the horns fairly squeezing out the notes to make it a nicety for lis-"Just Squeeze Me," for which Ray Nance provides the hyrical tease in top order. And for added attraction, there's more instrumental persussion in the alto sax phrases of Johnny Horiges. The Ellington styling also hiends with attraction with the familiar instrumental opus in Harold Mooney's "Swamp Pirc," which also gives the maestro an opportunity to show off the fire in the hot horns. The Ellington fans will favor "Just Squeeze Me."

#### CLAUDE THORNHILL (Columbia 37098) Gotta Get Me Somebody To Love-FT;

#### Yours Is My Heart Alone-FT.

Tours is My Heart Alone—FT. It's real-moonbeam music that Olaude Thornhill creates for these melodies, the richty instrumented volces blending for harmonies rich in color creations that capture the imagination. This is especially true for Franz Lebar's beaut melody, 'Yours is My Heart Alone,' for which maestro Thornhill enhances with his

Steinway sparkle. Also taken at a slow tempo, and just as rich in color and har-mony, is "Golta Get Me Somebody To Lave," a lush outdoor ballad from the movie "Duel in the Sun," for which Buddy Hughes, ussisted by male volces, gives excellent hyrical articulation. For sheer musical beauty Thornhill holds a top-drawer position all of his own. If they appreciate Thornhill's music, they'll never get enough of these sides,

#### FREDDY MARTIN (Victor 20-1984)

On the Boardwalk in Atlantic City-W; VC. 1 Wanna Know You Better Than I Do-FT; VC.

FT; VC. Spinning skyled for dancing character-izes this Freddy Martin cutting, It's pert three-quarter timing for "On the Board-wulk" from the movie "Three Little Girls in Blue," with Stuart Wade and the Martin Men raising their voices in behalf of the wooden way in Atlantic Gity. And with three tempo changes, which dancers may not like too mitch, nevertheless mass-iro Martin makes it easy to take for the rhythm ballad, "I Wanna Know You Bet-er Than I Do," with Clyde Rogers making the wordage count. Ou the strength of the movie, phone ops may get something out of "On the Board-wulk,"

#### BOBBY BYRNE (Cosmo 503)

Take It Slow, Taste the Vanilla-FT; VC. You Keep Coming Back Like a Song-FT; VC.

Fr; VC. The Bobby Byrne aggregation displays plenty of rhydhmic enthusiasm in its playing, with the maestro's trombone sides in high order. Aud with a bright heat for "Take I: Slow, Taste the Vanila," bright beat for "Take It Slow, Taste the Vanilla," the spinning is entirely tor-tapping. How-ever, the chanting of "Karen Rich is lightweight stuff compared to the band's capabilities. While the gal has plenty of rhythmic feel, she unfortunately has no voice. More engaging piping is provided by Bob Hayden, in good baritone voice for Irving Berlin's "You Keep Coming Back Like a Song," with the maestro's sweet eliphorn sides bringing out the richness of the ballad melody. The fille "Take It Slow, Taste the Vanilla" will intrigue the phono fans if they won't come back for more.

#### WOODY HERMAN (Columbia 37094)

Heaven Knows-FT; VC. No, Don't Stopl-FT; VC.

No, Don't Stop!--FT; VC. Woody Herman rings the bell on both counts with his forthright chanting, while the Herman herd hold him up instru-mentally with solid support. In the love hulinby mood, the maestro gives full mean-ing and voice to "Heaven Knows," with the harmonies of the Hiue Flames banking the improvisings of the vioraphonist to sandwich Herman's own song selling. And in a contrasting chant, with the rhythm jumping, sings it grovey and great for a lown-down lyric, "No, Don't Stop!", which (Continued on mace 32) (Continued on page 32)



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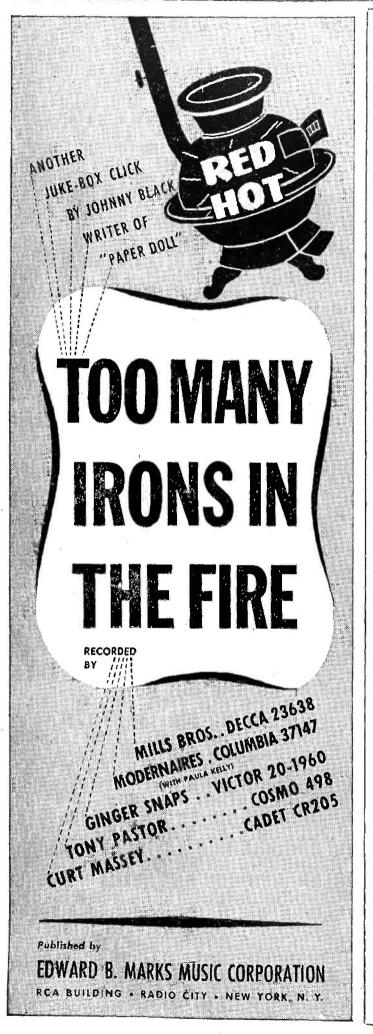
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also offers an opportunity for Bill Harris to hit off some hot notes on the trombone. Count on both sides to catch on to make it a double-disker for the music boxes.

# BAY McKINLEY (Majestic 7207) Passe—FT; VC. Hoodle-Addle—FT; VC.

Hoodle-Addle-FT; VC. The McKhiley men, with Teddy Norman in good barilone voice, lay down a smooth carpet for the cutting of "Passe" the im-ported torch chant. However, the kicks in the cutting belong to the matter side when massive Ray goes down the road a piece. The rhythm section making for a Ray McKhiley quartet, the meastro chants characteristicnily in a catchy rhythm blues in boogie style that spins out as "Hoodle-Adde," an original tome that also likes in some the putto and git-box tinkling, and at a lively city.

There's real phone contagion in "Houdle-Addle" for the young sets.

EDDY HOWARD (Majeslic 1073-4) My Last Goodhye-FT; VC. Lyna-FT; VC. Missouri Waltz-W; VC. My Best to You-W; VC.

Missouri Waltz-W: VC. My Best to You-W; VC. The maestro's inlinacy in song making for the selling, it's a nerdle nicely for all the smoothness contained in these cut-lings. Banked by subtone clarys and celeste tinkes, Eddy Howard failty gubbes in singing it with feeling for his own "My Last Goodbye" bubled. And at a brighter beat, for "Lynn," a litting girlie arcenade which is also his origination. For the second spinner Howard beats off a litre-quarter time. Johned by the bund trie of male voices, makes it a dreamy "Missouri Waltz." And on bis own, sings it nitractively for a tunctu well-wishing waltz melody, "My Best to You." Popularity of the maestro will mean much in utraching coins to these sides, with the greatest attraction in his revival of "Missouri Waltz."

#### THE DARDANELLE TRIO (Victor 20-1993)

(Victor 20.1933) September Song-FT; V. Winen a Woman Lower a Man-FT; V. Winen a Woman Lower a Man-FT; V. While Miss Dardanelle is hardly ex-pected to give Kurt Weill's "Soptember Song" the boost it needs to ussert itself as no less than the greatest song ever written, the gal is much at home with the lash lullaby. Piping to her own pizzology, and adding a like of her vibe hammerings, she displays a flue sense of lyric projec-tion. Doest'r ring as true, however, for the mated torcher, also taken in the slow ballad tempd, Johnny Mereer's "when a Womann Loves a Man." And while there isn't the depth in her piping to make the turch burn from way deep down, her stand equilar pickings, makes for pleasant plattering.

Not enough substance here for the nickel machines.

#### TONY PASTOR (Cosmo 498 and 510) My Nech of the Woods-FT; VC. Too Many Irons in the Fire-FT; VC. Margie-FT; VC. Jalousie-FT.

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Picnty of nickels should be attracted to "Too Many Irons."

#### MARIE GREENE (Signature 15053) To Each His Own-FT; V. Doin' What Comes Natur'lly-FT; V.

Doin' What Comes Natur'lly--FT; V. IV's soulid1 singing, setting under the lyric, as Maric Greene rius out "To Euch His Own" with full persumsion. Takes it at a slow tempo, her pipes banked by the sustained harmoines of the Merrymen, with instrumental support from the Bloch Four comprising plano and rhythm instru-ments. And at a brichter teinpo. Miss Greene's song styling also makes for sel-ing "Doin' What Comes Natur'lly." Plenty of warnith in this gat's pipes, althouselec-tions are plenty dated. Disking is for the home planes.

Disking is for the home phonos,

HAL McINTYRE (Cosmo 491-494-499) Should I Tell You I Love You?—FT; VC. I'd Be Lost Without You—FT; VC. Mabell Mabell—FT; VC. JO Miles an Hour—FT; VC. JO Miles an Hour—FT. Please and Say It Isn't So—FT. For the most part, these sides are late Must in hitting the disk marts. Nonetheless, ment.

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it's music link shows a high degree of development in Hal McIntyre's ability to development in East of the nutled trombones and sax chair set an attractive stare for 'Should Trell You Love You?' with Frankle Lester in good romantic voice for the Cole Porter lytte. And at a brighter beat, with McIntyre's allo sax pronounced, the rhythmic urge is also pronounced, the rhythmic urge is also pronounced, the rhythmic urge is also pronounced. The thrustam is lacking in both the singing and playing for 'Mabel.' which is the hand's playing and Maney Recet's singing for 'Tabe Lost Without You.'' Endustam is lacking in both the singing and playing for 'Mabel.'' which ins. Johnny Turnbult handling the vose to thore. More attraction in the mating as Frankle Lester guakes, as does the maestro's alto, for a slow mood ballad, 'This is the Might.'' The McIntyre allo, in good Gane and with awcetness, stands out for the band medley of 'Please'' and 'Sny it Isn'. So.'' And also instruments is '30 Miles an Hour,'' or rif opus that follows the slock pattern of all riff opuse.

Nothing in these sides that show any real phono promise at this late date.

#### SLIM GAILLARD (Majestic 9001-2-3)

Popity Pop—FT; VC. Slim's Jam—FT. Dizzy Boogie—FT. Flat Foot Flongie—FT; VC. Mean Pretty Mamm—FT; VC. Early Morning Boogie—FT.

Mean Pretty Morno-FT: VC. Early Morning Boogie-FT. Of the six sides that introduce the prolific platterer Silin Gullhard on this inhel, only "Silm's Jam" is worth its shellue. And here it would have been better to earry the Jan julce on to a second side instead of stopping short as it does. For here, with Silin providing jive exhortations to the hot horns, the jam julce really flows out of the horns of Jack Muck on tenar. John Birks on tumpet and Charley Parker on alto. For the other sides, there is some jazz introcat in that they offer the alto styling of the late Charley Parker. As for guit man Silin, he doesn't set off the loss in jive and scating. "Popity For" is a meaning-less dogreef for which busist Tiny Brown adds scat. Silm and the boys review "Flat Foot Floogle" but fall to freshen it. Gaillard vocal growing is best for the slow race blues, "Mean Pretty Mamn." "Dizzy Boogle," with Doto Marmarosa beating the 80, is a faired carbon of "Hampton's Boogle," played slopp. "Early Morning Boogle" souts Win Beatty at the 88 but without any degree of distinction.

Hard to whip up any nickel enthusiasm. for any of these sides.

#### LARRY CLINTON (Cosmo SS-704) More Than You Know-FT. I Don't Know Why-FT.

I Don't Know Why-FT. Two more standards in the label's Select Beries which mean more in building up a catalog for the waxwork than in creating counter motion at the disk maris. Larry Clinion gives both of these familiars a bright setting, sphuning them smoothy with muted trumpels, a sax choir and electric guitarist sharing the melodic lines which are followed closely. However, there is none of that Clinion imagination of old in the scoring, being the conventional commercial cutching that makes no deep impression on the disk or among the diskophiles.

Phone ons can easily skip these sides.

LOUMELL MORGAN TRIO (Apollo 1019) Blues in the Night-FT; V. Bow Tie Jim-FT; V.

Bow Tre  $j_{1m}$ — $l_{T}$ ;  $v_*$ One of the better combinations of phano, guit' and bess along the cocktaiteric er-cuts, the Lounnell Morgan (plano) Trio brings a refreshing and distinctive striling to the spinning sides. There is a high degree of individuality in their unison and harmony singing for "Blues in the Night." And also at a bright tempo, for Morgan's own rhythm noreity, "Bow Tie Jlue," which shows off his Steinweying. The familiar "Blues in the Nicht" source

The familiar "Blues in the Night" spins with freshness here and may tempt the nickel spenders in a goudly manner.

#### THE TWO TONES (Cosmo 504) Rumors Are Flying—FT; V. I Left My Heart in Mississippi—FT; V.

I Left My Heart in Mississippi-FT; V. Bennie Benjamin and Georgie Walas have certainly proved their sougwriting talents in penning "Rumark Are Flying." And while their homey harmonizing may gerve well in demonstrating a ditly before the song publishers, such demonstration should be reserved for the private offices and not for the disks. And even when, tackling a liveller "I teft My Heart in Mississippi." Uteir Intonations are still bad. Rhythm quartet for support not enough to drown out their matteurish singing efforts. Bays should aclek to their songwriding, which they do so much better. Music ops can skip right by this experi-

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# A Look at Vogue's Glamour-Puss Disk Plant and Viny Fabricators

DETROIT, Oct. 19.—Harassed by the shortage of plastic, which is also a major problem with other manufacturers, Tom Saffady, head of Vogue Recordings, has moved to install his own plant here for fabricating the vinylite which is an essential ingredient in the picture disks. Process, known as calendering, is a bottleneck in the production of records from vinylite and Vogue is believed to be the first record plant to put in its own equipment for this purpose—something fairly comparable to a metal-processing plant establishing its own steel mill.

Motors Needed

Saffady and Al Lynus flew out to the West Coast to get the principal machinery required from a rubber plant out there. This is now installed and the new calendering plant is all set to turn as soon as controls for the 150-h.p. motors required can be obtained.

The new addition will take the raw vinylite and turn it out in strip form for use in the record presses, relieving Vogue of dependence upon other fabricators and the uncertainties of truck transportation. Work was done for a time as a courtesy by the Bakelite Corporation, sole supplier of the raw vinylite, and lately by a company in Ohio, but transportation difficulties constantly hampered production.

Saffady says the capacity of the calendering plant is sufficient to turn out raw stock for 1,000,000 records a month. Vogue is now producing about 300,000 disks monthly and expects to step up within two months to 500,000. The output will be up to the million-disk figure with threeshift operation, according to Al Lynus, technical chief. Actual increase in production is now being held down by top naval priorities set on vinylite, which is being used to coat naval vessels, but this priority is scheduled to be released within the next two months.

#### Ups Plant Cost to Mil

Vogue execs say cost of the calendering plant is around \$80,000, bringing the total cost of the record plant to approximately \$1,000,000. Coincident with the disclosure of the vinylite plant, details of the record plant itself, which has had a large part of the industry guessing for at least a year past, were disclosed to the press for the first time during a visit to the plant by The Billboard correspondent.

Plant now has facilities to turn out records complete from raw material to finished product under one roof from the recording and the raw vinylite to the complete disk. Recording facilities, like just about everything else in the plant, appear to have not only the most up-to-date equipment but a series of special Saffady touches in the way of improvements. The recording studio, in charge of Harvey Dodge, formerly of American Soundcasting Company, has been rented on a number of occasions by other record companies for their sessions.

Aluminum, received in large coils, is stamped out for the center cores, which makes the disks unbreakable, in one section of the plant and prepared for the presses on a production line paralleling the plastic line. The aluminum and plastic meet up at the presses, which have Saffady-devised time and temperature controls.

#### 42 Presses Now, More To Come

The paper labels, incidentally, are the only items not made in the plant —and the chief problem in scheduling a regular flow of production because of the difficulties involved in getting out four-color printing. There are at present 42 of these presses, with 12 more to be delivered, each with a

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capacity of 40 disks per hour. Excess plastic trimmed off the disk after pressing is salvaged and re-used in the new calendering plant. The record itself is budded on a new machine developed at this plant to assure a smooth edge. There are a series of other special tricks of technique in the process, particularly in producing the mothers and stampers from the original masters on down, mostly too technical for treatment here.

#### New Home Record Player To Use Film Recordings

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Home record playing sets, which utilize pieces of film and operate on the same principle as the sound track of a motion picture, are being evolved by Audionics, Inc., Gotham firm, which was repped at the AFM conclave here this week by H. A. Howell, chairman of the board of the filmery. Howell said that he hoped to contact some of the record reps at the AFM confab in Chi with his record gimmick.

Firm claims to have player, which operates on photo-electric cell principle, which will furnish one hour of music with 100 feet of standard-size movie film. Cell picks up images on film, which are transmitted to record player speaker. Howell claims cost of film records will be 50 per cent of shellae platter cost, will have much higher fidelity for photo-electric cell, can pick up large number of impreshes on film, and tests with specially coated film have shown that records will last from 8 to 10 years' playing.

#### Philly's Negro Disk Jock PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 19.-Some-

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 19.—Something new in radio disk jockeying has been added to the local scene this week. With local radio boasting a bumper crop of disk jockeys of every sort, WHAT is the first station here to add a Negro lad to spin the platters. Slotted after midnight from 1 to 2 a.m., WHAT airs the city's first Negro disk jockey in Ramon Bruce.

Bruce. Calling his spinning "Ravin' with Ramon," and sponsored by the Premier Record Shop, Bruce is an avowed hipster. Not only are the selections geared to the hot jazz and blues, but all announcements and chatter are in jive talk. Much of his fan mail is from listeners asking him to interpret his slanguage.

#### Gray Into Chi Sherman

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Gien Gray, who switched the banner of the Casa Loma band from GAC tutelage to MCA several weeks ago, will make his first Chi p. a. in almost three years when he opens December 6 for four weeks at the Hotel Sherman.

#### Cherce Chirps

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Charlie Spivak went deep into the heart of Brooklyn to find the vocal quintet who are to join the band for its Hotel Pennsylvania date late this month. They will assume the Spivak vocal group title, the Stardreamers. Group is trained and arranged by Charlie Ryan, ex-Three Smoothies, and is made up of five Brooklynites, Margaret Manning, Naomi Mann, George Salerno, Frank LoPinto and Chick Gallico. Spivak has been playing his Paramount engagement without a vocal group.

#### THE STAND ON Orchestrus Playing Hotels, Night Club and illroom Locations and One-Nighters Reviews of Orchestrus Playi Ballroom Locations

Eddy Howard

(Reviewed at Casino Gardens, Ocean Park, Calif., October 16. Booked by Music Corporation of America.) TRUMPETS: Bob Capelli, Ken Myers, Sid

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Howa Howard. ARRANGERS: Ken Myers. Norman Lee, Hil Radtke, Lon Quadling. Tom Dean.

Due to his top-selling Majestic re-cording of To Each His Own How-ard's crew is currently riding the popularity crest. Band is a simple, sweet combo, with no frills or flourishes. While the crew, as now constituted, will never zoom to the top of the pop ladder, this type of danceable, easyto-listen-to music is readily accept-able to the majority of terpsters.

Book leans heavily on sweet stuff, with the bulk of arrangements built around Howard's vocalizing and occasional solo rides on the tram. For good measure the ork offers plenty of old standards and an occasional jump or novelty tune to satisfy the jitterbugs.

For fullness and color Howard depends heavily on the five-man reed section which carries the bulk of the melodic burden, only occasionally bowing to brass. Rhythm section is a bit on the weak side and might use

a bit on the weak side and might use a guitar for help on the beat. Vocally, Howard does a competent job, spotlighted in ditties such as The Girl I Marry, Why Does It Get So Late So Early? and the oldie I Only Have Eyes for You. Sidemen Ken Myers and Norm Lee join How-ard to form a sweet trio. Myers rides solo on novelty tunes like Frim. Fram solo on novelty tunes like Frim Fram Sauce.

### **Carmen** Cavallaro

(Reviewed at Ciro's, Hallywood, October 7. Booked by Music Corporation of America. Road manager, . Al Dale.)

TRUMPETS: Tony Line, Ben Arden, Charles Cognata. SAXES: Jack Schildkret, Joe Forchettl,

Dick Mulliner. STRINGS: Tony Maratca, 'Feddy Jesselson, Eddie Koski. RHYTHM: Frank Granata, hass; Andy Agello, drums; George Harris, guitar; Garmen Garailaro, piano. VOCALIST: Gloria Foster. ARRANGER: Sid Feller.

The "poet of the piano" is packing them in nightly at Hollywood's swank Ciro's. An ace showman and 88-er, Cavallaro has molded a com-paratively small ork into a velvety-

paratively small ork into a velvety-smooth background for his solo work. Without Cavallaro, ork would have none of its luster and sparkle. Arrangements are as unpreten-tious as possible, avoiding anything but the simplest intros and seques, and designed solely to spotlight Car-men, which is as it should be. There is little opportunity for aolo breaks for sidemen, altho trumpeter Tony Lipe, saxer Jack Schildkret and vio-linist Tony Maratea get in an oc-casional lick or two. String section is prominently featured behind Cavallaro. Mike in plano sounding board accents tone.

Cavallaro. Mike in plano sounding board accents tone. Book is definitely sweet with a smattering of south-of-the-border tunes tossed in. Ork, however, never gets schmaltzy. Book leans to pops. But oldies such as How Deep. Is the Ocean?; Zing, Went the Strings of My Heart, and Pve Got You Under My Skin are beautifully showcased by Cavallaro at the keyboard. Thrush Gloria Foster adds soft, feminine by Cavallaro at the keyboard. In the Gloria Foster adds soft, feminine touch and registers in the ballad department, Gal does best with Ad-venture, Surrender, and To Fach His Cum At show time, gal scored with wn. At show time, gal scored with vell-delivered South America, Take It Away.

#### Freddie Slack

(Reviewed at the Band Box, Chi-cago, October 4. Booked by Asso-ciated Booking Corporation. Persoual management, Maurice Duke.) TRUMPETS: Jack Mootz, Ernie Figueroa. Ken Wygal.

TROMBONES: Jack Newman, Rog Ingman,

TROMBONES: Jack Newman, Rog Ingman, Tom Hardin. SAXES: Don Brassfield, Howard Davis, Bill Hood, Everett McLaughlin, Jack Ordean, RHYTHM: Freddie Slack, piano; Gene Englund, bass; Al Hendrickson, guitar; Dave Coleman, drums. VOCALISTS: Dottle Ann Darc, Al Hen-

drickson.

ARRANGERS: Phil Moore, Everett Mc-Laughlin, Frank Devenport, Tommy Todd, Lou Gottlieb.

Back in the business after a year and a half off the bandstand, Freddie Slack's name has been kept alive by Capitol disk releases, notably his own tune, House of Blue Lights. Band is on string of location bookings and present stand will be followed by theater dates. Band is good musically, but will probably need some strong novely 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. Book is limited. Ork is packed with good jazzmen, Don Brassfield, tenor; Jack Ordean, alto once with Kenton; Ken-ny Kygal, trumpet; Al Hendrickson, guitar, and Jack Newman, who looks guitar, and Jack Newman, who looks like TD but doesn't emulate the "Sentimental Gentleman" on tram. "Sentimental Genuenian on Land Boys step down for specialties often, as well as holding down solo parts of some good arrangements. Slack of some good arrangements. Slack rates biggest mitt for his well-known recorded boogie tunes, all of which

have been recorded. Best basic unit is rhythm section, Best basic unit is rhythm section, with saxes next best. Band is still in the formulative stage, with personnel changes still coming, but six weeks more work should iron out personnel shifts. Vocal department needs sharpening up with Al Hendrickson, who's doing his first crooning, lack-ing stage presence. He is almost rigid at mike and needs more voice than he now musters to make up for 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 a pretty fair job of aping la Morse to good mitt.

### El Lawrence's Solid \$2,427 At Bridgeport Ritz Terpery

BRIDGEPORT, Oct. 19. -- Ellioft Lawrence, in for a one-nighter at the Ritz Ballroom here Sunday (13), drew 1,517 persons, and with ad-mission at \$1.60, grossed \$2,427.20. According to McCormack and Barry, operators of the ballroom, the Law-rence ork was considered one of the

rence ork was considered one of the best to play this spot. On September 30 Gene Krupa drew 1,085 persons at \$1.80, grossing \$1,953. Shep Fields played the spot October 6, drawing 1,082 persons at \$1.30 and grossing \$1,406.60. To-morrow Johnny Bothwell will make his heidel approximate here his initial appearance here.

### El's Late Moon

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Elliott Lawrence penned an original tune called Once Upon a Moon, which he and his ork cut for Columbia. Song was also cut by Freddy Martin on Victor and Bob Eberle on Decca, and these two versions will reach the market before the composer's own waxing of his tune is released.







### **Enterprise**, Latest Indie To Get EMI **Export Biz Boost**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-A number of independent record manufacturers is slated to pick up some extra coin by sale of their disks in England, Europe, South America, Australia and other foreign countries thru arrangements with Electrical Musical In-dustries, Ltd., of England. The big British disk combine has already made deals with Musicraft, and this week closed a deal with Enterprise Records in Hollywood, thru Irving Mills, repping the English disk manu-facturers and distributors. Enter-prise deal calls for EMI to pay artists a 3 per cent royalty on records sold in foreign countries.

in foreign countries. Enterprise is shipping masters of disks by Rudy Vallee, Pat Friday, organist Collins Driggs, Paul Page, John Gary and Norwood Smith to England for pressing by EMI. In the Musicraft deal the English record combine expects to do a hefty business with Artie Shaw platters and particularly with Duke Ellington's disks when Musicraft starts to cut them November 1.

### Victor All Out in Drive To Build L. Greene Ork

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- RCA Victor is going to give hitherto unknown Larry Greene and his orchestra an all-out push toward fame via the proall-out push toward fame via the pro-motion disk route. Reason is that Greene is a piano-playing maestro, and is the only such talent on the Victor roster. Victor loses Duke El-lington, last of the RCA piano-play-ing leaders, to Musicraft November 1. In order to compete with the other majors, each of which has a piano-playing leader of some repute on

playing leader of which has a plano-playing leader of some repute on its roster, the diskery is planning a campaign, based on disk jockey plugs, counter promotion and heavy publicity for Greene. This marks the second young band which the RCA firm recently has marked for all-out plugs, the other being the Herbie Fields' ork.

### McKinley Barberton Hi a 1st

AKRON, Oct. 19.—Ray McKinley's band set a precedent in the Akron district Thursday (17) when the or-chestra played a concert-dance in the Barberton High School gymnasium exclusively for teen-agers. Barberton is a town of 30,000, adjacent to Akron.

District high school students only will be admitted to the gym, and inas-much as the dance is being held on a school night the program will run from 7:30 to 11:30. Dance will be preceded by an hour's concert of swing compositions arranged by Eddie Sauter.

Dance comes as result of McKinley's recent engagement at Palace Theater here and his appearance on teen-age recording program of Alan Freed, of WAKR. Reaction of teen-agers was so good Freed made the arrangements for the Barberton dance.

### **Gross With FB Chi Office**

Gross With FB Uni UTHCC CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—In an effort to strengthen their coverage of the Midwest territory Frederick Bros. here this week announced acquisi-tion of Gary Gross, formerly asso-ciated with a Chi office set up by Howard White, Omaha booker, who skedded heavily thru these smaller outlets in the territory outlets in the territory.

### It Pays To ...

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Indie Keynote Records, which claims in its advertising to have the greatest shellac content per rec-ord, had 11 sacks of shellac stolen from its Hollywood branch. Loss was estimated at \$2,000 in actual cash value. Key-note sources in New York didn't note sources in New York didn't expect such a boffo reaction to their shellac content publicity.

### Kaycee Biz Still Okay, Says Pla-Mor's Wittig

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 19.— Ballroom ticket sellers in this area still are keeping plenty busy despite

Baliroom ticket selfers in this area still are keeping plenty busy despite reports of a letdown in the dance trade in other sections, according to Will H. Wittig, manager of Pla-Mor Baliroom. Wittig said he had ex-pected a tapering-off after the war, but he hasn't seen any sign of it yet. Harry Cool's 17-man troupe rolled up a \$2,550 gross Saturday (12), and Victor Lombardo is expected to do nearly as well tonight. Wittig said Cool chalked his K. C. date up as his best one-nighter. Leo Pieper's crew played the week nights. Wittig has scheduled the following line-up of name orks for his spot: Frankie Masters (November 2), Tommy Tucker (9), Henry Busse (16) and Tony Pastor (23). Location band the rest of this month will be Don Glasse, with Lee Williams taking over October 30 and being replaced over October 30 and being replaced November 13 by Walter Bloom. George Winslow will take over the week-night baton November 20 thru December 1.

### Howard Pulls "Rickshaw"

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Melody Lane, a Southern Music subsidiary, working all out on a sleeper song, *The Rickety Rickshaw Man.* Majes-tic waxing by the hot Eddy Howard ork gave the Ervin Drake tune suf-ficient impetus to average a sheet sale of 2,000 copies a day for the past three weeks three weeks.



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### **Carle Re-Signs** With Columbia

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- Pianist-ork leader Frankie Carle has renewed his with Columbia Records. contract Deal is a term agreement for an undisclosed amount guaranteed Carle per year.

Carle's renewal with Columbia spikes rumors which had the pianist going with the new M-G-M diskery or other firms at the conclusion of his present waxing pact.

### **Hines Regains Eyesight**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- Earl Hines regained the sight of his right eye after protracted surgery had been Hines was blinded in the right eye after a serious auto accident several months ago. Plastic surgery has removed facial scars that were left from the accident. An 88-er, he has been playing dates with his band in dark glasses. Next major Hines booking is set for November 22 at the Riviera Club in St. Louis.

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## **Church Orks?**

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HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 19,-A recommendation that orks be A recommendation that orks be part of church service programs "to add to variety in the worship period" was made this week by Dr. Horace C. Geisel, principal of John Harris High School, Harrisburg, in a talk at the an-nual convention of the Dauphin County Council of Christian County Council of Christian Education. "An inspiring song leader" would be the keystone of the set-up as suggested by the high school head.

### Berle, Garrett, Greene For Rodgers-Hart Album

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- RCA-Victor is preparing an album of Rodgers and Hart songs featuring Milton Berle, Betty Garrett, Marie Greene and Vic Damone. Chirp Greene was loaned out to Victor for these sides by her contracted diskery, Signature. Ork for the album will be led by Lehman Engel.

### Altman to Black & White

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.-Black & White Records, Hollywood indie plattery, has named Bruce Altman, formed department, handling all sales promotion. Altman will head newly formed department handling all sales promotion, advertising and publicity for the firm. Plattery Prexy Paul Reiner indicated addition of new department was in line with firm's expansion program.

### MCA Signs Canuck Thrush

VANCOUVER. B. C., Oct. 19.-Juliette, Vancouver thrush who has been chirping over CBS's national net and with Mart Kenny's band for the past seven years, has been signed by MCA on a seven-year contract. She was on Alan Young's program in Toronto before he hit the big time in the U.S.



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### Django on Duke's Concerts

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Django Rheinhardt, French jazz guitarist who is being brought over to the United States by the William Morris Suite.

Agency, has been set to play as a single with the Duke Ellington ork on its series of concerts, which begin in New York on November 23 and 24. Concerts will also feature Ellington's newest serious work, Deep South





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## Diskers, Orks, Pubs: Hospital Vets Need Record Pre-Releases

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Following brary, which doesn't give the new letter, from disk jockey at Tilton tunes the proper rendition they de-General Hospital at Fort Dix, N. J., serve; Armed Forces Radio Service is self-explanatory. It gives record library which records tunes only after manufacturers, distribs, band leaders, they have become established hits; singers and publishers an opportu-nity to make life a little more pleas-records average), covering everything ant for wounded army veterans at Tilton. All disks should be sent di-our record purchase of \$100 a month. Tilton. All disks should be sent di-rect to Disk Jockey Robins at ad-dress listed. Here is the letter: To the Editors:

To the Editors: I'm a disk jockey for the Armed Forces Radio Service at their Radio Station WTGH, here at Fort Dix (Tilton General Hospital), N. J. We are faithful subscribers to your mag-azine, The Billboard. We have a constant listening audience of 5,000 patients from all sections of the country. Our listening audience dif-fers quite a bit from the regular trend of average listeners. The great-est difference is that most of them have been overseas for varying lengths of time and who have been cut away from the general music trend here in the United States, and they remember only those tunes and orchestras that were popular when they left the States. There-fore, they request those tunes more when they left the States. There-fore, they request those tunes more often than they do the coming crop of new tunes. Their requests have a trend toward blues, ballads and bands which do not feature the screaning brass sections. Jump or-chestras and combos are readily re-ceived only in the afternoons and evenings, the specific hours being from three in the afternoon until nine in the evening. From nine to 10 they want the sweet and ballad 10 they want the sweet and ballad type of music.

### 56 Hours Daily

56 Hours Daily I think I should explain our hook-up, which is quite different from any station on regular networks. We have a studio distribution system consisting of four channels (or sta-tions). On Channel 1, we present classical music; Channel 2, popu-lar and swing music; Channel 3, variety shows (Breakfast Chub, Burns and Allen, Give and Take, Radio Theater of the Air, etc.), and Chan-nel 4, is our information, news and sports channel. We are on the air 14 sports channel. We are on the air 14 hours a day, from eight in the morn-ing until 10 in the evening, which isn't much by the clock, but with four simultaneous programs, it becomes 56 hours of programing daily, which is 32 hours more than any radio station puts out.

### **Tchaikowsky and Strauss Faves**

Another interesting observation we have discovered is that sym-phonic music presented with a brief story of the life of the composer, and the reasons behind each composition, has drawn a remarkable lis-tening audience of patients who would not ordinarily listen to the classics at all. This subtle lesson in music appreciation has made composers such as Beethoven, Bach De-bussy, Rimsky-Korsakoff, Prokofieff and Ravel hospital corridor by-words, with Tschaikowsky and words, with Tschaikowsky and Strauss standing well above the others.

ers. We also have a problem which I hope you can help us on. It per-tains to popular music. We pur-chase our records once a month (around the first of each month), and then we are unable to purchase until the first of the following month. Any records that are re-leased during the month that are rue hits are bought up immediately, and we are having quite a time try-ing to get these new hits before they become "obsolete".

Our library fund reaches a grand total of \$100 a month, and this is for both classical and popular records. We have four sources of records, however: Thesaurus (N. B. C.) li-

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records average), covering everything from symphonies to jazz, and finally, our record purchase of \$100 a month.

I was wondering if it was possible I was wondering if it was possible thru your magazine to receive pre-releases of new recordings which would enrich our record library, also giving patients a complete coverage of popular music, and we, in turn, would plug these recordings for the companies and artists.

We are now running 28 hours of record shows daily, and six of these hours are exclusively request (classi-cal and popular). During these re-quest programs, I can gather in-formation as to which tunes are heading in what direction when they are finally released.

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### **Three New Spots** Start in Philly

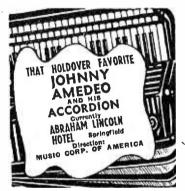
PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 19.—With New York: musical bars making for the major Eddie South activity after dark, next week brings Society Uptown three new cocktaileries to the local Peterson, of CR scene. Major interest centers in the new Ocean Room at the Drake Hotel, with the Herbert Ayers Trio teeing off to mark the first musical entertainment at the swank hostelry.

Also on the downtown scene is Eddie Mitchell's new musical bar, bowing Tuesday (22) with the Don Glazer Quartet. In the nabes, new Club Macombo joins the local cir-cuit, lighting up with Jimny Golden, planist who left Billy Eckstine's band to bow with his own quartet. In-cludes Al Steele, Tenor sax; Charlie Rice, drums, and Shrimpie Anderson, bass.

### Frisco Bars Ordered To Have Food Available

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19.-Bar owners here must be prepared in 30 days to serve a hot meal to any customer who asks for one or face loss of their liquor licenses. That was the statement made by George Reilly, board of equilization member, after

the state Supreme Court ruled Thursday (17) that serving drinks public place isn't legal. Sandwiches are not enough, Reilly said. Actually, 95 per cent of the city's bars already are equipped to equipment to obtain a license. The construction form Ken Murray's Hollywood from Ken Murray's Hollywood Montreal. Carl Vincent moved into Vogue Lounge after a long run at Tropics in Wolverine Hotel.... Dardanelle and equipment to obtain a license. The other 5 per cent got by since up to now the liquor enforcement agency had no clear definition of what food had to be served.





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Eddie South ork opening at Cafe Society Uptown October 22. . . Bill Peterson, of CRA office, convalescing from foot aliment. . . Andrews Sis-ters and Tony Pastor ork into Para-mount Theater December 18. . . Bookers Al Dow and John Stein Bookers Al Dow and John Stem angling to bring Fridolin's Continen-tal Revue into New York. Troupe is currently working in Montreal. . . . Major Bowes' Graduates into ... Major Bowes' Graduates into National Theater, Louisville, October 17 for one week. Said to be first Bowes' unit in four years... Jean Sablon goes into Wedgewood Room of Waldorf-Astoria for four-week re-turn date October 31.

Dorothy Douglas bowed at Village Vanguard Monday (21). . . . Korn Kobblers end a four-year stay at Rogers' Corner this month for 10-week theater tour, after which they will return to spot. . . . Four Step Brothers pacted to booking contract by Gale, Inc. . . . New Brooklyn supper club. Stardust Room, Hotel St. George, slated to how October 23 with Mar-

Wolverine Hotel. . . . Dardanelle and Her Men of Music opened remodeled

Her Men of Music opened remodeled Cafe Burgundy for fall season. . . . Pete Angle, who has his own cock-tail unit in addition to being musical director of WJBK, is opening his own lounge at Five Points, suburb. . . . William H. Lanksbury has taken over Caravan Gardens from Mrs. George Kangas. Louis Corsini's five-piece unit is booked in indefinitely for dencing dancing.

Elgin Mason, former local booking agent, is returning to Los Angeles, where he is now in the p. c. business, after a visit with his family here. . . Jim Deland and Wendell Mason. singing planists, opened October 7 at Chancellor Lounge in Barlum Hotel. Les Brown is new emsee at Club Stevadora.

### Philadelphia:

Bob Hall takes over the lead at Frank Palumbo's Cafe. . . Embassy Club re-lights with Jerry Cooper, Josephine Delmar and Phyllis Claire heading opening revue. . . Modern-aires with Paula Kelly new at Ciro's. . . . Gracie Barrie and Mark Bolero top new revue at Latin Casino. . . . Lily Ann Carol ex-Louis Prima dua Lily Ann Carol, ex-Louis Prima diva, added starter at the Coronet. . . . Pearl Williams new at the Hi-Hat Musical Bar.

Jiany Hamilton heads new fall revue at Hopkins Rathskeller. . . . Johnny Cahill returns to Kaliners Rathskeller. . . Jack Griffin heads the new revue at Ralph Puppio's Cumberland... Harry McKay and Daisy Mae usher in new season at Roman Grill... Warwick Hotel opened its newly decorated Warwick Room this

Terrace. . . . Ernie Young's ork will open the new Lord Baltimore Room, Hotel Maryland, first week in November.

#### Vancouver:

Mills Brothers opened at the Pala-mor Supper Club Monday (14).... Jack Teagarden ork into the State Theater for a week Sunday midnight matinee (13).

Elcota and Beatrice head line-up at the Cave. . . Bert Niosi, Canada's king of swing, playing terp dates here sponsored by War Memorial Committee....Ernie Buchana and His Music moved from the Embassy to Pender Auditorium.

#### Miami:

Lou Walters may produce a girl show at the Frolics in addition to Latin Quarter duties this winter... Patsy Shaw now warbling at Don Richards Famous Door where she opened October 2... Tommy Dowd, comedy magician, added to Clover bill....Birthday party honoring Dot Raymer, *Miami News* drama ed, beld at Famous Door. held at Famous Door.

### West Coast:

West Coast tour skedded by Miles Ingalls for Constance Moore, pic star, was canceled due to the strike. Miss Moore has now gone back to work in pix.

Doc Parker Trio draws an indefinite hold-over at El Toro Club, Al-bany, Calif. . . Jesse Price Quartet set for Brass Rail, Glendale. . . Joyce set for Brass Rail, Glendale...Joyce Wellington, pianist-thrush, moves to Bonanza Club, Reno, Nev., middle of month....Four Barons set for Boule-vard Club, Cour d'Alene, Idaho.... The Cutters, instrumental quartet, making four sides for Rhapsody Rec-ords... Men of Note set for La Casita, Riverside, Calif.... Vivian Green going into Colony Club, Oak-land. land.

Hunter Gray held over for another four weeks at Zanzibar, Sacramento. ... Roy Milton Sextet, now on Eastern personal appearance tour, slated to hit West Coast end of year with bookings in L. A.'s Million Dollar and Lincoln theaters set for January. . . . Frontier Girls returning for another stint at Oasis, Yuma, Ariz.... Evanna Cotton going into San Disgo's Stork Club middle of month. . . Buddy Banks held over at San Pedro Club, L. A. . . Downbeaters and Mitzi Triola (Ann's kid sister) opening at Morocco, L. A.

### Here and There:

Here and There: The Jordans at Lobby Cafe, Juarez, Mexico, thru October 27.... Robert Drake and Little Jeane at Rio Ca-bana, New Bedford, Mass. Slated next for Laurier Hotel, Lowell, Mass. ... Irene Brooks replaced Muriel King at New York La Martinique. Miss King now at One Fifth Avenue, New York... LaMaes opening re-turn engagement at Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, November 1.... Johnny Rempfer, house advance agent for Warner Bros. 14 years, for 10 of them chief biller of Hamid's Pier, Atlantic City, is now billposting for various spots in Long Beach, Calif. Jimmy Butts Trio at Esquire House,

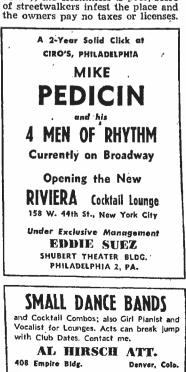
newly decorated Warwick Room this week with Bob Grant's band and Donal Richards's vocals.
St. Louis:
Professor Lamberti set at Crystal
Terrace, Park Plaza Hotel, for two weeks starting October 25... Joe Schirmer Trio *i* in Steeplechase at Hotel Chase... The Novel-Aires with vocalist Jean Webb in Merry-Go-Round, Park Plaza... Jack Herbert, comtc, at Club Continental, hotel Jefferson, with the Gaywoods, ballroom dancers... Maxine and Her Violin featured in Rendezvous Lounge... Carmen La Favre ork rounding out first year at Crystal
Nov Various Spots in Long Beach, Calif.
Jimmy Butts Trio at Esquire House, Schenectady, N. Y. ... Dick and Gina Court. ... Bob Kennedy heads stageshow at Brandt's Victory Theater, Bayonne, N. J., October 25-27. Bob Howard in for November 8-10... Tunesters in eighth month at Spa, Baltmore... Alan McPaige Trio Current at Merryland Club, Washington... Kirby Walker opened Inst. Washington... Bobby Martin at Rose Room, Newark, N. J...

## **Quebec Cops Enforce Curfew; Speaks Benefit**

MONTREAL, Oct. 19.-Periodical clamor of drys, politicos and religious authorities has caused the Quebec Liquor Commission to ask nitery operators to respect the laws regarding closing hours and Sunday restrictions. This time, however, commission seems more serious than usual about the whole business, and the ops are complaining bitterly to both provincial and municipal authorities that this forceful closing order is giving a break to the blind pigs which are cutting deeply into legitimate business.

Altho these restrictive laws have Altho these restrictive laws have been on the books for years, the au-thorities usually close their eyes in the case of well-kept niteries and clubs, except when the anti's make too big a howl. Such was the case a few months ago when provincial and municipal police joined hands to restrict liquor selling, Sunday floor-shows and Sunday dancing. Few weeks later the word was passed around that things were "back to normal" and that everything was okay as long as there was no abuse. Liquor police officials admit that they would prefer having legit places open would prefer having legit places open after the lawful hours rather than clip joints and blind pigs.

In the past few days, however, politicos and the church authorities have pressured the all-powerful Quebec Liquor Commission to have the law respected. Night club and bar operators have been approached personally by police, who have given them the order to respect the closing hour. Selling of liquor must stop at 2 a.m. and patrons must be out by 3. Police are particularly pressing the Sunday laws. On Sunday only beer can be sold between 1 and 9 p.m. only. No-show-on-Sunday law is circumvented by the ops who stage their shows at 12:05 a.m. on Monday. Legit ops claim the blind pigs, which have been practically out of business recently due to the fact that legit places were allowed to stay open after hours, sell cheap stuff at high prices (beer is \$1 and \$1.25 a bottle), the cleanliness is poor, score



# BALTIMORE BISTROS BATTLE **Clubs** Switch **To Name Acts** In Biz Drive

### **Boites Up Budgets**

BALTIMORE, Oct. 19 .--- If it was a ding-dong battle in Baltimore for the last six months it's a lot more than that now. Up to a few weeks ago it was the Charles vs. the Chanticleer. Both clubs managed to make a buck, depending on which had the bigger attractions. Now that the Walnut Grove has come into the ring everybody is swinging from the floor.

Francis McLane, owner of the Wal-ut Grove, put up about \$300,000 to build an impressive room way out in the country. Then he really went to work with a man-sized bank roll buying all kinds of expensive talent. His competitors said McLane couldn't make a go of it. Whether he will re-mains to be seen, but meanwhile he's knocking the other clubs' brains out

Right now the Grove is spending about \$11,000 for its show. Con-sidering the 1,000-seat capacity and tig effort to get established, nut isn't too high. It becomes too high if early efforts take too long to catch on. Yet the location of the new room calls for a big budget if it is to get the crowds to make the long trek. For his next show McLane has Harpo Marx and the Tony Pastor band. These two alone will cost him about 210 000 He above harpo druge tout \$10,000. He also has a dance team, girl singer and relief band.

Marx is a picture name, tho an un-certain cafe quantity, while Pastor is a juve favorite, but here again the a juve favorite, but here again the operation runs into trouble. Balti-more has a law which forbids any-body under 21 from entering any establishment selling liquor. Burden of proof of age falls on the operator. So the coca-cola trade which would have to pay the S2 minimum and would be attracted by bands such as Pastor's is automatically ruled out. As a result the Group plays to a beer and a result the Grove plays to a beer and pretzel trade; it takes a lot of suds to break even.

#### Chanticleer's Budget

The Chanticleer, in the center of town, is a 400-scater and operates on about a \$5,000 budget, figure varying about a \$5,000 budget, figure varying with attractions. Occasionally it spends almost \$8,000. Against Marx the Chanticleer will have Bert Wheeler, Yvette and a dance team and line. Majority of Chanticleer trade goes for scotch and rye at about a buck per shot. Grove charges about 60 cents. Chanticleer Marquee is seen by thousands, an advantage the Grove lacks. The Charles, easily the class room

The Charles, easily the class room The Charles, easily the class room of Baltimore, operates on about the same size budget as the Chanticleer and like it is also in the center of town. Room was completely over-hauled last spring and now seats about 450. But unlike the Grove or the Charles the Charles course about 450. But unlike the Grave of the Chanticleer the Charles serves food. It has an elaborate kitchen and expensive chefs. It's question-able how successful its food biz is.

There is hardly a cafe in the country that makes dough on its food and there is no reason to believe that the

Charles is an exception. When the Grove preemed there was an immediate drop by both the

### **Moulting Time**

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Oct. BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Oct. 19.—Theft this week of her six-foot African ostrich feather, just before she was supposed to go on at Walter's here, has tem-porarily put Manya Del Ray, fan dancer, out of business. Feather, valued at \$159, can't be replaced easily. Police are investigating.

**Celeb** Nights OK'd for Fla. **On Fee Basis** 

### AGVA Asks \$250 Weekly

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .-- Celeb night gimmick is back in the picture, but this time it's the Florida ops who are talent union head, says that for all practical purposes he is against all kinds of celebrity nights, but as a means to increase the union's death benefit fund he is willing to sanction it under certain conditions,

These conditions call for payment of \$250 a week to AGVA's national office and a guarantee that celeb nights will be part of regular policy. Payment must be on an annual basis with at least 50 per cent of the total to be paid in advance. Several clubs already have done so.

Permission for celeb nights cannot be given by any regional AGVA rep but must come from national headquarters.

Florida, a seasonal town, will get special dispensation. Instead of being on an annual basis, term will be for three months. Permit has been given to the Copacabana, with others seeking okays. As far as Philadelphia celeb nights are concerned, Shelvey said no permits have been granted.

Chanticleer and the Charles. Each has picked up since, but takes are definitely down. Business which the Chanticleer and the Charles used to share has been cut into by the new club. In pre-Grove days the two old clubs frequently played the same acts after a reasonable lapse of time. Now with a new club in the battle the problem of getting acts will become that much more difficult.

Business of getting attractions for William Morris) for the Chanticleer; Eddie Elkhort (MCA) for the Walnut Grove, and Sol Tepper for the Charles. Top cafe names are mostly William Morris properties and the assumption is that the Chanticleer gets the cream of the crop. In actual practice Tepper comes up with some pretty hot names, frequently buying acts that the Morris office feels it has an interest in even if they are not signed to the office. For example, the Charles will play Harry Richman, theoretically committed to the Chan-ticleer against Harro Mary ticleer, against Harpo Marx.

Elkhort, with his MCA stable, can also deliver some hot properties. As a matter of fact MCA is out to break into Baltimore, come what may. Its drive stems from the org's policy of net deals for all MCA properties. (Baltimore Clubs Switch, page 47)

# Indie Agents Plan Own Org To Fight Net Commish Deal

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—A new organization made up of small agents is being mulled with the idea of standing up to the major offices. Ever since the big talent agencies agreed on a policy of no commission splits, indies have had a tough time. Policy has hurt them so much that an un-official taboo has been placed by the indies on offices which refuse to split the 10 per cent. Altho the trade admits that net deals for attractions can't be avoided, the indies' cry is against the policy spreading to all acts. It's up the semilaret denantment where the hove make a buck. Agents who are

be avoided, the indies' cry is against the policy spreading to all acts. It's m the small-act department where the boys make a buck. Agents who are talking up the new combine say that one of the plans will be an effort to undereut biggies. To make it stick, every agent who comes into the org will have to agree to the plan, which will run something like this: when a big office calls on indie and asks for an act, indie is to ask for what spot he is wanted. After hearing the name of the spot, indie is to ask for what spot he is wanted. After hearing the name of the spot, indie is to ask for what spot he is wanted. After hearing the name of the spot, indie is to ask for what spot he is wanted. After hearing the name of the spot, one is the orgen of the spot. quote a figure of the spot infile is to regular price may be \$400. Indie will then go direct to the spot and offer the turn for \$400.

offer the turn for \$400. Indies argue that that is exactly what the big offices are doing on their own properties, quoting agents one price and operators a lower one. If indies join together they claim they too can use the same tactics. Since all the indies together control more acts than the big offices, they feel that such an org, if it sticks to-gether, can make the biggies yell "uncle."

At the same time there is a grassroots movement among the indics to bring their problem before the De-cember meeting of the Artists' Repre-sentatives' Association. They are now sentatives' Association. They are now talking up a drive to get the smallies to unite to do something about changing the leaders of ARA. They argue the governing body is made up of big office reps who have no con-cern with the problems of the indie. Various agents say that if ARA, t its nort meeting will continue to

at its next meeting, will continue to "hand-pick" its governors they will quit ARA and join whatever new org is set up.

Indies interested in the new org are doing so very hush-hush. They all say they have to do business with the big offices, and if these hear they're forming to fight back, the battle will start before they're ready for it. A battle, however, is in the cards.

### Lincoln, L. A., Ends All - Negro Vaude

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19.-Lincoln Theater, Negro vaude-pix house, will darken its stage Monday (28) and turn to all flicker fare. Reason for vaude blackout is lack of biz. Sherill Corwin, Metropolitan Theaters exce, bought the house from Harry Pookin last May and hoped to lure Negro trade by opening last July with stage trade by opening last July with stage policy. Idea was to book acts into Lincoln for one week, then switch same show to the Corwin-operated Million Dollar, town's only remaining vaude house. Corwin will throw in stagers from time to time and already has Louis Jordan skedded for this winter winter.

Some bookers blame Lincoln's Some bookers blame Lincoln's shows for the low gross streak that has plagued Million Dollar the past couple of months. Since Million Dol-lar admits Negro customers, per-centers say Corwin competed with himself by opening a second vaude house. Management, however, bank-ed on war-born boost in town's Negro population to fill both theaters. Showbiz slump hitting the Coast sank Corwin's plans. sank Corwin's plans.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Jack Irving, Chicago AGVA head, will take over the West Coast territory starting No-vember 1. Arrangement will be temporary, lasting until about January

porary, lasting until about January I. Sam London, Great Lakes AGVA regional head, will move to Miami for the season (November 1-March 1) to take over that area. He will be assisted by Jerry Hirsch. The Great Lakes district will be run by Al Locastro and Lou Savolar Al Locastro and Lou Smoley,

Al Locastro and Lou Smoley, Dismissal of Arthur Kaye as AGVA's West Coast rep (*The Bill-*board, October 19) is expected to pave the way for eventual settle-ment of differences between nitery ops and union.

Kaye's removal leaves several important controversies still unsettled. Union demand for cash bonds, which Union demand for cash bonds, which blew up into national issue last August, was outwardly settled when top night spots reportedly shelled out a total of \$12,500 in bonds. It was learned recently, however, that AGVA received and accepted a joint bond from six spots totaling only \$5,000. Slapsy Maxie's and Floren-tine Gardens, two largest spots, each gave \$1,500, while Band Box, Larry Potter, Bar of Music and Charley Foy each came thru with \$500 each. Club Wants To Withdraw

### **Club Wants To Withdraw**

Joint bond was to be used to pay Joint bond was to be used to pay off acts in case of default by any contributing clubs. Understood now, however, that at least one club would like to take dough out of the joint pool and give individual cash guaran-tee for his own spot. With biz drop-ping, this owner is reluctant to take rap in case other guy doesn't pay off. Should others contributing to joint bond go along and withdraw dough, entire situation will be once again forced into negotiation.

again forced into negotiation. Still another problem to be settled is so-called six-day week which was to have become effective in Las Vegas, Nev., September 1. Las Vegas was chosen as test city, with feeling that once the six-day week was put into effect there other West Coast centers would fall in line. With Kaye out of the picture, how-ever. it is expected that AGVA will

With Kaye out of the picture, how-ever, it is expected that AGVA will reopen cases in an effort to discover and eliminate causes of current gripes. Shelvey will, in all proba-bility, trek coastward around first of the month give entire situation another look-see.

### Fire Destroys Pa. Spot

HARVEY'S LAKE, Pa., Oct. 19.— Fire late Saturday night (12) de-stroyed Harvey's Lake Night Club, owned by Anthony Burnett. Burnett estimated his loss at \$10,000.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Acts working in Philadelphia must get paid such by Matt Shelvey, AGVA head, just before he left for the Mayo Clinic. Decision arose out of long-standing arguments between Philly spots and AGVA and was brought to a head by contract issued by Arthur Fisher, new Coronet Club booker.

Fisher bought Joey Adams, Mark Plant and Tony, Canzoneri to open at the Coronet December 26. In the contract he returned to Sol Tepper, who handles the boys for niteries, Fisher put a clause that said the acts would be required to work Sundays if the club had private parties or banquets. Tepper called AGVA and ruling resulted.

Philadelphia has a local law which doesn't permit cafes to run Sundays. It is a common practice, however, for clubs to stay open Sundays by selling their room to private parties and then asking the performers to work on that day as part of their regular work week. According to the decision, any actor who works Sundays in that town must get paid extra. Deal can-not be included in a regular contract. It must be treated as a special engagement.

### **D.** C. Hotel Strike **Helps Nitery Biz**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19, — Air-tight strike on Capital's hotels is sending a flurry of added biz to non-hotel niteries and eateries. Strike by hotel employees is regarded as one of the tightest in history here, with the big hostelvies forced to brown-out their night spots. Result is that hundreds of customers are looking clsewhere for their entertainment.

Strike entered its second week today, with picket lines lengthening and usual nocturnal customers getting used to the idea of abandoning their favorite cocktail haunts for new atmosphere. Washington's night-life crowds continue heavy as ever, and business outside the hotels is, from all reports, bright.

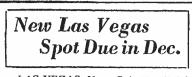
### AGVA Stymics Policy Switch by Falato's, Chi

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- Falato's, for-CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Falato's, for-merly the 51 Hundred Club, North Side bistro, will be unable to switch from its present policy of using vaude-type cocktail combos to an act policy, as planned by op AI Fa-lato, until \$1,650 is forked over to AGVA here to make up for a sum which acts dropped eight months ago when the spot folded as the 51 when the spot folded as the 51 Hundred Club. At that time the nitery was opped by Byron Massel and Henry Weiss.

Falato has refused to pay the sum demanded by AGVA, pointing out that he feels no obligation to pay debts incurred by the former op.

### Frisco To License N.C. Fotogs

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19. A \$100 annual tax for night club pho-tographer licenses and \$20 a year for each solicitor has been approved by each solution has been approved by the board of supervisors on recom-mendation of Police Chief Charles W. Dullea. Camera girls will be fingerprinted and required to wear identification badges.



LAS VEGAS, Nev., Oct. 19.—Hotel Flamingo, city's newest and most luxurious hotel-casino-night club, is skedded to open December 26, with top-budget acts and an ork being booked for the opening.

New hotel, located on Los Angeles Highway, five miles from heart of the city, is said to be the last word in accommodations, activities and en-tertainment, and will aim at attracting top Hollywood show people. ing top hollywood show people. Tal-ent agencies are currently bidding for booking rights, offering name at-tractions in line with total budget reported at about \$12,000 per week. Spot will pay between \$5,000 and \$7,000 weekly for bands, rest being allotted for acts allotted for acts.

Still another luxury hotel to be rected here will be Frank Sinatra's Hotel New Horizon. Der Bingle, like-wise, will build a large resort community in vicinity of Boulder Dam's Lake Mead, approximately 30 miles from Las Vegas.

# **Biz Takes Dip** In Cincy Area CINCINNATI, Oct. 19.—Nitery biz

in this area has dropped perceptibly in the last four weeks with the falloff estimated at between 15 and 20 per cent. Drop has hit minor and

per cent. Drop has no minor the major clubs alike. Gibson Hotel's Sidewalk Cafe, fea-turing dining and dancing, and the Hotel Netherland Plaza's Restaurant Hotel Netherland Plaza's Restaurant Continentale, on an ice-show policy for the last six years, experienced bonanza business all thru the war period. Same holds true for the major over-the-river niteries, such as Beverly Hills Country Club, Glenn Rendezvous and the Latin Quarter, all in Newport, Ky., and the Look-out House, Covington, Ky. Ons are not too alarmed over the

Ops are not too alarmed over the drop in patronage, figuring it just a natural retrenchment toward nor-malcy and something that had to come sooner or later. Cut in business will have no effect on the Kentucky clubs' heavy talent budgets. Early-show business still holds up

well, but the clubs have been having well, but the clubs have been having difficulty holding a quorum of the patronage for the late shows with the exception of the week-ends. Gradual sluff in late-show biz has been noticeable since the midnight curfew was instituted during the war days. The Kentucky clubs, with the exception of the Latin Quarter, offer two shows nightly, with the last com-ing at 1 a.m. Latin Quarter does three a night, with the final offering

at 3 a.m. Beverly Hills Country Club is planning on moving its late show up to 12:30, and with the new season, which begins in March, may even go to a midnight finale.

### **Ex-AGVA** Cashier Indicted **On Grand Larceny Charge**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19. — Marion Cusak (ex-Marion Marlowe ballet dancer), former cashier of the AGVA New York office, was indicted by the New York Grand Jury Wednesday (16) for grand larceny in the first degree. Mrs. Cusak, it was alleged, had been pocketing members' dues which, she is said to have told the district attorney, was being used to finance Henry Woode, a new band. Shortage was discovered by auditors last Au-gust, who notified Dave Fox, New York AGVA head, who in turn called

in the D. A. When she was faced with the charge, she is alleged to have said that she had "borrowed" the dues

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## New York: **Total Stem Trade Tapers;** MH Fair 142<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>G, Others Dive

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Despite a preem at the Radio City Music Hall. agregate take of Stem vaude-filmers was down last week as against the previous week. Over-all figure for the six houses was \$399,500, compared with previous week's \$410,000. Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats: average \$110,000) collected \$142,500

# **Courtney Big** In 3d Chi Wk.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19,--Del Court-ney's ork, with Chris Cross and Jayne Walton supporting, climaxed a three-week stand at the Oriental Theater (2,800 seats, 65-95 cents) Thursday (17) with a final-week figure of \$44,000, which proved the best thirdweek grosser for the house in the past month.

Drop from first week was only \$59,000, when Courtney bill pulled \$59,000, while second week pulled \$52,000. Pic, Holiday in Mexico.

Ciro's, Mocambo In Plug Swap For Off Nights

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19 .- Two of Hollywood's lushest sunset strip night spots, ordinarily highly com-petitive rivals, last week worked out a reciprocal deal whereby each is to plug the other on off nights. Spots are Ciro's and Mocambo, and deal, on a four-week experimental basis, calls for Ciro's to shutter Tuesdays and Mocambo Mondays. Reservation calls on dark nights will be referred to other club, with signs displayed outside niteries advising patrons to visit other club.

Cross-plugging goes into effect Monday (21) and is expected to bene-fit Ciro's immediately, since Carmen Cavallare, current attenution in the BOSTION Of the International Contents of the Content of th Cavallaro, current attraction, is off on Tuesdays, and alternate band fails to draw enough biz to pay off.

### Kathryn Duffy Dancers Into Two New Spots

CINCINNATI, Oct. 19 .-- Kathryn Duffy, in her third year as producer at Beverly Hills Country Club here, featuring her 12 Kathryn Duffy Dancers, has added two more class spots ers, has added two more class spots to her books, Northwood Inn, Detroit, and Bill Miller's Riviera, Fort Lee, N. J. In addition to producing, she will have an eight-girl unit at each spot.

Duffy Dancers began the Riviera run Thursday (17) and move into the Detroit Club October 29. Miss Duffy recently concluded an 18-month run at the Glass Hat of the Hotel Bel-mont, New York. It was her third engagement there.

and if the shortage, claimed to be \$3,200, had not been discovered, she would have repaid every cent and been in the money herself. AGVA said that she had returned \$400 and that the rest of the money was cov-ered by surety bond. Ex-AGVA ered by surety bond. Ex-AGVA cashier will now face a trial jury and a judge. Penalty for grand larceny in the first degree is 10 to 20 years.

 Radio City Music Hall (6.200 seats: average \$110,000) collected \$142,500

 for its preem with Nip Nelson, Rudy Tone and the Jolson Story.

 Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$75,000) for its third and final week with

 Beatrice Kay, Maurice Rocco and Three Little Girls in Blue did \$62,000,

 compared with previous week's

 \$65,000 and opener of \$98,000. New

 bill, reviewed in this issue, has

 Frances Langford, Jon Hall, Al Berpion

 nie, Carl Ravazza and Margie.

The Billbourd

Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$72,-000) fell off to \$49,000 for its third and last frame with Paul Whiteman ork, Martha Tilton and Three Wise Fools, after opening with \$73,000, fol-lowed by \$59,000. New bill, reviewed this issue has Les Prouw ork Hanny this issue, has Les Brown ork, Henny Youngman, Bill Johnson and No Leave, No Love.

### Six Weeks for Para

Paramount (3,654 seats; average \$75,000) bowed out with \$60,000 for its sixth and last week with Charlie Spivak's band, Peggy Lee, Bob Evans and Monsieur Beaucaire. Bill teed off with \$110,000, followed by \$100,-000; \$87,000, \$81,000 and \$65,000. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Stan Kenton ork, Dean Murphy and Blue Skies.

Strand (2,770 seats; average \$45,-000) slipped to \$57,000 for its second week with Alvina Rey's ork, Jcan Carroll, Sondra Barrett and Cloak and Dagger. Opened with \$78,000.

Loew's State (3,500 seats; average \$25,000) lifted slightly to \$29,000 for Milt Britton, Edith Fellows, Faul Haakon and second week of Holiday in Mexico. Previous week's figure was \$28,000. New bill, reviewed this issue, has Smith and Dale, Hal Le-Roy and Strange Love of Martha Ivers.

### Boston:

# Series Puts RKO

BOSTON, Oct. 19.—Amid World Series fever and OPA confusion, RKO-Boston business held up sol-idly with Bob Crosby and band on stage and Crack-Up on the screen. Biz at this house has held up well even when grosses dipped sharply around town. Week ending Wednesaround town. Week ending Wednes-day (16) pulled \$35,000, \$6,000 above average.

Current stageshow has Dave Apollon and his revue plus Paul Remos and the Three Rockets, Double-feature bill on the screen includes Captain Caution and Captain Fury.

### Los Angeles:

## **Impotent 19G** For "Vanities"

LOS ANGELES. Oct. 19 \_\_\_\_ Farl Carroll Vanities will bring a mildish \$19,000 this week at the Million Dollar, falling short of house average by \$5,000. Pic, Strange Voyage.

Double-barreled offering last week ണ് Billy Eckstine ork and Eddy Howard combo pulled a weak \$20,600 in 27 performances. Stage bill also had Mack and Ace, with pic offering of Glass Alibi completing the bill. **NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE** 

Marine Dining Room, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago (Thursday, October 17)

Room's decorators have changed atmosphere to completely rustic scene with checked gingham tablecloths, pumpkins and other Halloween trimmings. Decor is pleasant change from usual garish nitery interior and especially fitting for fall show opening.

Show has been expanded, with three acts on bill. Martin Brothers opened with their marionette turn, which grabbed far better response than at the Chicago Theater, where their fine puppet work was lost to crowds in balcony. Grabbed good mitt for each bit.

Pitchmen in second slot are doing same routine they've been doing locally for past three years, but boys wisely see that they are booked into different type locations here each time so that their work gets top attention.

, Four Moroccans, tumbling and acro male foursome, really put sock finish to show, working in Egyptian produc-tion number. Boys do different type of stands, interspersed with tumbling, and racked up 100 per cent on the applause meter.

Stephen Kisley's ork, in a Wayne King groove, is just right for orchestral show background and dancing.

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Talent Policy: Dance bands and floorshows at 9, 12 and 3. Owners-opertors, Kitty and Danny Davis. Prices: \$2.50 minimum.

New show here offered two canarics, both doing a similar brand of songs. Jayne Manners is held over and going strong with her sophisticated material; Ann Brewster is new. Opened with Anything Goes, follow-ing with Not Worth the Wear and Tear. Character studies with the one about the gal from the other side of the tracks made sock comedy.

Pat Chandler, emsee, overcoming nervousness as he warmed up, put across some clever parodies. Impersonations of Jerry Colonna, Slapsy Maxie and Barry Fitzgerald scored big. Cleaned up with Jimmy Durante, his topper.

Vince and Clara Haydocks, brother and sister hoofers, proved their worth when they jumped rope while doing a rapid fire finish. Good.

Roy Douglas and Eddie, his dummy, stole the show. Compares favorably with top ventriloquists, but some of his gags are a bit ancient. Getting rid of the dummy in a suitcase evoked roars of laughter. Insistent mitt brought out Mrs. Douglas with a fem dummy. Pair had to beg off.

Johnny Silver ork handled the show without a slip. Biz capacity.



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### Kitty Davis, Miami Beach Cotillion Room, Hotel Pierre, New York (Tuesday, October 15)

Talent Policy: Shows at 9:15 and 12:15. Room manager, Charles Reader; owner, Hotel Pierre; publicity, Paul Coates.

New show with new band and new entertainment director, started off with a lot of promise, but never lived up to it. There seemed to be lived up to it. There seemed to be two things wrong with it. Intros by Charles Reader were labored and replete with platitudes. An act com-ing out after one of his build-ups would have to be nothing short of sensational. In addition, Reader drags out a xylophone for a couple of soporific solos. This is excellent if the management wants its cus-tomers to snore, but it works a hard-ship on any act that follows. Show obened brightly enough with

Show opened brightly enough with a solo by Gonsalves-Menconi orches-tra (5), doing an original, Cubano. Boys did nicely on the rumba beats. Boys did nicely on the rumba beats. Next came Roberto and Alicia, fla-menco team, who really pulled hands. The kids' appearance, exciting Gypsy terps, castanet clicks and heel work, made the customers tingle. Particu-larly effective was their flashy and rousing solo work. Showed one num-ber, sans music (just drums), to which they worked in a flame-col-ored spot. Gigantic silhouettes and furious dancing produced a primitive effect that captured the imagination. effect that captured the imagination.

Result was a terrif mitt. Reader and his hammer-hocking stuff came next and when he was thru every thing dropped with a dull thru every thing dropped with a dull thud. After him came the Nilsson Twins, introed as "two charming young Swedes." Twins are beautiful and apparently identical—at least it's hard to tell them apart. They're tall, slim blondes, with charm galore, but unfortunately their charm and class disappears as soon as they start singing. Material, a combo of satire and corn, plus slavstick, means satire and corn, plus slapstick, means nothing. They bounce around a la Betty Hutton, but miss fire. They might make a theater act, but don't stack up as class hotel room per-formers. Yet, looks are so outstand-ing, that given a smart routine, kids

Show music is handled capably. Dance music was not. When Reader's ork was on, it sounded as tho it should be behind palms; the rumbas of Gonsalves-Menconi filled the floor.

### Embassy, New York

(Tuesday, October 15)

Talent Pólicy: Floorshows at 8:30, 12:30 and 2:30. Operator. Bill Miller; publicity, Howie Horwitz. Prices: \$3-\$3.50 minimum.

Second show of the fall season here has some fine singing and excellent solo dancing. Opened with Cabot and Dresden, ballroom team, who did okay with' their lifts. But it was only their one-armed lift spins which was determined. Their struight won good receptions. Their straight terping and tricky half lifts meant nothing. For one thing, the man was obviously struggling and straining to get the gal up. For another, the gal appeared tense as if expecting an accident.

Estelita, looking a little heavier than when last caught, still proved a good Latin personality singer. Mangood Latin personality singer. Man-aged to get a lot of verve into her chants, playing with the ringsiders for chuckles. Her Stone Cold Dead in the Market sounded like it was made for her. With her rolling r-r-r's, natural accent and flashing eyes, number was sock.

Fanchon, who's been around for some time, managed to get an unbe-lievable amount of speed into her interpretative ballets and modern dance routines. Did three numbers and finited with Back damaged and finished with Park Avenue, eas-ily the most commercial and the best received. Dance is satirical take-off of phony social registerite who for-

Latin Quarter, Newport, Ky. (Friday, October 18)

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

Production goes above par here with the return of the Jule Sollberg-captained Muriel Kretlow Dancers (6), in for their third time in as (6), in for their third time in as many years. Talent array is headed up by the Golden Gate Quartet (5) and solidly paced by Emsee-Singer Jack O'Neil, who offers ear-pleasing tenoring of *Therc's a Great Day Com-ing* to open the show. Should do more of it. Krethow lassies, attractively at-tired in filmsy costumes gain ap-

more of n. Kretlow lassies, attractively ar-tired in flimsy costumes, gain ap-proval with a spirited jive and jump routine. Work with a refreshing vivacity. Three Edwards Brothers add plenty

Three Edwards Brothers add plenty to proceedings with their speedy acro-balancing numbers which fea-ture the usual assortment of tum-bling, somersaulting and lifts and spins, but the ease with which they consort over and under tables is standout stuff. Breath-taker is their pyramiding of tables and chairs on a four-bottle hase, with one of the lads four-bottle base, with one of the lads doing a neat handstand. Coley Worth, comedy impressionist, garnered titters with his screwball

fiddling, won belly chuckles with a subtle chatter and mimicry line and scored a sock hand with a Groucho Marx take-off and a humorous jitterbug routine. Golden Gate Quartet clicked at

colden Gate Quartet checked at out-set with an attention-getting swingeroo job on Runnin' Wild and Alabamy Bound, plus ace torching on Prisoner of Love. Big hand brought them back for spiritualistic version of Shadrach, well handled. On the second recall lads did a well-con-ceived and arranged Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho. Skipped to a thunderous mitt and begged off.

Kretlow Dancers scored handsomein the closer with a Rumbalero. Show cutting and dance music well done by Sammy Leeds ork (8). Charlie Hudson still boffing 'em at the bar with his organ-pianistics.

### La Salle Circle Lounge, Milwaukee (Saturday, October 12)

Talent Policy: Shows at 8:30, 10:30 and 12:30. Owner, A. J. Nyberg. Manager, Ruby Delaware. Prices: \$1.20 cover.

Packed Lounge gave the singing Lind Brothers hearty applause. Starting with Dark Eyes, the men warmed up with Donkey Serenade, and then up with Donkey Serenade, and then had the audience toe-tapping to their light-touch My Little Cousin. Vesti la Giubba, done in several languages, got a big hand. Did Doin' What Comes Natur'lly, and for an encore, Begin the Beguine. Eili, Eili, finale, had the usually staid quidence which had the usually staid audience whistling and stamping their feet in approval.

Carroll Ernst did a stand-out job of trumpet playing in the back-ground while the Lind Brothers sang, and the Russ Zarling orchestra did a good job of backgrounding the whole musical program. Pattie Regan, who has an infectious smile, got a big hand for her songs, and Dick Knight, who is improving fast, showed good poise and a flexible voice.

gets her pompousness when she hears a boogie beat. Number showed originality and Fanchon gave it enough humor to carn effective laughs.

Laughs. Chucho Martinez did a fine job with his Latin tonsil tossing. Boy's soft caressing tones hushed the room completely. His almost perfect phras-ing and his choice of songs earned him recall after recall. Started off with four numbers but was forced back for three more.

Irwin Kent ork cut the show and Noro Morales supplied the rumba. beats.

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### Leon and Eddie's, New York (Wednesday, October 16)

Talent Policy: Floorshows at 8:30, 10:30, 12:30 and 2:30. Owner-operators, Leon Enken, Eddle Davis; publicity, Dorothy Gulman, Prices: \$2:50 minimum.

One of the best shows seen here a long time preemed Wednesday in in a long time preened wetnesday night. Bill is loaded with entertain-ment nuggets and pulls sock hands practically all the way. Topper, nat-urally, is Eddie Davis. The way that guy takes corn and makes it commer-ping as the wighting function of the time. cial so the visiting firemen gobble it up is amazing. Davis showed up with new material, most of it in his บบ usual vein. But one number, a Gilbert and Sullivan parody, without a blue line in it, rang the bell. Long-beaked fellow also did an after-bit with Sherry Britton, a satirical dia-log between Rhett Butler and Scarlett O'Hara, which just about killed 'em. With a hep mob out front, this bit will probably be sensational.

The surprise of the card was the Armory Quartet. Four tall boys, last caught with Art Mooney band and later at the Roxy, have changed style completely. Today they are a kind of white Golden Gate Quartet. Their bouncy spirituals had a vibrancy and rhythm which was infectious from the first note. Even their Gypsy was wonderful voice blending. The kids stopped the show cold and had to come back. The Armory group is going places.

Show opened with Val and Joy, boy and girl hoofers. Kids are both young and impressed with their good looks and routines. Next came Lee Noble, magician. Tricks are ordinary, but style and chatter lifted it out of the average class. Boy showed an ability to hold his audience all the way.

Bromley and Barrett, two lads, doing a slow lift and balancing act, also were good applause pullers. Their one armed lift from the floor was particularly effective.

Sherry Britton, back again, is still one of the best strippers in the business. She put enough coyness and sex into her act to make even the fems applaud. Incidentally, her read-ing of lines (in the after bit with Davis), showed a surprising acting ability.

Dick Raymond, singing emsee, was pleasant both in looks as well as chanting. The Frank Shepherd line (8) was attractively costumed and went thru three routines with spirit and skill. Art Waner's ork cut the show.

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### Florentine Gardens, Hollywood

(Wednesday, October 16)

Talent Policy: Dancing and floorshows at 9:30 and 12. President, Frank Bruni; pub-licity, Rose Joseph Alison and David Alison; muitre d'hotel, Eddie Brady. Prices; From \$1.50.

Pinky Lee is the new headliner who shares honors with Jack Hilliard, Marilyn Hare, Igor and Tanya, Rivas Troupe and Linda Lombard in the current revue, Laffs With Pinky. Show opens with the 12-gal line in short wardrobe parading on and waving banners announcing Lee's litical" campaign. Second production number, Cavalcade of Books, is spotted halfway thru the 90-minute show, and the third, Doing the Hula Rhumba, closes.

Igor and Tanya, ballroom dancers, show versatility to the payees' satis-faction. Best reaction came from their fast turn with graceful lifts and Igor's rapid-fire spin across the floor with Tanya perched on his shoulders for the finish.

Miss Hare has a spot in Cavalcade as Sophie Tucker, and her singing a la Tucker wins a hand. Allotted her own spot, she handles the takeoff on South America, Take It Away most ably. Her material isn't too cleverly done. Miss Lombard en-countered a faulty mike during her vocalizing in *Cavalcade* which un-doubtedly prevented her from doing her best. The Rivas Troupe, six acrobats, do serious lifting and pyramid to a good hand.

Cavalcade of Books, with its largo front jacket showing best sellers, depicts characters from 17 tomes. As the jackets are turned the main character is imitated by a Florentine lovely. Outstanding are Miss Hare in her Sophie Tucker role for Some of These Days and Joan Brandon for The Outlaw.

Pinky Lee works thruout the show. Pinky Lee works thrubut the show, His new material needs polish, but his familiar lines are still fresh and strong enough to pull him thru to good hands. Outstanding was his *Grammatically Speaking* in which, in his lisping manner, he advises rather combervisedly, what for he down sophomorically what can be done with a preposition. Hilliard plays straight to Lee and emsees, both in

good style. Emil Baffa's ork (14) does okay job playing the show and for dancing. Biz good.

S. F. Copa Reopens; 'Mickey' Charge to Court, 4 Are Held

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19.—Copa-cabana, closed since August 24, when four employees allegedly slipped "mickey finns" to Band Leader Noel DeSelva and several of his musicians, reopened Wednesday (16). Musicians' union, which pulled the band out of the nitery after the incident, per-mitted the band to return to the club and play while the case goes to the courts. Four accused employees have been arrested and bound over to Superior Court, where the case is to be

heard in about eight weeks. Meanwhile AGVA has collected \$4,000 for Bedell and Matson on their four-week contract at the Copa, even the the pair were unable to fill their engagement. Spot was closed before the act opened when the band was yanked.

Ella Mae Morse, who played out a week of a scheduled two-week run, made no attempt to collect on extra week due her in contract. Chorus was kept on half pay, with musicians getting same from the union.

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Hank Coughlin, owner of this wellentrenched Long Island spot, recently gave his tayern an extensive 100G face-lifting, increasing the seating capacity to 700, setting up a new kitchen and installing new lights and decor. It's a smart-looking place now, but the lights, fed from ceiling banks and troughs, are far too bright once the dinner hour is over. Intimacy required for supper and post-supper drinking is lacking.

Lou Nelson, comic; Sonny King, tenor, and Vic Charles, puppeteer, headlined an hour show. Additionally there are Reva Lee Deane, hoofer, and a line, the Boulevardiers (7), with the show staged by Sidney Sprague. For this type nabery it's more than satisfactory, altho the spotting of the acts could be improved -notably by bringing King on later, with Charles moved down into his spot. King deuces now, but his work rates a more important spot. Con-versely, Charles is not strong enough for next to closing.

An ex-pug, King's crooner-type high tenor fills the room well, and good selection of songs helps put him over. However, he's still too tense and impassive on the floor. He should loosen up and use more gestures. Nevertheless, he scores well, especially with Italo-English lyrics to Sor-rento, done quite effectively and, to close, an imitash of a jivester swinging Donkey Serenade. He should keep his voice in middle register-when he goes high or low he reaches much too much.

Charles docs a more or less standard puppet turn, working on round platforms brought on from off-stage. With the exception of his last bit, an with the exception of his last bit, an ice skating routine, he'd probably improve his act by working behind a screen. In full view much of the charm of puppetry is dissipated. Does a Negro hoofer, an opera soprano, both weak; a drunk, fair, and the skater, good. Part of the drunk is in screenble taste with the schurt there. execrable taste, with the stew throwing up. It's not only in bad taste, but it's poor business savvy, especially in a place where the main income derives from dispensing hooch.

Lou Nelson is a promising comic, well-liked here, with a pleasant, bright personality. Hindered by a small house, much of his better ma-terial went to waste. Relies almost exclusively on off-color stuff, aggravated by the fact that most of it isn't value by the fact that how of train even good blue material. A change of script, plus a change of pace, and Nelson would rate big time. As it is, tho, he clicked.

Opener is Reva Lee Deane, a cute Opener is Reva Lee Deane, a cute tapper, who pleased with standard rhythms. Poor lighting—character-istic of the whole show, the nitery lacking a traveling spot—makes it tough for the youngster to sell' her wares. The line does three numbers, all poorly costumed and pretty much small time.

Bill Henry's ork (7), plus leader on trombone and fiddle, dish out the dansapation and show, making a lot of music for a small combo. Some of the show, however, is done over fortissimo.

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(Continued from page 44) Both the Charles and the Chanticleer would like to use MCA properties, but elimination of the booker's cuts is an obstacle. Right now Tepper is in a legal tangle with MCA over his commission on Martha Tilton, an MCA-er.

### More \$ for Talent

What it adds up to is that with three clubs fighting it out attractions will get more and more dough. Trade observers say, however, that while names will get more the rooms will do less. End result, they say, is that there may be a folderoo or a com-plete policy switch. Spot most likely to change its policy, say insiders, will be the Walnut Grove. It is understood that McLane already is mulling a straight name-band policy after present commitments, running into present commune. Christmas, are filled.

All three clubs would like to buy their names for one-week stands, thus getting a hypo every week. However there is the question of avail-ability plus the equally important one of money. One large agency said that any attraction that would play a one-weeker would insist on at least time and a half.

Also entering the situation is the fact that Baltimore is not a late town. It does business for first shows about 10 p.m. but dies for midnight shows. Week-ends are big, but few niteries can continue big-time operations on just week-end takes. Actually town isn't very hot for more than two weeks with anything. It has played the biggest. They open big but usually fade before two weeks are up.

Another drawback is a lack of newspaper support. After-dark rooms spend plenty in daily ads. Some even buy full pages for preems, yet dailies give them virtually no publicity. A few weeks ago there was a mass benefit in town for a man who was benefit in town for a man who was crippled when he helped a cop dur-ing a stick-up. Benefit pulled every act in town and was staged at the Walnut Grove. Papers gave the story a big play but nowhere did they men-tion the Walnut Grove. It's that way with every club in town.





The Billboard

### Oriental, Chicago

(Priday Afternoon, October 18) House keeps commercial band heading this week, with Frankie Carle following three weeks of Del Courtney's music. Switch to different styled music might have hypoed gross.

Carle's band pulled mitts consistently in every department, Leader is spending more time away from the piano and has acquired more aplonb at mike and in fronting crew. Still manages to sneak away often to piano bench, where his solos usually grabbed mitt at start and finish. Carle scorings are just what Midwest eats up, with nothing too jumpy and melody emphasized always. Vocal corps is new to Chicago, with singers Marjorie Hughes and Gregg Lawrence displaying full, relaxed voices which indicate plenty of schooling. Throating evoked hefty palm whacking. Carle has come up with a great novelty, Chick With the Band, in which la Hughes brings out that Frankie is her dad and his alternate 88-er is her hubby.

Helene and Howard deserved and got plenty of chuckles and milting because they're a comedy ballroom duo that has something entirely different. Team stresses interesting acro variations in their hokey terping and get best response when gal puts guy thru judo spins.

Johnny Morgan started off in the left right groove and kept his comedy top Char drawer until closing, when his paredy Morg on symphony batoneer started to rent drag. He uses plenty double en- yocks tendre, but his distinctive, coy de- ter.c livery makes jokes lose any taint of tine,

### VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

Olympia, Miami (Wednesday, October 16)

A sock show this week, every act clicking. Ray Heatherton, in stellar spot, is a likable chap with a fine tenor coupled with plenty of charm. Leaned to the Irish side for numbers and drew plenty of laughs on stories. Dick Bernie and Eddie Lane, with an unbilled stately fem, ran a close second. A telephone bit with Bernie in the middle was a sure-fire ribtickler. Plenty of comedy and closed to tremendous mitt.

Daisy the Wonder Horse is back again. The boys, fore and aft, are both good hoofers, with a graceful fem to run thru the antics. Nice hand.

Carlton, and Dell, mixed team, offered a terp specialty in which the acro stunts of Miss Dell stand out. On their new steps they were palmed heavily at finish.

Marshall Rogers, vaude vet, still using the touch system to get harmony out of glasses of all sizes and shapes. Took several bows. Pic, Crackup. Biz big.

embarrassment. Did best parody on housing shortage. Instead of hearing parodies made up of tunes that have left The Billboard's Popularity Charts months and years ago, the Morgan song story was full of current faves. Received additional yocks. Housing bit would make better closer than his conductor's rou-





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### Roxy, New York

(Wednesday Afternoon, October 16)

Names pop at this house, plus a variety of talent offerings, make this new bill a solid one and, if preem crowd's reaction can be a gauge, lay-out should mean a healthy b.-o. scs-sion.

Opening, after the Gac Foster Roxyettes and men dancers in a colorful Chinese number, has Carl Ravaza returning as solo chanter. An outstanding member of the charmchirp school, Ravazza pulls down the house with two numbers, South America, Take It Away! and To Each His Own. Former he sells in his own manner and sells socko. Latter he handles with complete disregard of tempo, but it, too, is peddled to heavy palm-whacking. He got four recalls but begged off.

Borrah Minnevitch's Harmonica Rascals continue to depend more and more on Johnny Puleo for putting over their act. He turns in his customary imp routine as smoothly as ever. Boys do a few numbers between Puelo's clowning and end with a nice job of Meadowland.

Fresh material, slick timing and delivery put Al Bennie over as an ace boff-getter in this weck's bill. His gags are fast, often nonsense, but they cull yocks loud and long. Rightly, he has cut down his mimicry to a closing bit of Churchill, okay. His clowning with radio, commentating, plays, etc., is top funny biz. The closing ditty on the Englishman and his beer is good for plenty of laughs. Bernie bows off to top mitting.

As long as Frances Langford, glamorized heavily, is chanting she's tops. Her pipes and her peddling of oldie ditties are excellent. Then the act flops with the appearance of her husband, Jon Hall, who joins her for several minutes of grucesome dialog on the husband-and-wife theme. It strains to cracking for the giggles. Hall then joins her in I Love Mike and reveals that whatever charms he has for the bobby-soxers are not in his throat. Act just howls for a slick script.

Paul Ash and the ork do a good background job. Film, Margie. Biz, good.

### Loew's State, New York

(Thursday Afternoon, October 17) Comedy is the strong accent in this week's bill and all acts have sufficient yock material to get hands aplenty. Opener is the flash Skating Macks, who send show off to a fast pace. The Four Yearys, musical comedy act, do okay by both the notes and the laughs, with the guitarist hitting the high spots as boff getter. Outfit does from near-classical to cowboy ditties and gets big hands for its ensemble work and comedy.

Tapster Hal LeRoy is still individual among terpers, with his long, complicated steps and humorous touches. He relies on his tootsies to do most of the mitt-culling and wins big hands, especially his comedy routine with the drummer. He closes with his standard chair bit, long familiar, but still tops.

Top name act on the bill is Smith and Dale, whose classic Dr. Kronkheit foolery is as boff as ever. No matter how many times it shows up, it's an ace. Comics, aided by two stooges, end up as usual with four-part harmony on If You Were the Only Girl in the World and By the Light of the Silv'ry Moon. Had to beg off.

Andre, Andree and Bonnie, a dance-fashion act, close the bill with smooth terping.

Louis Basil and the boys play a good show. Film, The Strange Case of Martha Ivers. Biz, fair.

### RKO Albee, Cincinnati

(Thursday Atternoon, October 17) House resumes its value policy, left dormant for over four years, with a peppy bill stuffed with solid entertainment that rang the bell all the way.

New red and gold print drops make for good background as Deke Moffitt, who doubles as emsee, puts his 12piece house band thru solid treatment of *Five Minutes More* for a snappy starter. The Sensationalists, two boys and

The Sensationalists, two boys and a gal, exhibit excellent co-ordination and pacing while running the ganut of tricky roller skate lifts, spins and twirls that had pew sitters gasping and gaping. A difficult trio spin at the blow-off carned them sound applause.

Any doubt that Fred Lowcry isn't the top man in his line is dispelled by his splendid treatment of Whistler and His Dog and the varied whistling impressions with which he enhances the number. Socked 'em with Indian Love Call and William Tell Overture, and then brought on Dorothy Rae, who pulled plenty of palms with It Had To Be You and Debutante's Lament, a cutie which she authored. On the recall they were well rewarded for their whistling-canarying of Whistlin' Joe, also written by the lass.

Herb Shriner, corn-fed comic, scored with his Hoosier-geared philosophies and harmonica caperings. Rustic comedy patter is the same as used on his air show and altho familiar to radio ear-benders this audience took to him like a duck takes to water. Earned two recalls and left 'om limp. Kitty Kallen, former TD and Harry

Kitty Kallen, former TD and Harry James warbler, goes neally commercial in her canarying of Blue Skies, I'll Buy That Dream and I'm Beginning To See the Light. Attractively gowned looker tops it off with Personality and Can't Help Lovin' That Man, displaying excellent range to win going away.

Man, displaying excellent range to win going away. Three Hollywood Stooges (Moe, Shemp and Larry), using the same time-tested material that has been their forte for many years, click as solidly as ever. Their vintaged slapstickery is still effective, and lads scored dexterously with their eyegouging, nose – pulling and facewhamming antics. Went away to extensive palm-pounding. Pic, Home Sweet Homicide. Three-

Pic, Home Sweet Homicide. Threequarter house.



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#### Capitol, New York (Thursday, October 17)

New card doesn't run very long, but what there is of it is plenty commercial. There's excellent singing, yock-provoking comedy and band music with sufficient variety for all age-range tastes.

Stage came up with the Les Brown ork making with Sentimental Journey for a welcoming mitt. Once on the boys went to work on Beach 100 Waikiki, starting with mutes and at ending with full brass. Band's big-gest number was Caprice Viennoise in which practically every sideman got a chance to shine with a short ride. Number was built around ride. drummer who put plenty of heart into his skin work. Brown has a good organization and he let every man do a turn and take his bows. Band also did its customary comedy bits, with Stumpy and Butch Stone walking off with plenty of giggles for their jitter dance. Stone, working as a single (he doubled on sax), did okay with his vocal, Feets Too Ork singer Jack Haskell showed Big. a pleasant voice with his September Song, tho youthful, gangly appearance made his song unbelievable. Canary Pat Flaherty, a cute brunette, started with a straight version of Five Minutes More, then doubled with Haskell in a delightful parody of the number for a good reception.

Henny Youngman had a field day. Every gag and every piece of business pulled belly quakes. Tall comic's timing was right on the button from his opening, "Here's Les Brown for his opening, "Here's Les Brown for less money," to his beg-off speech. In between he killed them with his glee-club bits and his life of Youngman routines.

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Bill Johnson's appearance was all in his favor. Tall well-built tousle-headed bary started off with To Each headed bary started on with 10 Luch His Own. After a short intro he walked into the prolog from Pa-gliacci and wound up with The Way You Look Tonight, getting nice ap-plause all the way. Pic, No Leave, No Love.

### Chicago, Chicago (Friday, October 18)

B. & K. are feting the 25th anni-versary of Chicago Theater with a 35-minute vaude revue that will stand up to anything they've had on the bill here since theater opened. Danny Kaye, whose last p. a. netted him \$700 per week and who expects to grab \$40,000 in the next seven days thru a percentage deal, is largely responsible, but remainder of cast comes in for big plug too.

Lou Breese's house band has been upped five pieces and ops would do well to keep an additional tram, sax and guitar as permanent, because sax anti guitar as permanent, because two fiddles, which are permanent, aren't heard often enough anyway. Extra brass and guitar are used in all arrangements in this show. Additional sidemen's blowing was espetional sidemen's blowing was espe-cially noted in background for Georgia Gibbs. Breese men opened with a spirited *Tico-Tico*, spotting Rudy Wagner's 88-ing. Tip, Tap and Toe, Negro trio, ran' into hard luck when one of the boys injured his ankle during the first cheur but remaining two carried on

show, but remaining two carried on to hefty mitt for the following show. Boys now do first part of their act atop their special box, pulling the platform away for their closer when they do solo steps that excited plenty of mitt.

Radio songstress Georgia Gibbs displayed much stage know-how and versatility in delivering a trio of di-versified tunes. Gal, who makes a versified tunes. Gal, who makes a striking p. a., puts plenty of anima-tion in her work and has an excel-lent throat besides. Had time per-mitted, she could have done more numbers, judging from audience reaction.

Headliner Kaye received riotous

#### Paramount, New York (Wednesday, October 16, 1946)

New card is loaded with stuff aimed at the hep cats and jive kids. Stan Kenton, with stork-like antics, and his ork put it on hot and heavy with arrangements and rides which with arrangements and rides which will probably go big with the hot jazz buyers. But on night caught house didn't have many hepsters, hence the blasting and all the weird musical patterns didn't add up to good theater fare.

The only time Kenton did get enthusiastic responses was when he did his hoke vocal of St. James Infirmary, which the boys in the band deliberately loused up. Result was really hilarious and crowd gave with

yocks and mitts. Band canary, June Christy, was way over the customers' heads. Her be-bop lyrics and 52d Street style drew titters more than it pulled hands. Her low-down He's Funny That Way probably kills the hot jazz That Way probably kills the hot jazz trade. Here it was just gibberish, with pew-sitters looking at each other wondering what it was all about.

Dean Murphy came on with a few gags, shooting them across like a machine gun, then went into his take-offs. Among them were Charlie McCarthy, which must be something for a name to do-imitate a dummy. Finished with Wendell Willkie. Elea-nor Roosevelt and FDR, the last-named in excellent taste and earning

named in excellent taste and earning him a great exit mitt. King Cole Trio came on with a nice hand and went to work on *Route 66*, followed by Lorraine, Best Man and a medley of oldies. Boys did their usual good musical job but their phrasing didn't seem to get across. Show finished with Kenton's ork joining the Cole group for the descent with everybody getting bot. descent with everybody getting hot. The Lane Brothers' standard routines got a nice welcome. Their knockabout acros, taps and rope jumping paid off with hearty applause.

Flicker, Blue Skies.

#### Million Dollar, Los Angeles (Tuesday Afternoon, October 15)

Roadshow packaged edition of Earl Carroll's Vanities fails to ring the bell, altho show has its high spots which register sporadically. Genwhich register sporadically. Gen-erally, tho, it's a B offering dressed as Grade A merchandise

Show has the usual Carroll touch. replete with lanky showgirls and line of 14. Best group offering is a jungle number, colorfully costumed and well staged. Other group bits are run-of-the-mill dance routines which offer nothing new.

Heaviest chores fall to Syd Dean, working with partner, Bonnie, who dishes out some tired gags and a few specialties. In solo spots he clowns and takes usual number of pratfalls for yocks. Dean could easily become a top comic if he had material to match his talent. Mercer Brothers, soft shoe comedy

Mercer Brohers, sort snoe comeay hoofers, do okay with several num-bers, especially with burlesqued south-of-the-border routine. Jimmy Vey, tapster, doubles with his feet and hands, doing a terp routine while playing xylophone.

Trick cyclist Joe Mole and Vernon and Draper; comedy dance team, complete the bill. Vernon doubles as emsee and singer--adequate in both departments. Ben Yost Guardsmen, five-man vocal combo, latch onto the anchor spot and do well.

Production and costuming are up to par, but show lacks zip and novelty to make it click. Pic, Strange Voyage. Biz. fair,

ad libs, Guy got his best reaction from moppets, who seemed to have declared holiday from school for his deciated holds in school for his opening. Could have stayed on in-definitely if clock hadn't run out. Every bit of his work brought yocks and end of each number a huge hand. ovation. Using a minimum of pre- Pic is Bachelor's Daughters. House pared stuff and delighting with crisp was seven-eighths full when caught, www.ameri

### FOLLOW-UP REVIEWS

NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE

RUBAN BLEU, NEW YORK: Muriel Gaines has returned to this spot and her performance spark the bill. Aided by the Cedric Wallace Trio, she does a nifty job of ditties which she makes completely her own by her slick chanting style. Opener, Ain't That Just Like a Man, sets the pace, followed by Young and Merry, a lulu, and her "New York" song, which brought top hands and a recall which she answered with a calypso number for a beg-off.

Other newcomer to the bill, Judy next wistfully played Clair ac Lune, which connects. Guy really shows his stuff with Pop Goes the Weasel in Bach, boogie and Stravinsky ar-rangements. Great hand. McGee, mining to platters, misses. Her Beatrice Kaye and Jerry Colonna numbers got nowhere, and she made her only showing on the comedy panto to a Spike Jones disk. But it But it all means little or nothing and, since she opens the show, puts the onus on succeeding acts to pep up the eve-ning. That's just what Paul Villard does with his sailor songs and folk tunes, delivered in his casual style. It sells sock. Day, Dawn and Dusk continue with their comedy routines and net heavy mitting. The trio and and net heavy mitting. The trio and 88-er, Wally Blacker, All in the lulls nicely.

VILLAGE VANGUARD, NEW YORK: On page 1014 of Max Gor-don's Pharmacopoeia it is written:

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The Chittison Trio (bass, piano, guitar) is the kind of ace combo that draws the drinkers and anchors them to the place. The music and delivery are class, smooth and rhythmic, creating ripples of pleasure. The

## **Arbiters Give Icers Pay Hike**

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.-Findings of four-man arbitration board mulling dispute involving Ice Follies cast are to be presented to the cast some time today. Panel is understood to have recommended a general pay hike of 20 per cent, plus back pay for extra rehearsals and adjustment of working conditions in line with talent demands.

Hearing of grievances was held under supervision of AGVA's Florine Bale, and panel board included Sam Shayon, AGVA attorney, Joe Ross, Ice Follies legal head, and Walte Hadlich, ice-show biz manager. If board recommendations are ac Walter

cepted by cast new management will be drawn up and submitted to AGVA National Director Matt Shelvey for ratification. Pay hikes by cast of Ice Follies and approved by union also will apply to cast of Ice-Capades and other iceries.

### Singer Miranda To Work For Nitery Boss Miranda

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.-Carmen Miranda will headline her own room at Monte Proser's Hollywood Copa-cabana. Miranda Room,' to open first of the year, will seat 200 people and will be decorated with Brazilian trimmings.

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Eddie Manson, assisted by Margery

Welles on the piano, makes his re-turn here a sock occasion. The maestro of the mouth organ is placing

more emphasis on longhair, which is

okay with the cellar customers. Opens with an ineffectual Crazy Rhythm, which only makes it tougher for his

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NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- In spite of NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—In spite of advance headshakings at a fall sea-son top-heavy with revivals, it looks as the refurbished legit is better than holding its own. In fact, the out-of-the-moth-balls contingent has the new entries in Stem sweepstalces backed off the boards. Of the newies, only O'Neill's Icc-man Cometh and Ben Hecht's A Flag Is Born have registered in the bit

*Is Born have registered in the hit class, while three others, Hidden Horizon, Hear That Trumpet and Mr. Peebles and Mr. Hooker shuttered with a dozen showings or less. Against that, however, out of nine* 

Against that, however, out of nine revival unveilings to date, only one has actually taken a bow-out. Yours Is My Heart called it a day carly this month after 36 performances. Obses-sion, known as Jealonsy when first done, is slated to wind up Saturday (26) after 31 showings. Against these mishaps is balanced the smash hit of Jose Ferrer's Cyrano de Bergerac and the continued suc-cess-build of the Herbert operetta, Gypsy Lady. Front Page, first of the autumn revival crop, while off materially from a terrific b.-o. start, still appears solid at the Royale. Four others bowed in this week.

materially from a terrific b.-0. Start, still appears solid at the Royale. Four others bowed in this week. The Homer Curran revival of Lady Windermere's Fan is off to a sock start and has all the earmarks of a top contender in the success column, but Paul Czinner's importation of London's Duchess of Malfi drew a unanimous th umb-down press. Nevertheless, an advance sale of 150G would seem to insure the gory costume piece a reasonable stay. The all-Negro Lysistrata also took rough handling from the aisle experts and looks to lower the revivals Stem batting average. It is impossible to rate Naughty Naught, beer-and-pretzel comedy-melo, which unveils at the Old Knickerbocker Music Hall tonight, but if it stacks up with the original as played at the little Ameri-can Music Hall back in 1939 it should get a successful coin play.

can Music Hall back in 1939 it should get a successful coin play. Still more revivals are on the way. Come November 6, the new Ameri-can Repertory Theater gets to town with preems of Henry VIII, What Every Woman Knows and John Gabriel Borkman. A new version of The Beagar's Overg wert into po-

Gabriel Borkman. A new version of The Beggar's Opera went into re-hearsal Monday (14). The New Opera Company is prepping an edi-tion of The Belle of New York, last on view here in 1927, and J. H. Del Bondio is readying another produc-tion of The Chocolate Soldier. It begins to look as if the produc-ers who climbed on the revival band-ers who climbed on the revival band-wagon have been smart. Whether the trend is due to a dearth of good new material, or whether there is a new generation eager to get a look-see at the oldies, fact remains that plenty of b. o. has been slumbering on the shelf. It just takes canny pro-ducing to wake it up.

Chic Johnson, Huntsman VANCOUVER, Oct. 19. — Chic Johnson, of Olsen and Johnson, blew into Vancouver last week after a month's big game hunting in North-ern British Columbia, an annual event on his itinerary. Team's new opus, Hullabaloo, will be produced at the Carnival, New York.



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OPENED Lady Windermere's Fan..10-14, '46 (Cori) Received a seven-to-two nod from critics. Yes: Louis Kronenherger (PM), Robert Colteman (Mirror), Rob-ert Garland (Journal-American), Ward Morchouse (Sun), Willium Hawkins (World-Telegram), Howard Barnes (Herald-Tribune), Richard Watts Jr. (Post). No: John Chapman (News), Brooks Aikinson (Tines). Duchess of Malfi, The... 10-16, '46 (Barrymore) Took complete thumb-down from the critics. No: Louis Kronenherger (PM). Robert Coleman (Mirror), Richard Watts Jr. (Post), John Chapman (News), Robert Garland (Journal-American), Ward Morchouse (Sun), William Hawkins (World-Telegram), Howard Barnes, (Herald-Tribune), Brooks Aikinson (Times).

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# Scene Set-Ups by Designers Draw IA Ire; Two Get Tossed

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Stagchands' interfering with our work and are union, adamant in its decision that not property men, carpenters or elec-scenic designers keep hands off com- tricians." pleted scenes being set up on stage for premieres, this week chased two designers off the boards. Boris Aron-son, working on Sweet Bye and Bye, got the heave-ho, with Donald Oenslager, working on The Fatal Weak-ness, also getting the bounceroo, both incidents taking place at the Shubert, New Haven.

Grips made the same threat in each case, stating they would walk out unless the designers laid off the sets and worked from the pit instead. New Haven deckhands were working un-der orders from IATSE headquarters in New York.

### N. Y. Walkout Threat

James Brennan, IA vice-president,



NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—In a very unusual editorial, Actors' Equity at-tacked one of its council members, Frank Fay, in the October issue of its magazine. Fay guested a column for local paper in which he depre-cated the talent and motives of junior members of the association. This happened while he was serving on a committee to consider revising the qualifications for senior mem-bership. Subsequent action by AE removed him from the committee.

bership. Subsequent action by AE removed him from the committee. Union, while making it clear that it did not question Fay's right to free speech, claimed he disregarded his responsibilities as a council member "by going direct to the public on an issue which was still before the council, and on which he was one of the members. In doing so, he maligned a large section of the membership and the good name of Actors' Equity Association."

### **Rose Pays Cast Expenses** During Capital Lay-Off

NEW YORK, Oct. 19. - Tuesday (15) session of Actors' Equity Council granted a request by Billy Rose that he be allowed to lay off cast of Carmen Jones October 26, 27, 28 in Washington. Actors will get ex-penses for the three days until they move on to Harrisburg, their next data date.

date. Rose, because of the shortage of houses originally planned to play Uline Arena in Washington, but found the cost of building a prosee-nium too much. Producer expected to spend 3G, but estimates ran \$15,000 and up.

COMING UP (Week of October 21, 1846) Made in Heaven...... 10-21, '46 (Henry Miller) Flayboy of the Western World, The ....... 10-26, '40 (Booth) CLOSED 

Saturday (19).

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Fight is believed to be partially a retaliatory step by the IA, in connec-tion with scenic artists support of the Conference of Studio Unions' Hollywood strike. Additionally, a juris-diction element is involved; grips took similar action against Elizabeth Montgomery, in connection with Sec-ond Best Bed when it played Schenectady last May.

Many legit producers claim de-signers are indispensable in setting up new shows, and that delays which will follow if the IA puts thru its edict will add considerably to deckhand pay rolls.

## Hollywood Bowl stated that the union would pull grips out of all New York houses unless the designers ended their set-up prac-tices. Brennan declared, "They are

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Hollywood Bowl is planning to go into legit. New combo, called Hollywood Bowl Theater Association, has George Bagnall at its head and is launching a drive for \$1,000,000 to build a theater and school on Bowl ground and hopes to bring top attractions in from the East. Douglas Field, a Bowl rep, is here now to see whether the Shuberts, Theater Guild, Playwrights Company and other producers will book their shows in the projected Bowl house.

Tentative opening date for the thé-ater is in 1948, with a drama festival starting at the Bowl's outdoor Pil-grimage Theater in July and going indoors October at the new house. Tho HBTA hasn't the dough to build the house it has the land force the house, it has the land free on a non-profit deal with Los Angeles County. With locations at a pre-mium in Hollywood, land itself is valued at \$500,000.

valued at \$500,000. HBTA will also do new scripts, try-out plays for Eastern producers and do revivals. School plans call for a two-year course with a third post-graduate year. Altho set-up won't have a tie-up with movie com-panies, the fact that it will be major legit project in the heart of film capital is expected to attract plenty of students. Besides Bagnall, Kath-arine Hepburn, Bette Davis, Mrs. Pat O'Brien, Robert Reynolds and Dame Mae Whitty are on HBTA's executive board. board.

### Set Painters Asking 65% Hike in Hourly Wage, 30-Hour Week

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Scenic Ar-tists' Union is pitching for a 65 per cent increase on hourly wage plus decreased work week in its new con-tract. Current rate for scene painters is \$3 per hour for 35 hourly per week; demand is for \$5 hourly for 30 hours per week. Old agreement between the union and contractors expires October 31. October 31.

Meanwhile scenic artists are having a better season than last year. There are contracts for 20 more shows in work now as compared with last year.

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### THE DUCHESS OF MALFI (Opened Tuesday, October 15, 1946) ETHEL BARRYMORE THEATER

A tragedy by John Webster, adapted by W. H. Auden. Staged by George Rylands. Sets, Harry Bennett. Costumes, Miles White. Incidental music, Benjamin Britten, ar-ranged by Ignatz Strasfogel. Company man-ager, Lesler Al Smith. Stage manager, Forrest Taylor Jr. Press representativo, Jean Dairympic. Presented by Paul Czinner.

(Singer) ..... Walter Peterson Doctor ...... Guy Spauli Courtiers, Officers, Soldiers, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Court.

A program note advises that be-cause the London revival of The Duchess of Malfi was one of the most successful productions of last year's successful productions of last year's West End season, Dr. Paul Czinner reached across the Atlantic and sought Director George Rylands to repeat his task here. Dr. Czinner might better have kept his hands in his pockets. Ryland's direction may have made Malfi a tidy hit in Lon-den but at the Baryumera it unfolds don, but at the Barrymore it unfolds as sonorous and mostly unintelligible. Fault must lie in the staging, because some very literate guys have attested that John Webster's verse touches little less than the sublime and the tragedy inspires pity and terror. The only pity engendered in the current version is that of customers for some of the actors, and the terror mani-fests itself in pew-sitters' seat-wrig-glings and a desire to giggle in the wrong spots.

However, while Malfi would be tabled for as short a shift would be tabled for as short a shift as that enjoyed by most of its principal characters, it has, of course, Elisabeth Bergner in the title role. The Berg-ner has a way with her, even in a bred blow of busine there is the her bad play, of luring them to the box office. Already reports credit Malfi with a 150G advance, so it should - continue pleasantly in the black for (The Duchess of Malfi on page 52)

### LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN

#### (Opened Monday, October 14, 1946) CORT THEATER

A comedy by Oscar Wilde, Directed by Jack Minster. Sets, costumes and lighting, Occil Beaton. Incidental music, Leslie Bridge-water. Company manager, Emmett Cala-han. Stage manager, Robert Linden. Press representative, Helen Hoerle. Presented by Homer Curran in association with Russell Lewis and Howard Young. Leady Windermare Depelone Word

As an echo of an era as brittle as the China pug dogs that graced its (See Lady Windermere on page 52) the last issue.)

## **BROADWAY OPENINGS**

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### HEAR THAT TRUMPET (Opened Monday, October 7, 1946) THE PLAYHOUSE

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

Press representative, Richard Maney. Mumford, Clarinet........Sidney Bechet Alonzo Armonk.......Frank Conroy Dinger Richardson, Trumpel.Bobby Sherwood Floyd Amery, Plano......Ray Mayer Abba, Bass Viol.....Bart Edwards Rocco, Drums.....Marty Marsala Erica Marlowe......Audra Lindley Skippy, Trombone......Philip Layton Sally Belle......Lynne Carter Cleasy..........Ray Marsala Sally Belle......Raymond Bramley

Chalk up an error in judgment on this one; it just doesn't jell. The Jennings script, while it has possi-bilities and even flashes of the right stuff in it, badly needs a rewriting job and a tightening up everywhere. Then, too, the direction doesn't help any, for the pace is laggard and the dialog at this tempo grows dull and heavy. Hear That Trumpet is not Stem fare.

Ploi, for some reason or other, despite the vet angle, seems dated, and Jennings has contrived little in his script to alter this opinion. It is dated speech, dated action and above all, dated, mawkish melo in the finale that does nothing to send the pew-sitters out with good feeling toward the play. Best moments in the show are when the combo gets into the groove.

#### CRITICS' TAB

Consensus on this was a heavy nix, 8-1. No: Brooks Atkinson (Times), John Chapman (News), Robert Coleman (Mirror), Hewald Barnes (Herald-Tribune), Ward Morehouse (Sun), Richard Watts Jr. (Posi), Robert Garland (Journal-American), Yes: William Mawkins (World-Telegram).

Story builds around Dinger Rich-ardson, his six-piece combo, an evil mouthpiece with a load of power, and his erotic girl friend. The gal friend, tired of her floozy existence, falls for Dinger and persuades the lawyer, Armonk, to handle the band. He does, but after the gal and Dinger get spliced, wreaks his vengeance slowly and evilly on the whole band. Gal justifies herself when she poisons Armonk and gets the band back together.

Dialog, for the most part, is either banal or turgid. It strives sometimes to say something and there's even a whiff of social significance. But it all adds up to very little. What talk there is to satisfy is handled by Ray Mayer, the combo 88-er, who docs a stand-out job with his caustic cracks and drunken story told at the piano to his own accompaniment. This is the high spot of the play.

As far as thesping goes, Mayer walks off with top honors as the battle-shocked war-bitter cynic. He as the He dominates every scene he plays. Bobby Sherwood, ork fronter and trump-eter, who was drafted from a podium for the job, does an overall good job. He's convincing and credible. Others in small roles who do okay are Sidney Bechet, another tyro; Marty Marsala and Raymond Bram-Marty Marsala and Raymond Bram-ley. As the villian, Frank Conroy is correctly sinister. But the cast sags badly on the distaff side. Audra Lindley, as the lead, plays the early scenes as if she were not too sure of the next line. The rest of the role she handles stilledly and some-times awkwardly. Lynne Carter's times awkwardly. Lynne Carter's comedy bit is badly overdone. The Woodman Thompson set is so-so.

In short, at The Playhouse you can Hear That Trumpet if you can stand sour notes. This one's off key most of the time.

Closed Saturday (12). Printed for the record. (Review crowded out of

### LOCO

#### (Opened Wednesday, October 16, 1946) BILTMORE THEATER

comcdy by Dale Euhson and Katherine Albert. Produced by Jed Harris. Beetings, Donald Oensiager. Costumes, Emeline O. Roche. General manager, Ben F. Stein, Press representative, Dick Weaver. Stago manager, Del Hughes. ٨

manager, Del Hughes.
Alma Brewster Helen Murdoch
Naomi Brewster Bevriy Bayne
Mcintyre Barry Keiley
Waldo Brewster Jay Fassett
David Skinner Morgan Wullace
Loco Deinpsey Jean Parker
Ginger Matron Davin Jennings
Eben Parker Pennelly
Pamela Brewster Elaine Stritch
Nicky Martinez Si Varlo
Miss White Lauretta Maxine

Loco has motive, if not motion, and gets really nowhere by curtain fall. Framed around a thin plot of a tired business man and a Conover model with chassis and no gray matter, comedy plays for laughs more often than it gets them. There are quite a few sags in the script and blank moments that cull the gapes. Show seems destined for a brief encounter on the Stem.

Main merit is the acting, which is generally good. Cast tries heavily to juice the weak lines, and Jay Fassett, Jean Parker, Parker Fennelly and Beverly Bayne manage here and there to make the script sound much funnier than it really is.

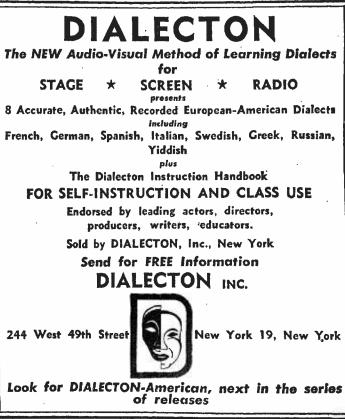
Waldo Brewster, who is bored with family life and, anyway, is annoyed with his daughter for marrying a terper on USO overseas, meets a brainless model whose name, inci-dentally, is Loco, and on the advice dentally, is Loco, and on the advice of a friend, suggests she come with him on a hush-hush trip to his Maine hunting lodge. Scene where the gal makes up her mind after talking to her roommate, who's also out on a date, is one of the comedy high spots. When the couple reach Maine the gal comes down with Maine the gal comes down with measles, and in the course of convalescence makes Brewster see that he owes something to his family. He returns and makes peace at home.

Play is slotted into nine scenes, and action gets choppy as a result. Donald Oenslager's sets are good.

BELASCO THEATER

Sixteen years ago last June the Philadelphia Theater Association had Philadelphia Theater Association had Gilbert Seldes modernize Aristo-phanes' comedy, Lysistrata. It was unveiled at the 44th Street Theater and ran for 252 performances. Violet Kemble Cooper in the title role received considerable encomiums. Likewise saluted were Miriam Hopkins, Hortense Alden, Sidney Greenstreet and Ernest Truex. So much for the record.

At the time, the bawdy nonsense of At the time, the barry history from the play tickled the public funny bone (1) because it was daring (the dialog would have caused a lifted customer eyebrow on current burly wheels); (2) it was played with (see LYSISTRATA on page 52)



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LYSISTRATA

(Opened Thursday, October 17, 1946)

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

#### THE INSPECTOR GENERAL (Opened Tuesday, October 8, 1946) LAS PALMAS, HOLLYWOOD

LAS PALMAS, HOLLYWOOD comedy in five acts by Gogol. Directed by Michael Chekov. Translation, Serge Bertensson and Arnold Belgard. Settings and costunes, Nicolai Remisoff. Costumes, Virgitia Sharpe. Production manager, Lloyd Bridges. Stage manager, Sam Gary. Light-ing, Millon Starr. Make-up, Feodor Chalta-pin. Sidney Dubin. Press representatives, Ted Saily. John Anderson. Presented by Actors' Lab.

Actors' Lub. CAST: Morris Carnovsky, Al Eben, Roman Bohnen, Stephen Brown, Frank Cady, Loyd Bridges, Ken Jones, Peter Brocco, Russell Johnson, Anton Backus, Jody Gilbert, Dorothy Bridges, Art Smith, Phil Brown, Carl Mil-letaire, David Fresco, Adrian Wood, Herman Waldman, Sieve Bennett, Leonard Auerbach, Joseph Mantell, Manny Shipow, Virginia Sharpe, Irene Todrow, Barry Eddy, Carl Mil-letaire, Janet Brandt, Doris Karnes, Richard Davis, Ruth Sanderson, Danna McGraw, Kenn Buder, Murid Cohurn, Bichard Avondo. Kenn Bader, Muriel Cohurn, Richard Avonde, Don Davis.

Even for so talented and ambitious a group as the Actors' Lab, the modin presentation of Gogol's 110-yearold Russian classic is no small ac-complishment. To achieve the free translation and adaptation required, while still retaining the subtleties of Gogol's crafty characters, Michael Chekov wields his directorial brush with wide strokes, sometimes overplaying his hand as he roams from a pattern of straight comedy to near a pattern of straight comedy to near burlesque. It is this deviation from a definite mood pattern which some-what dulls the play's edges, since the piece is set neither as a farce nor a comedy, but a puzzling mixture of both. Farcical twists, obviously aimed at milking laughs, could be diministed in farce of straight eliminated in favor of straight comedy.

Heaviest acting chore falls to Phil Brown, who portrays the foppish, petty government clerk, Khlestakov. Mistaken by grafting village officials for an important government official on an inspection trip, Khlestakov uses the opportunity to fleece the politicos and have a royal time, outsmarting the crooked officeholders and leaving town with them holding the bag. Brown's precise portrayal is consistently sound, altho a lack of shading is distracting. The role is done in high vocal register with clipped delivery, resulting in loss of dialog. It is an exacting role, and Brown should improve as he loosens

As the scheming mayor and ring-leader of the town's chiseling officials, Morris Carnovsky romps thru the five acts with assurance and ease, often carrying the entire acting burden on his shoulders, yet never losing his grasp. Carnovsky's inter-pretation of the role is a sweeping, unfettered caricature, amusing, de-lightful and sometimes pathetic.

Outstanding in a uniformly good cast are Roman Bohnen, Al Eben, Stephen Brown, Frank Cady and Lloyd Bridges as fellow politician-conspirators. Standout support is given by Ken Jones and Peter Brocco as two simple-minded citizens. Art Smith as a manservant is polished and amusing. Jody Gilbert and Dor-othy Bridges carry feminine leads easily

Nicolai Remisoff's settings contribute greatly to the stylized pattern of the play. A special nod is due Feo-dor Chaliapin and Sidney Dubin for

highly effective make-up. This isn't the best offering by the Actors' Lab, but it comes near enough to the top to merit attention and generous praise.

### **Berle Turns Megger**

For "Gorilla" Revival NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Jules Pfelf-fer is readying a revival of Ralph Spence's Gorilla for the road. Show will co-star Hugh Herbert and Benny Baker, with Milton Berle directing. Tentative opening date for produc-tion is November 30. Pfeiffer already has Maid in the

Ozarks on tour.

#### THE FATAL WEAKNESS (Opened Thursday, October 17, 1946) SHUBERT THEATER, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

new coinedy by George Kelly. Directed by the author. Setting and lighting, Donald Oensinger. Costumes, Bianco Stroock. Pro-٨ Oensinger. Costumes, Blanco Stroock. Pro-duction supervised by Lawrence Langner and Theresa Helburn. Company manager, John Turek. Press representative, Joseph Heldt, Stage manager, Freeman Hammond. Presented by Theater Guild.

CAST: Ina Claire, Mary Gildea, Margaret Douglass, Madge Evans, Howard St. John, John Larren John Larson.

In selecting George Kelly's Fatal Weakness to return her to the stage after a five-year gap, Ina Claire has made a good choice. With a few minor changes, this novel and highly odifiing approximate and highly destined to have a healthy and en-poyable life on Broadway. It's gaited for fem trade and appealing to men in reverse.

It's typical Ina Claire comedy and played to the hilt by the star, who completely dominates the show. She chose no easy role in Olive Espenshade, whose fatal weakness is an uncontrolable desire to attend weddings, whether or not she knows the principals concerned. The part keeps her on stage thruout the five scenes of the three acts.

Her interpretation of the scatterbrained, high-strung matron is tops and she is completely believable in every shading given the difficult role. Faulty memory and several bad fluffs marred an otherwise flawless job, but these slips can be laid to openingnight jitters and fact that Miss Claire had been ailing all during opening week.

Supporting cast does notably with exception of Madge Evans, who is woefully weak. She gives a purely mechanical interpretation of the man ried daughter with domestic troubles of her own, and the audience was conscious of the fact that she was acting out a part every moment she was on the stage. The peculiar tonal quality of the Evans voice didn't help any in winning favor.

After Miss Claire, honors go to Margaret Douglass, who gave her comedy role as the guide and conficontexy role as the guide and conti-dante of the aggrieved wife, a beau-tifully rounded performance. An able foil for Miss Claire's deft han-dling of polite comedy, she was able to build every scene to proper climax. Howard St. John, the erring husband, is physically and yocally suited to Howard St. John, the erring husband, is physically and vocally suited to the role, but allowed himself to become overwhelmed by his lines during his two big scenes with the star. Mary Gildea, as the maid Anna, and John Larson, as Vernon Hassett, Mrs. Espenshade's son-in-law, were class in the minor roles okay in the minor roles.

Donald Oenslager's setting of the Espenshade apartment is beautifully done and loudly appreciated at cur-tain's rise. Staging by Theater Guild is in the TG groove.

### LADY WINDERMERE

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mantelpieces, Homer Curran's re-vival of Wilde's comedy of Victorian manners and fashions is as near tops as anything to come along. Lady Windermere's Fan, at the ripe age of 54, may seem leisurely and frilly measured by current tempora and mores, but regarded thru the wrong end of the telescope, it packs a period-piece charm that should have the customers mobbing the Cort for many weeks to come,

Curran has done much more than blow the dust off Fan. He has framed it in plush and gilt settings and costumes by Cecil Beaton that are eyefillers as well as precisely in the Theorem of the Markin of the the groove of the Mayfair of the '90s. He has stuck to the original somewhat stilled text and retained season and defit the soliloquies and asides and or- success column.

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### LYSISTRATA

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superlative raffishness by a top cast of actors, and (3) it was of the end of a prohibition era which baited sex as a lure for legit entertainment. Sex is still with us, but as a total means to an amusement end in the theater it has lost its sting.

Perhaps that is what ails this re vival of Lysistrata at the hands of James Light and Max Jelin. There is no reason in the world why the Seldes version of the Aristophanes fable of the triumph of the Athenian and Spartan women taking the Peloponnesian war into their own hands shouldn't be brought to life again by an all-Negro cast. However, the suspicion remains that Messrs. Light and Jelin revived it in blackface more or less as a stunt. The major question is: should they have revived it at all? The answer, on an honest report of results, is no.

Lysistrata in its latest edition sums up to sex, sex, sex to the nth degree. And where 16 years ago, broad and bawdy as it was, it received light and devious treatment at the hands of Norman Bel Geddes and a corps of and the players, this time the staging and the playing accents all the dirt and omits most of the charm. In the current version most of the chuckles are gone and it leaves the customers with the impression of reading dirty words chalked on a fence.

It is unfair to tab all the proceedings as dull and vulgar. Etta Moten makes an acceptable enough Athenian suffragist, and both Fredi Washington and Mildred Smith deserve considerable palming for acting chores as ladies who can't live up to their celebacy chores. Rex Ingram and his half-dozen war-mongering senators are as amusing as ever. Biggest genuine laughs, however, stem from Sidney Poitier as the sex-hungry but wifeless Polydorus and from the expert comic timing of a moppet whose name is unfortunately omitted from the program.

Ralph Alswang has designed bizarre, cock-eyed sort of background for the two-act session on the Acropand Rose Bodanoff's olis, and Rose Bodanoff's body dressing is good enough. But Lysistrata you can take or leave. Most people will leave it.

dered up a top-flight cast. It's a esthetic Wilde, if he were around to see and hear it.

The doings of the Windermere household are frankly dated and nobody cares much what the lady did with her fan, but the Wilde wit and facility in making good sound like bad, and vice versa, still come across as sharply as ever. Much of this is bad, and vice versa, still come across as sharply as ever. Much of this is due to fine direction and expert playing. Jack Minster has an excel-lent job of pacing the action to fit the Victorian frame, and the actors from top to bottom get everything out of the satiric crackle of the lines.

Fan cast is so uniformly good that It is almost unfair to salute indi-viduals. Top honors go to Estelle Winwood's Duchess of Berwick. She adds another crisp character portrait to her long list. Cornelia Otis Skinner gets off to a slow start as the fascinating Mrs. Erlynne, but more than comes into her own in the final stanzas. Penelope Ward brings Lady Windermere and Henry Daniell makes a properly stuffy husband. To John Buckmaster, Cecil Beaton and Rex Evans, however, fall most of the epigrammatic plums, and each makes the best use of them for sharp performances.

In sum, while Fan may be faintly archaic and far from the best of Wilde, for sheer opulence of pro-duction and excellence of playing it is a top-bracket addition to the season and definitely headed for the

### ROUTES **Dramatic and Musical**

Dramatic and Musical
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 Apple of His Eye, with Walter Huston (Hanna) Cleveland.
 Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo (Music Hall) Kanas City, Mo., 25-27.
 Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo (Music Hall) Kanas City, Mo., 25-27.
 Blackstone (Court Equare) Springfield, Mass., 23; (Lyric) Bridgeport, Conn., 25-26; (Ford) Baltimer 28-Nov. 2.
 Bloomer Girl (Emery Auditorium) Cincinnati. Bosom Time (Shubert) Fhiladelphia.
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### THE DUCHESS OF MALFI

(Continued from page 51) some weeks, no matter what anyone says about it.

But a Bergner emoting statuesquely (and most of the time very indis-tinctly) in 16th century brocades is a far cry from the Bergner of the continental stage tricks which have endeared her to American audiences, and it doesn't seem that her excur-sion into Elizabethan tragedy is going to do her any good.

Malfi plot, of course, is strictly on blood and thunder lines. It concerns the skullduggery of a pair of broth-ers, one a churchman, to keep their sister single. The lady secretly marrics her steward and has three chil-dren by him. The brothers, aided by a venal master-of-horse, murder the whole family, and then the trio winds up a sanguine evening by knifing each other. Obviously, such a tale must depend on its verse and diction to put it across. Malfi gets little justice on either score. Director Ry-lands has permitted his actors to mutter and mumble in their beards to a point where one has to strain to keep up with the proceedings, and the ear strain just isn't worth the effort.

effort. Donald Eccles, as the more vicious of the two brothers, is one of the worst offenders in the muttering department, but John Carradine is malignantly clear in his cardinal's robes. Whitfield Connor, as the be-deviled husband, knows his way around with blank verse, too, but the staging shoves him around like a juvenile in a musical. Patricia Cal-vert deserves a bow for getting the

juvenile in a musical. Patricia Cal-vert deserves a bow for getting the most out of a dull part as the duchess's loyal waiting-woman. It is likely, however, that Malf 4 will be remembered mostly because it boasts a Negro playing a white man. It is a novel experiment, but Canada Lee, with the aid of some new make-up, called "covermark" is bearded and bewigged to perfec-tion as a captain of renaissance mertion as a captain of renaissance mercenaries. It's a long and trying part and Lee carries it with great credit. The experience should do him a lot of good for future bouts with blank verse. But *Mall*, as a whole, should have called it a day in Lodon.<sup>11</sup> (1)



Carol Lord, former burly feature, is newly associated with Bob Irwin

and Bob Starr in talent bookings. . . . Marion Lee rejoined the Lynchettes at the Hudson, Union City, N. J. Lester Montgomery is producing at McVan's nitery, Buffalo. . . . Charles H. Allen booked Ryan and Benson for the Gayety, Montreal. Also formed a new combo out of Mac Dennison and Bob Rogers. . . Jacques Barrie and Colline celebrated their fourth welding anniversary in Buffalo last week. Attending were Vivian Hall, Aida Ramerez, Palmer C. Cote, Nona Montin end Cherry Deffe Martin and Toney Baffo. . . . Frances, of the Crosby (La Rosa) Sis-ters, convalescing after a tonsil-lectomy. . . Paul Marakoff, producer, renewed his contract at the Casino, Toronto. . . . Artie Lloyd and Faye Neal left Ohio for a stock house in Columbus, O. Replaced by Freddie Columbus, O. Replaced by Freddie Frampton. . . Babe Fenton is at the Gayety, Baltimore, where Marie Cos-tello is doubling as showgirl between the theater and Gayety night club.... Jean Williams, new strip on Hirst circuit, is a recent promotion from chorus by Scotty Humbert at Na-tional, Detroit. . . Helen McArdle celebrating her third year at Metro-pole Bar, New York.

Primrose Semon, feature femsee after six weeks at Swing Club, Roch-ester, N. Y., moved to Andy's Inn, Syracuse, where she is in her fourth week. . . . Eddie Girlock, new comic on the Hirst wheel, comes to burly after three years of entertainment work in the army. . . Mitch Todd opened at Star and Garter, Chicago, as house singer. Alternates every 10 weeks at the Casino, Toronto.... Patricia Jordan, six-foot-six dancer on the Hirst wheel, to embark for Tokyo to take part in shows and join her husband and former teammate, Maurice Wayne. He was recalled for service in Japan. . . . Tommy Matthews (4) and Bobby St. George (3) are chaperoning their dads, Jimmie Matthews, comic, and Billy St. George, dancer, as well as their mothers, Sue Gay and Ann St. George, over the Hirst route. . . . Frances Parks, producer at the Avenue, Detroit, is vacationing in Chicago. . . . Charbi Ames, sister of Mitch Todd, is working niteries in Chicago.

Bert Carr and Al Anger have replaced Harry J. Conley and Fred-die Frampton on the Jessica Rodgers show.

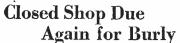
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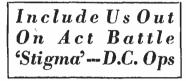
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NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Over 200 traveling principals and 500 stock chorines employed by the two major chorines employed by the two major burly circuits, Hirst in the East and Schuster in the Midwest, as well as Kane in Ohio territory, will probably be enrolled shortly in the Burlesque Artists' Association, (AFL). Total of 26 wheel houses are involved.

Meeting with exccs of the Schuster Circuit October 10 in Detroit, Tom Phillips, BAA prexy, opened negotia-tions for a closed shop for Schuster burly workers. Settlement is ex-pected within 10 days. Similar negoliations are being hatched with representatives of the Hirst wheel. Four Ohio, or Burma Road spokes, will be handled later.

Burly stock houses, located in a large area in the extreme West as well as others in various Southern districts, are already enrolled, Phil-lips declared. Principals and chorines are eager to join up in order to be represented by collective bargaining and for unionized protection. BAA has been quiescent for some time.



To the Editor:

Washington.

Your October 12 issue contains an article headlined "D. C. Spots Battle for Acts," wherein it is stated that for Acts," Wherein it is stated that "Round robin was started by Paul and Dave Young, who bought Buddy Lester and Steve Condos for an Oc-tober 8 opening." True, these acts were booked, yet the wording of this statement will undoubtedly give many readers an erroneous impression.

It should be remembered that the undersigned originally opened the Romany Room in 1939, years before many present operations, and that the room was closed in 1944 only because the operators entered the armed forces; that Buddy Lester and many other acts of the same caliber had appeared in the Romany Room sev-eral times during the years of operation; that the show policy does not differ one iota from the policy then established. And so the placing of the stigma of starting a "round-robin battle" for acts on Paul and Dave Young is unjust.

Insofar as a "battle for acts" is concerned, please be advised that this operation has never been and will not be a party to any such practice. Any outbidding for or "stealing" of acts will not occur on our part. This stand can be readily verified by the questioning of any of the many agents with whom we have dealt. PAUL YOUNG, DAVID YOUNG.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 19. - Federal Judge John Bright, after a six-day trial, reserved decision this week in the suit of Universal Art, Inc., against Col. Wassily de Basil and the original Ballet Russe. Action for \$100,000 damages for alleged breach of con-

tract was instituted in 1941. Universal Arts alleges that Colonel

Universal Arts alleges that Colonel Basil breached a 1938 agreement whereunder both were to pool their interests, and further charged the impresario with misappropriation of plaintiff's property. Perkins, Malone & Washburn represented Universal, and Leo V. Eastman and A. Walter Socolow appeared for the defendants.

A will be held November 4, 8, 15 and 24 at Buffalo, New York City, Boston and Philly respectively under Boston and Fhilly respectively under auspices of Stars of Magic, Inc., in which Dai Vernon, one of the top-notchers of the craft, will explain card, coin and ball tricks. Series is being ducated at a fancy \$5 per, with proceeds going to Vernon. Object of bectures is to bely more burgh up on lectures is to help magi brush up on their technique. Sponsor intends to their technique. Sponsor intends to have clinics with other top magicians in the future. Men behind the org are George Stark, cily marshal of New York, and George Carter, photographer. Buffalo date will be at the University Club; New York, at Hotel McAlpin; Boston, at Hunting-don Chambers Hall, and the Philly night at Sylvania Hotel. . . Jack Herbert is back in his home town of Herbert is back in his home town of St. Louis, playing the Jefferson Ho-tel. . . LeRoy, one of the foremost magical pitchmen, is with Slim Kelly's Cavalcade of Oddities on Al Kelly's Cavalcade of Oddities on Al Wagner's Cavalcade of Amusements. Magicians can benefit by watching LeRoy operate. His watch trick is a honey. . . Prof. Ralph M. Pabst writes from Tampa under date of Oc-tober 12: "Winter senson is on. Caught Bernardi doing his magic and mental act at the school auditorium. Drew a better mitt on his mental routing a better mitt on his mental routine a better mitt on his mental routine than on his magie. Saw Duke in Miami. Good sleight-of-hand and presentation. Florida seems to be better than many would estimate it at this time of the year. What has become of Prof. Fred C. Teschner? ... Ali Ben Ali, hypnotist, is playing RKO theaters in the New York area, with Nina Mancuso. former artist with Nina Mancuso, former artist model, as assistant. Dates are set by Ted Garden, of the Lawrence Golden office.... Rajah Raboid has returned to his home in Miami Beach, Fla., and intends to spend the winter there playing clubs and private parties. . . . In answer to numerous queries re-Ovette is telling friends that she has no intentions of taking out any part of her late husband's show. She plans first to enjoy a much-needed She rest and then joining up with a good magic show at a later date.

Magic

By Bill Sachs

SERIES of clinics for magicians

CHICAGO Magicians' Round Table, which meets daily at 1 p.m. at Delazon's, Loop eatery, is sponsoring a testimonial dinner for Dr. Harlan Tarbell in appreciation of his contributions to magic. Dinner will be held November 18 at Hotel Continental, Chicago, in conjunction with Tarbell's appearance at Chi's Orchestra Hall November 23, which show both Mayor Kelley and Governor Green are ex-Kelley and Governor Green are cx-pected to attend. . . . Having finished the first lap of their fall tour thru Northwestern Oregon and Southwest-ern Washington, Virgil and company have invaded California, traveling on two trucks and trailers and sporting an assortment of new wardrobe, scenery and illusions. Virgil this season features The Modern Cabinet, Thru the Eue of a Needle (built by season leatures The Modern Cabinet, Thru the Eye of a Needle (built by Dante), Artist's Dream, levitation, guillotine, a cremation effect, Shoot-ing Thru a Woman, Doll House; In Again, Out Again; substitution trunk, sawing a woman in half, Phantazmo, Userh appendence, Vaniburg, radio flash appearance, vanishing radio and vanishing leopard woman. Vir-Viris assisted by Julie and Robert gil Fenton. Bob James looks after the

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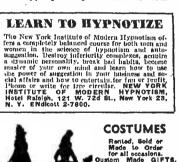
### **Profesh Children's School Starts Fund Raising Drive**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—A cocktail party Monday (21) at Cafe Society Uptown will tee off a drive to add \$200,000 to the development fund of the Professional Children's School. Additional coin is needed for scholarship help for deserving students, re-tirement fund for teachers, general administration, amplified recreational facilities and repairs to physical plant.

School, now in its 32d year, has existed solely on its low tuitions and occasional voluntary contributions. Fifty would-be entrants had to be tabled on a waiting list this year, since PCS had accommodations for only 250

Sub-committee heads who will Sub-committee heads who will function during the drive terminating November 30 include Russel Crouse, Nila Mack, Harry Conover, Ann Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Good-man and George Frazier. A fund-raising party will have Milton Berle as emsce, and Georgie Price, Kenny Delmar, Beatrice Kay, Mary Simall and Jackie Kelk, Students Richard and Robert Williams and Mitzi Kuehn also will help out.

stage and baggage. . . H. W. Hol-lingsworth (Karnak) waxes interestingly from his headquarters in Mango, Fla., where he operates a citrus nurs-ery of some 12,000 trees as a side interest. "Was kept busy by Uncle Sam for 46 months during the war, both in the merchant marine and with the maritime commission," writes Karnak, "and returned to magic last year, playing 197 schools in this State. Florida is a tough State to play (ask Birch). I have opened several counties that were closed to school shows, but the car-nivals will be down this winter and close them up again. The days are numbered for school shows. Assembly Midwestern States for percentage work. They have lots of workwork. They have lots of work-three days and travel 200 miles for \$150 a week. The movie moguls are moving in on the schools. Several schools I played last year are using their percentages to buy movie projectors. Have been thinking seriously of going on a foreign tour. Cuba, Jamaica and Puerto Rico are good territory, especially the first named."



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BANTOCK-Sir Granville. 78 conductor and October 16. He English composer, teacher, in London, was professor emeritus of music at Birmingham (Eng.) University and vice-chairman of the Corporation of Trinity College of Music, London. After studying music at the Royal Academy of Music, he founded and edited a musical quarterly which he abandoned after three years to go on a world tour as conductor with one of George Edward's Gaiety Revues. From 1896 to 1900, he was musical director of the Tower at New Brigh-ton, English shore resort. His musical compositions included operas, sym-phonies, choral works and folk or-chestrations. He made several visits to the United States and Canada.

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CARUSO-Madame Ada Giachetti, wife of the late Enrico Caruso and a former opera singer, in Rio de Janeiro October 16.

COHEN-Madison S., 75, Kentucky commissioner of agriculture and president of the Kentucky State Fair, Louisville, from 1916 to 1920, in Los Angeles October 4. He published The American Horseman, at Lexing-ton, Ky., until 1941, when he sold it to take up residence in California.

CROUCH—Nora, 65, mother of Orville Crouch, manager of Loew's State and Orphéum theaters, St. Louis, October 9 in Indianapolis. Services and burial in that city.

DAVIS-Clarence D., concessionaire with many of the past and present day carnivals, in Our Lady of the ent day carnivals, in Our Lady of the Lake Sanitarium, Baton Rouge, La., October 15. The past season he was with the Harry Burke Shows. Sur-vived by his widow, Esther; two sons, William and Kore, and herboy and

vived by his widow, Esther; two sons, William and Ken, one brother and three sisters. Burial in Roselawn Cemetery, Baton Rouge, October 16. DAVIS-Zeno, 68, train helper with Cole Bros.' Circus, killed October 9 by an automobile while walking a crossing at Upland, Calif. He was from Indiana.

DOYLE-Joseph (Dinty) E., former newspaperman and radio col-umnist, in Boston October 13. He was appointed news editor of Station WABC, New York, a few weeks ago after serving for more than four years as director of the station's publicity department. His Dialing With Dinty column first appeared in the Oakland (Calif.) Post-Enquirer, but later was syndicated in the Hearst papers. Doyle dropped his radio column to act as publicity director of Billy Rose's Aquacade at the San Fran-cisco World's Fair.

DUBINSKY-David, 68, violinist in the Philadelphia Orchestra, Octo-ber 13 in St. Luke's Hospital, Philaviolinist ber 13 in St. Luke's Hospital, Phila-delphia, of a heart attack. He joined the symphony when it was first or-ganized in 1900 by Fritz Scheel, also serving as its personnel manager. He also played with the Pittsburgh Symphony. Survived by his widow, Gertrude; a brother and three sis-ters. Services and burial in Phila-delphia October 16.

DUDIAK-Joseph (Polack), carnival concessionaire, in Pawtucket, R. I., October 12 from injuries re-ceived in a fall. Services in New York Wednesday (16), with interment in the National Showmen's Associa-tion's plot in Ferncliffe (N. Y.) cem-

GIST—George S., ride foreman and brother of Arthur J. Gist, former side-show operator, at Colbert Coun-ty Hospital, Sheffield, Ala., October 15. He had been in ill health for several years. Burial in Oakwood Cemetery, Sheffield.

HART--Harvey H., 61, former theater and tab show operator, Octo-ber 4, at his home in Pasadena, Calif. Hart began his theatrical career in Hart began his theatrical career in Bucyrus, O., in 1907, with his father and two brothers. In 1908 they had theaters in Toledo, Marion and Columbus, O., and presented tab shows, during which time Ted Lewis gained recognition with the Hart players. In 1916 the family moved to Long Beach, Calif., where they THE FINAL CURTAIN

operated a dramatic stock company. In 1926 deceased dissolved partner-ship with his brothers, and until\_1930 presented the Hart Players in Pasadena. The past several years he managed theaters in Southern California, most recently having been associated with the Edwards chain. Survived by his widow, Audrey; son, Vayne, and two brothers, Earl and Lloyd. Burial in Forrest Lawn Cemetery, Glendalc, Calif.

HARWOOD — John R., assistant manager of Cresent Park Amuscment Company, East Providence, R. I., since 1939, October 4 in that city. Sur-vived by his widow and daughter. Burial in New Bedford, Mass.

HASSELBRINK-Carlos E., 88. violinist and former concertmeister with the New York Metropolitan Opera Company, October 4 in Vin-cent's Hospital, Bridgeport, Conn. He also played with the New York Phil-

daughter. Burial in Lawncroft Ceme-tery, Bridgeport, October 7. HENSHAW—Charles, 76, former tent show and circus musician, in Minonk, Ill., recently of a heart attack. He toured with a show in Canada for several years and was with other shows in Boston and in the East for 10 years. For two seasons he played on a showboat on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. Later he was with the Callahan Shows for 16 seasons as acting director and also in the band. Services and burial in Minonk,

HILL—C. N. (Pop), father of How-ard P, and Clyde O. Hill, owners of Hill's Greater Shows, in Dallas, Oc-tober 10. Besides his two sons, he leaves his widow and a daughter.

HOLLOWAY-Harry A., 66, assistant secretary and paymaster of the advertising agency of Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn, in New York October 14. Oldest employce of the harmonic Orchestra at one time. Sur- firm, he was rounding out his 51st vived by his widow, two sons and a year with the agency.

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LAZZARI—Carolina A., 57, for-mer contralto of Metropolitan Opera Company and vocal teacher, in Stony Creek, Conn., October 17.

Creek, Conn., October 17. LINN—Harry A., 58, former night club owner, October 15 at his home in Philadelphia. Until recently he owned the Copacabana in Philadel-phia. Survived by his widow, Eva; three sons, Henry Roberts, a Holly-wood musician featured in the mov-ies with his own Roberts Trio; Robert Roberts, sax player featured with many name bands, including Jan Savitt, and George A. Linn, who was associated with him in the night was associated with him in the night club business. Services and burial in Philadelphia October 16.

in Philadelphia October 16. MACY — Carleton, 85, character actor and vaude performer, in Bay Shore, L. I., October 17. Played more than 500 roles, debuting in Augustus Thomas's The Burglars in 1891. Ap-peared with Willie Howard in Girl Crazy, in Belasco productions and in many Broadway hits. He worked with stock companies in Philadel-phia and Kanesa Ciry Mo. and for phia and Kansas City, Mo., and for nine years toured the vaude circuits nine years toured the Valde circuits with his wife, the late Maude Edna Hall, as Lydell and Macy. He was a member of Actors' Equity Associa-tion and the Lambs.

William, MIDDLETON --- George marionette worker, suddenly October 13 at his home in Detroit. He ap-peared in vaude for more than 50 years with his act. Survived by his widow, Jennie.

NELSON-Louis, until recently treasurer of the Endicott Circuit of movie theater operators in Brooklyn and Rockaway, L. I., in Brooklyn October 10. He was former treasurer of the Indenpendent Theater Owners' Association of New York.

NOBLE-Mrs. Imogene Glover, 61, NOBLE-Mrs. Imogene Glover, 61, Pawtucket, Conn., October 10 in Westerly, R. I. From 1913 to 1918 she played with the old Albee Stock Company in Providence and also ap-peared with the Halleck Players in Woonsocket, R. I., and in New Bed-ford, Mass. Survived by her husband, Enoch.

PETTY-Herman K., 77, circus fan and former booker at the old Opera House, Washington, N. J., October 8 at his home in that city after several months' illness. Survived by his widow, Carrie; a son, Charles, and a brother, Edward. Services and burial in Wachington October 1 in Washington October 11.

RAYMOND-Mrs. Charles H., 62, former actress, in New York, October 16. She was a granddaughter of the late Joseph Jefferson, and daughter of Thomas Jefferson, also a well-known actor. She toured as a child with her grandfather, playing the role of Meenie in Rip Van Winkle.

role of Meenie in Rip Van Winkle. SCHUTTENHELM — William E., former part-owner of the Delray Theater, Detroit, and manager of other Detroit houses, October 12 in Los Angeles of a heart attack. Sur-vived by two daughters, Lucille and Wre Lourence Macl and Burich in Mrs. Lawrence MacLeod. Burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Detroit.

SIGSBEE—Capt. W. A., 89, former animal trainer, at his daughter's home in Orlando, Fla., October 9. Among his acts was Princess Trixie, the edu-cated horse. He also had an animal act at the St. Louis World's Fair and trained horses for the Al Ringling and the Dode Fisk shows. He had Captain, educated horse, at the Gol-den Gate International Exposition, San Francisco, after which he worked the trained animal show with Endy Bros.' Shows for two years. He was with Johnny J. Jones Exposition for several years before retiring. Sur-vived by his widow, a son and daughter.

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# **Beatty Winds Up in Texas;** To Winter at Nacogdoches

Last-minute switch in quarters site from Orange, Tex., has bosses guessing-efforts to get locations at Alexandria, La., and Beanmont fail

NACOGDOCHES, Tex., Oct. 19.—The Clyde Beatty Circus is due to arrive here at midnight tonight, to go into winter quarters at the Nacog-doches County Fairgrounds. The show has been en route since it ended its season at Bruswick, Ga., Wednesday (16) night. (Details of closing in Circus Section.) At that time, it was announced the show would winter at Orange, Tex. A last-minute switch was made, however, which has had even

some of the show's bosses guessing. Bob Reynolds, prop boss, was in Orange today, waiting for the show train to arrive, when he received a wire from Dan Dix, 24-hour man, saying it was headed for Nacogdoches Nov. 4. Will Go instead. Reynolds had driven thru, as had Floyd Lee, show electrician. Lee reached Orange Friday night, reporting he had passed the show train at Algiers, La. Wires and mail for at Algiers, La. Wires and mail for show personnel also were waiting at Orange.

Meanwhile, Dan Dix and Larry Vogt had arrived in Nacogdoches to prepare for the show's arrival. They had come by way of New Orleans, where they arranged a feed-andwater stop for Friday afternoon.

Deal for the fairgrounds here was not completed until late Thursday (17). Waldo T. Tupper, general agent, who handled the negotiations, then left for Los Angeles.

The show turned to Texas for quarters after efforts to obtain the army air base at Alexandria, La., had failed. The government refused to turn that property back to the city, citing the veterans' housing shortage as the reason. Al Humke spent some time in be-

half of the Beatty show at Beaumont, Tex., seeking a winter quarters site, but apparently without success. Huntsville, Tex., also was considered. Clyde Beatty and considerable of the show's stock and personnel will play the Houston Shrine Circus.

## Bronx Zoo Gets Three Elephants

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Bronx Zoo received three African elephants. gift of the Belgian Congo Government, Monday (7). Animals are Bamangwa, 10 years old; Doruma, 8, and Zanegelima, 14, male. Pachy-derms were cared for during the 40day sea voyage by Robert Montana, zoo elephant keeper.

# **Of Pools, Coasters**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Outdoor amusement construction was further curtailed Monday (7) by the Civilian Production Administration. Included were swimming pools, boardwalks and roller coasters.

and roller coasters. Move is considered a necessary additional effort to conserve mate-rial for veterans' housing. However, construction already started and under way will be allowed to con-tinue, CPA said.

# Ñov. 4, Will Go **On Rails in '47**

LEESVILLE, La., Oct. 19.---Marshall L. Green, general agent, announced today the Sparks Circus would end its 1946 season November 4 at Tyler, Tex. Show goes from here to Orange, Tex., for a dozen stands in the Lone Star State. It then will return to winter quarters at Sarasota, Fla., and, under plans energetically pursued all summer by Manager James Edgar, will go on rails next season.

Show's executive staff is being re-tained intact for next year with the exception that Bill Tumber is to be Side Show manager and P. A. Mc-Grath is to be added as trainmaster. th was reported as early as last July, when Sparks played Trenton, N. J., that McGrath would leave the Sun Oil Company to rebuild for rails. At that time, he was busy taking mea-surements of the show's present roll-ing stock. He formerly was with Cole Bros.

### **Oak Ridge Pans** Okay for Sunbrock

KNOXVILLE, Oct. 19.—Larry Sun-brock's Wild West Rodeo and Holly-wood Thrill Circus played the ball wood Thrill Circus played the ball park, inside the government re-stricted area, at Oak Ridge, near here, Sunday and Monday (13-14), with the show pulling some 14,000 people, de-spite cold weather, according to Jack Andrews, Sunbrock associate. The engagement was sponsored by the Oak Ridge Recreation and Welfare Association. Association.

CPA Nixes Building America, where the Sunbrock unit is slated to play six engagements.

### **Toledo Showgrounds Sold**

TOLEDO, Oct. 19.-The 60-acre tract on Manhattan Boulevard here, which has been the circus and carnival grounds for years, has been sold. By the time a new season rolls around, first units of a new \$1,000,000 factory probably will have been built. The tract, owned by the Streicher estate, was sold to the Toledo Plate & Window Glass Company.

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### Rogers' Chi Rodeo 295G in 15 Shots

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.-Roy Rogers' World Championship Rodeo at Chi-cago Stadium has grossed \$295,000 for the first 15 of its skedded 24 performances. The figures included last night's show.

Rodeo opened here October 10, and in all is slated to do 18 night per-formances and six matinees. A gross of nearly \$450,000 is anticipated for the entire run.

## **Tommy Thomas** New R-B Agent

SHREVEPORT, La., Oct. 19.-J. C. (Tommy) Thomas will be the railroad contracting agent for the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, according to indisputable information.

Thomas has been general agent for the Royal American Shows for the past five years, and previous time in the earnival business was with Johnny J. Jones Exposition and the late Rubin Gruberg's Model Shows of America.

Thomas also had circus experience before moving into the carnival field, having been connected with the Ringling organization.

Arthur Hopper, R-B general agent, has been ailing most of this season and it is understood that he will remain indefinitely on the pay roll in an executive advisory capacity.

F. A. (Babe) Boudinot, present assistant general agent, is slated to become general outdoor advertising executive. Official announcements of these appointments are said to be readied shortly after January 1.

### Spectator, Alleging Injuries In '45, Sues Richwine for 45G

CARLISLE, Pa., Oct. 19.—A suit seeking \$15,000 damages for injuries received as an auto race spectator at Williams Grove Spectator at williams Grove Speedway, Me-chanicsburg, October 7, 1945, has been filed in Cumberland County Court here by Harry Hockenberry, Shippensburg, Pa.

Snippensburg, Pa. Roy E. Richwine, operator of the speedway, was named as defendant. One person was killed and 11 in-jured in the mishap when a racer driven by Mark Light, Lebanon, Pa., hurtled a guard fence and pluged into a group of spectators a group of spectators.

He further charges that Richwine was negligent in permitting operation was negligent in permitting operation of racing cars at high speed on a track which was insufficiently banked for safety; permitting operation at high speed on a wet and muddy track; permitting spectators to occupy or traverse a section of ground near the track how the defendant as a track known to the defendant as a danger zone; not warning the plaintiff that it was a zone of danger; not maintaining safety or guarding de-vices between track and spectators, and maintaining an improperly constructed, operated and protected speedway.

# **Records Fall** As Sun Smiles **On La. Annual**

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### Two-day preview sends R. A. away on top pace—all exhibit space crammed

## SHREVEPORT, La., Oct. 21.—Old Jupiter Pluvius tossed a flock of rain at the Louisiana State Fairgrounds for a few minutes Saturday evening for a few minutes Saturday evening (19), but it failed to dampen the ar-dor of fun seekers, and the annual is off to the most auspicious start in its lengthy history. Royal American Shows, coming here from a record shattering run at the Mississippi State Fair, staged its annual preview Thursday and continued it thru Friday.

Two impromptu showings netted shows and rides a snappy eight grand and then the annual opened Satur-day. The folks came from far and day. The folks came from far and near, and when it was out and over at an early hour Sunday morning Walter DeVoyne had counted in ex-cess of \$17,000 for the biggest day in the history of William R. Hirsch's exposition. Saturday was tremen-dous, but it was just a warning of what was to take place Sunday, and so many folks came and spent so so many folks came and spent so freely that there wasn't a sour puss around the grounds. Even the chameleon walkers were made happy.

There would have been more space There would have been more space for folks had the management been forewarned of the tremendous out-pouring of Louisianians and East Texans because exhibits and conces-sions were placed in spots which heretofore had been left vacant. All four of the huge buildings were crammed with exhibits, three of them being willized for commercials with being utilized for commercials with an overflow going begging.

Barnes-Carruthers State Fair Rebarnes-Carruners State Fair Re-vuc of 1946 featured the night grand-stand presentation and it caught on with a bang Saturday night. John A. Sloan more than made the nut with his auto races Saturday afternoon, and Sunday he had them hanging on the rafters.

Afternoon programs in front of the grandstand were not too heavily booked until next Friday and Satur-day, when Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers will hold sway. Motorcycle races will be offered the closing Sun-day afternoon. There is no outside gate charges here, and onc's guess is as good as another on the number of as good as another on the number of people the grounds will accommodate, as Hirsch put it. One thing for sure the grounds were jammed to capac-ity this opening Saturday and Sun-day, and only weather is needed to make it the greatest thing in Louisiana's history.

### Norfolk Tax Falling Short

NORFOLK, Oct. 19.—This city's 10 per cent admission tax will yield less than the estimated \$550,000 its first year, a monthly average thru August indicates. That month's re-ceipts amounted to \$38,965,33 on a total of 1,193,056 admissions.

# **Dallas's Second Independent** Midway Rolls in Dough, With **Most Attractions Adequate**

Girl Show Ballys, Fronts Fail 'To Meet Standards

### By a Staff Correspondent

DALLAS, Oct. 19.—State Fair of revival run here Sunday (20), is completing its second experiment with an independent midway, and judging from the bales of folding money that have rolled into the cof-fers since opening Saturday (5), it must be accorded the garland of suc-ress

Almost every type of known riding device was offered for the fun and frolic of young and old. Majority of rides have been on the grounds all season as a park operation, but enough portables were added to give the layout the greatest number as-sembled at any annual in the nation.

Because of the complexity of the operation—there being a horde of independents as well as the permanents of Denny Pugh, Joe Murphy and Harry A. Illions. It was impossible to but Illions's Bozo and Rapids gar-nered better than \$5,000 opening day, and others went right along with him.

### Stock Flipped Around

In addition to the regular permanent concessions and several tem-porary center location stands in the customary park layout, there was a

Net \$1,550 for PCSA From Crafts' Picnic DINUBA, Calif., Oct. 19 .--- Crafts' 20 Big Shows' annual employees pic-

nic and benefit, held recently, set a new record here when some 400 cm-ployees turned out to raise \$1,550 for the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association.

Headed by Maybelle Crafts, the local committee staged a barbecue dinner, complete with all the trim-mings and topped off with home-made cake and ice cream. Entertainment and awards preceded the dinner.

Held in a park a few blocks from the downtown business district, the beef and ham were barbecued over open-hearth charcoal ovens under direction of John (Spot) Ragland and crew of assistants. General Manager J. Frank Warren

donated a wrist watch, which was awarded as a door prize; Mrs. Crafts gave a costume jewelry set, and Secretary Hal Eifort and Jeff Griffin donated a pen and pencil set, billfold

and lady's compact. In addition to the annual picnic, em-ployees sponsor a weekly award, pro-ceeds from which go to the PCSA.

### **New Show Is Planned** By Frank Sutton Jr.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 19.—Frank M. Sutton Jr. announced here he would launch the Great Southern Shows next spring. He has been operating a Penny Arcade and other concesa Penny Areace and other conces-sions since his discharge from the army last winter and has been with the L. J. Heth Shows the past several weeks, prior to which he was with the John R. Ward World's Fair Shows.

Shows. Sutton plans to establish winter quarters at Atlanta, and open with 6 shows, about 7 rides and about 35 concessions. Shows, he says, will be routed thru Georgia, Tennessee, Ken-tucky, Indiana and Illinois.

midnight every day that weather was favorable, and only Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week were hampered by inclement elements.

design to be pocketed.

### **Brydon Corners Scratch**

In the show department the nod must be given to Ray Marsh Brydon's operation, which included a Side Show, reptile and midget shows and an iron lung.

Brydon's equipment was first class in every way and his ability and energy in keeping the ballys hot, even thru the rains, resulted in an amaz-ing gross. Opening day Brydon's four units grossed \$10,688.30, the Side Show setting the pace with \$5,020.40, the biggest take snatched by any individual unit. At the close of busi-ness Friday (18) Brydon's cashiers had turned in almost \$55,000, and with the folks around today and those expected tomorrow it is almost cer-(See Dallas Rolls in \$ \$ on page 61)

### One for the Book

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Harry E. Wilson, of the Majestic Greater Shows, figures he's seen every-thing now and he called the Chicago office of The Billboard

"I have my trailer parked near a railroad track hcre," Harry said, "and yesterday morning when I came outside morning when I came outside I saw a gypsy woman standing on the tracks waving a water bucket at an on-coming train. The train came to a screeching stop and the excited engineer hollered: 'What's the matter?' "Give me a bucket of hot water, will ya,' the woman said. "And believe it or not," Wil-con said "she got the hot water

son said, "sne got the hot water and proceeded on her way back to her camp. A disgusted en-gineer started the train on its way."

# This meant the unloading of car-loads of stock—15,000 pounds of cof-fee were dumped from one wheel alone in the first 12 days. Plaster By Buck, Manning was lugged in profusion, as well as other trinkets, usually too large in Nets \$900 for NSA

DANBURY, Conn., Oct. 19. - A jamboree, jointly sponsored by the O. C. Buck and Ross Manning shows in the ballroom of the Hotel Green here Friday (4), neticd \$900 for the National Showmen's Association, An estimated 200 attended and heard talks by Oscar C. Buck, past president, and Walter K: Sibley, executive secretary of NSA. A floorshow was followed by dancing.

Acts contributing their services included Georgiana Dietrick, vocalist; Earl and Ford, dancers; Sammy Rosch, comedian; Jack Andrews, bull whip manipulator; Whitey Sutton, comedy auction, and Joe Basile's band. Joe Hughes was emsee.

# Wallace Show, Canada, Ends. **Biggest Year**

### Fair Business Phenomenal

TORONTO, Oct. 19. - Wallace Bros.' Shows of Canada closed the biggest season in their history at Sim coe, Ont., October 10 in weather that was ideal for the time of year.

Show opened April 30 at London, Ont, and was out 24 weeks, accord-ing to statistics revealed by D. W. (Whitey) Tait. First fair date was at Lachute, Que., week of June 3, fol-lowed by still dates at Ottawa, Nor-anda and Winnipeg. Then cante the B Circuit of Western Canada Fairs, starting at Weyburn, Sask., July 1 and ending at Prince Albert, Sask., August 10. This was Wallace Bros' seventh time to play the circuit and Show opened April 30 at London, August 10. This was wallace Bros. seventh time to play the circuit and business was nothing less than phe-nomenal, all fairs showing increases of 25 to 40 per cent.

### Makes 2,900-Mile Jump

From Prince Albert the show made From Prince Albert the show made a 2,900-mile jump in record time of 79 hours to join the Conklin shows for the following fairs: Three Rivers, Sherbrooke, Quebec City, Que., and Lindsay, Leamington, Belleville and Kingston, Ont. Two final stands, Caledonia Ont., and Simcoc, were under the Wallace Bros, banner. Personnel remained the same thru-

Personnel remained the same thru-out the season except for a few concessions. Shows at the final stand cessions. Snows at the final stand were Johnny Branson's wild horses, snakes, rats and gorilla; Jeanne Nan-son, Girl Revue; Bob Lee, Globe of Death; Dorothy Lewis, Monkey Cir-cus; Alberta Slim and his horse, Kit-ten; Jack Rosenheim, Wild Life, and Cone Musch into Jung. Bidger Vid ten; Jack Rosenneim, Wild Lite, and Gene March, iron lung. Rides: Kid-die Auto Ride, Pony Track, Twin Ferris Wheels, Merry - Go - Round, Tilt-a-Whirl, Octopus, Roll-o-Plane, Spitfire and Fly-o-Plane,

### Wreck at Noranda

Highlight of the season was the wreck of three cars while show was going into Noranda. A settlement agoing into Noranda. A settlement has not been made to date, the rail-road claiming damages for revenue lost because the main line being tied up from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. Shows raised a fund of \$2,000 for

children left without parents by an auto accident on the org last season, and J. W. (Patty) and Frank Conklin presented J. P. (Slim) Sullivan with \$1,500 from the Conklin Shows.

## **SLA** Committee Names Polack **For President**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19. — Irving J. Polack for president, David B. Endy Polack for president, David B. Endy for first vice-president, Robert K. (Bob) Parker for second vice-presi-dent, Lou Keller for third vice-presi-dent, and J. C. McCaffery for a five-year term as trustee—this was the slate of names submitted for the an-nual election of officers of the Show-marks. men's League of America by the nominating committee at the club meeting Thursday (17) night. Endy is now second vice-president and Parker is the present third vicepresident. Walter F. Driver and Joe Streibich

were named for re-election as treas-urer and secretary, respectively. Named as nominees for the board

of governors were: Tom W. Allen, Oscar Bloom, Max B. Brantman, Fitzie Brown, James (See Polack for Prezy on page 61)

BALLYHOO BROS.' CIRCULATING EXPO **A Century of Profit Show** -By Starr De Belle

Invasion, Miss. October 19, 1946.

There's no doubt about Lem Trucklow's being dean of general agents. He is never hooked for a date, regardless of the time of the year, and he never uses such alibis as "Where can one put a show at this time of the season?" or "No show can be first-in in any town in August." His Inst-in in any town in August." His success is built on his ability to open closed towns. If a burg isn't a maiden date he makes it semi-maiden, whatever that is Aggressive-ness is his byword. The writer has often seen him leave his root beer often seen nim leave his root beer barrel on the hotlest day and hurry off on a booking tour, to be gone per-haps two days. We have yet to hear him use the old g.a.'s dodge, "I lost the fair contract by one vote. My man double-crossed me." For the up-and-coming root beer

Dear Pat:

For the up-and-coming root beer dispensers who aspire to become agents, here is how the dean works. He opened Long Beard, Miss., for 15 years a closed carnival stop, by first learning that burg's mayor was out of town and then rushing to the linear of the store burg the short by out of town and then rushing to the license office. Grabbing the clerk by the duke and while wildly pump-handling it, Lem opened up with, "Howdy. Has Toby been in town, yet?" "Toby?" asked the clerk. "Sure," yelled back Lem, "The funny fellow that wore a red wig in the tent show last summer. I was with him here and met you. Got my own show now and a funnier fellow than Toby." So we were issued a reader.

Altho the show only worked two days before being sloughed, it was a moral victory for the midway, and we pub-licized the opening of a closed spot to the high heavens,

Here's how Lem gets a license re-duced. Intends, Ark., had and still has a \$100-per-day reader, which can be reduced only at the will of the mayor. Trucklow cut he license from \$100 be the start of the start of the \$100 to \$10 per day. He informed his honor that Pete Ballyhoo and his kin had been operating a little schol-house show thru Arkansas during the winter. The natives liked the family's acting so well they followed the troupe from school to school. By spring the show had so prospered it was able to buy an old camp meeting tent from a preacher. After harvesting tent from a preacher. After harvesting their crops, Ballyhoo and his kin took to the road with the tent, adding some little side attractions and booths. Thus was the mayor convinced this was a sawbuck-perday show.

In all fairness to the mayor it must be said he was somewhat surprised when he saw the shows' paper go up and our train arrive, but a license contract is a license contract, which is responsible for citing the case, Ballyhoo Bros. vs. the City of Intend, Ark., dated August 30, 1914. To date the show's bond there hasn't been returned.

Hoping that we have enlightened the present-day root beer jerkers who will be the general agents of tomorrow. Sincerely

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### MIDWAY CONFAB

A. E. (Bill) Cody writes from To-

Doc Waddell is on a preaching-lecturing trip thru Ohio. His itinerary includes Akron, Springfield, Dayton, Tipp City and Cleveland. At Akron he was the guest of Basil McHenry.

Ray E. Garrison, while touring thru the South stopped recently at Jacksonville, Fla., to visit Leola, annex attraction on Endy Bros.' Shows.

#### Fairs, mostly husband and hog calling contests, are about over.

G. J. (Humpty Dumpty) Higgins closed recently with Pioneer Shows and is making his home in Binghamton, N. Y., where he visited with Dan Ellas and Doc Hamilton.

Mrs. Ruby Kane returned to Tri-angle Shows at Chase City, Mo., last week after a trip to St. Petersburg, Fla., where she entered her son Joe Jr., at the Admiral Farragut Academy.

Victor H. Sturkers, ride owner and operator at Washington Park, Michi-gan City, Ind., has gone on the road with floss. He plans to remain out several weeks before heading for Key West, Fla., where he will winter.

We've had our unusual early cold spell CHICAGO 4, ILL. already four times this fall.

> Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Gawle, who closed with Madison Bros.' Shows because of a nervous collapse suffered by Mrs. Gawle, are now at their home at Webster, Mass., where Mrs. Gawle is recovering.

> Ralph Tuttle visited his sister Zara, annex attraction on Jack Munroe's Side Show with the L. J. Heth Shows, and liked midway life so much that he has decided to remain on for the rest of the season.

> John R. Castle and Johnny Lorman, in addition to their Vac-M-Mop demonstration in the industries building, which did all right, entertained the speculative-minded at the State Fair of Texas with an over-andunder game.

Best informed gossip is one who does house cleaning for eight different house trailers at odd times.

A. Norton, electrician on Bright Lights Exposition, is taking a short vacation thru Virginia and New York after storing the "wagon" in quarters at Lynchburg, Va. He then will re-turn to quarters to start rebuilding the light system.

L. C. (Curley) Reynolds and Oscar Bloom were among the show owners to take time out to visit the Dallas midway last week, and both marveled at Cash Wiltse's agility in milking the ticket sellers for Ray Marsh Brydon's four attractions.

A. W. (Pat) Hanlon, who recently bought half interest in the Tex Ryne Cowboy Caravan and is routing that show, will return to the Ross Mann-ing Shows as agent next spring. He He has been with the Manning org the past two years.

Every year, at this time of the year, ou hear some trouper crack, "I'm going back north to get warm.

Gene Beegle writes he has taken over the Side Show on the Dumont Great Sutton Shows, having finished Shows. Line-up follows: Gene Beegle, his 'season, has returned to Kansas front, Punch and Judy and magic; City, Mo., where he and wife have Lou Riley, tickets; Clara Beegle, in-made their home for the past dive

A. E. (Bill) Cody writes from To-ledo that his partner, Ed, of the Selkirk concessions, is on a hunting trip in Illinois. Doc Waddell is on a preaching-necturing trip thru Ohio. His itinerary includes Akron, Springfield, Dayton, Dayton Sisters, of George Clyde eater; Pauline Smith, mentalist; Smith Shows.

> Bill Fleming, general agent of James E. Strates Shows, is among the last of the white collar workers who rolls his own, and he has a nifty pouch which keeps the Bull Durham from crumbing up his pockets.

John Sprow, recently discharged from the army after service overseas, is working as a steamfitter in Milwaukee. Before he entered the serv-ice, he was a tractor driver and concessionaire with Rubin & Cherry Shows.

Snapp Wyatt, show artist, was the subject of an illustrated feature story distributed recently by the Associated Press to member newspapers. Wyatt toured with carnivals until several years ago when he established his own studio in Tampa, Fla.

If owners don't clean up the trash left on lots before spring, the shows that left it won't come back.

Edward (Pop) Dailey, former auto race star for the late J. Alex Sloan and now manager of the Arcade on Royal American Shows for Harry Julius, celebrated his 61st birthday Sunday (13) riding the show train from Jackson, Miss., to Shreveport, La.

Jack Armstrong and Al Bedford, in charge of the midway attractions for the Houston Shrine circus, visited the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, and inspected the shows that will be transferred to their lot. While in Dallas they were guests of Ray Marsh Brydon.

George A. (Granny) Gregg, old-timer, is a patient in Veterans Hos-pital, Chillicothe, O. He was trans-ferred there in April after 13 months in another veterans hospital. Em-phasizing that he is not in need of money, Gregg says he would like to hear from old friends.

Gate & Banner Shows have gone so gal show minded that they want their dancers to truck into the office for their pay.

Alonzo H. Barclay, with carnivals and circuses for 35 years before his retirement 10 years ago, is back home at the Embassy Hotel, 2756 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, after his sec-ond hospitalization as a result of a fractured leg suffered in a fail last July.

Frank Zorda cards from Hattiesburg, Miss., that he is still out with the J. J. Page Shows. Pointing out it was the 34th week of the season for him, he reports business has been good and adds that Isabelle Zorder is still handling the front while he makes the openings.

Corp. Trevor Montgomery, of Montgomery's Rides, is home from the Philippines after 24 months in the army, and after his terminal leave will open his sign and paint shop in Philadelphia. At present the Montgomerys are living at Glenoiden. Montgomerys are living at Glenolden, Pa., Philadelphia suburb.

Shows. Line-up follows: Gene Beegle, his 'season, has returned to Kansas front, Punch and Judy and magic; City, Mo., where he and wife have Lou Riley, tickets; Clara Beegle, in- made their home for the past five side lecturer; Prince Mongo, fire- years. Mrs. Reed, who has been un-

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der the care of doctors for over a year, is reported in improved health.

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Cowboy Murphy and wife, Mar-garet Poteet, last week joined the Pine State Shows in Mississippi. Previously they had a concession on Hills Greater Shows and before that were with J. A. Gentsch Shows, where Murphy had his own Wild West Show and worked with his wife in a free act.

Spotted at breakfast in the Ex-change Hotel, Montgomery, Ala., Sat-urday (12) were three Cavalcade of America stalwarts, William B. Nay-lor, Joe Scholibo, and Bobby Kline. Mrs. Elizabeth Finn joined the ses-sion and revealed she is handling program advertising for Eddie (Red) Lippman's concert promotions.

Small midway workers are allowed to express their views, and the big boys are allowed to pay little attention as possible to them.

Carl E. Manthey Jr., of New Britain, Conn., who divided the past season between the Leo Bistany Shows and Andy Graham, of Harrison Greater Shows, is going back to sea. He has expects to sail soon for Poland and Sweden. Moreover, he hopes to get some meat to eat by shipping on a cattle boat.

Mrs. Eddie (Honey) Vaughan, dis-charged from Baylor Hospital after being a patient seven weeks, is back at the Campbell Hotel, Dallas, where she will be confined to her bed for six weeks. She is the chaplain of the Lone Star Show Women's Club, of Dallas, and was the first president of the Missouri Show Women's Club, St. Louis.

Clint W. Shuford, secretary-treasurer of Hennies Bros.' Shows who was released Monday (14) from Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, after being there four weeks, left that city Wednesday (16) for Mobile, Ala., to rejoin the shows. He has practically recovered from his recent eye operation..., Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Shipley, of Shipley Amuscments, recently spent several days in St. Louis with the has been Mrs. Shipley's sister who has been

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"Don't print this," breathed Noble C. Fairly at Dallas, "but that Denny Pugh handed me a 45 and had me guarding the cabbage in the concessions office, and I don't want my friends to know that in addition to my other duties I am a copper." Viola, Noble's patient wife, was busy grinding in quarters at her mitt camp.

Paddy Conklin's life story and how Paddy Conklin's life story and how he operates, written by Kenneth Johnstone, staffer, in *The Montreal* Standard's tabloid supplement Satur-day, September 28, was headed King of the Carnivals. The feature piece, illustrated with a three-color pic of Patty and his brother, Frank, paid him high tribute. A bold subhead declared he "brought a new slogan to fairs, Give the Suckers a Break."

James M. Gamble, off the road for the past two years, joins the Raymond J. Korhn Shows at Valdosta, Ga., his week. For the last few months he has been visiting in Paragould, Ark, previously having been in De-troit, where he made some personal appearances with his special poems while serving as relief manager for the Midwest Theater Company. Gamble was injured when pinned under a wagon tractor October 16, but promises to keep his date this week.

Double birthday of Lieut. Alphonso Palanco, U. S. Navy, and Mrs. Pa-lanco (Bench Bentum), swimmer and high-diver, was celebrated recently in Batlimore. Guests included Mrs. Margaret Christy, Mr. and Mrs. Wil-lard Christy, Mr. and Mrs. John Shepherd, Agnes Miller, Betty Mae Terrell, Marlyn and Pauline Watson, Clyde and Vera Rinaldo, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Gossins, Doc Waddell and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Steen.

Rogers & Powell Shows set some-Rogers & Powell Shows set some-thing of a record when they upped and downed it at Clarksdale, Gra-nada and Durant, all Mississippi, within a period of 10 days, and with-out the aid or benefit of billing... Sammy Smith, veteran Royal Ameri-con trainmastor revealed in Lackercan trainmaster, revealed in Jackson, Miss., Saturday (12), that the org hasn't missed an opening this season, tossing out this boast as only a disaster make it late for the two remaining stands, Shreveport, La, and Pleasure Shows, returned to Detroit Tampa, where the show will winter to re-establish headquarters. He reagain.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Jessop, U. S. Tent & Awning Company, visited Endy Bros.' Shows at Atlanta and Hennies Bros.' Shows at Birmingham . . . The Luncefords, who operate the fair at Dothan, Ala., visited Birmingham to have a look-



in ill health. Now that she is on the see at the midway.... Louis (Bird road to recovery the Shipleys de-Dog) Berger was among the char-parted for Natchez, La., to rejoin the acters missed during the week at Birmingham, evidently having been sent out on a "hold-it-down" mission. . . . Herbert A. Bye, Chicago at-torney, also was among Birmingham visitors.

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Starr DeBelle, having stored his whale attraction in which he was partnered with Shan Wilcox, breezed into Cincinnati early last week accompanied by his wife, Adele. They have taken an apart-ment in the Queen City and plan to remain until his present dickerings for a winter connection materialize. In the meantime the Sage of the Midway is putting in his spare moments walking the dog, taking in the "leg shows" at Cincy's Gayety Theater and catching up on his reading of de-tective and crime tales.

Clarence Katz, formerly with Royal American Shows, and now a resident of San Anlonio, is reported to have recently wed a widow with nine children... Mr. and Mrs. Hom Zo-lun, with the Wonder Shows of America, were recent Chicago visi-tors... Sam Solomon also was a Windy City visitor... Robert K. (Bob) Parker, of Chicago, is making the rounds of shows carrying units of Bartlett Diggers. Mrs. Parker and her mother, Mrs. Lottie Mayer, have closed their cottage at Assembly Park, Delavan, Wis., and returned to Miami for the winter. Clarence Katz, formerly with Royal

Jil McKay cards that the Allen-Breuer concessions' Helena (Ark.) stand proved successful. George O'Neal left the unit there, and Tony Pelcher was expected to join in Pine Bluff, Ark., McKay says. . . Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clingman, conces-sionaires with Earl Bunting Shows, closed a successful season at Henry, stricken suddenly ill and rushed to Memorial Hospital, Wausau, Wis. She is now recuperating at her home there. Clingman, who does a clown cop act in the winter, has a number of Northern Wisconsin dates booked.

Detroit Notes: Max Bernstein, former concessionaire, now owner of the Film Exchange Drugstore, has re-turned from a vacation in Minnesota. . . Bernard Robbins, secretary of the Michigan Showmen's Association, spent a week in New York. . . . Harry Harris, concessionaire with World of cently visited Harry B. Kelley, secretary of the Hillsdale (Mich.) Fair. . . Charles H. Hodges, 10-in-1 producer, also visited the Hillsdale Fair, where his father-in-law, Earl Ingalls, had the Looper and four kiddle rides. Ingalls moved his Looper to the World of Mirth Shows for the re-mainder of the season. . . . Gerald Frantz reports the Gooding Greater Shows haven't missed a Monday

D. Wade, general agent of the W. G. Wade Shows, has returned to the De-troit-Leland Hotel for the winter.... Sam Adler, photo booth concession-aire, has returned to his home here after covering Michigan fairs. He He reports he switched to operating a cookhouse when his photo supplies ran short... Ken Moyer, who had the Kiddie Rides with the Joyland Midway Attractions, has returned to Lewiston, N. Y., with his wife and son for the winter. . . Roscoe T. Wade, Joyland owner, stored his Chicago fair meeting. . . Joseph (See MIDWAY CONFAB on page 61)



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# WOM Advertises Price Scale; Kirkwood Yen for New Semis Fire Damages Concessions

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 19 .- Fire destroyed eight concessions of the RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 19.—Fire destroyed eight concessions of the World of Mirth Shows at the State Fair here early Tuesday morning (15) and resulted in damage estimated at \$20,000. For a time other show units were endangered, but prompt action on the part of Raleigh firemen and carniyal employees quickly brought the blaze under control. Cause of the fire was not determined. Concession Manager Bucky Allen had the debris removed and new units ready for the formal opening of the fair later in the day. An attendance of 500,000 has been forecast by fair officials for revival of the State's largest annual, a war casualty since 1941. Becord

a war casualty since 1941. Record turnout of school kids and adults Tuesday, plus marked increases Wednesday and Thursday indicated that even the half-million mark may be exceeded. If the weather holds good thru the closing tonight, it will be the first such break any major fair in this State has received this year.

A new policy was adopted by World of Mirth and the fair management when the price scale of all midway units was published in newspaper advertisement before the opening. World of Mirth listed 37 paid attrac-World of Mirth listed 37 paid attrac-tions with prices broken down to show the amount of tax included in each admission. Costliest attraction was the Girl Show at 78 cents. Kids are given a broak on days reserved for them when all units are priced at 9 control of the statement at 9 cents.

Prices were published solely in the interest of securing good will, the show management pointed out, and not as the result of squawks, since this fair had not been in operation for J. S. (Doc) Dorton, fair manager, as a progressive step in fair promotion.

Record crops bringing top prices and the enthusiasm displayed by cus-tomers attending the first half of the showing had Frank Bergen, WOM general manager, looking for a gross in excess of the season's previous top which was garnered at the Brockton, Mass., Fair.

### Many Showfolk at **Funeral of C. N. Hill**

DALLAS, Oct. 19,-C. N. (Pop) Hill, associated with his sons, Howard P. and Clyde O., as owner-operators of Hill's Greater Shows, was buried here this week. Prominent in the out-door show world for 40 years, he died here Thursday (10) in the Methodist Hospital, where he had been rushed when stricken while with the show.

For the past year he had been in falling health, but he had recovered sufficiently to return to the show and remained with it until stricken. Last year he and his two sons organized the Hill's Greater Shows. As a youth he had been connected with C. P. Kepler, of the Delmar Shows, and later with the Reed's Shows, C. J. Vernon, J. George Loos, Bill H. Hames and other organizations. Besides his two sons he is survived

by his widow, a daughter and one grandson.

Interment was at the Laurel Land Cemetery in the Oak Cliff section here. Pallbearers were John Martin, Jack Müller, Tormile Briggs, Clyde Runnels, Joe Exler and Floyd Saun-ders. Attending the funeral were Bonnie Holifield, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fleming, Roy G. Marr, Boots Marr, Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ellis, Mrs. Clyde L. Runnels, Reid Galbreth, Bill Needham, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Panther, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cleman, Mrs. C. J. Miller, Leah B. Grimland, Mrs. Noble Fairly, Mrs. Joe Exler, Joe (Baker) Galbreth, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Goeff, A. V. Adams, Harry Rich-Interment was at the Laurel Land E. B. Goeff, A. V. Adams, Harry Rich-man, M. N. Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Vaught, J. D. and Ann Summers, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Osteen and J. P. Sartin.

## **Endy Bros. Hike** Macon, Ga., Biz

MACON, Ga., Oct. 19.—After to-taling grosses for Wednesday night (16), E. Ross Jordan, Georgia State Fair general manager, revealed mid-way business of Endy Bros.' Shows way was 21 per cent ahead of ride and show grosses for the corresponding days in 1945, heretofore the peak year. This is the first appearance of the Endy orth heretof the Endy org here.

Concessions, including science and skill, were nixed in accordance with a special grand jury presentment re-turned a few days before the fair, aimed principally at local horse racing, score-board and punch-board op-erators. Midway leading to shows and rides was lined with eat-and-

drink stands, photos, novelties, etc. Kids' Day, Tuesday, proved biggest of the first three days. Shows and tax, from 10 a.m. thru 7 p.m., but gross for the day was announced at \$10.000.

Midway was up and ready to go by noon Monday, was up and ready to go by noon Monday, marking the first time in memory of present fair officials that any midway was prepared to work that early here. Opening day, usually light, netted a surprisingly good night play. Endy org's run of 100 miles from Athens was made by noon Sunday, and by nightfall midway had taken shape.

SPRING HOPE, N. C., Oct. 19.— have the best equipment that money Encamped here in the rain the early can buy." portion of last week awaiting the arrival of fair weather and the fair, Ralph Decker and Tommy Carson, co-owners of the Joseph J. Kirkwood Shows, had plenty of time to scout around for new equipment for the 1947 tour, which they intimate will include larger spots and a more extensive territory.

Net result of this scouting expedition was two new semis, added to three that had been delivered the two previous weeks, and Al C. Beck, the sagacious secretary, contemplated the outlay with tears in his eyes.

Beek is the man who counts the money, stacks it, and reports to the owners just how much is on hand at all times. His lengthy training in baling up currency did not include a course in free and easy spending, and when it rolls out of the wagon a portion of his heart rolls with it.

### All Steel Trailers

"These fellows are determined to build this show to the utmost of their ability, and I appreciate ambition, but there should be a limit," Beck but there should be a limit," Beck declared, in the presence of the bosses. "I don't mind seeing it go out for the best tractors built as equipment to move a show cannot be too good, but when you start buying all-steel trailers — that's another story. A wooden trailer will follow a good semi just as effectively as an all-steel body, and when the sort of help that is available these days gets thru throwing iron into the bodies the wood will last as long as the steel."

Makes Al Beck's Heart Bleed

By a Staff Correspondent-

Carson nodded his assent-so that was that. **Org Has Grown** The Kirkwood ensemble has come a long way since it was organized two years ago. At that time Decker had a marquee, two rides and a girl show. Now there are seven rides and seven shows, and all equipment is in first-class shape.

is in first-class shape. Rides and the foremen include Fly-ing Scooter, Wladek Bibick; Chair-plane, Elmer Smith; Ferris Wheel, Thomas Phillips; Merry-Go-Round, J. H. Thompson; Roll-o-Plane, Bob Boyd; Loop-o-Plane, C. C. McGay; and kiddie ride. Shows and their managers are Life and Side Show, Earl Meyers; Minstrel; Sol Speight; Artists and Models, Jimmy Frenza; Chez Paree, Harry Halter; Snake and Girl Show, K. C. McGary. Emanuel Zarchini shot over the

Emanuel Zacchini, shot over the Ferris Wheel, is the free act.

### **Lights for Parking**

Management here co-operated with the fair management in making the path easier for the customers by erecting a huge light tower in the parking lot.

It was announced the shows will close November 16, with Beaufort, Williamston, Chapel Hill, Fayetteville and High Point, all North Carolina, still on the itinerary.

Decker and Kirkwood will he among liose present at the Chicago convention, after making the Na-tional Showmen's Association party in New York.

### "That may be true," Decker de-clared, "but we're going to keep on building this one, and it is going to Work Begins for Work Begins for '47

TROY, N. Y., Oct. 19.-O. C. Buck Shows, following the completion of a successful 27-week tour, are back in winter quarters here. Org closed at winter quarters here. Or the Danbury (Conn.) Fair.

A crew of workmen will paint and remodel the equipment during the next few weeks under the direction of O. C. Buck, who will remain here until November, when he and Mrs. Buck will leave for Miami, where they will winter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Evans have left with their concessions for southern with their concessions for southern territory and then will go to their Columbia (S. C.) home, Mr. and Mrs. Paul LaCross will return to Ver-mont. Mr. and Mrs. Luke Seifker, Buddy Goodwin and some of the ride boys will motor to Miami, where they will winter.

will winter. Richard Tolman, show secretary, will return to Gary, Ind., for the win-ter after playing a three-day benefit day with three rides here for the benefit of the Elks' Christmas Fund. Jim Quinn, general agent, left for the South, where he will play several fairs with his concessions.

Roy F. Peugh, advance and press agent, has joined Joe Chitwood and His Hell Drivers at Greensboro, N. C. Sidney Goodswaldt has stored his cookhouse equipment at winter quarters and will spend the winter quar-ters and will spend the winter in the South. Charlie Zucker and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Narcassio will also win-ter in the South.

Chicago for the annual conventions in December.

Preparations at quarters are now being pushed for receiving Crafts 20 Big Shows, which are skedded to come off the road within a few weeks.

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Crafts' Never-Idle Home Base **Prepares for Shows' Return** 

19.-Work at the home base of O. N. Crafts Amusement Enterprises here at Bellaire and Sherman Way continues at a brisk pace. To be sure, there was a sharp let-up when the Crafts 20 Shows took to the road the first week in February, but at-tention then shifted to fulfilling the requirements of the various rides operating under lease by Wrightsman Amusement Company, Ocean Park, and at Sunland Park, near Los Angeles.

Angeles. Two new Junior Caterpillar rides, shipped from Spillman Engineering Company, have been assembled in quarters. One was sent immediately to Crafts 20 Big Shows; the other, which arrived about a month ago, was made ready for shipment to Honolulu. Due to cancellation of one of Hawaii's major fairs, together with strikes and labor difficulties on the islands, that shipment, set for on the islands, that shipment, set for the Eddie K. Fernandez Shows had been postponed until a later date. Decision to put off shipment was made at a huddle between Fernandez and Crafts here. The Caterpillar sent to Crafts Big 20 Shows was readied under the direction of Roy Shep-pard wide superintendent pard, ride superintendent.

Thruout the summer season Sam Hinson, quarters master mechanic, has been busy in the shops here or downtown on shopping tours of the trucking supply houses. Hinson bought 20 new heavy horsepower motors for the shows' huge 35-foot

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Oct. length semi-truck combinations. More than half of them have been assembled by shop superintendent Frank Banner. Several rides, including two Octopuses and one Spitfire, arrived recently for overhauling. Lawrence Kline, in charge of the paint de-partment, has been busy painting all

Arme, in that been busy painting all summer. He is now re-doing the No. 2 Scooter. He recently delivered a new 60-inch searchlight and power unit, purchased from Otto K. Ol-sen Electric Company, Hollywood, to Crafts Shows in Modesto, Calif. Wee Mack Doman, quarters cus-todian and general superintendent, has kept things running smoothly. Mack's duties include mail-forward-ing service, sending out advance ad-vertising material, upkeep of the properties, which includes 10 acres recently purchased by O. N. Crafts, storing, checking and tagging canvas and other storage, Quarters em-braces five acres of buildings in ad-dition to the 10 adjoining acres of ranch. ranch.

Roy E. Ludington, veteran with the org, is now up and around after recuperating from illness this summer. He is in receipt of a wire from the shows' owner to arrange for the arrival of a bull moose and an elk, which he killed recently, and for 100 where he had flown by chartered plane. Recently Crafts sold his plane and ordered a new twin-engine eight-passenger icb. He expects delivery October 18 and plans to fly it to h.

## A Carolina Cocktail ---- Mixed Thru Piney, Rain-Swept Hills

-By Pat Purcell-

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 19.-There were enough carnival folks around the Sir Walter Hotel here last week for a fairly representative meeting of the National Showmen's Association or the Miami Showmen's Association, and when all stirred together it was indicative of how the Hotel Sherman lobby in Chicago will look come December 1.

Mine host of this Sir Walter either is more courageous or lacks the ex-perience of the Sherman manage-ment, as all furniture and carpets ment, as an furniture and carpets and other lobby appurtenances were in their customary places, whereas the lobby floor of the Sherman will be barren of everything but feet those first four days of December. "Twas well for the comfort of the mentioner that the furniture upper upper

way farers that the furniture was un-disturbed, as they relaxed magnifi-cently while the remnants of the hur-ricane blew itself out over the Carolina hills, and blew the lads out of business for two days; which made three bad days in a row for all hands, as Monday is seldom worth a loud hurrah in this country.

#### Abundance of Shows

Raleigh was the focal point last week for the lads, as the hills around were literally crawling with carni-vals. It is impossible to find a place to sleep or anything to eat in the towns, villages and hamlets, so those without trailers converged on Ralwithout trailers converged on Ral-eigh. This didn't help the eating eigh. situation here, cither, and it was none too good when po'k chops were plentiful,

Monday (7) was a fine, clear day, but there just wasn't any business to speak of at any of the spots. The folks around here don't bother to go anywhere on washday, so it is counted as a set-up day even if the org (any one of them) is able to get it in the air on Sunday. This cor-respondent, conveyed by Robert Kent Parker's new Cadillac, sallied out bravely that Monday afternoon in a northeasterly direction on Highway No. 64.

Rolling a mere 20 miles along, the village of Welden popped into view, and upon rounding a curve we were almost dumped onto the Harrison Greater lot. All hands were busy getting it up. It would have been a poor time for conversation, as there didn't seem to be too many hands around, even tho all rides looked like they were ready.

### Kirkwood Dukes Out

At Spring Hope, just another "fur piece" up the road, the Joseph J. Kirkwood Shows were spied, and the Alrkwood Shows were spied, and the layout looked attractive from the highway, even in daylight. Glad hands were extended by Co-Owners. Ralph Decker and Tommy Carson, and it was a pleasure to spend three hours around that lot, as no one was beefing about business beefing about business.

Al C. and Jean Beck were in their \$3,500 bedroom, as their friends have called their house trailer for the past two years, and when Mons. Parker poked his head inside he let out a scream of amazement, colored with a tinge of anguish.

"What? She's cooking?" gasped the astonished Parker.

"Don't write it, as none of her friends will believe it," he said in an aside to the writer.

Nevertheless, here it is. Jean was planted firmly in front of the stove, her left hand grasping a skillet, a spatula in her right, and her optics glued on a cookbook.

returned later after everything was ready for operation in case the folks showed up (which they didn't) and all hands tore into an excellent repast of steak sandwiches, hot tamales and canned peaches.

### Jimmy Raftery Next

Leaving this lot about 9 p.m. or two hours later than planned, the entourage continued northeast, on to Littleton for a visit with R. & S. Amusements, and Owner Jimmy Raftery was enlightening a slim gathering of customers on the amaz-ing feats they were about to see performed on the "high and lofty rig-ging, 125 feet in the air by the Tector Sisters." They saw 'em, and there was no doubt left in anyone's mind that in some bygone day Mr. Raftery could make a nifty opening. Parker was immediately swallowed

by a horde of old friends, and as various and sundry duties called Raftery away from time to time, the writer was entertained by F. A. (Fat) writer was entertained by F. A. (Fat) McKinney, The Billboard agent and billposter, and Eddie Cooper, agent and legal adjuster, who apparently knows everyone who has been in the business since it was first discovered that a "flying jinney" could be moved from city to city. Time out while Raftery introduced Selden, the Stratosphere Man. There of Baftery's nurration in-

Theme of Raftery's narration, in-teresting despite the interruptions, dealt with life along Highway No. 17, as Jimmy seldom moves his org more than 100 miles from home base, Wilmington, N. C. "Some of the folks think I'm daffy

because I don't go up country in the summer, but there has been plenty of action for us right in this territory, and when it rains here it rains in Jersey, so what's the difference?" he asked.

He has something there, as rain is was hot down here last summer it was raining in Jersey.

#### Has Vet Employees

Has Vet Employees Raftery was complimented on the appearance of his rides, and he re-vealed that Skeeter Garrett, his ride superintendent, has been with him 25 years. An appraising eye toward the new girl front, built on a semi, prompted Raftery to unveil his builder, John (Dad) Haddad, for years one of the country's best known flageolet players. Old John then proudly exhibited the new front arch he is building, the material being sheet aluminum, which he is bending and twisting into an elaborate affair, indeed

It was with regret that such affable company as Jimmy Raftery had to be left, but George Lambert had an at-tractive flagon of Monnet brandy on his truck-home table, and for the next two hours innumerable geese and ducks were killed in the reminiscences of the nimrods present.

Tuesday (8) what was left of the hurricane swept over this section of North Carolina, but about 6 p.m. the skies cleared and the entourage was en route again, this time heading west for Lexington and a visit to the W. C. Kaus Shows. Twenty-six niles from the objective the heavens literally opened up, and when the grounds were reached it was almost a total blackout and the shavings were floating on the midway.

### Jackpots With Cheese

Mrs. Helen Owens and Lola Dona-hue were in the former's trailer brewing coffee and an invitation in out of the wet was accepted with alacrity. Soon the table was spread with an account of charge and

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for the office semi, and Jack Perry and Hubert Shive had scampered for the warmth of the Sheraton Hotel at High Point.

Such characters as J. C. (Tommy) Thomas and Ben Braunstein were put in their places during the con-versation, and it was also revealed that when the weather was clear the Kaus Shows, now boasting eight major rides and three kiddle rides, gathered plenty of scratch.

Then on to High Point, and Jack Perry obliged by putting his shoes back on and came down into the lobby trailed by Shive. The discus-sion was interesting, but no matters of grave importance were settled. They revealed they will be at the Chicago convention in full force and regretted they couldn't make the impromptu meeting in Raleigh.

Rolling along the 24 miles to Greensboro, thru an almost blinding rain, a feeling of keen anticipation was noticeable, as a talk with Ralph Lockett, Morris Lipsky and E. Law-rence Phillips was in the offing—but on arrival, there was no talk. The fairgrounds where the Johnny J. Jones Exposition was set was darker than a bunged beer barrel. All three were registered at the O. Henry Hotel, but no answers came when tele-phone bells were jingled. As the hands of the lobby clock sneaked toward 1 a.m., and the bell captain kept eying us as the we visitors might be revenoeers, it was a giveup, and we rode thru the same blind-ing rain, 77 miles back to Raleigh.

Old Father Time eliminated the possibility of visits to other orgs in this territory, but there were plenty within hat-throwing distance. They included Sam Goldstein's Majestic Greater at Durham, Morris Hannum Shows at Benson, Juggy Podsobin-ski's A. M. P. Shows at Hamlet, B. & D. at Concord, Belton Shows at Filot Mountain, Central American Com-pany at Washington, Coastal Plain at Falson, Crescent Amusement at Win-ston-Salem, Dick Gilsdorf's Paramount at Roxboro, Dumont Shows at High Point, Exposition at Home at La Grange, Hedrick's Gayway at East Band, Lawrence Greater at Kinston, John H. Marks at Hickory, George Clyde Smith at Warrenton, Virginia Greater at Wadesboro and Zacchini Bros. at Stantonsburg, Of course, one would have to be a mighty hat thrower to hit all of these

pitching from Raleigh, but it does give one the general idea that few have an opportunity for midway fun and frolic before the big push starts toward Florida.

### DALLAS ROLLS IN \$\$ (Continued from page 56)

tain that in excess of \$70,000 will have been counted.

#### **Girl Show Ballys Sour**

Nobel C. Fairly had bis Fun House in the independent zone, and his take on kid days, both white and colored, sent the angular, jovial chap into a spin. Not so, however, with other independents. Three girl shows were presented and to say that their ballys were not in good taste is putting it mildly, especially for a State annual of this magnitude. Sensual suggestiveness hardly describes the trend of the spiels, and the girls on the bally platforms parked their carcasses against the banner lines at every opening and succeeded in look-

ing very bored, indeed. Fronts were of the slap-up type---and theyreally were slapped together, and when the first rain took a belt

at them they were sorry sights. A local magician, with an effective turn, didn't have the flash or the outside bally to get hefty business. A mouse show, a fellow buried alive and a Jap suicide plane completed "It's cook or starve in this cour-out of the wet was accepted with the back-end. Officials of the an-try, so I learned how to light the 'alacrity. Soon the table was spread nual declared they had not over-stove after two years," she declared, with an assortment of cheese and looked the deficiencies of the girl and then, in the ensuing gabfest, the jackpots were divided vigorously, shows, and that something will be promptly forgot all about dinner to between bites, for almost two hours. done about it next year-which in-the extent that Al had to open the Russ Owens, manager, was in New dicates they plan to go along with office wagon without dinner. He Bern, N. C., picking up a new motor the independent midway idea.

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Wall, Pat Purcell, Joe Rogers, Jack Ruback, Robert Seery, Elmer Byrnes, Harry Stabl, Albert J. Sweeney, J. C. Thomas, Ned E. Torti, Al Wagner, A. J. (Whitey) Weiss, G. L. (Mike) Wright, Bernie Mendelson, M. J. Doolan, William Carsky, Edgar I. Schooley, Harry Russell, Denny Pugh, Harry Mamsch, Harry Ross and Arthur F. Briese.

#### **MIDWAY CONFAB**

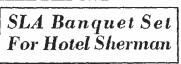
(Conutined from page 59) Budjack has returned from a season, on the road, after completing a cir-cuit of Texas fairs.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Catlett, owners of Catlett Greater Shows, entertained their personnel at a farewell dinner in the Club Rendez-vous in Fairfax, Mo., at the close of vous in Fairfax, Mo., at the close of the season. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Catleit, Mrs. Pearl Stafford, Clyde V. Shubert, Ira Buesking, Ivan Beard, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morras and daughter Mary, Tom Calvan, Leroy and S. N. Edwards, Jesse Wiley, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Cox and Junior Wiley, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Cox and Junior, George Gallaher, James and Vance Anderson, George Hedges, Enos and Amos Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Howell, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goodale, Pop Hill, Walter Noel, Marjorie Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pop Hill, Walter Noel, Marjorie Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whitman.

Leon Long visited Leon Claxton and Harem in Havana Revue on the Royal American Shows at the fair in Jackson, Miss. . . John Henry in Jackson, Miss. . . John Henry Jernigan's Smart Set Revue moved into the Newport Theater, Newport News, Va., October 7 and opened to good business, Jernigan reports. Line-up includes Jeepers and Creepers, comics. Unit moved to Ahoskie, N. C., for a week's stand opening October 14.... Among show folk registering at Dodson's Tavern and Tourist Court at Dodson's Tavern and Tourist Court recently were Leo Bistany, Mr. and Mrs. Dixie Glascoc, Mrs. Ray Price, Mr. and Mrs. George Dover, Stash the Flash and family, Ted Lewis and crew, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Herbert, Mr. and Mrs. Dan White, George Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. Sid\_Graves, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bruce; F. E. Kelly, Al Brodsky, and Mr. and Mrs Kelly, Al Brodsky, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Cahill. Most of the above were associated with the Bistany Shows, which recently concluded a successful tour.

Dwight Bazinet is in Northwestern Hospital, Minneapolis, following a bone graft operation on his arm, which was injured a year ago near which was injured a year ago near Denver when he was struck by a truck while fixing a tire. He ex-pects to be hospitalized three weeks. . . Charles Y. Engle, who closed recently after 10 weeks with a con-cession on Prell's Broadway Shows, is in Duke Hospital Dukham N.C. is in Duke Hospital, Durham, N. C is in Dirke Hospital, Durman, N. C., for a throat operation. Engle first entered outdoor show business in 1920 and has been with World of To-day and Royal American, as well as the Prell org.

Show Folks of America came in for attention in a picture story in Life magazine, issue of October 14, on clubs in which President Truman holds membership. Two-page spread, which pointed out the President is a regular or honorary member in 218 clubs, featured membership cards held by him, and the one of the Los Angeles outdoor show club snared the biggest space.



CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- Annual banguet and ball of the Showmen's League of America, National Show-League of America December 4 will men's Association and the Miami Showmen's Association will slice \$1,700 three ways as a result of the National Show-Showmen's Association will slice

Decision to hold it there, instead of in the Palmer House, as originally planned, was made after Art F. Briese and Al Sweeney, co-chairmen of the event, submitted a detailed report at the club's meeting Thurs-day (17) night. Members agreed unanimously to the Hotel Sherman. It was announced the price for the banquet and ball had been set at \$10 per person including tax.

### **Burlington Gross Okay** For Marks Despite Rain

BURLINGTON, N. C., Oct. 19.--In spite of considerable rain, the Marks shows chalked up a satisfactory gross at the Burlington Fair, Septem-ber 16-21. When weather permitted, the crowds turned out and spending was good. Saturday (21), with ideal weather prevailing, was the top day.

Show received plenty of publicity via press and radio, thanks to Pete Neese, fair manager, himself an ex-showman, and Staley Cook, editor of the local paper.

### **Collins United in Barn**

KEARNEY, Neb., Oct. 19.—Collins United Rides have stored their equipment here after closing the season at the Gothenberg (Neb.) Fall Fes-tival. Org spent the season in Kan-sas and Nebraska. R. L. Collins reports bad weather hurt fall business.

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### **Endy Benefit Grabs** \$1,700 for 3 Clubs; Miami Set To Open

ATLANTA, Oct. 19. - Showmen's benefit show staged here Wednesday (2) by Endy Bros.' Shows.

Talent was plentiful as performers from midway shows combined their efforts with members of George A. Hamid's Hippodrome Circus, the grandstand attraction.

Milton Morris was chairman of white committee and he was assisted by Hamid, M. M. (Mike) Benton, David B. Endy, Louis A. (Stretch) Rice, Jack Gilbert, Arky Bradford, Robert K. Parker, Pat Purcell, George Deinhardt, Conrec Verstell, and Mer Reinhardt, George Vogstadt and Morris Lipsky. On the ladies' committee were Mrs., Betty Endy, Mrs. Milton Morris, Mrs. Gertie Miller, Mrs. Boots Paddock, Mrs. Marge Bradtord, Mrs. Del Crouch, Mrs. Marge Brattord, Mrs. Del Crouch, Mrs. Hilda Roman, Mrs. George Vogstadt, Mrs. Ruth Soules, Mrs. Agnes Roth and Mrs. Mabelle Kidder.

Milton S. Paer, secretary of the Miami Showmen's Association, announced that President Parker will call the first fall meeting about mid-November, but that the clubrooms will be opened November 1. Con-siderable work is now underway in rehabilitating the quarters, and con-tracts call for it to be completed be-fore the efficiel enough fore the official opening.

Paer also announced that 100 ap-plicants for membership will be voted on at the first meeting, which will swell the membership so that it will be comparable in size to other leading show fraternal organizations.

Tex Dabney, Concessionaire, Is Co-Owner of New Show

**RAEFORD**, N. C., Oct. 19.—M. P. (Tex) Dabney, one time identified with circuses and more recently a concession owner, and Lewis Wil-liams, North Carolina plantation own-er, have purchased rides, shows and concessions and will go out under the title of Dabney & Williams Greater Shows.

The owners plan to play a few spots in North and South Carolina and to make winter stands in Florida, re-turning north in 1947. H. G. Coffey will be agent and secretary.

### Page Builds Quarters

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SPRINGFIELD, Tenn., Oct. 19.-A successful season came to an end for Page Bros.' Shows here Saturday (12). Unable to obtain a winter quarters, Manager W. E. Page bought a plot of ground on the outskirts of Springfield and let a contract for a building, 60 by 100 feet, to be ready in two weeks.



(Rouics are for current week when no dates are given. In some instances possibly mailing points are listed.)

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Alamo: Liberty, Tex. A. M. P.: Statesboro, Ga. American Eagle: (Cotton Carnival) Rosedale, Miss. B. & H.: Sailey, S. C.; Barnwell 28-Nov. 2. Big Bend: McAllen, Tex. Bil's Greater: Carrizozo, N. M. Bistany's Greater: De Land, Fin.; Ocala 28-Nov. 2.

Nov. 2. Blue Ribbon: Moultrie, Ga. Boswell's Am.: Mathews, Va.; (Fair) Kilmar-nock 28-Nov. 2. Brewer's United: Waxahachie, Tex. Byers Bros.: Camden, Ark. Capital Cily: (Fair) Monroe, Ga.; (Fair) Filzgeraid 28-Nov. 2. Caravella Am.: Morchead, Ky.; Richmond 28-Nov. 2.

Chapital City: (Fair) Monroe, Ga.; (Fair) Fitzgerald 22-Nov. 2.
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Cetlin & Wilson: (Fair) Wilson, N. C.; (Fair) H. Oilve 28-Nov. 2.
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Constal Plain: Robersonville, N. G.
Craig, Harry: Brownwood, Tex.
Crescent Am. Co.: (Fuir) Bishopville, S. C.; Marion 28-Nov. 2.
Crystal Expa:: Jacksonville, Fia., 21-Nov. 2.
Denton. Johnny J.; Pickens, S. G.
Dudley, D. S.: (Fair) Roby, Tex.; Post 29-Nov. 2.
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Exposition at Homes: Lessville, S. C.
Fjenning, Mad Cody: (Pairt Thomson, Ga.; (Colored Fuir) Dublin 28-Nov. 2.
Florida Am. Co.: Floriala, Ala.
Franklin, Don: (Fair) Henpstead, Tex.
Gate City: Darlington, S. C.; (Fair) Aikon 28-Nov. 2.
Gernetsch, J. A.: Natcluez, Miss.
Gold Meddal: Columbus, Miss.
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Greater United: Victoria, Tex., 28-Nov. 2.
Hannum, Morris: Goldshoro, N. C.
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Keus, W. C.: Chester, S. C.: Newberry 28-Noy. 3.
Kirkwood. Joseph J.: (Fair) Williamston, N. C.: (Fair) Chapel Hill 28-Nov. 2.
Lamb, L. B.: Seimer, Tenn.
Lankbard, D.: Seimer, Tenn.
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Lawrence Greater: (Colored Fair) Anderson, S. C.: (Fair) Clinton 28-Nov. 2.
Leeright, J. R.: Crowell, Tex.
Long's United: Alhambra, Calif., 21-27.
Madison Bros.; Natchitoches, La.: Colfax. 28-Nov. 2.
Marion Greater: Washington, N. C.: Ashebor 28-Nov. 2.
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Marks, John H.: New Bern, M. C.; Kinston 28-Nov. 2.
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Marks, John: Brinkley, Ark.
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Hogers Greater: Eupora, Miss.; McComb 28-Nov. 2.
Rogers & Powell: Canton, Miss.
R. & S. S. (Fair) Wilmington, N. C.; (Fair) Shallotte 28-Nov. 2.
Roson, H. B.: South Piomaton, Ale.; Pasca-goula. Miss., 28-Nov. 2.
Royal American: (State Pair) Shreveport. Ls. Royal American: (State Pair) Shreveport. Ls. Royal Expo.: (Pair) Nashville, Ga.; Bain-bridge 28-Nov. 2.
Shan Bros.: Vaidosta, Ga.
Shipley's Am.: Cheneyville, La.
Silebrand Bros.: Pheneinx, Artz.
Silver Slipper: Scottsboro, Ala.
Simith Am. Co.: Groesbeck, Tex.
Smith, Casey: Foreman, Ark.
Smith, George Clyde: (Colored Fair) Suffolk, Va.

Va. Smith's 3-Day: Stilwell, Okla., 21-23; Bokoshe

24-26. Snapp's Greater: Alexandria, La.

Southern States: Dunnellon, Fia. Southern Valley: Lake Providence, La. Sparks Bros.: (Colored Fair) Yazoo City, Miss. Sparks, J. F.: (Fair) Marlanna, Fla.; (Fair) Panama City 28-Nov. 2. Stafford's United: Indianapolis, Ind. Strates, James E.: Gastonia, N. C.; Orange-burg, B. C., 28-Nov. 2. Stimbo, Fred R.: Booneville, Ark, Sunfower State: (Fair) Roby, Tex.; Mineral Wolls 28-Nov. 2. Tassell Barney: (Fpir) Conway, S. C.; (Col-Wolls 28-Nov. 2. Tassell, Barney: (Fair) Conway, S. C.; (Col-ored Fair) Savannah, Ga., 28-Nov. 2. Tidwell, T. J.: Kermit, Tex. Triangle: (Fair) Greenville, N. C. Tri-State: Evergreen, La. Turner Broe: Marianna, Ark. United Expo.: Kilgore, Tex. Victory Expo.: San Benito, Tex. Virginia Greater: Dillon, S. C.; Chesterfield 28-Nov. 2. Wallace Bros.: Kosclusko, Miss. Ward's, John R., World's Fair: (Fair) Eunice, La. Vest Coast: Madera, Calif.; Delano 28-Wole Am. Co.: (Fair) Greenville, S. C. Worlder City: McGehee, Ark. World of Mirth: Columbia, S. C. Zacchnil Bros.: SI. George, S. C.

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Cole Bros.: Roswell, N. M., 22; Clovis 23; Amarillo, Tex., 24; Lubbock 25; Sweetwater 26; Abliene 28; San Angelo 29; Brownwood 30; Temple 31; Austin Nov. 1; San Antonio 2-3.

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Dalley Bros.: Wynne, Ark., 22; Forrast City 23; Stuttgart 24: Pine Bluff 25; Camden 26, Hamid-Morton: Pittsburgh, Pa., 21-27.
King Bros.: Ynzoo City, Miss. 22; Canton 23; Forrast 24; Vicksburg 25; Port Gibson 26; Matchez 28; Brochaven 29; McComb 30; Hattlesburg 31; Picnyune Nov. 1; Passagoula 2.
Monigomery, C. R.: Golden Meadow, La., 23; Raceland 24; Patterson 25; Franklin 26.
Owens, Buck: Barnesville, Ga., 22; Thomastom 23; Port Valley 24; Montezuma 26; Richland 26; Dawson 28.

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 Polack Bros. No. 1: (Auditorium) Okiahoma City, Okia., 23-27; (Robinson Aud.) Little Rock, Ark., 30-Nov. 2.
 Polack Bros., No. 2: (Armory) Eugene, Ore., 22-25; (Veterans Memorial Bidg.) Redding, Calif., 30-Nov. 2.

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Differi: (Paince) Lancaster, C., SJ, (Marister, Chilloothe 31-Nov. 1.
Francis, Leo: (Truman Hotel) Seymour, Ind., 28; (Fall Festival) Madison 30-Nov. 2.
Green, John O.: Kipling, Bask., Can., 23-24; Sintaluta 23; Westock 26; Wishart 28-29; Rhein 30-31; Karnsack Nov. 1-2.
Henry, Glen, Duo: Chester, G. C., 21-26.
La-Mar: Mt. Vernon, O., 23; Sandusky 29; Spencer Nov. 1.
Leckvold: Everett, Wash., 23-24; (Oak Lake School) Scattle 25; Everett 29; Burlington 30; Mount Vernon 31; Marysville Nov. 1.
Long, Leon: Greenville, Miss., 23-25; Greenwood 35-26; Jackson 29-Nov. 4.
Magrum, C. Thomas: Jowa Falls, Ia., 23; Fort Dodge 24; Boone 25.
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Plunkott's Stage Show, under canvas: Dublin, Tex., 23-25; Stephenville 21-29; Hamilton 30-Nov. 1.
Rellim, Blondin: (State Fair) Shreveport, La., 21-26.
Romas, Flying (Shrine Circus) Kansas City, Mo., thru Nov. 2.
Stanley, Guy: Almont, Mich., 24; Rochester 29; Utics 30-21.
Virgil, Great: Corning, Calif.. 24; Chico 25-26; Oroville 28; Roseville 30-31; Sacra-mento Nov. 2; Livermore 5.

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# FROM THE LOTS

### Alamo Exposition

LUFKIN, Tex., Oct. 19 .--- All records were broken at the Texas For-est Festival, with 30,000 attending Tuesday (8), Kids' Day, and 40,000 Tuesday (8), Kids' Day, and 40,000 Wednesday (9), which was East Texas Day for Negroes. Manager Jack Ruback, with the aid of Al-bert Wright, Ted Custer and local officials, did all they could to keep the crowds moving, but the rides were unable to handle the business.

Special paper is being used ahead, Special paper is being used ahead, featuring the Miller Duo, high act. Ted Custer left at the end of the Lufkin date to make a swing around the stands still to be played and booking for next spring. Joe Rosen has been getting nice business all season. Bill Tank, handling office details day and night, altho the old-est emplayee on the shows is still est employee on the shows, is still one of the busiest. Bob Mayes, another old-timer, has had a good sca-son with his root beer. Herman Reynolds reports his Diggers have done well.

Howard and Thelma Hill visited at Bonham, Tex., and many visitors were entertained by Manager Ruback at Lufkin.

Heavy Guyton says it won't be long now before the golf match takes place now before the golf match takes place at San Antonio. Red Baker reports from Arizona he will arrive with Billie Rosen and Jack Little around November 10. Tony Kitterman, Rob-ert Voight, Joe Rosen, Albert Wright and Bill Williams are found on the Folf course aerik cosh day, and they golf course early each day, and they claim they'll be ready for Baker and his crew for the championship match. Louis Ringold is handling details for the shows at San Antonio and is also doing a little booking.

Well, six more weeks; then home for a vacation. Weather is the best, and with any kind of a break show will close 30 per cent better than last year.—H. B. ROWE.

### W. C. Kaus

LEXINGTON, N. C., Oct. 19.-Org had its poorest fair date of the season at Davidson County Fair here week ending Saturday (12). First three days were killed by rain. Closing night produced a big crowd despite cold weather, but spending was light.

Kiwanis Club, sponsor of the fair the last 10 years, is a go-getting out-fit. It purchased a 56-acre tract one fair plant. Exhibits were plentiful, and there was ample community in-terest, but the annual couldn't beat the weather.

Leonard Dixon, with Millers bingo, and Ina Pickette, a Charlotte, N. C., schoolteacher, were married Friday (13) by Justice of the Peace Edward Horne in his law office here. Lee Jones is back on his job after four

years with the merchant marines. Louis and Estelle Nathanson are back from a trip to Boston. Roger and Joan Fingar spent the week-end at their Jacksonville, N. C., home visiting the kiddies.

Returned from a week-end in Pine Bluff, where the Cautin family op-crates the Beauty Rest tourist camp. Specs Cautin reports every cabin was filled with members of the Harrison Greater Shows during latters' Rockingham engagement.

Eddie Paupin, front gate man dur-ing the still dates, has taken over the Merry-Go-Round ticket box. Scotty is making plans to tour his Minstrel Show during the winter. Slim Barry Show during the winter. Shin barry ond, is operating his wife's ball game dur- Russell Cooper, discharged re-ing matinees. Bob (Diggers) Parker cently from the army, and wife joined and Pat Purcell, outdoor editor of here. Owner Gentsch took delivery The Bullboard, visited during the en-of a new semi-trailer and a '46 Buick gagement.

Rusty (Sleepy) McCurdy gets a was held o supply of Western magazines before Pete Mitch starting shows' treks.—HERB SHIVE. STEWART.

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### **Prell's Broadway**

STATESVILLE, N. C., Oct. 19.---Playing the fair here for the first time, shows opened September 29 to es. First two days, the shows and rides grossed nearly \$8,000, after fed-eral taxes were deducted, or better than 30 per cent more than gross for any two previous days at this fair. Wednesday, Children's Day, gross was \$5,735, a fair record for one day.

Top ride was the Caterpillar, with the new Roll-o-Plane second in line and all others doing more than their share. Shows gave the rides plenty of competition. Barro Brothers' Motordrome was first in the money; Bob White's Scandals was second, and the Abe Wolf-George Johnson Monkey Speedway third. Other shows grossed figures beyond their fondest dreams.

Run here from Lumberton, N. C was made in record time, for which great deal of credit is due Abe Prell, the man in charge of tearing down and setting up the rides. The last three days at Lumberton held up very well, and a fine week's gross was had by all. During the week at Lumberton, a party was given by the en-tire show for the ambiable son of owner Abe Prell on his 32d birthday, affair holding forth until the early hours of morning in the Scandals tent.

Sam Prell recently flew to Newark, N. J., to visit his family. Joining re-cently were Jack Schaeffer, Penny Arcade; Johnnie Miller, five con-cessions; the Stanleys, four, and Izzy (Fireside) Murphy, cookhouse. From Statesville, shows moved to

Golden Belt Fair at Henderson, N. C., to be followed by dates under Ameri-can Legion auspices in the Deep South .- AL A. TRAVERS.

### P & B

BLUM, Tex., Oct. 19.-This new org, co-owned and operated by Mr. org, co-owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Presti and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Bristow, is composed of a portion of the Central State Shows, which closed the season in Altus, Okla., and chalked up a successful tour. Current plans call for the shows to be out all winter and continue thru the summer the summer.

Line-up besides Presti and Bristow, owners-managers, includes J.H. Phipowners-managers, includes J.H. Phip-penney, cookhouse; William R. Wood, electrician; Harry Purto, clown; Ralph Elliott, watchman; R. Wood, penny pitch; Oleta Wood, glass pitch; Chester Wood, balloon darts; Mrs. Lena Presti, double bumper; J. H. Kelly, percentage; Toney Elernicka and Richard Dowd, ball games; Frank Stewart, stock man; Paul Wunrich, rides, Herman Smith, assistant. Mrs. O. C. Bristow is Side Show and Girl Show manager.—J. H. KELLEY.

### J. A. Gentsch

J. A. Gentsch LOUISVILLE, Miss., Oct. 19.—Org ran into cold weather during its re-cent stand at the Winston County Fair here. Crowds were light the first half of the week due to the cold but improved the latter part when the weather warmed up. G. W. Gentsch's bingo took top money among the concessions. Crane's custard held up in spite of the weather. Stock stores received a nice play, but money stores ran very slow. Harrell's animal circus had a good week, with Klondike's Colored Cuties running a close sec-ond. ond.

for Mrs. Gentsch. A big barbecue was held one night, with Gus and Pete Mitchell in charge.—WHITIE





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### **Majestic Greater**

DURHAM, N. C., Oct. 19.—Week ended October 12; auspices, Durham County white fair; weather, three days of rain; business, good when open.

open. Threatening weather didn't keep crowds away, and all enjoyed a good night's business. Heavy rain and wind completely ruined the night. Shavings crew, in charge of George Bradley, did a good job of getting the lot in shape Wednesday, but rain again kept customers away. With fair weather Thursday and Friay, a nice gross was piled up. Sev-eral thousand children were on the lot Saturday but rain ruined the matinee. It cleared up at 6 p.m. but got cold, and business, altho satisfactory, was not what it should have hcen

Whitey Johnson, manager of the Belton Shows, visited, as did Tom Hasson, who had a police promotion here. William (Pete) Vinson, who here. William (Pete) Vinson, who underwent an operation on an in-fected finger, is doing nicely. Mem-bers of the Renton family, who vis-ited, reported that Al, of Side Show note, was to enter a hospital here for a major operation. Kokomo, for-merly with the Mighty Sheesley Midway and now mayor of Sykeston, a little community near here, visited.

Luke and Anna Lee King joined with their Jig Show. Rocket, owned by Dick Gilsdorf, joined here. Dick, owner of the Paramount Shows, visited. Owner-Manager Sam Goldstein was complimented on the size and looks of the shows, which now boast 12 rides, nine shows and Fred-die Reckless' high pole act.—HARRY E. WILSON.

### Triangle

SOUTH BOSTON, Va., Oct. 19.— After a "not too satisfactory" week in South Norfolk, shows moved here for the Halifax County Fair the week ending October 12. Jump of 178 miles from South Halifax was made in excellent time without mishap.

in excellent time without mishap. Equipment was on the grounds Sunday (6) shortly after noon, be-fore the arrival of lot superintend-ent, Frank Shepard. Governor Tuck lives here, and at the request of Fair Secretary Wilkins, opening of the midway was deferred until following day, when the governor officially opened the annual. Show folks spent the free Monday visiting and taking in the movies. in the movies.

The governor and other State offi vay and grounds Tuesday. Rain hurt, and took the edge off the day, which otherwise loomed big, as it was Kids' Day.

Rain practically killed business Wednesday, washing out the grand-stand shows and having a deadening affect on the midway. However, attractions continued open and did a little business. Rain stopped Thursday afternoon, and the day's business was excellent.

Folks from other shows playing near-by visited here.—A. C. BRAD-LEY.

WADESBORO, N. C., Oct. 19.---Week ended October 12; auspices, American Legion; business, satisfac-tory when weather permitted.

tory when weather permitted. Show moved here from Dunn, N. C., and Monday night's opening was very satisfactory. Tuesday night was lost due to the hurricane and rain. Only damage was to Bob Coleman's bingo, which was ripped all the way down the center. Every-one helped Bob get his stock under cover. cover.

Storm did not subside until noon next day. Show opened Wednesday to fair crowds, altho weather had turned cool. Joining here were Mr. and Mrs. Sincley with two ball games and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Linebarrier

**Mighty Page** 

HATTIESBURG, Miss., Oct. 19.---Week ended October 12; location, city limits; auspices, DAV; weather, fair; business, fair.

business, fair. Sloughing at Demopolis, Ala., Fri-day (4), shows moved here for a Monday (7) opening. En route many of the personnel visited John R. Ward's World Fair Shows at Meridian (Miss.) Fair. Octopus semi was wrecked just out of Meridian, and Esco Fullbright and another man were injured.

Returns Monday were only fair and all week. Local boys created con-siderable trouble Wednesday night, but the situation did not develop seriously. E. S. Pond, Ferris Wheel foreman, fell for the top of his ride, but his injuries were not scrious. Rain marred the night's business, as did cold weather Friday night. Kid matinee Saturday was above average, but night returns were the lowest for any Saturday all season. Local radio station and committee co-operated. However, considered from all angles, Hattiesburg wasn't worth the effort.

Demopolis the previous week was Demopolis the previous week was even a worse blank than Uniontown, Ala. Org opened September 30 to a small gate, which did not increase materially all week. What few did come spent little more than the gate admission and that grumblingly. White's cookhouse joined, and Riley Bain closed with his grab joint and Kiddie Ride.—ROBERT S. OVER-STREET. STREET.

### **Blue Ribbon**

NEWMAN, Ga., Oct. 19.—Week ending Saturday (5) at the Georgia American Legion Fair here was good, with the last three days big.

Eddie Young, manager, suffered an attack of pleurisy and was absent from the lot the last three days. Shows had many visitors from At-lanta and entertained several Florida fair officials. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Roth returned to Jacksonville Beach, Fla., after a week's visit on the shows. Dolly Young is looking forward to a week with relatives when shows play week with relatives when shows play the J. C. Fall Festival at Thomas-ville, Ga., the last week in October. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Braden were en-tertained by Dolly Young, and many stories of old times were cut up. Shows go to Central Georgia Fair, Milledgeville, Ga., from here.— DOLLY YOUNG.

with popcorn and candy apples. After the midway closed Wednes-day night, a big party was held in the bingo top celebrating the 23d wed-ding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Rocco Masucci. Turkey and other refreshments were served and the Masuccis received many presents. Manager Rocco and William C. Hill saw that everyone had a good time saw that everyone had a good time. Guests included Francis E. Liles and Guests included Francis E. Liles and others of the Legion committee. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Sheriff Ratliff, Chief of Police Smith, Walter Man-gum, Judge Hill, and Vic and Mattie Davis, all of Wadesboro; Frankie Carleo, Mrs. J. R. (Juggie) Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Bass, son and daughter-in-law of Mrs. Noel Bass, of Burlington, N. C. — RONALD PRUE. PRUE.

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### World of Mirth

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 19.—Org ar-rived here Sunday night (13), and everything was in readiness for the North Carolina State Fair preview the following day. Official opening was skedded for Tuesday (15), but Monday, advertised as preview night, offered a full performance of offered a full performance of a George A. Hamid show and Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers in front of the grandstand and the midway altractions shared in the take.

With only three days of really good weather in Charlotte, General Man-ager Frank Bergen reports grosses as being on the phenomenal side. Train crew and tractor drivers kept the midway in good condition despite plenty of rain.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hodges, owners of the new Looper, were in from Salisbury, N. C., and expressed satis-Salisbury, N. C., and expressed satis-faction with the manner in which the ride is being accepted. Bergen, Johnny Anderson and org's press agent, Lew Hamilton, teamed up to host 80 members of the Charlotte Red Seal Boys' Club. On Friday (11) 125 carriers from The Charlotte News and 100 from The Charlotte Observer were guests of the show. Bat Boes King wife of Dada King

Pat Rose King, wife of Dada King, Bucky Allen's concession secretary, is Bucky Alten's concession secretary, is mourning the loss of her father, who died Tuesday (15) in New York. She had flown from Charlotte to New York and was with him during the last hours. Jim McHugh, of The Billboard, visited the shows several davs.

Oscar (Skeeter) Adams, talker on Joe Sciortino's Girl Show, and Allyne Joe Sciortino's Girl Show, and Allyne Withers, who handles candy with the same show, were married September 21 in Allentown, Pa., the wedding taking place on the stage of the Girl Show after closing hour, with Rev. Clarence Worth officiating. The fol-lowing have been invited to a wed-ding party to be held this weak. lowing nave been invited to a weak-ding party to be held this week: Frank Bergen, Bucky Allen, Lew Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holi-day, Dick Mack, Blondy Mack, Mrs. Vernon Buck, Jimmie Doss, Joe Sciortino, Ginger Rae, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Edwards, Red Cooley, Georgia Brown and Willie Stein. — LEW Brown and HAMILTON. – LEW

### **Bistany's Greater**

GAINESVILLE, Fla., Oct. 19.-Org moved in here this week for its first Florida fair date. Event, sponsored by American Legion, was preceded by heavy advertising by show and sponsors. Shows went in strong for billing and radio spots.

This is a college spot, and today alongside of the midway, a huge crowd was expected for a football game. Hotels and tourist camps have been engaged for weeks, and it was difficult for org's personnel to get located located.

Harvey (Doc) Arlington, who spent the summer with the Blue Grass Shows in Indiana and Ken-tucky, joined in Jacksonville, Fla., previous stand, a two-week still date. He is handling the office duties.

Two high acts and a free circus area are offered here and will be carried thru the winter, ac-cording to present plans. General Agent Kelly says he has the show booked until the holidays, when it is to close for two weeks and then resume.

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### National

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NEW YORK, Oct. 19-It was er roneously stated in a form letter t members that the banquet would by held November 25. The date is November 27. Eligibility committee will consider approximately 20 applica-tions at its next meeting, including lions at its next meeting, including 18 sent in by Jimmie Strates. NSA benefit on the Johnny J. Jones shows, netted \$1,000. Photos of members are being solicited and will be placed in the main hall. Eight by 10-inch size is necessary to maintain uniformity. Luncheon is being operated by Mrs. Luncheon is being operated by Mrs. Rose Silver. Contributions have been received from Joe Greengrass, Mrs. -Barney Gerety and George Isengrad. Visitors included Bibs Malang, Ralph Endy, Whiley Merrill, Moe Elk, AI Katzen, Harold Hodgett, Pat Schilly, Sid Goodwalt, Jack Greenspoon, H. C. Hockett Lack Batchink Mol Smith G. Hockett, Jack Raterink, Mel Smith



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### America

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CHICAGO, Oct. 19.-President Fred H. Kressmann presided at the Thurs-day (17) meeting. Also at the table were Walter F. Driver, treasurer;

were Walter F. Driver, treasurer; Joe Streibich, secretary, and three past presidents. Ernie A. Young, Frank P. Duffield and Jack Nelson. Chairman Art F. Briese and Al Sweeney, of the banquet and ball committee, reported the December 4 event will be held in the Sherman Holel and not in the Palmer House, as originally planned. (For details.

Hotel and not in the Palmer House, as originally planned. (For details, see story in General Outdoor section.) Eddie O. Conners was reported in a serious condition in Miseracordia Hospital, Milwaukee; Edward A. Hock, past president, as resting at the American Hospital; William J. Coultry, still confined; W. C. Deneke, released from a sanitarium and feel-ing fine; and H. D. Wilson and John U. Lefebvre, still on the sick list. President Kressman appointed S. T. Jessop chairman of the registra-tions during the convention and

Lossol chairman of the registra-tions during the convention and Bernie Mendelson and Rev. Marcel Le Voy in charge of the memorial services December 1. Bill Carsky said he had started arrangements for the Breidende Durit December 1. the President's Party December 1.

Membership application of Eugene Membership application of Eugene Happy Maxwell was presented and posted. George Flint, Richard Miller and William H. Green were in for the meeting. Callers during the week were John Gaflagan, en route to Rochester, N. Y.; M. R. Lorber, in town on business; Al Kaufman, en route to Shreveport, La., Ralph An-derson and W. L. McCoy. The nominating committee submit-

The nominating committee submit-ted its slate of officers for the annual election. (For details, see story in Carnival section.)

Ladies' Auxiliary

The nominating committee met October 17 at the Sherman Hotel. Ticket for the ensuing year will be announced later. Members of the committee are Mrs. L. M. Brumleve, Mrs. Edward Hock, Mrs. Marie Brown, Mrs. Nan Rankine, Claire Sopenar, Esther Meyers and Bessie Mossmon Mossman.

Letters were received from Clara Zeiger, Florence Ketring, Myrtle Beard, Dolly Young and Hattie Wag-ner. Members are grieved to learn of the death of Isabel Brantman's mother and of Pat Seery's aunt, Mrs.

M. J. Sullivan. Lillian Woods, treasurer, is back in town. Hattie Wagner plans to go to Hot Springs within the next few weeks.

The secretary, who reports award books are coming in nicely, asks that all members send in their books upon disposal. She also reports the '47 dues are coming in at a good rate and reminds members who have not yet remitted to do so.

### Michigan Showmen's Association

3153 Cass Avenue, Detroit

DETROIT, Oct. 19.—First fall meeting drew 148 members. On the meeting drew 148 members. On the rostrum were President Harry Stahl; First Vice-President Roscoe Wade; Second Vice-President Ben Morrison; Third Vice-President Robert Mor-rison; Treasurer Louis Rosenthal; Executive Secretary Bernard Rob-bins; The Billboard correspondent, H. F. Reves, and Past President Jack Dickstein.

Those present were impressed with the improvements on the meeting halls and the dining and recreation room. Memorial services were held for H. (Pete) Wheeler, son of Pop Wheeler, prayers being read by Chaplain Arthur Gryzan.

Fifty-six new members were ad-(See MSA on opposite page)

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### **Pacific Coast** Showmen's Association

623 1/2 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19.—Big fea-ture of the Monday (14) meeting was President Mel Smith's turkey dinner at the clubrooms to which members the Ladies' Auxiliary were invited. Affair was attended by more than 150 members and friends.

Vice-President Bill Hobday conducted the business meeting which preceded the dinner. Also on the rostrum were Vice-President Harry Suker and Secretary Ed Mann. Twelve new members were elected

to the club: Harry E. Shreve, Bill Endy, Whitey I Nordyke, Jerry O'Brien, R. B. De- Katzen, Harold Wayne, Delmar Greene, Joseph Gould, Sid Goodwalt, Albert E. Smith, William C. Bradley, G. Hockett, Jack Oscar Hollander, Richard F. Ries, L. and Art Lewis. R. Jones and Donald L. Moore Richard F. Ries and Jerome Haifley

were formally initiated. Sick and re-lief committee reported Clyde Good-ing out of the hospital and recuperating at the home of his brother, Homer,

in Reseda, Calif. Roy Rosard accepted the post of chairman of the house committee, vacated by Joe Steinberg, who re-signed because of pressure of other business.

### Ladies' Auxiliary

Ladies' Auxiliary Peggy Forstall, past president, was in the chair Monday (14) at the first board meeting of the fall scason. Ma-belle Bennett, first vice-president, presided at the night meeting. A large attendance enjoyed a turkey dinner donated by President Mel Smith of the men's club.

Margaret Farmer, past president, and Marie Jessup were reported on the sick list. Correspondence read the sick list. Correspondence read included letters from President Betty Coc, Doris Douglas, Mary Ernst Wills, Daisy Jacobs, Cecilia Swalm, Tillie Palmateer and Clara Zeiger, and a note from Mabel Stark and Mimi Garneau sent from the boat, Mat-sonia, en route to Honolulu and the Earmonder Circus Honolulu and the

sonia, en route to Honolulu and the Fernandez Circus. Doris Douglas, of the Douglas Shows, sent in the names of three new members. Virginia Bachler, Helen K. Heun, Wilma Housman, Jenny Perry, Opal Manley, Pauline Crawford and M. Aldridge, present often or absence subce. after an absence, spoke.

Bazaar articles were sent in by Sue Cummins, Larrie Praxy, Doreen Dyke, Opal Manly, Edith Hargrave and Mary Wills. The ladies have been invited to the men's party October 21.

### **Heart of America** Showmen's Club

### 931A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 19.-First fall meeting drew 50 members. President Chester I. Levin presided, with Secretary G. C. McGinnis and Treasurer Harry Altshuler present.

Financial report showed the club had added greatly to its bank account during the summer. Acknowledg-ment was made of a \$25 gift from Wayne Hale Shows. Club voted to contribute to the Community Chest Drive, as it had in previous years. Norris Cresswell, banquet and ball

committee chairman, gave a detailed report on committee activities. He reported a number of well-known outdoor showmen had assured him of their intentions of being present at the New Year's Eve event, which will be held in the Georgian Room of the Hotel Continental. President Levin said the club had

made reservations for the SLA ban-quet and convention, and advised members planning to attend the Chicago event to communicate with Sec-retary McGinnis, who is arranging for a Kansas City group attendance.

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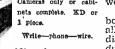
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SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19 .--- Presi-SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19.—Presi-dent Sammy Corenson conducted the Monday (7) meeting. Roll call re-Vealed the absence of Second Vice-President Pat Treanor. Corenson introduced Jack Christon, of Mike Krekos' West Coast Shows, co-chair-man of A Show Within a Show for the cemetery fund at Vallejoj Tucsday (15).

Elected to membership were Ed-Ward J. Staples, Bill Darby, Merritt Miller, Lois Marie Low and William Harry Cole.

Members and guests presented were: James Doyle, John Chism, Sunny Taylor, Jack Christon, Ivan Gilligan, Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Bloom, Thomas O'Toole, Red Deering, Joe Botto, J. J. McCarron, Mr. and Mrs. Sulliven, Mrs. Europa. More and Botto, J. J. McCarron, Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Eunice Houser and Frank D. (Cy) Perkins. First Vice-President Harry Scher presented Whitey Clair, donor of the flagpole for Show Folks Rest. Late guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Prosser, and Mrs. Ed-mond Tait, past president of the "Ladies' Auxiliary, Pacific Coast Showmen's Association. President Coronson read a letter

President Corenson read a letter from Harry Rogers, withdrawing as Candidate for president. Adam Mc-Bride moved a rising vote of thanks be given Rodgers for making the choice of Harry Seber for president linaring. unanimous.

Sick and relief report: Nellie Baker, Sick and relief report: Nellie Baker, in the Marine Hospital, sent a \$10.80 Check as commission on Christmas cards sold for the cemetery fund. Mrs. Boehm visited Mary Mackin, who is improving. Mrs. W. T. Jes-sup is in O'Hara Hospital, San Jose, and four unce ordered sont to be and flowers were ordered sent to her. Fred Ramsey reported Harry Reyn-olds still improving. Mr. Doloff was to enter Marine Hospital.

to enter Marine Hospital. Fred Weidmann, chairman, re-ported on the board meeting. After a report by Albert Roche on a new location for the club, a committee, consisting of Harry Seber, Milt Wil-liams and Albert Roche, was ap-pointed to investigate further. The ball committee was given full au-thority to proceed as it sees fit in rais-ing money for the cemetery fund at the ball December 7. the ball December 7.

Donations to the cemetery fund: Malcolm Lewis, \$5; Earl J. Leonard, \$2; Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Bloom, \$10. A check for \$1,500 was ordered sent to Mt. Olivet Cemetery as payment

on lots.

Red Deering donated 10 pounds of sugar. Sunny Taylor was to marry Jerry Cirinceoni in the clubrooms October 21.

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PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 19.—After being closed for the summer, head-quarters have been reopened. Plans are being made for a big open house in the near future. Visiting showmen are reminded they will always be welcome. Clubrooms were redeco-rated recently, and a new refrigera-tor was installed. New stationery, and membership cards have been designed and printed by Andy Chuka, a member.

Among recent visitors were Ed Smithson, general agent for the Sie-brand Shows; Arthur Hockwald, agent for Zeigler Shows, on his way to book a few more dates; Milt Cohen

to book a few more dates; Milt Cohen and Jerry Mackay, en route to Los Angeles; Harry Perry and Harry L. Gordon, who had been on Clyde Beatty Circus advance, and James Wayne Morris, here for election work. Also Louis Wald, in town for few days; Hank Carlyle, club president, who will be back to spend the win-ter; William L. (Cannon Ball) Bell, first vice-president, who pilots his own plane when commuting between own plane when commuting between Yellow Stone National Park and Phoenix, and J. B. Mack, former club custodian, who has returned for the winter.

### **Regular Associated Troupers** 106 E. Washington, Los Angeles

106 E. Washington, Los Angeles LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19.—Clarence Allton, first vice-president, presided at the October 10 meeting in the ab-sence of President Lucille Dolman. Other officers on the rostrum were Lillabelle Williams, fourth vice-president; Harry Levine, treasurer, and Marie Bailey, secretary.

Among communications read were Among communications read were letters from John R. Castle, A. Lin-denberg, Tillie Palmateer, Walton de Pellaton; George Laurman, Show-folks of America; Allerita Foster, Virginia Kline, Clara and Doc Zeiger, Rosemary Loomis, Incz Allton and Margo de Aguilar, and a telegram from Delma Muere from Delma Myers.

Chairman Moe Eiseman's progress report on the five-year booklet drew a pledge of wholehearted support from the members. Vivian Gorman and Martha Levine, reporting on the bazaar, asked for continued co-operation and expressed thanks to recent contributors.

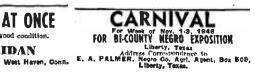
Elmer Greene was given a big hand when he said he would make and do-rate an illuminated sign for over the clubroom door and a sign to be placed on an easel in front of the building on meeting nights.

on meeting nignus. Mora Bagby, sick committee, and Violet Sucher, ways and means and entertainment committee, reported. Betty Perry, daughter of Bob and Jenny Perry, was added as a mem-ber. Joe Mead introduced his wife, Marie, also a new member. Called ber. Joe Mead introduced his wife, Marie, also a new member. Called on to speak after a considerable ab-sence were Jennie Reigel and Vera Downie.

### MSA

(Continued from opposite page) mitted. Roscoe Wade, chairman of the festival committee, turned over a substantial amount to the building fund. Jack Dickstein reported everything ready for the Halloween party October 31. Fat Norton and Marvin Keyes, of the house committee, came up with plenty of meat for the lunch-eon. Thanks were extended to George and Murray Kane for venetian blinds for the elubrooms.

tor sale One Chair-O-Plane, \$1,000 Gran be seen at Quiney, Fla., Oct. 14 to 19; Quit-tree it. A report was made by Second Vice-President Ben Morrison on his visit to Chicago and courtesies extended him by the Showmen's League of America.



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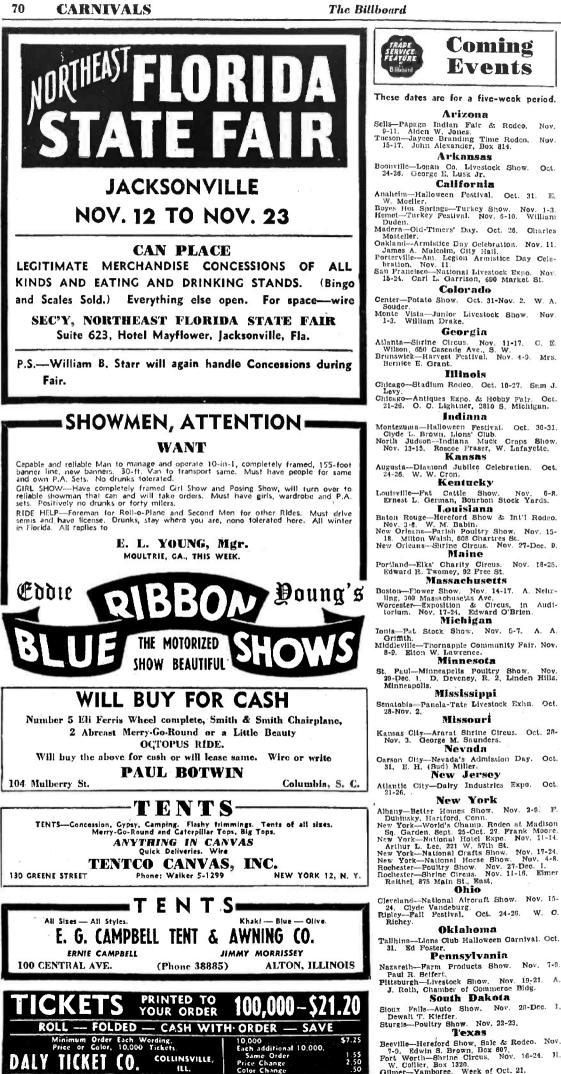


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# **R-B's Season** Is Set To End Week Earlier

### New Closing Date Nov. 28

JACKSON, Tenn., Oct. 19.—One week has been cut out of the route of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, originally scheduled to close December 5. The new clos-ing date is November 28. Final stand still is to be the winter quar-ters lot at Sarasota, Fla.

The season was shortened six playing days by the elimination of a two-day stand at Atlanta, the reduction of Richmond and Norfolk, Va., from three to two days each, and the decision to play Winston-Salem and Charlotte, N. C., one day each instead of two. In addition, Petersburg, Va., was dropped from the route and Waycross, Ga., was set in.

### Turnaway at Memphis

Jackson was played Thursday (17) between two-day stands at Memphis and Nashville. Attendance here was slightly below the halfway mark at the matinee and better than threequarters at night.

quarters at night. The show laid off Monday (14) for a 394-mile run from New Orleans to Memphis, which last year was a three-day stand. The Tuesday (15) matinee was on the light side, with Wednesday's considerably better. Night business, however, was big, with a turnaway Tuesday and near-capacity Wednesday. Bev Kelley, press chief expressed gratification over cochief, expressed gratification over co-operation from the press and radio stations. Fred Smythe reported the Side Show did more business than (See R-B Closing Earlier on page 96)

# **Fernandez** Off **To Good Start**

But Hawaiian sugar strike causes worry over tour of isles to follow Honolulu

industry. Highlights of the program include Rita Pratt, Nellie and Carolyn Dut-ton, ladders; Alex Acevedo, Bob At-terbury and Maurice Marmelejo, wire; Ida Mae Dutton, contortionist; Roy Barrett and Mr. and Mrs. Thom-as, clowns; Frankie Lou Dutton, Ber-nice Atterbury, Rita Jo Pratt and La-Francita, aerialists; Mabel Stark's leopards; Vernon Pratt and his po-nies, and Capt. Snyder and his per-forming bears.

nies, and Capt. Snyder and his per-forming bears. Danny O'Donald emsees the vaude show, which consists of Colleano, O'Donald and Smith, comics; Billy and Norma Elliot, musicians; Nancy Long, acro dancer; Lucille York, singer, and Jem Tons Quartet. W. F. Dutton manages the Side Show, roster of which includes Dal-las McLean, one-man symphony; Mimi Garneau, sword swallower; Americo, India rubber man, and Pratt's performing monkeys.



CLYDE BEATTY CIRCUS played Augusta, Ga., recently day and date with the local Lions' Club Annual Circus. At the Beatty show's matinee, performers from the Lions' circus were guests of Clyde Beatty, and at night Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beatty and other Beatty performers visited with the Lions' performers at the Auditorium. Left to right, above: Beatty; Edwin Williams, producer and di-rector of the Lions' circus; Mrs. Beatty, and Steve Manderson, Lions' Club president

## **Phoenix Gives Cole Big Play;** Also Tucson

TUCSON, Ariz., Oct. 19.—Cole Bros.' Circus, enjoying a change in fortune since hitting Los Angeles, was still doing better than all right as it headed back east thru Arizona. as it headed back east thru Arizona. Show had a big matinee here Wednesday (16) after playing to the same sort of business at Phoenix Monday and Tuesday (14-15). In fact, both nights at Phoenix were strawed to the ring banks and hun-dreds were turned away.

A Sunday move to Phoenix gave the show its first day off in more than two months. A big day was chalked up at San Bernardino, Calif., Saturday (12), with a turnaway at night. Excellent night business was also re-ported at Pasadena Thursday (10) and at Pomona Friday (11).

Negotiations, resumed at Los An-geles, to take the show to Mexico are reported still to be on the fire.

HONOLULU, Oct. 19.—E. K. Fer-nandez Circus opened here October 10 under auspices of the Latter Day Saints' building fund. Attendance at the opening was excellent. The engagement here continues un-til November 9. The show then will make a three-month swing of the outside isles. Not a little apprehen-sion is shown over a territory-wide sugar strike now going into its sec-ond month. Sugar is the islands' basic industry. Highlights of the program include days and day-and-date opposition with the Clyde Beatty Circus the fourth. Six night performances and a Saturday (12) matinee were given in the Municipal. Auditorium.

Features include Will Hill's ele-phants, ponies and dogs; the Bob Eugene Troupe, aerial bars; the Six Ervings, teeterboard; the Billetti Troupe, high wire; the Aerial Rooneys: the Cycle-Conians; the Three Jerks, comedy acros; Rudy-noff's horses; Froboese, sway pole; Chick Yale, rocking tables, and Ches-ter and Joe Sherman, clowns. Performers were guests at the Beatty matinee Thursday (10), and members of the Beatty show came to the auditorium after their night performance. Features include Will Hill's ele-

performance.

Steve Maderson, president of the Lions Club, announced Williams had been retained for its 1947 circus.

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### **IndoorDatesFollow Owens'CloseNov.15**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—The Buck Owens Circus & Wild West, now in Georgia after two months in the Carolinas, is scheduled to end its outdoor season November 15 and then launch 14 weeks of indoor dates December 6 at Jacksonville, Fla., according to word received in Chicago from John Dusch, band leader and mail agent. Dusch also reported he now has 11 men in his band.

Owens show lost a day at Gaffney, S. C., October 8, the same day a severe storm dealt grief to outdoor shows in general thruout the Southeast. A report from Toccoa, Ga., in-dicates the show had light business there Saturday (12).

### Hunt Heads for Barn After Oct. 19 Close

CENTERVILLE, Md., Oct. 19 .-Hunt Bros.' Circus, here Tuesday (15), was scheduled to end its season (15), was scheduled to end its season at Newark, Del., today, after which it will proceed to its permanent winter quarters on U. S. Highway 130 near Bordentown, N. J. Season was .declared by Charles T. Hunt to be one of the longest and most success-ful in his 54 years on the road.

Contracted lot proved too small and show paraded in mid-morning thru the business district to another location on the opposite side of town. Attendance was good at the matinee but lighter at night, due to a 47degree temperature.

### Dailey Bros. Back in Ark. After 2 More Mo. Stands

ROGERS, Ark., Oct. 19.—Dailey Bros.' Circus returned to Arkansas here Tuesday (15) after swinging back into Southern Missouri for stands at West Plains Saturday (12) and Springfield Monday (14). Show had good crowds at both perform-ances under ideal weather conditions.

An excellent day's business was reported at Jonesboro, Ark., Friday (11). At West Plains, Mo., next day, it was necessary to construct a crossing at the tracks before show could unload, and that night there was a disturbance on the lot in which a local man was injured.

# Sharp Upturn In Biz Marks **Beatty Close**...

### Last Day at Brunswick Big 🐺

BRUNSWICK, Ga., Oct. 19.—The' Clyde Beatty Circus ended its 1946 season here Wednesday (16), with y business of the same turn-away variety that had marked its opening day at El Paso. Tex., March 22 and had highlighted its tour across Can-ada during the summer.

Ironically, show's business took a sharp upturn immediately after the

a sharp upturn immediately after the' closing date was announced at Au-gusta, Ga. Before that the going -had become a shade rough. The two-day stand which followed 2 at Charleston, S. C., Friday and Sat-urday (11-12) produced by far the best business the show had seen since its long hop into the South from Niagara Falls, N. Y. Friday's mati-nee was a three-quarter house and the night was capacity. Saturday's matinee was a turn-away, and a ca-pacity crowd was on hand again that

Savannah, Ga., also was okay Mon- r day and Tuesday (14-15), giving with two three-quarter matinees and two

two three-quarter matinees and two, capacity night houses. But it was the business here Wednesday that finished things off<sup>4</sup> on a note in harmony with the sea-son in general. Both afternoon and night performances were complete turn-aways. The downtown ticket will sale had to be suspended at 11 a.m., and the crowds were sufficient to warrant a second show at night had not the management been concerned, with other matters, such as getting the thing to winter quarters.

## **Morton Toronto** Date Tops 100G\*

TORONTO, Oct. 19.-The Hamid-Morton Circus drew crowds totaling, 160,000 to Maple Leaf Gardens here 160,000 to Maple Leaf Gardens here during a seven-day run for Rameses Shrine, ended Wednesday (16). Bob Morton told The Billboard the gross was well over \$100,000, hitting a record for the 14 years he's been showing Toronto. Two performances were given each day, excluding Sun-day. Final matinee was a turn-away, with 17,000 reportedly seek-ing admission to the 12,466-seat Gar-dens.

Rameses Temple was host to thou-(See Toronto Tops 100G on page 82)

### Brydon, Schafer To Present' Midway for Houston Shrine;

HOUSTON, Oct. 19.-Ray Marsh HOUSTON, Oct. 19.—Ray Marsh Brydon's midway attractions and Junior Schafer's rides will be grouped on the promenade around Sam Houston Coliseum here Novem-ber 1-12, the duration of Arabias Shrine Temple's annual circus. Shrine committee signed the contracte midu committee signed the contracts with both operators. Pete Kortes had held the Side Show privileges for seven years.

Brydon's line-up will come direct from the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, and will include his Side Show and an iron lung, monkey, midget and reptile shows.

### Crosby, Arnold in Match

CHANDLER, Ariz., Oct. 19,—Bob Crosby, of Texas, and Carl Arnold, J Arizona steer roper, will meet in a \$5,000 steer-roping match at the rodeo grounds here November 3. Each will be given 10 steers and the lowert will be given 10 steers and the lowest aggregate time will win the purse.

### **Kelly-Miller Returns** To Quarters at Hugo After 24-Wk. Season

HUGO, Okla., Oct. 19.—Al G. Kel-ly-Miller Bros.' Circus is back in win-ter quarters here after closing ac-cording to schedule at Antlers, Okla.,

cording to schedule at Antiers, Okla., Saturday (12). The show opened April 27 at Hugo, was out 24 weeks and cov-ered 5.943 miles. States embraced by the season's tour were Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas, Nebras-ka, South Dakota, North Dakota and Iowa. A total of 21 Sunday dates

lowa. A total of 21 Sunday dates were played. A move of 290 miles was made from Highmore, S. D., to Napoleon, S. D., in by-passing towns in South Dakota that were canceled because of infantile paralysis, and the show laid off August 21 to make a 356-mile weekday jump from Hillsboro, N. D., to Rock Rapids, Ia., to get out of the polio area. Exceed for two days at Dodge

out of the polio area. Except for two days at Dodge City, Kan., and two fair dates of three days each at Blackwell, Okla., and Alva., Okla., the season was all one-day stands. A souvenir folder, listing the 1946 route and show per-sonnel, has been published by A. Morton Smith, of Gainesville, Tex., for George Bell, show mail agent and band leader.

Personnel of both Kelly-Miller and

Stevens Bros., upon returning to Hugo have found the town going all out out on preparations for its home-coming celebration November 14 for the shows which winter here. Hun-dreds of colored balloons will be used to decorate the streets and lamp posts will become clowns for the oc-

posts will become clowns for the oc- nave trouped with the boom in the side of the country and in Europe. Mootz is also country and in Europe. Mootz is also country and in Europe. Mootz is also thave been a deputy U. S. weekly at Tulsa, recently carried a marshal when the Cherokee Strip two-page layout on Hugo, containing this comment: "The circus people
maintain homes the year around in the Hugo district. They take an active part in the activities of the com-

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Cites '14 Cody Will In Laying Claim to **Buffalo Bill Title** 

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19.—Col. Herman Edwin (Fightin' Bud) Mootz, of this city, will go to Cody, Wyo., this month to prove in court his claim to commercial rights to the Buffalo Bill title. Mootz, an old-time show-man, editor and town marshal, bases his claim on a will dated September 16, 1914, which he filed for probate in the Wyoming Court recently. The document reads, in part: "To my dear friend, Col. Herman Edwin Mootz, I convey all rights to my title 'But-falo Bill' after I take the last ride to the big range beyond. I want this trade-mark to become the prop-erty of Col. Mootz to use for my life story and for such purposes as mo-LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19.---Col. story and for such purposes as mo-tion pictures, drama, etc."

Mootz explains that after Cody Mootz explains that after Cody made out the document in Pawnee, Okla., Mootz tossed it in a trunk and forgot about it until recently, which accounts for the lapse of time before the will was offered for probate.

When Mootz goes to Cody, he will meet Frank (Pistol Pete) Eaton, who signed the document as a witness. Other witnesses included Pawnee Bill Lillie; E. D. Dix, a former U. S. mar-shal, and E. M. Baldridge, a Kansas editor, who have died.

The colorful old Westerner claims to have been with Cody when he or-ganized his Buffalo Bill show at North Platte, Neb, in 1884, and to have trouped with it both in this country and in Europe. Mootz is also said to have been a deputy U. S. marshal when the Cherokee Strip was opened in 1893.

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**Dressing Room Gossip** Cole Bros.

With the Big One now in Tennes-see and headed for Virginia, weather has turned toward the nippy side. has turned toward the hippy side. Visitors: Dr. and Mrs. Conley, Joc Minchin, W. A. (Happy) Oakley, Hel-ga and Santos Glorioso, Mrs. Joe Land, Mrs. Buddy Friel, Maximo and wife, Eddie Lewis, Stanley Shinowski, Rodney Aikens; James Edgar, Pep Graves and Mr. and Mrs. Mendoza, of the Sparks show; Red Floyd, former drummer with Merle Evans's baud, and Joe Simons, former li-brarian with the band and now manager of the Warner Bros.' Theater in Memphis, who gave a sneak preview of No One Lives Forever for show members.

Eddie and Bobbie Mader closed at New Orleans. Murray Burt left for New York. Red Larkin and Walter Forbes left for Sarasoia; also Margery Naitto, Mrs. Naitto, Rosemary Wal-lenda and Billy Heyer. John (Blink) Meck rejoined after being on the sick list most of the scason. Birthdays: Bob Behee, Harry Dann and Tex Copeland. Some of the folks visited the New Orleans Charity Hospital and put on a show for polio victims and crippled children who otherwise would have missed the Big One.

Around the lot: Art Springer and Around the fol: Arl Springer and members of the Merle Evans Free Roll Club plan a big party in Sarasota at the close of the season in honor of President Merle for his fine work in upholding the tradition of the grand old order. . . . Cupid, the little rascal, has been running amuck on the Big One this season with no less than six marriages to his credit. The next will be that of Mike Petrello and Laura McKenzie, who plan to get hitched at the close of the season. ... The flash of light that just passed was Dutte Lulley going to the droor was Dutch Lulley going to the dress-ing room to listen to the ball game and throw a little ribbing at Boston boy Prince Paul.—DICK MILLER.

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Well; Los Angeles has come and gone, and what a hectic 10 days it was -nothing but visitors and one round f parties after another. Brownie of Gudath gave one that was a dandy, with all the fried chicken and other With all the fried chicken and other refreshments you could handle. Those present were Paul and Ruth Nelson, Billy and Gee Gee Powell, Otto, Ortans Cristiani, Don Beal, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dobbs, Jimmie Green, Lele Bernarde Bergenetic Cultured Lalo Esqueda, Bogonghi, Col. and Mrs. Harry Thomas, Eileen Larey, Harold Voise, Florence Tennyson, Eric Oranto, Dick Lewis and George Piri

Winn and Marion Partello threw one for his C. O., Capt. and Mrs. Bob Dickson. Bill and Stella Hamilton Dickson. Bill and Stella Hamilton held a get-together at Long Beach for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Luckey, Paul and Ruth Nelson, Winn and Marion Partello; Wade, Madge and Fred Zumwalt; Peggy and Bernard Ross, Abie and Silvia Alberts, Lalo Codona, Gene Weeks, Eddie Woeck-ever and yours truly and wife

ener, and yours truly and wife. Bea and Joe Baker gave the writer and wife a nice dinner between shows, and can that gal cook. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brambles and family had a great time at Los Angeles, visiting the writer and wife, Mrs. Brambles being Freeman's sister. That same sister, when she visited our material and a start, which are the folks who were prisoners of the Japs for three and a half years.

Visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Pat McGee, Myrtle and Verne Goodrich, Lalo Codona, Louise and Madeline Simms, Helen Jones, Bill and Stella Hamilton, Tom Kitchen, Joe and Bea Baker, Ann Baker; Ray Harris, the only clown who ever did the W. C. Fields walkaround right; Homer Hobson Sr., Everett Hart, Slats Becson, Al Bruce, Farris Brown, and Ralph, Jim-mie, Bunnie, Pat and Elizabeth Brambles.

Hats off to Eddie Farree and his Bay City Laundry, for the swell job he did in Los Angeles getting all that stuff out and back, and such grand work.—FREDDIE FREEMAN.

#### **R-B** Side Show

The Side Show is getting its share of business at every stand in Dixie. The writer returned at Dallas after severe siege of pneumonia. Red White and Edwards Murphy recent-ly closed, and Bobby Hassen and Brownie Brown took their places on tickets. Hassen is assistant to Manager Fred Smythe,

Charlie Berry, old-time equestrian director, visited at Lake Charles, La., where he is now in business. Charlie Underwood, Sparks press agent, also stopped off there on his way thru.— E. W. ADAMS.

#### Dailey Bros.

The sorrel six-horse hitch driven by Dutch Warner makes a flashy appearance hauling the No. 2 pole wagon to the lot. Because of a particularly vicious hump over a rall-road at Poplar Bluff, Mo., train was not loaded until 6 a.m. Visits were exchanged with the Great Sutton Shows, across from our lot, at Para-gould, Ark., and personnel of the American Beauty Shows attended our matinee at Blytheville, Ark,

Paradox: Four white Husky pups arrived in a non-husky condition. Tommy O'Brien had to call a vet for special treatment. One seat is vacant in the dog act. Our Cleo passed on after fighing an unidentified illness three weeks. But like the true trouper, she worked until the day her valiant heart gave up the struggle. (See DAILEY BROS. on page 96)

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#### Clyde Beatty

As Henry Kyes and his band played the last notes of Anid Lang Syne, the 1946 season came to a close at Bruns-wick, Ga., October 16. Then we realized we were part of the personnel of a show that will go down in history for record-breaking business. Certainly is was one of the finest trouping seasons ever enjoyed by the writer—in weather, congeniality and route played. To the advance, a job well played. To the advance, a job well done! To all from water boy to highest executive, you were great!

The folks who will play the Houston Shrine Circus are Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beatty, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Olvera, Mr. and Mrs. Elden Day, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Siegrist, Mr. and Mrs. Slivers Madison, Eddic Mason, Fred Bennett, Jean Sleeter, Milonga and Esther Es-calante, Red Sleeter, Lew Walton, Mel Remmick and John (Spenders) Cline.

Now for others: Dan Dix, Ted Now for others: Dan Dix, Ted DeWayne and Troupe, Phil Escalante and Billy Temple, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Antes, Los Angeles; Mr. different Wisconsin; Thomas Rouse, Art Cooksey and George Barnaby, Kan-sas City (Mo.) Shrine Circus; Jimmy Grove, Elsberry, Mo.; Kenneth Waite, Albany, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Revnolds and Eck Lawson, Sayasota Reynolds and Eck Lawson, Sarasota, Fla.; Toughy Genders and Dutch Gil-ver, winter quarters, then Sarasota; Mr. and Mrs. Jinnny Albanese, Flor-ida; Grace Killian, Bloomington, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Max Tubis, Hot Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gough, Dallas; Jose Solares, El Paso, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. John Staley and Susie Staley, winter Quarters then Chirago: Maxie Max quarters, then Chicago; Maxie Max-well, winter quarters, then Holly-wood, Calif.; Floyd Lee and Les Thomas, winter quarters.

Winter quarters were also the destination of Manager and Mrs. Ira Watts, Jimmy Watts and Bill and Mary Moore.

As for the band, Henry Kyes goes to the Ringling circus to -finish the season, then to Sarasota; Walter Fore-man and Martin O'Connor, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Mike Doyle, Lynn, Mass.; Kermit Brigham, Seattle; Phil Doto, Hiseville, Ky.; Spud Slovenski, San Antonio; Sylvester Larrios, Tampa; Al Yoder, Kulpmont, Pa.; and Happy Belisle, Thomasville, Ga.

I know I have missed some, but in the hurry of good-byes, it's hard to get a line on you all. As for yours truly, he and the missus go home to Rahway, N. J., then to Rochester, N. Y., for Orrin Davenport's date.

All that's left now is to say, see you later, and wish all a successful winter season.—DON FRANCISCO.

#### **Bailey Bros.**

This is one season we can all put in the books. We closed so fast, furiously and unexpectedly that there were no sad farewells or crying on one another's shoulders. We didn't even hear Auld Lang Syne. We had all the routine and customary happen-ings of a circus season, tho-mar-riage, birth (to one of Captain En-gerer's lionesses), good times, bad times, heartbreak and joy. We had them all-and more, too!

Harry Swank and Ruth Hender-son climaxed their season at the courthouse in Newberry by saying, "I do." We couldn't get a gang to-We couldn't get a gang together to rice and old-shoe them. With winter coming on we decided to eat the rice and wear the old shoes. But little Suzy celebrated by turning somersaults on the courthouse lawn.

On the homeward trek Marion Jor-dan was badly bruised in an auto-mobile accident. Word was received that Ernie Stewart is out of the hos-pital and Detroit-bound, also that (See BAILEY BROS. on page 96)

ness marked our swing thru Arkan-sas. Straw houses seem to be the vogue, and as a result of school promotions. we've had children droves. James Heron was on recently, and at Ozark, Ark., S. H. Barrow was a

welcome visitor. Everyone wondered how the Ful-Everyone wondered now the rul-lers' trained dog, Skippy, would act when Gale returned from the navy. The day before Gale arrived Skippy seemed to sense he was on his way, and when Gale dropped his bag in front of the trailer door the little dog almost went wild. Skippy had acquired some gray hairs since Gale left but did his act in good style. But after seeing Gale he did better than usual. Gale served 22 months as pharmacist mate.

Jack Bell is still going-strong, and all are glad he didn't have to have that operation. A joint birthday celebration was given for Jack and Swede Johnson, with almost the entire personnel present. Lunch was served, and the guests of honor received many gifts. To Mabel Johnson and Lillian Bell goes credit for this and Lillian Bell goes credit for this party. A big event was the show's appearance at Archie McBeth's home town, Stamps, Ark. Many visited his home to partake of chicken and biscuits. It was also Dub's birthday and, altho tied to a tree, he had his share of fine food.—FRED KARR.

#### **Buck Owens**

One of our workingmen was picked up by the FBI as being AWOL from the army. Investigation revealed, however, that it was another man with almost the same name who was wanted, so our man was returned to the circus.

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There was considerable visiting the Sunday we were only 20 miles from the Beatty show. Also seen on the lot was Specs Cautin, concessionaire de luxe. We had a 24-hour rain that stormy

We had a 24-hour rain that stormy Tuesday at Gaffney, S. C., and the town was blown. In fact, we didn't even unload. The seats failed to ar-rive in time at Clinton, S. C., so the spectators had to stand. But that didn't keep them from coming. The didn't keep them from coming. The matinees are light in this part of the country, but the night crowds are okay.--NORMAN HANLEY.

#### Kelly-Miller

We had excellent weather and wonderful business our last two weeks out, and everyone hated to say aloha after our final performance of the season at Antlers, Okla., October 12.

We had lots of visitors the last two nights. All the folks from Stev-ens Bros.' Circus came over, and we really had fun. Jack and Jake Mills, of Mills Bros., also visited during the final week.

George and Frankie Bell will winter at Camp Crowder, Mo. The writer expects to be back with the Millers next season. Dores and Ila Miller and Evelina Rossi will work the Shrine indoor date at Kansas City, Mo.

Everyone is expected back at Hugo, Okla., November 14 for the big party the Chamber of Commerce is having for the shows that winter there. -GEORGE BELL.

#### Clyde Bros.

Many of the acts have been with this organization from its start and have watched its growth as an indoor circus in which showmanship and courtesy are happily combined. If be hard to overlook any of the acts, as all are smartly costumed, riggings are in tiptop shape and the show

makes a fine appearance. Our equestrian director, or often . (See CLYDE BROS. on page 15)

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### Polack Opens Strong In San Antonio After Wichita Falls Winner

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Word re-eived by Polack Bros.' Circus office aere indicates the No. 1 Unit is well m its way to a new high at San Anon its way to a new high at Sail An-tonio, where it concludes a week's run Sunday (20) for Alzafar Shrine. Opening Monday (14) topped last year's, and the Municipal Auditorium was almost filled Tuesday night despite a heavy rain. Advance sale promised big crowds the rest of the run.

Louis Stern, general manager of the No. 1 Unit, was given a surprise party on his birthday Tuesday night. Af-fair, arranged by Opal Mills, show Secretary, was held at the Gunther Hotel, attended by 30 of the show personnel and several of the Shrine committee.

Mickey Blue, who handled the San Antonio promotion, is due in Chicago next week. While here, he will launch preliminary details for the Medinah Shrine date in '47 before going out on another date this fall.

I. J. Polack announced that five performances at Wichita Falls, Tex., October 9-11 grossed \$10,000 and that the net for Maskat Shrine was \$2,319. Date, a new one for Polack, was pro-moted by Joe O'Donnell, who went next to Duluth, Minn.

Sam Ward, accompanied by Bill (Beau Brummel) Kay, was to leave today for Austin, Minn., where the No. 1 Unit is skedded for November 14-16.

Meanwhile, the No. 2 Unit winds up a three-day stand at Olympia, Wash., today, following a week at Salem, Ore., which ended Tuesday (15).

#### Freeport (Ill.) Date Gives Clyde Bros. Turnaway Biz

FREEPORT, Ill., Oct. 19 .- Clyde Bros., first indoor circus to play Free-oport, scored a winner for the Shrine Club in a three-day stand ending Wednesday (16). Of five perform-ances given, all were sell-outs except comping night and both shows final opening night, and both shows final day were turnaways. Even with two kids to a seat at the matinee, there wasn't enough for all who came. At night the box office was closed at At hight the box office was closed at 7:40 and refunds were made to hold-ers of advance-sale tickets who couldn't get in. Show went from here to Clinton, ...Ia., for three days, ending Sunday (20).

N.Y. Rodeo Results

NEW YORK, Oct. 19. — Results during the third week of the 21st Annual Championship Rodeo, Madi-son Square Garden, September 25-October 27, follow:

October 27, follow: Bareback Bronk Ridding-Third day (seven performances), Bud Spealman, \$530; Howard Baker, \$440; Tommy Cahoe, \$350; Larry Ynlley, \$275; Casey Tibbs, \$155; George Mills, \$75. Fourth day (six performances), Carl Mendes, \$350; Bob Estes and Frank Finley pillt \$305 each; George Mills, \$275; Bud Spealman, \$165; Howard Baker, \$75. Saddle Bronk Riding-Fourth day (five per-formances). Shirley Hussey, \$375; Tom Knight, \$300; Olif Anderson, \$175; Geraid Roberts, \$400; Olif Anderson, \$175; Jonry Anbier, \$475; Wilbur Filaugher, \$475; Wilbur \$400; Olif Anderson, \$176; Geraid Roberts, \$400; Olif Anderson, \$175; Geraid Roberts, \$400; Olif Anderson, \$175; Jonry Anbier, \$475; Wilbur \$400; Olif Anderson, \$175; Jonry Anbier, \$475; Wilbur \$400; Olif Anderson, \$475; Jonry Anbier, \$475; Wilbur \$400; Olif Anderson, \$475; Jonry Anbier, \$475; Jonry Anbi

(See N. Y. Rodeo Results on page 96)



## **UNDER THE MARQUEE**

Menagerie boss gave a beginner some good advice: "First get used to the smell."

Thalei Dechert, CHS, is appearing at Warren Park Inn, Chicago. As a child performer she was in a wire act with Mighty Haag Circus.

Johnny Judd, trick roper, has been signed for a supporting role in Co-lumbia Pictures' Twin Sombreros, starring Randolph Scott.

Owner's newly born son was the image of his father except for not wearing a mounted lion's claw.

Robert W. Couls, out the past sea-son with Webster Bros.' Circus, is making his winter headquarters at Detroit and producing indoor shows under auspices.

Frank Braden, of the R-B press staff, authored a piece titled The Railroad and the Circus, in the Au-gust issue of The Santa Fe magazine. Babe Boudinot, of the R-B advance, is back in Chicago.

Market page headline, "Big Day for the Bulls," had nothing to do with happiness in a menagerie.

Albert Fleet and his chimpanzees, with Sparks Circus the first part of with Sparks Circus the first part of the season and later with James M. Cole, is now with a Wild Animal Show on Endy Bros.' Shows, headed by Eddie Kuhn, who works lions and a mixed group of animals.

Al Butler, who is in New York after completing his duties as conareter completing mis duties as con-tracting agent for the Big One, will go out with a road company of Rose Marie. . . Clet Scabock, general agent for Stevens Bros. the last part of the season, is doing some fishing at Corpus Christi, Tex.

Truck circus agent advised that his 1934 car's temperature went down with the weather.

Guy Smuck and Lou Stone, who were with Bailey Bros.' Circus which closed at Smithfield, N. C., October 8, arrived in Cincinnati Wednesday (16), and called at The Billboard offices. The former will winter there, and the latter, after visiting in Cincy with Smuck for a few days, will go to his home in Pittsburgh. to his home in Pittsburgh.

Leo and Ethel (D'Arcy) Hamilton, who recently completed 24 weeks of park and fair dates, are spending park and fair dates, are spending some time in Chicago before opening for Ernie Young in the Shrine Circus at Kansas City, Mo. . . . Happy Kellems, besides serving as announ-er for Clyde Bros., is also working on radio and publicity. . . . Phil Wasser-man, formerly press agent for Mills Bros., is now flacking Astor Pictures in New York. in New York.

"What's so exciting about finding a man under your bed," asked a ballet gal who spent the summer in an upper berth.

Forrest Grimes, of Walnut Ridge, Ark., together with Art Miller, circus agent, who was with Kelly-Miller the past season, visited Dailey Bros. the past season, visited Dailey Bros.. in Southeastern Missouri and North-ern Arkansas. Mrs. Miller accom-panied them to Jonesboro, Ark., where show was reported to have had one of its biggest days of the season... Billy Todd, drummer, has rejoined Rex Rossi's band on Dailey Bros. after spending several weeks visiting his mother at Albion, Neb.

Ray Harris flew from the Coast to Kansas City, Mo., to visit the Big One while on vacation from his job as manager of a California theater. From Hollywood, he advises he is now de-voting his spare time to a new kind of show he intends to put on the road

next spring. Frank A. Panisko, CFA, of Butte, Mont., who clowns as a hobby, will don his make-up for the Circus Night football game be-tween Butte High and Butte Central October 25 and will entertain the Crippled Children's Clinic in St. James Hospital there October 28.

Then there's the sage of the stake-andchain wagen who can liquidate a fly at 40 paces with a spurt of 'baccy juice.

Robert N. Mayer, ex-trouper and circus fan now with an oil company at Aruba, Netherlands West Indies, writes that the last circus in those parts was Atayde Hermanos Circo from Mexico more than a year ago. Show had a two-pole European-style top and was owned and operated by Emil Schweyer. The last Mayer heard of Schweyer, he was playing in Colombia and heading thru Central America for Mexico. Mayer re-ports a five-ride carnival, owned jointly by an American and an Ar-gentine, recently came to Aruba from Caracas, Venezuela.

Big Top Shorty said, "A fat bonus at the end of the season for staying sober and reliable isn't enough for all that suffering."

Harley Hubbard, who has returned to Shreveport, La., after spending the summer in the North, reports the State Teachers College at Warrens-burg, Mo., has received a valuable collection of old musical instruments under the will of Don Essig, old-time circus band leader, who died about Hubbard, Essig had the band on the Campbell show around the turn of the century and on the Hag show in 1919-20. Hubbard spent a recent week-end at Marshall, Tex., in the home of J. W. Bon-Homme and son, Sig, who were clowns most of the season on the Buck Owens show.

Comes the time of the year when a bonus receiver lies about feeling blue because the show is closing. He does it to make the boss feel good.

H. H. Gunning, of Toledo, recalls that it will be 57 years October 20 since the Barnum & Bailey Greatest since the Barnum & Bailey Greatest Show on Earth sailed from New York for its year's engagement in the Olympia, London. He believes he is the only person living who went abroad with that show then as well as with Pawnee Bill's Wild West in 1894 again with Barnum & Beliar as with Pawnee Bill's Wild West in 1894, again with Barnum & Bailey in 1894 for a five-year tour of Eu-rope, and with Buffalo Bill's Wild West in 1902. Gunning says Jake Posey, of Baldwin Park, Calif., was with Barnum & Bailey on the five-year tour, 1897-'02, and with Buffalo Bill, 1902-'06. If there are others, he'd like to hear of them.

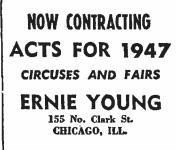
Circus was made defendant in a suit for \$3,000 damages claimed in behalf of 12-year-old Phillip A. Drowns, of St. Joseph, for a broken leg and body bruises the boy allegedly received when struck by a tractor owned by the show here September 6.

## 24-Girl Posing Act In Young's Line-Up For Shrine at K. C.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- A wide range of variety, with emphasis on femme production numbers, is promised in the program booked by Ernie Young for the Ararat Shrine Circus at Kan-sas City, Mo., October 28-November 3. A note of novelty will be imparted by 24 girls in a posing number called A Study in Silver, produced by Bella Brengk Olsen. Girls will also be used by Young to introduce two other acts of the show.

The line-up includes Terrell Jacobs and his wild animals; the Two Kays on the high wire; the Paroffs, high ladder act; P. J. Ringens and his bicycle leap; the Romas and the Kovets, flying acts; Walter Jennier and Charles Dixon, seals; aerial ballet, featuring the Rooneys and Elvina Rossi; the Nissens, Bob Perry and Larry Griswold, trampoline; six ele-Larry Griswold, trampoline; six ele-phants from the Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros, Circus; Greer's 12-horse Lib-erty act; Leo Gasca, Flordelina and Mario Iwanow, slack wire; Dorita and Alex Konyot, high-school horses; Ethel D'Arcy, high act and slide; and the Erwings, the Bedell troupe and the Cardovas, teeterboard. Fronk Cargone will lead the hand

Frank Cervone will lead the band, Dave Malcolm will do the announcing and Bill Bentlage will be producing clown.



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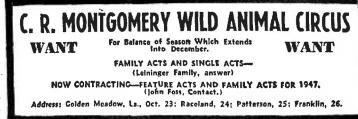
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## TEXAS TURNS World's Fair Atmosphere

Grounds attractive from stem to stern-exhibits top pre-war excellence

#### By Pat Purcell

DALLAS, Oct. 19.—State Fair of Texas, breathing again after a hiatus of four years in which time the mili-tary did its best to make a barren waste of the vast acreage, will shutwaste of the vast acreage, will shut-ter Sunday (20) and regardless of the weather on the 16th day, historians will have to write that this one was the better of them all, from every possible angle.

While one was plunking the 60 cents on the counter for admission cents on the counter for admission at the outside gate, the atmosphere fairly recked with promise, the huge, neon-lighted front entrance and the towering lights in the background offering assurance that here, indeed, was something to see and enjoy. Pressing thru the turnstiles, one was forced to be impressed with the grandeur of the picture—the well-painted, brilliantly lighted buildings surrounding the huge pool centering the esplanade reviving the memories

the esplanade reviving the memories and glories of Texas Centennial Days.

#### World's Fair Atmosphere

World's rair Annospice While this agent has not visited every fairgrounds on the North American Continent, the wanderings of a good many years have led the feet and bi-focals thru the greater portion of the outstanding, and it muct be recorded here and now that must be recorded here and now that

this is the one that has captured and held a true world's fair picture. The magnificent buildings, land-scaped lawns, modernistic light and sound towers and general magnitude of the layout gave one the impression that the 50 note was well span bo that the 60 cents was well spent be-fore a peek was taken inside a single building. There were too many tents, close scrutiny revealed, for an ac-curate world's fair picture, but these

curate world's fair picture, but these were necessary to house exhibits which formcrly were offered in the huge automotive building which burned to the ground in late 1941. But the tents did not spoil the breath-taking panorama, as they were skillfully concealed in the back-ground and when discerned gave the impression that this was a good, old-fashioned annual as well as a mighty cavalcade of the Lone Star State.

Story Well Told Weaving thru the buildings and stepping fast in order to catch a deadstepping fast in order to catch a dead-line, it was amazing to note the easy flow of traffic thru the crowded floors. Considerable thought was given to layout in the revamped in-teriors, and aisles were laid out in such a way that one automatically viewed everything without extra ef-torts.

To enumerate the various commer To enumerate the roofs woul cial exhibits under the roofs would require a small supplement to this regular edition, and Roy Rupard, sec-retary who has been around here for 36 years, declared that prospective exhibitors, too numerous to mention,

exhibitors, too numerous to mention, were turned down because there was no place to put them. Farm machinery, automobiles, oil field equipment and aviation exhibits were in the open or under canvas, and they covered a flock of acres. Leading oil companies in this terri-forr hed their our permanent huild tory had their own permanent build-(See Texas a Nifty on page 78)

## Macon, Ga., Receipts Increase Despite Slice in Gate Prices

**FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS** 

Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill.

MACON, Ga., Oct: 19.—Despite a nearly \$1,000 over the '45 pre-open-20 per cent cut in gate prices this ing sales. Books of five and 10 tickets year, Georgia State Fair showed a gain in gate receipts of approximately two days before the opening. 20 per cent for the first three days over the same period last year, fair stressing livestock, with five over the same period last year, fair stressing livestock, with five officials revealed. Adult ducats are inducement, Exchange Club sent a point of Middle Uter mether and the first stressing livest process. only 50 cents, including tax, com-pared to 60 cents last year. On Children's Day, Tuesday, admission was reduced to a dime, including tax, compared to a quarter in 1945.

There was no kick on last year's prices and reduction was made by the Macon Exchange Club, operator of the fair, on purely a voluntary basis.

#### Benefit to All Patrons

"The Georgia State Fair has been "The Georgia State Fair has been a big profit maker for several years," explained President Will C. Ragan. "We figure we're giving the public a dividend by reducing prices. We could put the extra money into more could put the then the baroft would premiums, but then the benefit would be shared by comparatively few. Cut-ting admission prices gives the bene-fit to every patron."

E. Ross Jordan, the fair's general manager for the 24th consecutive "year, said grosses on gates and mid-way for the first half of the week "greatly exceeded expectations."

"All thru recent years we gained steadily, as Macon was a big war center," Jordan commented. "Practically all the camps and war establishments have gone and we expected a leveling-off, but it has not shown in fair receipts yet."

#### Advance Sale Up

Advance sale of admission tickets this year reached \$5,000, a gain of

### Muddy Grounds Hex **Panhandle's Opener**

LUBBOCK, Tex., Oct. 19.—Tor-rential week-end rains which flooded the south plains and closed many schools held the opening-day crowd at the 29th annual Panhandle South Plains Fair, October 7-12, to 11,782. More than half of those admitted were war veterans taking advantage of free admission offered them as a feature of Welcome Home day.

Highlights of the day's program were speeches by Beauford Jester, governor-elect, and Col. T. G. Lan-phier, of the Veterans' Administra-tion, and fireworks display. An esti-mated crowd of 3,500 heard the talks and saw the pyrotechnics.

Bill Hames Shows were on the midway and did good opening-night business despite the small crowd and muddy grounds.

On Tuesday the sun came out for the first time in three days and the fairgrounds dried rapidly. Midget auto races, postponed Monday be-cause the track was partially cov-ered by water, commenced Tuesday afternoon and were slated to continue thru the remaining five days. continue thru the remaining live days. Also starting Tuesday night was the Buck Steiner Rodeo, set for the re-mainder of the run, and an army technical services mobile unit. School bands played Tuesday. Wednesday and Thursday, free days for stu-dentr dents.

Merchants Building was filled, and agriculture and livestock displays were called excellent.

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separate cattle shows. As an added inducement, Exchange Club sent a scout to the Middle West weeks ago and bought 66 head of pure-bred Holstein and Guernscys, which will be auctioned off today. Club is not expecting to make a profit but feels the move is boosting dairy develop-

the move is boosting dairy develop-ment in Georgia. The eight exhibit halls are crammed with educational displays, of 27 different departments. Special events include contests with 5,000 Fu-ture Farmer boys from every county in the State horse show model are in the State, horse show, model air-plane contest, sweet polato show, cot-ton products show and soil conservation demonstration. Among live-tal-ent exhibits attracting wide attention is an instructional demonstration in home nursing given by staffers and volunteers of the Macon Red Cross Chapter each afternoon and night.

### **Rocky Mount Pulls** 48,000; Quonset Huts Added to N. C: Plant

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., Oct. 19 .--Paid attendance at this year's Rocky Mount Fair exceeded 48,000, according to Norman Y. Chambliss, secre-tary-manager. Bleacher seats were tary-manager. Bleacher seats were erected and strong grandstand at-tractions were booked. Latter in-cluded George A. Hamid acts, Jack Kochman and His Hell Drivers; stock car races, promoted by Bill France, and fireworks. A near-capacity crowd of 2,250 attended afternoon and night shows thruout the week. New stage and several new grab

New stage and several new grab stands were constructed. Chambliss burst burst of the second state of the second the year.

### Hipp. Proposed At Marshalltown

MARSHALLTOWN, Ía., Oct. 19.---MARSHALLIOWN, Id., Oct. 19.– Erection of a hippodrome for use by the Central Iowa Fair was proposed by the Marshalltown Chamber of Commerce directors of the fair at a recent special meeting. Chamber has considered erection of a pavilion for some time and now seeks to have the

building on the fairgrounds. Both groups agreed that the grand-stand, started before the war, should be completed and that an ampli-theater, usable throut the year, also was desirable. Question of levying a special tax to raise funds for completion of the grandstand will be sub-mitted to the voters November 5. Chamber asked the fair to provide for use of one side of the completed grandstand as a pavilion.

#### **Colored Fair Chartered**

COLUMBIA, S. C., Oct. 19.—Lee County Colored Fair Association of Bishopville has received a charter from Secretary of State Blackwell. Authorized capital stock is \$500. Of-fleers: A. L. Woodham, president; J. E. Beege segretary traceuror E. Reaves, secretary-treasurer.

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#### Rodeo Nightly Sell-Out

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 19.--The 36th annual Pacific International Livestock Exposition -- delayed in Livestock Exposition — delayed in program plans by prolonged army utilization of its grounds—closed here Saturday night (12) after breaking all attendance records. Altho the public flocked in unprecedented numbers to the big 11-acre build-ing, the number of exhibits was cut down by the late preparations, ag-gravated by the material shortage with which to replace all the in-terior fixtures the army had removed.

Official paid admissions were 140,-264, compared with the 1941 record of 115,803. Rodeo and horse show, y with capacity of 6,650, was sell-out every night. Largest single day, Sunday (6), drew 26,525, compared with 1941 largest single day of 21,-522 523.

#### Tribute to Holt

Tribute to Holt Success of the exposition was a tribute to Walter A. Holt, veteran of the Pendleton, Ore., Round-Up, who took over management this year to carry on in place of the late O. M. & Plummer. Holt, who was appointed February 1, after six years of man-aging the Happy Canyon night show at Pendleton, modestly attributes the success of the exposition to the hard work of his staff.

Army occupation was not an un-mixed hardship, in that it resulted in the paving of the big building, giving an unusually clean location and promoting wide dispersal of the crowds.

"Because of the surfacing, people were in corners of the barns that barely were visited heretofore," said Holt.

#### 12 Rodeo Shows

Only commercial entertainment feature was the Vern Elliott Rodeo, which gave 12 shows during the sev-en days, rodeo acts being sandwiched en days, rodeo acts being sandwiched in between horse show events pre-sented by the exposition. Rodeo brought \$1.20 for matinees and \$1.20 to \$3 for night performances. This show was also under cover, in the arena seating 6,650. Exposition gate prices were 60 cents for adults and 30 cents for children, including tax. Altho the number of exhibits was estimated by Holt to be 85 per cent of former big years, they were marked by great diversity. Exhibits included livestock, wool, commercial

included livestock, wool, commercial products, 4-H Club displays, poultry, dog show, land-products displays from counties and neighboring States, and a fish and wild life display by the State Game Commission.

#### Building Well Prepared

There were many public-pleasing features to the exposition. Parking was ample and free. Owing to spray-ing with DDT, there wasn't a fly in the place. Liberal use of deodo-rants left the barns virtually free of animal odors.

Exposition had excellent press co-Exposition had excellent press co-operation, with ample advance sto-ries, and Holt said news space ex-ceeded by "many inches" that re-ceived in the past. Show got plugs over local radio stations, with news (See Pacific Int'l High on page 78)

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## Record 300,000 Free Gate for **Free Attendance** At Jackson, Miss.

JACKSON, Miss., Oct. 19.-Mis-sissippi's Agricultural and Industrial Exposition, which closed here Satur-day night (12), established an alltime attendance record, with an esti-mated 300,000 persons thronging to it.

The gate was free, and for this reason no exact figures are available. Fair execs' estimate of 300,000 put the attendance up some 100,000 over the six-day exposition of last year.

Intermittent drizzle all day Friday (11), Kids' Day, traditionally the big one, failed to prevent the setting of a new single day mark. Officials placed attendance at 75,000.

The Royal American Shows on the midway chalked up the biggest gross on record for the event. The Barnes-Carruthers grandstand show played to capacity crowds thruout its run and on four nights was forced to give two performances.

## Petersburg Opens Big in Good Weather

PETERSBURG, Va., Oct. 19.-A strong opening Monday (14) and a forecast of continued good weather indicated the Petersburg Fair would eclipse the records set during the war years when this city was the hub of innumerable army activities.

Townspeople are evidently still holding plenty of folding money, and adjacent Camp Lee is still thickly populated with new troops, most of whom seemed to find their way to the

Whom seemed to find their way to the fairgrounds during the week. With the Richmond Fair abandoned during the war years, this annual in-creased the scope of its appeal and return of the larger event this year has not resulted in any noticeable slackening of attendance.

Exhibits here were more numerous than at any time in the past. Secre-tary R. Willard Eanes presented a number of George A. Hamid acts which kept grandstand crowds near capacity. Iona Reid and Her Hell Drivers were scheduled to perform this afternoon. Fireworks were presented nightly. Cetlin & Wilson Shows were on the

midway. The fairgrounds also harbor this show during the winter, in addition to providing a good opening date. Izzy Cetlin and Jack Wilson, co-owners, predicted a record gross here.

#### Madison S. Cohen Dies; Ex-Ky. State Fair Prexy

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19.—Madison S. Cohen, 75, former Kentucky com-missioner of agriculture and one-time president of the Kentucky State Fair, died at his home here Friday (4). He published The American Horse-man at Lexington, Ky., for several years, selling it in 1941 to go to Cali-fornia. AS. fornia.

Cohen also bred, trained and exhibited saddle horses. He was Ken-tucky's commissioner of agriculture from 1916 to 1920. During that time, as president of the Kentucky State Fair Board, he inaugurated its \$10,-000 championship stake for five-gaited saddle horses.

#### Colusa, Calif., Show Draws

COLUSA, Calif., Oct. 19.—Colusa Riding Club's first annual horse show attracted an overflow crowd of 1,500 to the fairgrounds here Sunday (29). Special events by riding club drill teams were featured. Pleasure Pleasure horses, racing programs for adults and children, horse jumping, stock horse exhibit and calf roping com-prised the main features of the event. Prize money of \$300 was awarded.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 19.--Pa-trons of Illinois State Fair may not have to pay to gain admission to the

grounds in the future. This was announced here Monday (14) by Gov. Dwight Green (Rep.) following a meeting of the State fair advisory committee, which passed a esolution urging passage of enabling legislation.

Arnold Benson, Illinois commissioner of agriculture, heads the ad-visory committee. Advocates of a free gate maintain the farmers want it.

Some newspapers in the State pointed out that, Green's statement was made 22.days before election. No action on the State fair ad-visory committee's resolution can be

taken until the Legislature goes into session this winter.

## Lubbock Chalks Big **Count Despite Rain** LUBBOCK, Tex., Oct. 19.—Despite torrential rains and cold winds, 85,000 passed thru turnstiles at the

29th annual Panhandle South Plains Fair here October 7-12, W. L. Faller, publicity manager, said. Nearly five inches of rain in the

two days and nights preceding opening mired roads and held up many livestock entries as much as 24 hours Attendance opening day was 15,000 and an estimated 4,000 gathered un-der threatening clouds opening night to hear speeches by Governor-Elect Beauford Jester and Veterans Ad-ministrator T. G. Lanphier.

Knee-dcep water on the track forced cancellation of two midget auto race programs, and water in arena caused the Buck Steiner Rodeo postpone one performance until Sunday.

Bill Hames Shows, on the midway, attracted large crowds daily. Army technical forces mobile exhibits also drew well.

#### Rain, Cold Hurt Attendance At Brown City, Mich., Annual

BROWN CITY, Mich., Oct. 19.-Rain the first day and cold weather the second day held attendance to 2,500 at the recent two-day Farmers' Fall Festival at the community athletic grounds here.

Roscoe T. Wade's Joyland Midway Attractions provided four rides, 15 concessions and Parker's Funhouse. Besides livestock and agricultural exhibits, event also offered platform acts, which worked in the open, and a social contexts. a series of local contests.

#### SPEEDWAY **ROUND-UP**

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SAN ANTONIO - Bill Searcy SAN ANTONIO — Bill Searcy, Houston race driver, was killed and five other persons, three of whom were spectators, were injured here Saturday (12) night at Pan-Ameri-can Speedway, when Searcy's car col-lided with one driven by Bill Homier, also of Houston.

SAN FRANCISCO.-Fred Agabashian, Berkeley, won the 25-lap main event of the midget auto racing card at Bayshore Stadium here Fri-day (11) before 3,500 fans. Don Smith, Oakland, was second and Jerry Piper, Walnut Creek, third.

CONVERSE, Ind. — Howard S. SAN FRANCISCO.-(Howdy) Wilcox, 41, former speed-way race driver, was killed by a race ar Sunday (13) here while serving Bayshore Stadium h as starter in the auto races at the converse fairgrounds. On the track lowed to the wire by to give Jimmy Wilburn, Indianapolis, the white flag as the latter started San Francisco, third.

on his last lap, Wilcox was struck by a car driven by Kenny Wines, Kokomo, Ind. Thrown into the air by the impact, Wilcox was killed almost instantly.

HAMBURG, N. Y.-Carl Scarbo-ugh, Pontiac, Mich., won the 100-HAMBURG, N. 1.—Carl Starso rough, Pontiac, Mich., won the 100-lap CSRA national championship midget auto race Sunday (13) at the fairgrounds here before a crowd esti-mated at 7,500. Date, promoted by Howdy Ahrhart, offered prize money of \$5,200, which he claimed to be the largest ever paid in the area.

SAN FRANCISCO.-Eddie Bennett, Oakland, won the main event of the midget auto racing program in the Bayshore Stadium here Friday (4) before a crowd of 3,000. He was followed to the wire by Woody Brown, Oakland, second, and Eddie Wendt,

## **Raleigh Eyes Half - Million** Gate; Strong in Eye Appeal RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 19.—A record attendance of 500,000 for the first

post-war showing of the North Carolina State Fair has been predicted by officials if the balmy weather holds thru today. This will be a continuation of the banner business which has marked the staging of all other annuals in this State, where crops have been good and money is more plentiful than ever before. The revival of this fair has been greeted enthusiastically by the press and public, and interest has been State-wide with patrons coming

## Mich. Fair Plant Use To Non-Profit Orgs

LANSING, Mich., Oct. 19.---"Regularly incorporated non-profit organ-izations or officially organized civic, fraternal, patriotic, religious, educa-tional or charitable groups" only can the Michigan State Fairgrounds, the Michigan Commissioner of Agri-culture decreed Wednesday (16). The ruling does not affect the present lease of the Detroit Racing Association.

Use of the grounds by organizations will be permitted only when it is "definitely understood" that profits will go to the organization rather to an individual, and that there will be no interference with a State fair, the commission ruled.

"Such organizations, in addition to anticipating damage and depreciation, must assume all responsibility for personal liability and property damages," the commission specified.

#### Saline (Mich.) Event Draws 12,000 Despite Cold Spell

SALINE, Mich., Oct. 19.—Three-day community fair, held here re-cently without a gate, drew an esti-mated 12,000 attendance despite cool weather. Event was the first of its kind here to have rides and concessions. In previous years, the fair had a few indoor attractions but was not operated on customary fair lines.

Joyland Midway Attractions sup-plied the midway. Ride and conces-sion operators reported good business. Fireworks program was by Hudson, Fireworks Company, Hudson, O. Other features were a rodeo, presented one afternoon, an indoor dance and a program of indoor acts.

#### La Verne Named Manager

MELBOURNE, Fla., Oct. 19 .-- Al LaVerne has been named manager of Brevard County Fair, to be spon-sored by the American Legion at Wells Park, December 4-7.

## the press and public, and interest has been State-wide with patrons coming from miles in all directions, intent upon spending at least a full day on the grounds. Manager J. S. (Doc) Dor-ton, who in two previous weeks successfully staged annuals at Char-lotte and Shelby, N. C., had the grounds here ready for opening without a trace of wartime delay. All units down to the horse barns had been newly painted and the lawns All and walks were groomed to attractiveness.

#### **Big Grandstand Play**

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Big Grandstand Play A preview opening was staged Mon-day night (14). A heavy daily at-tractions program kept the spacious grounds filled to capacity. Monday night in near-frigid weather Jack Kochman and His Hell Drivers were featured along with the revue and plenty of folks sat thru the lengthy show. A George A. Hamid revue was presented nightly.

show. A George A. human and presented nightly. County and city school kids turned out in droves Tuesday (15) for the formal opening of the fair and con-tributed one of the top single day mosses of the week. Horse races grosses of the week. Horse races were presented every afternoon thru Friday (18). Kochman was back to take over the track Wednesday (16) while auto races, pronoted by Sam Nunis, were scheduled to round out the thrill events today. Exhibit space, including that al-

lotted to commercial enterprises, was entirely filled. The usual exhibits, presented by the armed forces, were present.

Dorton has continued his efforts to turn this and other annuals into the most attractive fairs in the South. His pre-war efforts here, including a monster waterfall which reflects colored light at night, numerous flag-poles and other eye-appealing units have been refurbished and will, ac-cording to monost plane he curple cording to present plans, be supple-mented as soon as materials become available. A sizable profit should result from this year's showing, and Dorton will probably turn as much of it as possible back into improvements.

The World of Mirth Shows was back on the midway, garnering a gross which officials predicted may outstrip any other single week during the season.

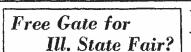
#### Blackmon Diamond B Rodeo Winters in Blackwood, N. J.

BLACKWOOD, N. J., Oct. 19.---Blackmon's Diamond B Rodeo is in winter quarters here after having played a succession of Eastern fairs. Lewis B. Blackmon, owner-producer, has purchased new trucks and trail-ers. Some of the old stock has been

Sold, making way for replacements. Among fairs played were: Barton, Vt.; Lockport, Altamont and Boon-ville, N. Y., and Mineola, L. I. Clyde Rogers, Tyler, Tex., handled the mike on the dates. Everett Pilz was arena secretary.

#### Klein's Acts in Benefit

ALLIANCE, O., Oct. 19. - After closing at the recent Carrollton (O.) Fair, C. A. Klein, of Klein's Attrac-tions, New Waterford, O., presented tions, New Waterford, O., presented some of the acts in a show for in-mates of the Fairmount Children's Home here. Klein emseed the show. Presentation was followed by Ted Deppish, Canton, O., who showed films of major circuses. Acts in-cluded Bert Dearo, slack wire; Miss Eva Mae, cloud-swing; Lew Hershey and JoJo Lewis, clowns; Arnold's Barnyard Frolics; Belmont Brothers, jugglers, and Miss Corrine, trapeze and muscle grind.



The Billboard

## **AROUND THE GROUNDS**

Danbury (Conn.) Fair, which closed Sunday (6), drew total at-tendance of 163,456 in its eight-day run, final accounting shows. This tops by 22,000 the record set in 1941 when the event was last held.

Final tabulation shows attendance hit an all-time high at the 34th an-nual Waterloo (Ia.) Dairy Cattle Congress which closed Sunday (6).

Grandstand at the recent Bloomsburg (Pa.) Fair grossed \$65,000 for afternoon and night shows. Figure was piled up de-spite the loss of one afternoon bespite the loss of one afternoon be-cause of rain. Night feature was "Fair Follies of 1946," presented by Barnes-Carruthers office, Chi-cago. Two performances were staged one night. Daytime fea-tures were harness races, one performance by B. Ward Beam's Congress of Daredevils, one by Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers and Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers and an afternoon of auto races presented by Sam Nunis.

Leon H. Harms, secretary-manager of New Mexico State Fair, Albuquer-que, advises that blueprints have been que, advises that blueprints have been drawn up for widespread construc-tion once building restrictions are lifted. Planned improvements include erection of a dairy exhibit building, junior dormitory, women's building, coliscum, race horse barns and permanent cafes; installation of a pour course of winter and permanent a new sewerage system and extension of both ends of the grandstand.

Two New York dailies went all-out on fair coverage Sunday (6). Mineola (L. I., N. Y.) Fair and the Danbury (Conn.) Fair each rated a page of pictures in the magazine sec-tion of The Daily News, while The Daily Mirror contributed two pages to the Mineola annual. The News



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also ran a full page of cartoons, having fairs as a theme.

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Parker Brothers, comedy knock-about team, who have been playing for the Barnes-Carruthers office, Chicago, have signed with the Curt Berger Entertainment Agency for club and banquet work in Milwaukee during the winter.

George M. (Sound Service) Handy has returned to Norwich, N. Y., after making a succession of fairs. He said he noted something new to him at the Trumansburg (N. Y.) Fair, when he saw a high school band playing as it rode on the Merry-Go-Round.

Tex Saxon, a Jack Kochman Hell Driver, suffered neck and possible in-ternal injuries Thursday (17) when the car in which he was performing at North Carolina State Fair, Raleigh, got out of control and rolled end over end.

#### West Union, Ia., To Improve Plant, Add to Membership

WEST UNION, Ia., Oct. 19.-A move to improve Fayette County Fairgrounds here has been launched. One committee has been haltened. Supervise the task of providing a more practical plant lay-out and an-other to conduct a membership drive as a fund-raising method.

as a fulle-raising method. Proposal calls for moving of the old grandstand, and, if necessary, construction of a new one; grading of a new track, and grading and gen-eral beautification of the grounds. Proposed new location of the track will make it unceressary for natrons will make it unnecessary for patrons to cross it when entering the grounds.

#### Iowa Meeting Dates Set;

**Early Reservations Urged** 

DES MOINES, Oct. 19.—The an-nual convention of the Fair Managers' Association of Iowa will be held Monday and Tuesday, December 9 and 10, with the State agricultural meeting Wednesday afternoon, De-cember 11, E. W. Williams, associa-tion secretary, has announced. 'The annual banquet is scheduled for Tuesday night with price per per-

for Tuesday night, with price per per-son set at \$2.50. Williams urges those planning to attend to make hotel reservations early, as other conventions overlap the dates.

#### Sandwich, N. H. (Pop. 700), Draws 14,000 to One-Dayer

SANDWICH, N. H., Oct. 19.-Despite a drizzling rain that started Despite a drizzing rain that started in the morning and continued into the afternoon, the annual one-day Sandwich Fair here October 12 smashed all previous attendance rec-ords with a paid gate of approxi-mately 14,000.

Population of the town is slightly under the 700 mark, and visitors were hard pressed to find eating accommodations. Finding a place to sleep was also a big problem for those who had to stay over.

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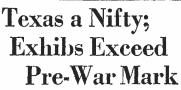
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(Continued from page 76) stories handled daily by wire serv-

Exposition uses own police, depu-tized by Multhomah County sheriff's office, grounds being outside city limits.

Only sour note was injected by the catering firm (Oregon Caterers) that handled restaurant and cafe-teria. Prices—such as \$3.50 for a steak dinner—was way out of line from city prices, and help was poor-ly adapted to requirements. Prices discouraged any turn-away crowds, and green help was found gabbing while customers twiddled thumbs at tables.





(Continued from page 76) ings, and Gulf went a step better by contracting for the over-all sound system, and its pylons holding the speakers at strategic points over the entire layout added beauty and service to the picture.

#### Ag Story Well 'Told

Ordinarily when one hoofs thru the agricultural building at an ordi-nary annual the picture is anything but pretty and the usual repetition of product has a tendency to bore unless one is a producer and actually knows the finer points of the game. In competitive agricultural shows In competitive agricultural shows repetition is necessary, and impor-tant, but in placing a State's rc-sources on display the handling of the ag show here was different and interesting.

There was no competition in this department, and the management did succeed in showing to fellow Texans what was being raised in the various soil sections of this massive com-monwealth, and for those who came from out of State there was a com-production picture of what is being prehensive picture of what is being raised and produced.

For exhibition purposes the State was divided into its 13 different soil sectors, and each sector offered sam-ples of its leading agricultural products. Exhibits were built and fi-nanced by various civic and State organizations, and they did an excel-lent job. There was room for im-provement, but as Pierce Shannon, the unblic valeting director shannon, the public relations director, said, it was a start in the right direction to show Texans and the world in gen-eral just what goes on here.

#### Quarter Horse Interest

Press and public alike proclaimed the quality of the stock show, and seats around the two judging rings were well filled at all times, even when torrential rains virtually closed activities on Tuesday (15) activities on Tuesday (15).

Of particular interest was the quarter-horse show, first to be held here. The quarter horse, the natives say, is the one the cowpokes ride on the ranges and has an important part in the life of the rural communities. Owners of the blue ribbon stud and mare in this show were so proud they said a king's ransom wouldn't be enough glitter to get them to part with their winners.

Should one attend this annual, which was 16 days in duration, it would require at least three days to see it all. Two fuil days could be spent in the exhibit buildings and area and in the permanent museums on the grounds. Then, of course, there were the amuscinents. Tommy Dorsey headed an all-star stage and radio cast in the audiorium: a twoiradio cast in the auditorium; a typi-cal ranch rodeo was offered in front of the grandstand, and Icicles of 1946 held sway in what once was the rodeo arena.

Fourteen football games, including Fourteen football games, including two Negro contests, were played in the Cotton Bowl, and the huge band shell offered a variety of musical presentations. Lone circus-type act encountered was Johnny Gibson's Hollywood Sky Ballet, offered twice daily as a free act by Pepsi-Cola.

#### A Nod to Hitzelberger

From stem to stern the grounds were attractive, and this must be considered remarkable, as the mili-tary did not move out for keeps until May 1. Any fair executive whose grounds were utilized for four years by Uncle Sam's fighters knows the havoc that can be wrecked,

Interiors of all buildings took the customary scuffing from the hob-nails, trucks, tractors, jeeps and what have you, yet when the gates swung open here Saturday (5) one would have to go out of his way to find October 26, 1946



#### **OCTOBER 27-NOVEMBER 2**

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Monic-Mohile Fair. Oct. 27-Nov. 14. Mort L. Bixler. COLORADO Darango-San Juan Basin Fair. Nov. 1-3. Chamber of Commerce. FLORIDA Panama City-Bay Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 28-Nov. 2. L. E. Merriam. GEORGIA Augusta-Exchange Cub Fair Assn. Oct. 28-Nov. 2. O. McGahee. Douglas-Coffee Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 29-Nov. 2. Carle A. Felton. American Legion Fair. Oct. 28-Nov. 2. R. T. Ragan. Gainesville-Northeast Georgia Fair. Oct. 28-Nov. 2. Herest II. Addenholdt. Quitman-Brooks Co. Fair. Oct. 28-Nov. 2. R. W. Emerson. Savannah-Savannah Colored Fair. Weck of Oct. 28. MISSISSIPPI

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#### **McDowell Elected President** Of Knoxville (III.) Annual

KNOXVIILE, III., Oct. 19.—Kirk McDowell, Victoria, was elected president of Knox County Fair at the annual meeting here Saturday (5). Other officers named were L. W. Cramer, Maquon, vice-presi-dent, and Arvey W. Hanson, secre-tarratescure:

dent, and Arvey W. Hanson, secre-tary-treasurer. Directors are Hilding L. Johnson, H. E. Nelson and Oscar L. Olson, all of Galesburg; Guy Routh, Ma-quon, and Thomas Shea, Henderson. Carl L. Morgan, Galesburg, is su-perintendent of concessions.

#### Senath, Mo., Nets \$12,000 Profit to Legion Sponsor

SENATH, Mo., Oct. 19.—American Legion Fair held here September 23-28 netted a profit of \$12,000, an all-time high, it was announced by the Barnes - Cassinger - Montgomery American Legion Post No. 303. At-tendauce ran 30 per cent higher than in any previous year. Closing night drew 15,000 people. Moore's Modern Shows furnished

Moore's Modern Shows furnished the midway attractions, and they have been contracted to play the event again next year. Flying Mel-zoras headed the acts.

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evidence of the occupation. W. H. Hitzelberger, a banker es-saying his first start as vice-president and general manager of such an en-terprise, and Roy Rupard, veteran task in the reconstruction job. Even as late as three weeks before openas late as three weeks before open-ing it did not seem possible to com-plete the task, but when the gong rang the new wiring and indirect lighting were in the buildings, the paint was all dry, the flags in place, broken sidewalks and paving re-paired, and the music was turned on. It will be interventing to follow the It will be interesting to follow the future of this annual under such di-

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## Dallas Plans Move for '47

#### **Open Until Thanksgiving**

#### By a Staff Correspondent

DALLAS, Oct. 19 .- When independent show and concession opera-tors move off the grounds Monday (21) and the crew begins cleaning up after the revival of the State Fair of Texas, energies of the administra-tive staff will be turned back to the permanent amusement park project, and plans indicate this staff will be busy, indeed. W. H. Hitzelberger, completing his

first term as vice-president and gen-eral manager of the entire State Fair project, and Roy Rupard, veteran secretary, have announced elaborate plans for enlargement of the perma-(Dallas Maps Big Expansion page 82)

#### Mullin Visits Steppe

Corporation of America manager, Intere Friday (18) and arranged for band bookings at the Tulsa Audiband bookings at the Tuisa Audi-torium and the dancery on the fair grounds. Mullin, visiting with Ray Marsh Brydon on the State Fair mid-way, revealed that his Tuisa spot yeas a big winner until July 20 when polio hit the territory and knocked out the hurbace out the business.

#### Sunny Sunday for Coney

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Clear and sunny skies last Sunday (13) netted Coney Island a fair-sized crowd. All Auto Scooter rides and Merry-Go-Rounds, as well as Penny Arcades, Singo parlors and eateries along Surf Avenue opened at noon and did brisk business.

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## McSwigan Due in Chi To Aid BigExpansion Make Ready for NAAPB Meet

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.-A. B. McSwigan, president of the National As-sociation of Parks, Pools and Beaches, is coming here next week-end from Pittsburgh, where he operates Kennywood Park, to assit in plans for the annual convention of the association in the Hotel Sherman here December 1-4. He will huddle with Paul H. Huedepohl, association secretary, who has been busy handling the many details connected with the sessions and its

trade show. Exhibits will surpass in number and quantity those of in number and quantity those of any year since the convention was first held in the Hotel Sherman. As all of the space originally planned for exhibits had been con-tracted and because of a persistent demand from exhibitors for more booths, an additional wing of the available by the hotel. "What pleases me is that the pice."

"What pleases mc is that the pic-torial displays of recent years will be gone and in their place will be 'live' exhibits," Huedepohl said in discuss-ing the exhibits.

#### **Reopening of Roton Point** In Prospect for Next Year

DALLAS, Oct. 19.—John Mullin, Point Park, closed since 1942 when operator of the funspot in Tulsa, Neville Bayley sold the property, is Okla., visited Norman Steppe, Music comparation of America manager Bayley, who operated the park 25 years, sold one section to the Sixth Taxing District of Norwalk, which is Rowayton. The other section, includ-ing the beach bathhouses, pier and picnic grove, was sold to a group of persons, headed by George McKendry, of New Canaan, Conn., and has been operated exclusively as a beach club.

If reopened, it is doubtful rides and other amusements would be restored the first season, all having been removed when Bayley sold out. Park probably would concentrate on beach facilities and dance pavilion, which formerly booked big name bands. Excursions from New York also would be resumed, it is expected.

#### New Jersey Shore Resorts Get Big Play From Philly

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 19.—Check-ing on how many Philadelphia fam-ilies went out of town on vacations and where they went, The Evening Bulletin found in a poll that three out of every eight families left the city for intruch serving from loss than for intervals ranging from less than a week to eight weeks and that most of them went to New Jerscy seashore resorts.

Thirty-one per cent of those queried said they spent their vaca-tions at Atlantic City, 18 per cent at Wildwood, N. J., 5 per cent at Ocean City, N. J., and 15 per cent at other points in New Jersey. Nine per cent at other went to mountain spots in Pennsyl-vania, 7 per cent to New York State locations, 3 per cent to New England, and 12 per cent to other points within the U. S. Foreign travel, including Canada, was only 1/2 of 1 per cent.

#### Dania (Fla.) Foundation **Receives Animal Shipment**

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., Oct. 19.—A consignment of wild animals from Asla, including rare apes and monkeys, snakes and a Malayan sun bear, arrived here and is now at the Anthropoid Ape Research Foundation near Dania. Animals were shipped from Siam late in July, ar-rived in Philadelphia on the Nicaragua Victory and were flown here by the Air Cargo Transport Company.

Included in the shipment were 19 cobras, 10 pythons, 14 gibbons, the sun bear and a number of monkeys. Ten elephants, some tapirs and a number of gibbons were left in Bang-kok thru lack of shipping space.

READING, Pa., Oct. 19.-Dream-land Amusement Park near here, with the advantage of a 4,000-seat in-

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with the advantage of a 4,000-seat in-door rural theater, will continue op-erations the year round. Week-end shows will be booked, bringing in Broadway as well as the Western attractions. During the summer sea-son park theater featured Western and hillbilly attractions exclusively.

Park's theater ushered in the fall Fark's theater ushered in the fail season September 21 with Dick Thomas, Pappy Howard's Radio Jam-boree from WJW, Cleveland, and the following day added Ben Ali's magic show. On September 29 the park show. On September 29 the park featured its first Broadway attrac-tion with Eddie (Mut) Kaplan and his Screwballs of 1946 Revue, Riff Robbins Trio and Stan Naye and His Const Charging Development Crazy Chappies Band, Park also plans on bringing in traveling dance bands. Spot has booked Alex Burtha's band, with Marty Bohn's Crazy Show for Sunday (13).

#### **Memphis Officials Visit** Illions' Rides in Dallas

DALLAS, Oct. 19.-John B. Veasey, chairman of the Memphis park commission, and Harold Lewis, Memphis Fair of Texas here Thursday (17) to inspect the Bozo and Rapids, rides owned and operated here by Harry A. Illions.

Veasey declared that the Memphis city dads intend to go thru with an extensive improvement on Fair Grounds Park in that city, the entire layout to be completely modernized and streamlined. He also stated that a revival of the Memphis Fair in 1947 is a certainty.

#### **Pittsfield Park Planned**

STOCK TICKETS

PITTSFIELD, Ill., Oct. 19 .--- Purchase of a 40-acre tract for a park is announced by the American Legion post here. Park, the second in Pittsfield, will be a memorial to men who lost their lives in World War II. Spot will have baseball diamonds, tennis courts, playground area, picnic grounds and circus and carnival space. carnival space.









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## Some Clouds In Blue Sky

Problems not seen as insoluble-promotion, mass activity box-office keys

By Albert F. Schneider CINCINNATI, Oct. 19. — Roller rink operators the nation over, polled by The Billboard for their opinions on business prospects for the 1946-'47 season, responded in a fashion that will leave no doubt in the minds of observers as to what the outcome will be. Generally speaking, the re-plies indicated that operators are headed for a bang-up season that is likely to match, and in some cases exceed, anything heretofore experi-

enced by them. The business picture, however, is not without obstructions. During the past 10 years roller skating has ridden the crest of a wave that has swept the sport from the diaper and safety-pin class into the big-businessbracket. Accompanying that climb on the suc-cess ladder have been problems that call for high-caliber operation. Altho most operators expressed themselves as being optimistic, it was noted that some of the others see a definite need for a more intensive cultivation of the field.

Of temporary importance, it was noted, is the economic chaos that is gripping the country because of strikes, government restrictions and international problems.

#### Ex-G.I. a Problem

Not incorrectly was it reported in The Bilboard by E. M. Mooar, of Carman Roller Rink, Philadelphia, that returning servicemen were givthat returning servicement were giv-ing rinks the brush-off. Almost with-out exception, operators noted that loss in patronage is a definite prob-lem that called for solution. Some rink men offered special inducements to ex-G.I.'s to lure them back, while others depended on standard promo-tions to version the tendo. beth methtions to regain the trade-both meth-ods meeting with some success. This drop-off in trade, however, was coun-ter-balanced to a fair degree by a new batch of teen-age skaters, it was reported.

Other problems of a more pressing nature were the matters of club activities, new methods to increase and hold patronage and, by inference, de-emphasis of competitive skating, all of which are more fully discussed in of which are more fully discussed in the contributions to follow. Prac-tically all operators reported con-tinuation of business activity at a high level. This is in variance with reports coming to *The Billboard* to the effect that there has been a gen-eral leveling off in amusement busiress receipts all over the country, who would otherwise have forgotten This is particularly true of the West skating." Coast, which is reportedly in a good- "One of the most important prob-sized slump, with box-office takes lems for us to solve today is new



FRED A. MARTIN (right), 11 S RSROA secretary, bids farewell to the good-will delegation which took off by plane from Montreal October 4 for a tour of Europe. Left to right: Mrs. A. S. Barker; A. S. Barker, Canadian RSROA president, Vancouver; Norman Latin, U. S. intermediate men's figure champ U. S. intermediate men's tigure champ from Brooklyn and pairs champ with Margaret Wallace, lady figure title holder (next to him), and William T. Brown, Seattle, U. S. RSROA prexy. Fred H. Freeman, Medford, Mass., temporary chairman of the committee for the World Roller Skating Congress, and Mr. Fraeman loft on the comp trip and Mrs. Freeman left on the same trip via a U. S. line from New York.

from San Diego to Seattle down as much as 50 per cent.

Fred A. Martin, Detroit, writes: "Being secretary of the RSROA and operator of one of the country's largest rinks, I have had probably the best opportunity of analyzing conditions thruout the business. It is true that our nation is laboring under a terrific strain of internal and international troubles of internal and international troubles of internal and international troubles which has affected and will continue to affect business. Our labor prob-lems disturb the entire equilibrium of the country. It is only natural that we in the anusement business who cater to a younger generation should feel the pressure immediately. Another point is that too many opera-tors had set their minds thinking that tors had set their minds thinking that when G.I. Joe returned everything would be rosy. Well, that did not work out so well. Joe, after spending two to four years in service, has had a change of heart, made new friends and directed his entertainment at-tentions elsewhere. He has drawn away from skating. We have found that out at Arena Gardens, and here we used every method at our com-mand to bring them back in the fold. One of the best inducements was the giving of one month's free skating pass to every one of our boys who returned. If married we gave one to include his wife. That helped, and I feel that it did bring back many who muld atheming here forgetter







methods to help increase patronage. business. Skating is here to stay. What are much ne Skating is here to stay. What are we doing to help it? We need good, strong skating advancement classes. We need wholesome musical pro-grams with which to keep the skater interested. Here at Arena, where skate dancing has predominated (please note-mass skate dancingnot competitive), we find ourselves enjoying top business this season and attribute this to the exploitation of mass skate dancing. Everybody loves to dance, so why not give them dancing on a paying basis. During our programs we never miss giving pa-trons two skate-dance periods. The first is bronze dances; the second is made up of silver, gold and optional dances each particle of 10 dances, each period consisting of 10 minutes. We find that the majority minutes. of skaters who do not know how to dance will line the rails and watch that part of the program with envy. These are your prospects for your mass skate-dance classes. I am happy to state that at the present moment our dance classes are very popular. To me that seems to be the answer to a future for all of us. Keep your skaters interested with something skaters interested with some some will new. Keep them busy; they will stay."

#### Schmitz Promotion-Minded

William Schmitz, general manager of the America-On-Wheels chain of rinks and secretary of the United Rink Operators, sees a pressing need for promotion if business is to con-tinue at a high level. Schmitz in outlining his views said: "The war hurt roller skating more than any other amusement business. The majority of skaters range from 16 to 22 years of age. When the boys went years of age. When the boys went into service, their girl friends, not wanting to skate alone, drifted to other forms of amusement. The boys who remained at home worked in war industries. Some were kept away from rinks because of their away from rinks because of their working hours, while others, who for the first time earned big money, could not resist the lure of night clubs, and instead of skating four to five times a week, cut this recrea-tion to two nights ner week tion to two nights per week.

"Almost every child at one time skates and in that way became a prospective rink customer. Since production of street skates was stopped during the war, this new crop of skaters naturally did not come along.

"Many of the boys and girls who went to war had never touched liquor but spent an hour or so after skating at a soda fountain. The army changed this. Many former skaters can now be seen in taverns. Of course, some of them returned to the rinks.

31 Per Cent Hike in '46

"The average operator had high hopes when the war ended, but was disappointed when he found that the year 1945 was one of the worst in the year 1945 was one of the worst in the roller skating sport. The year 1946 shows great improvement. Statistics accumulated at this office show an increase of 31 per cent for the first six months of 1946 against the same period of 1945. This is mainly due to the fact that large wages earned during the war here been greatly. during the war have been greatly reduced, and the patron must live more or less on a budget. Roller skating always was a depression business, since it is the cheapest form of recreation. We can look forward to better business in the 1946-'47 season.

"This, of course, does not mean that operators need only open their box office to take in money. It takes promotion the same as in any other

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business. Seasonal parties much neglected during the were war, partly because decorations, etc., were not available. Many operators were troubled with inferior help because federal agencies looked at the roller skating business as unnecessary.

"AOW has already prepared its program for the coming season. Most of our key employees who had been in service have returned, and everyone is eager to do his part to make the season successful. Racing, which has been neglected for years, is again in the limelight. AOW has organ-ized racing clubs in all its rinks. Racing itself will not increase re-ceipts, but news-hungry sports editors will be glad to include it in their sports pages. This brings roller skat-ing before the public.

#### **Cater to Family**

"Promotion is a long-range pro-gram. Some operators believe that if they spend \$1 today they must It they spend of woard way may take in \$2 tonight. However, the successful operator is satisfied to spend \$1 today if it will bring him shorts the spend \$1 today if it will be shorts to a spend to a \$2 within the year. The plastic floor is another form of promotion. It is far from perfect, but there is no question that it will be the coming thing. Of course, it is a lot of work and grief, but if perfected it will eliminate dust, and at least 25 per cent more people who heretofore believed the dust harmful will take up skating. No other form of recreation is as well adapted to the entire family as roller skating. Operators should form Old-timers' Clubs, pay Operators Parents' Day now and then by in-viting parents to come in free of charge if accompanied by a child. Special attention should be paid to the parents on that day. If some of them can be persuaded to put on skates many others will follow.

"Impress your employees with the following facts: keep the rink clean, be courteous and see that your patrons have an enjoyable evening. Do that and I assure that the b. o. will take care of itself."

#### **Biz Hefty in Portland**

Pointing to the fact that business at his rink is above last year's and the trend still seems upward, H. Bollinger, operator of Oaks E. H. Bolinger, operator of Oaks Park Rink, Portland, Ore., offers a number of reasons for that condition. "Classes are now being held for skat-ers," he writes. "We did not have them during the war, as our teacher was in the navy. Schools and church organizations are skaling today more than ever before. The reason for this is that parents of the children are at last beginning to know that skaling rinks are nice places to send their children for recreation. Returning servicemen in this locality have started to skate again. This, we feel, is another reason for our pick-up in business. When the war was on we skated quite a few servicemen, and the returning servicement has more than replaced those who have gone home. We are now looking forward to the most prosperous year in our 41 years of operation."

"During the past months it has been my privilege to visit rinks in many parts of the country, and it is my opinion that each operator de- concerns are still working night and velops his own trend," says Perry B. (See Ops Are Optimistic on page 82)

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Giles, operator of Curvecrest Rink, Muskegon, Mich. "However, the gen-eral outlook seems to be toward a good season.

#### Clubs Unsociable?

The Billboard

"In Curvecrest I believe the most outstanding trend is toward better skating for the masses rather than spectacular achievement by a few. Club activity is not particularly popular here due to a general feeling that the members are unsociable. This is not an indictment of clubs in gencral, tho I do feel that it is most common fault of many clubs.

"However, the reluctant to join in club activities, most of our skaters show a strong desire to better their skating. This fact is indicated by the surprisingly large registration in our fall class in elementary dance skating, which is open to the public. As this class is held immediately preceding the evening session, most members stay for the session, which increases the evening attendance as well as bettering the quality of skating at that session.

"I consider this a very healthy condition, as the skater who is learn-ing something is the one who shows up two or three times a week. While we do not intend to neglect those skaters who aspire to solo honors, we are much more proud of the growing number who are improving their skating only for the enjoyment it brings.

"I find more servicemen returning to resume skating than I had antici-pated, and in general they mix well with the newer crowd. I notice, however, that a large percentage of them return ripe for matrimony so that in the natural course of events many of these young couples are lost to us, temporarily, we hope."

#### Louisville Bonanza

J. R. Singhiser, manager of the Fourth Avenue and Fontaine Ferry Fourth Avenue and Fontainc Ferry Park rinks, Louisville, is optomistic over prospects for roller skating in his territory. "We are happy to re-port," he writes, "that our business continues to be as good and slightly better than it was during the war years. We are very optimistic about the returning servicemen. Our roller skating club has increased tremen-dously in membership since the redously in membership since the return of servicemen, and we find convets and a desire to learn interna-tional style dancing. We have em-ployed a pro and have an extensive series of classes arranged for both rinks." siderable interest in the club among

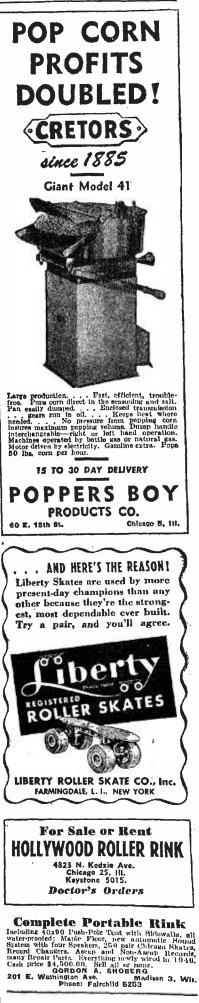
#### **Carey Sces Good Season**

Malcolm J. Carey, operator of Circus Garden and Carman rinks, operator of Philadelphia, also expects a good sea of business today," says Carey, "we believe our 1946-'47 season will comyears. While there is no question that returning service skaters failed to respond as expected, there is a marked increase in the number of teen-agers at evening sessions. The East has been enjoying summer weather, but cooler nights will even-East tually increase business to a larger extent. Another factor to be reckoned with is that many industrial concerns are still working night and

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GOLDSBORO, N. C., Oct. 19.-Florida Blossom Minstrel Show, a H. DOWNS, whose film show is playing Sullivan County, New tent outfit, begins its fall and winter tour under new ownership-management of R. B. Harris, Albert P. Gaines and W. Emerson Sapp.

The org will be managed by Gaines and Sapp, superintendent of trans-portation. Latter's wife is the for-mer Hortense W. Collier, well known in show business.

Production and direction of the show will be in the hands of Charlie Davis. Rod Harris will be in charge of the business end.

Show begins its tour next week, winding southward thru North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Louisiana, and heading back north-ward in the spring.



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## **REP RIPPLES**

Playing Sullivan County, New York, reports good biz. He has some bookings in Pennsylvania after No-venber 1. . . Griffin Players arc working around Tallahassee, Fla. . . . Loring H. Cowles writes: "Have had a good season at Maine fairs and will belfast, Me. Will also play dates with my religious pic show in my established territory in Central Maine. have recently been in Southern New . . Errol Moody is playing auspice dates with his 16-mm. show in Worcester County, Massachusetts. He headquarters in Holden, Mass. . . H. J. Marsden has a religious film show in the Oswego, N. Y., sector. He winters at Clearwater, Fla., and shows in that sector later. . . . Leonard Boyce has a pic show around Racine, Wis., playing under auspices. Gray Players have been she showing around Norfolk. . . Northampton Players, four-people colored org, are in New England. . . Ralph Burrell writes from Vancouver, B. C.: "Caught the Crawford Family Show several times in Western Canada and found it a good little show with pix and vaude. I will soon open in this sector with my picture show."

WILSON BROS.' Show, moving on six semis and trailers and a bus, will play Louisiana and Mississippi until Christmas. . . . Grinaldi Players are making New England towns under auspices of French-speaking so-Their home base is Montreal. cieties. ... Walter Carler writes from Eliza-bethtown, N. Y.: "I will have a pic show in this sector after November 1, with enough film for three-week stands, opening near Plattsburg.... Costa Show, four people, playing three-day stands with short-cast bills and pix, is in the Cobalt region of Canada. . . Leon Rogers has a film show around Boone, Ia.... Grant and Berger have a picture show in Essex County, Massachusetts. . . . Chester Cobb reports good biz in Niagara County, New York, with his hall-school pic show. He also plays re-ligious films one night a week. . . Alfred Dumault has a pic show in Western Massachusetts. . . Ed Hiler cards that he has closed his Circle H

## **Annon Hooks Up** With Dan Good

BARTOW, Ga., Oct. 19.—Karl K. TORONTO TOPS 100G Annon, agent for Silver Bros.' Cirthe armed services, is now associated with Dan Good in the operation of Annon's Tent Show, a new outfit in its third week, showing Western pix. Top is a 40 by 60 and seats 250. Org has a popcorn stand and a ball game. Biz is reported very good.

Grace Annon is on the ticket box. There are two working men. Show will stay out all winter.

#### **Carbe Joins Cinemart Staff**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Andre H. Carbe has joined the staff of Cine-mart, Inc., to take charge of pro-duction. Cinemart is producing a series of documentary films on inter-national subjects and domestic social issues. It is also working on a series issues. It is also working on a series of concert and ballroom dance shorts for both theatrical and non-theatrical distribution. Harold Kovner is president of the company, and Varian Fry,

Ranch Show and that the equipment has been sold. . . . Edgar Newton writes that James Plumley, brother of Earl Newton, is home in Oak Hill, W. Va., on a 30-day furlough; that the elder Newton is ill and Mrs. E. E. Newton was recently released from hospital. In other words, it would be well for Earl to contact home.

NEIL SCHAFFNER is resting at Hot Springs after closing a suc-cessful season at Queen City, Mo. . . . John Caylor, who had his own show out for years, is manager of a restau-City, Mo. . . . Chick Boyes, veteran Nebraska showman, reports excellent Nebraska showman, reports excellent biz on his radio show circle out of Kearney, Neb. . . Paul Weiss, lead-ing man and pianist with rep and stock orgs, is out of the army and is handling the new dramatic and ork department of the Tom Drake Agency, Kansas City, Mo. . . . Wayne and Loretta Huff, with Mid-west rep shows for years, are in the publishing business in Dallas. publishing business in Dallas.

#### **OPS ARE OPTIMISTIC**

(Continued from page 81) planned to introduce speed events and other b.-o. drawing features. The high cost of living naturally cuts into young people's spending moncy. Funds of social organizations will no doubt diminish and the staging of private parties to raise money for these parties to raise money for these should increase. These affairs have proved successful both from a financial standpoint and as feeders for new business. Personally, I don't see anything to worry about and believe see we will have a very successful sea-son."

#### **Outlook Good in St. Louis**

Carl Trippe, operator of Ideal Roller Rink, St. Louis, and rinks in that vicinity, said: "Skating in this part of the country is becoming popu-lar because of our dance classes and lar because of our dance classes and interest in the medals offered at the national meet. We had a couple from our rink who won the city and State junior dance meets. We sent them to New York and they placed fifth in the nationals. Seasonal parties, such as Halloween, etc., are regular features at our rink. Our park sea-son was very successful. The ex-G.I. is not skating as we thought he would. A lot of them came back and got married. It seems that skaters got married. It seems that skaters are three or four years younger than a returning serviceman. We are catering to the younger kids."

(Continued from page 72) sands of under-privileged children, and many hospitalized war veterans were brought to the show in am-bulances and busses. The special events department of the Canadian Propheriting Componition fortuned a Broadcasting Corporation featured a half-hour dominion network broad-cast of the circus. The newspapers were generous.

Program was the same as pre-sented by Morton at Boston and was termed the best he'd ever brought here. According to Morton, immigration details were more complicated than during the war. Reason given was the large number of aliens still in the U. S. and Canada subject to deportation.

Philadelphia Zoo has received a shipment of three spider monkeys, two capybaras, two flamingoes and four tegus from South America. The flamingoes were flown from Colomvice-president and general manager. bia, the others were shipped by boat.

## **Dallas Maps Big Expansion Plans**

(Continued from page 79) nent funspot. They will keep rides and permanent concessions in operaand permanent concessions in opera-tion until Thanksgiving Day, and that will be whichever Thursday in No-vember President Harry Truman designates. If there are two Thanks-givings, the Dixie version will get the nod.

Funspot opened last March and business held up thru the entire summer as the result of an intelligent mer as the result of an intelligent promotion campaign in which the family theme was emphasized in every conceivable manner. Pierce Shannon, publicity director, ham-mered on the idea that juvenile de-linquency can best be combatted by family action, and that juveniles pastiming with their parents seldom become problem children. Hence, it become problem children. Hence, it was a "bring-the-entire family, funwas a "bring-the-entire family, fun-for-all" theory that was hammered at prospective customers, and coffers of

the various rides and attractions proved the soundness of the theory. This theory will be worked stronger than ever in the future, and with this thought in mind, the executives have laid plans for future development of the spot. First move will be estab-lishment of a family picnic grove at the lower end of the midway, where the now almost-forgotten race club-house once stood. Grove will be Latin-American in design, patterned after a huge ranchero patio. There will be the customary picnic tables, barbecue pits and shade trees for the convenience of the all-day visitors.

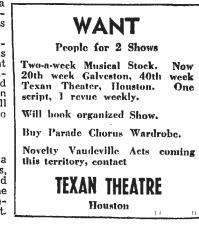
Permanent installations now in-clude every type of known riding device, and officials will attend the annual convention of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches in Chicago with the idea of snagging any new type which may be exhibited at the trade show. Also, the present Coaster is said to be lugging its last patrons, as soon carpenters and laborers will start demolishing it. This means that a new and modern Coaster will be erected before next spring.

## While Strolling Thru the Park

Jack Greenspoon, or Brasher Amusement Park, Virginia Beach, Va., stopped off in New York the past week, en route from Miami, to Conside where he will visit J. W. Greenspoon, Jack Canada, where he will visit J. (Patty) Conklin.

Bob Rennie, general manager for Jantzen Beach, Portland, Ore., knocked off for a week-end California vacation after park attractions

Losed for the season. E. C. Velare writes from Long Beach, Calif., correcting a previous item. He points out that he did buy item. He points out that he did buy a 30-foot frontage building on the Long Beach Pike in which a bottle joint and snake show were at that time located, but "I did not buy the concession or show. I intend using the location for an entirely different purpose," he said.



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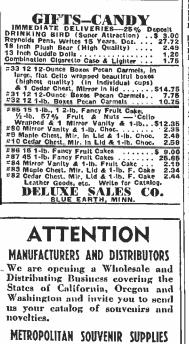
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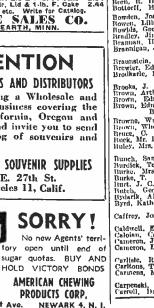
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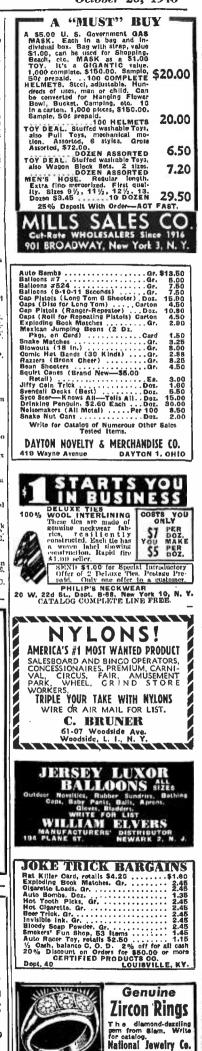
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referred to on a streamlined show

such as this as master of ceremonies,

is none other than that great laugh-getter, Happy Kellems. Happy really has the co-operation of all the com-

Mrs. George Hanneford observed

er birthday closing night at Moline.

Ill. Looking very charming, she was

brought to the microphone by Man-ager Howard Suesz while the band

played Happy Birthday, and pre-sented with a bouquet of red roses by Zal Grotto. The Hanneford Rid-

by Zal Grotto. The Hanneford Rid-ing Act scores heavily, as usual, and other performers are on hand to watch it whenever possible, as Kay Francis is favorite with all of us. Missed, of course, is Tommy, sta-tioned at Camp Lee, Va., but all are glad to see Young George back.

Another welcome addition is Bill

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**Pipes** For Pitchmen - By Bill Baker-

#### TED REGAN . . .

tenor, and Sunny Mack are in Long Island plugging sheet music to the hilt to big returns. Ted says the duo may add some jewelry items to the layout in December.

discussion.

CHIEF CARRIGAN . . .

currently located in Los Angeles, cards that he hasn't seen a pitchman in those parts in many a moon and adds that the town is a spot of scarce rooms and studio strikes. "I have a part in a two-reeler comedy," says the Chicf, "and currently in the works is a pic featuring the streetcorner pitch, which is being filmed on Pershing Square, home of soap-boxers in the City of the Angels."

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has been added to the working habits

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the small quote in this corner, I thought I'd answer the query about flukem workers," letters Prof. Ralph M. Pabst from Tampa. "I'm using flukem and Buddha papers, with mys tery hand illusion on a local lot to good returns. Fred Teschner was doing a similar pitch, I believe, when he was with Charley Peters. When not working mystery hand illusion I usually do a mental routine with horoscopes. Was at Winter Park and Winter Garden for two weeks each with a straight mental routine. The horoscope pitch gets big tips and plenty of business in Florida. Would like to read pipes here from Charley Peters and Professor Teschner."

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#### GEORGE DURST . . .

who can get along with merchants and police will not be bothered by the chiselers."

Good pitchmen working good merchan-dise have no difficulty reaping a good harvest.

#### STEVENS AND MACK ...

are safely ensconced at Sikeston, Mo., wondering if the 1947 season will introduce a new med opera—not just new people, but one that will actually have a new line of tonics, etc.

in Alameda, Calif., is O. H. Ealon, who is making extensive plans for a

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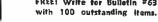
#### Back again to get

of Chic Denton and Alexander Pasha, owners of the Rocking Chair Store, Dallas. During the State Fair of Texas the Osage herb workers gave away 75,000 samples when hereto-fore they've always sold 'em something.

veteran Jamaica, N. Y., pitcheroo, warns that sidewalk peddlers in that city and environs face stiff sentences unless they work clean. He says that an item in a recent local daily pointed out that pitchmen picked up peddling their wares along Jamaica will be hit hard and \$2 fines will be a thing of the past when brought before the chief magistrate, Durst vehe-mently denounces the Johnny-comelately and wise guys who, he says, always manage to spoil things not only for themselves but for honest only for themselves but for honest pitchmen. "I'm not working at pres-ent," says Durst, "because I realize that real pitchmen who offer full-value merchandise at honest prices cannot overcome the handicaps and hurdles created by the chiselers. I planned to go farther out on Long Island to the towns with the highest licenses fees where decent pitchmen who can got along with merchants

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Hattie and Charlie Urguhart are New Yorkers now. Pete Sadowski and Yorkers now. Pete Sadowski and Mac McDonald made a trip to bring back some new trucks.

As promised in the last issue, here's where they all went, but all were very evasive as to why and how:

Col. (J. Augustus Bailey) Stevens, Col. (J. Augustus Bailey) Stevens, to California as soon as business per-mits; George Meyers, York, Pa.: the Pressleys, Diana, Jerry and Keller, to the King show; Viola Rooks and little son Ronney to Gary, Ind., to see her boy who is about to go on Uncle San's pay roll (Harry Rooks is still at work here); Peggy and Shorty Sylvester, to the Houston Shrine circus; King Reynolds, De-troit; Laurence Cross, Keokuk, Ia., and his yearly store date; Jack Kenand his yearly store date; Jack Ken-nedy, Chicago; Captain Engerer and Gladys Gillem, getting ready for winter dates; Ruth and Harry Swank, winter dates: Ruth and Harry Swank, on a Florida honeymoon; Billy, Peggy and Lew Henderson, home to Kansas City, Mo.; the Milligans, King show; Marion Jordan, New Orleans; Mr. and Mrs. Mickey O'Brien, Picayune, Miss.; Tom Lovett, also somewhere in Mississippi.

Tom Crum and Joe Lavine went to Atlanta; C. C. Smith, to Jackson,

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Miss., to check the winter groceries, then back to quarters to go on a buy-ing trip; the Andy Kellys, Mississippi, too; Harry Miller, to New Mexico on a vacation, then home to Canton, O.; Boots and Bee Kyle Wecker, to have Boots and Bee Kyle Wecker, to have charge of winter quarters at New-berry; Skinny Goe, Lexington, Ky.; Johnny Wall, New York City; Pat and Monty Knight, to their home in Florida; Enoch Bradford, Gastonia, N. C.; Cuffo and His Side Show Band, to join a minstrel show; James (No Star) O'Donnell, New York; Raymond Riley, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellis, still in Newberry completing business, also Laura Ancompleting business, also Laura An-derson; Pete Sadowski, York, S. C.

Mac MeDonald will go to Boston to neet his new students and bring them back alive.

Yours truly and company, which includes Princess, the sad great Dane; Boy Blue, the wonder (how old?) horse; Modoco, Empress and Judy, Capt. Coy Lee and assistant, Max Miller—are going places, but we'll tell you all about it later.

Just one big happy family, but as the season ends we all know we'll never all be together again. "Happy days have come and went, and they have taken down that gol darn tent." But a grand season was had by all.— DOLLY JACOBS.

#### DAILEY BROS.

The Billboard

(Continued from page 74) Four cute ring-tail monks were added

to the pit show. Joe Rossi was a proud father when his son, Rex, whom he had not seen in six years, pounded on his door one midnight. Rex is a Hollywood stunt man, currently in Col. Jim Eskew's line-up with Roy Rogers's Rodeo, and took his dad to St. Louis to see the

show. We hear that Bob Temple, of the lunch stand, joined the merchant marine. Norma Davenport was out a couple of days with an injured knee. Charlie White has been under the weather. Visitors: Miss McDowell, the De-

Waldos, the Bakers, clowns; Russell Hall, Esther Sutton, Mr. Taylor: H. P. Ferris, ex-advance man; W. S. Floyd, ex-band leader who now teaches music; Sam Schidley, who has a spook show; Harry Schell, absent from the white tops six years, who says he'll troupe next year even if the pure love More and Mrs. Plentywood. (We al-ways wondered why Plentywood, Mont., didn't have a stick of wood in sight. Now we've deduced it was named for a person.)

More visitors: Ivan Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Fielding Graham, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Graham, of New York, (none of these are related); Mr. and and Mrs. Harry Hammill, former owners Mrs. Harry Hammill, former owners of Austin Bros.; George Sweet and family, Mr. and Mrs. Blackie Woods, Irene Woods, Pete Woods, Sheldon Verderhoof; Jack Jackson, former producing clown; Ben Jones, general agent for Bailcy Bros.; Art Miller, general agent for Kelly-Miller, and wife; Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Melroy, of the Memphis zoo, who brought Tomthe Memphis zoo, who brought Tom-my O'Brien to Blytheville after a visit with his mother, seriously ill; Doc Pyle and wife, Doc Levy, Doc Dean, and Mr. and Mrs. George Reagan and Mr. Delaney, guests of the Johnny Stevenses.

Stevenses. Rube Curtis, brother of the late Denny Curtis, gave a bountiful steak supper at West Plains, Mo., for Mr. and Mrs. Si Kitchie, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Wallace, Frances Brad and the writer.—HAZEL KING.

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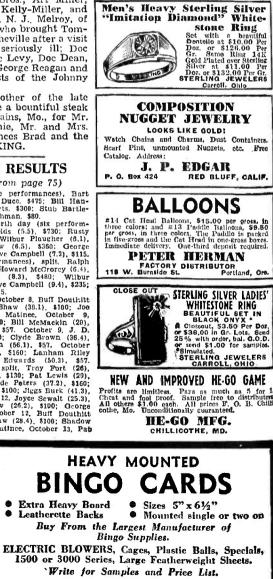
#### **R-B CLOSING EARLIER**

(Continued from page 72) during the first two days on the same

lot last year. Bad weather again ushered in the New Orleans engagement, cut this year from four to three days. Conditions, however, were not as dire as last season, when 100 loads of shells had to be dumped on the lot, at the cost of the first day's matinee. The cost of the first day's fillathee. The not a complete loss, the opening matinee Friday (11) was delayed until 5 p.m. and drew less than a quarter of a house in heavy rain. More rain fell at night, but almost three-quarters of a house turned out.

Weather and business both took a weather and business both took a turn for the better Saturday (12). Night was a turnaway after half a house at the matinee. Sunday pro-duced a sellout in the afternoon and a near-capacity night house.

a near-capacity night house. Parker (28.4), \$160: Colton Lee (34.4), \$100; E. Pardee (61.3), \$57. October 13, Jin Shively (28.3), \$160: Clyde Hrown (40.1), \$100; Ralph Thompson (42), \$57. October 14, Bill Guest (26.3), \$160; Louis Powers (34.2), \$100; Lan-ham Riley (35.3), \$57. Call Roping—Fitch day (five performances), jim Shively (15.1), \$605; Verne Castro (15.2), \$540; Tony Salinas (16), \$430; Troy Fort (16.2), \$340; Everet Shaw (17.3) and Zearo Peris (17.3) split \$145 each. Sixth dny (five performances), Dan Taylor (16.2), \$665; Des Burk (16.3), \$540; Lanham Riley (16.4), \$430; Louis Powers (17), \$340; Shoat Webster (17.3), \$200; Sumy Edwards (18), \$90. Steer Riding—Sixth day (four performances), jakke Monroe, \$465; Bob Estes, \$385; Wag Biesslag, \$306; Manuel Enos, \$240; Frank Mendes, \$145; split, Dale Adams, \$32.50; Ken Roberts, \$32.50.



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October 26, 1946

#### **COIN MACHINES**

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Billboard

P. R. BUREAU SET FOR CMI

## High Copper Output Helps Coin Makers

#### 1946 Record in September

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .-- New high for the year in copper production hit during September brightened the picture for coin machine manufacturers using component for which copper is a "must" material. These include makers of machines using fractional motors, refrigeration equipment and other electrical units.

Production for the month climbed to 69,689 tons crude output and 67,-803 tons refined prdouction, the Cop-per Institute reported.

Crude copper production was the highest since October, 1945, and com-pared with 64,462 tons during August of this year. In contrast is the low of 29,280 tons produced during April, 1946 1946.

#### **Refined Output Up**

September refined output was up from 59,591 tons processed the pre-ceding month, and from a low of 18,989 tons for April, 1946. Stocks of refined copper increased during September from 3,950 tons to 98,619 tons tons.

Despite increase in production, the volume of copper shipments taken out of supplies of the Metals Reserve Corporation, government agency, were considerably lower than amounts supplied by the agency in preceding months.

While this report indicated decided improvement in the flow of critical copper, the over-all supply picture was still unsatisfactory when viewed from the point of view of booming post-war demand.

#### Effect on Motors

Makers of fractional horsepower motors, which coin machine manu-facturers desperately need, have said that even with expanded copper pro-duction, these products will be in short supply well into 1947. Largely the same condition prevails in other component fields.

Also in the picture is the huge demand for copper resulting from vet-eran housing needs. Given top prior-ity, housing will consume a large proportion of available copper during coming months.

## Oregon Pinball Tax continue to crimp production, re-fused to predict on further possible In Legal Law Limbo

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 19,--Altiho unrepealed, the city ordinance taxing pinball machines \$20 a month has passed into that legalistic limbo of in-operative laws, and the city council is working on a new tax.

New ordinance under consideration would tax pinball games \$2 a month, but would include music machines.

"Because of active opposition and logical arguments against the license fee of \$20 a month, the council has introduced a new ordinance which will make things considerably easier for operators," says assistant finance officer here.

## **Calendar for Coinmen**

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.

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, annual convention, 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.

## **News Digest**

NAMA—Review of 10 years of achievement and intensive planning for another decade highlighted ses-sions of the 10th anniversary conven-tion of NAMA in Chicago last week. Association's President R, Z. Greene colled on the were than 600 members called on the more than 600 members in attendance for an increase to 1,000 members next year, predicted auto-matic merchandising would be a \$3,000,000,000 industry by 1956. First big national convention for NAMA, sessions featured workshops in candy, cigarette and soft-drink fields, as well as nationally known speakers.

CMI PUBLIC RELATIONS-Seven-man CMI committee, meeting in Chicago, announced establishment of a CMI public relations bureau, with complete staff to be set up and di-rected by James T. Mangan. Mangan has been retained to direct personally a broad program outlined to include expansion of membership, education of all branches of the trade in public of an oracles of the trade in public relations tactics, co-operation with operators' associations, inauguration of a speakers' list, and issue of pub-licity covering all industry activities.

CANDY PRICES-Tailor-made for candy vending machine operators, candy price discussion at the NAMA convention brought many important candy bar suppliers face to face with vending men for frank examination of mutual problems. Talks were of mutual problems. Talks were against a background of two developments: the general increase in bar goods prices from the 68-cent per box bracket to approximately 72 cents and corresponding 3½ per cent increase in operators' merchandising costs. Suppliers said shortages would price rises.

**COPPER**—New high for the year reported in September copper pro-duction was encouraging news to harried makers of coin machines using fractional horsepower motors, refrigeration equipment, as well as other electrical items. Output of refined copper during the month climbed to 67,803 tons, showing a spectacular in-crease from the low of 18,989 tons processed last April.

TEEN CENTERS-Donation of juke boxes to every Detroit youth center ported by city's department of parks and recreation has been pledged by Michigan Automatic

Phonograph Owners' Association. Seven machines already have been installed in this co-operative drive to installed in this co-operative drive to fight juvenile delinquency sources. Within a month it is expected that 25 of the canteens will be in opera-tion. MAPOA said machines are to be operated without fee, and me-chanical servicing will have no charge attached to it.

**INSURANCE**-Add insurance to the list of vending machine products which have issued from the dream stage to actual operation. Insuro-graph, invented by two Birmingham flour brokers, is being manufactured for Associated Aviation Underwriters. Vender is on test location now, selling trip insurance at the 42d Street Air-lines Terminal in New York. Upon insertion of a quarter patron is issued a \$5,000 trip insurance policy. Added quarter is inserted for each jump of \$5,000 in amount of policy up to maximum of \$25,000.

CANDY PROMOTION—Vending machines are slated to play a vital part in NCA Council of Candy's 1947 program to increase consumption thru wide-scale advertising and pub-licity. Chairman of council declared that he would like to see decals featuring candy industry's slogan and heart symbol on every vender in the country. Timing of the program is being carefully worked out to coin-cide with greater availability of candy expected next year.

PEANUTS—A \$1,000,000 kitty to be spent on widening markets for peanuts is being built up by the Na-tional Peanut Council. Expected to do much for sales thru penny venders, campaign will be financed by grow-are shellers crushers here to be ers, shellers, crushers, brokers, job-bers, confectioners and other allied groups. Spending of funds will be spread over three years and is to be used partly for research to discover new uses for the product.

**CAMP LOCATIONS-If** politicians CAMP LUCATIONS—II politicians have their way, ariny camp coin ma-chine locations may not dry up as quickly as expected. While number of camps has shrunk from a peak of 2,075 to a current 827, local opposi-tion to shutting off military pay rolls tion to shutting off military pay rolls appears to be gaining ground. Cham-bers of Commerce in army post communities, together with other groups, are said to have received support from congressmen.



#### 7-man committee for CMI outlines public relations activities on all fronts .

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.--Coin Machine Public Relations Committee, an-nounced last week, met October 15 and, after a five-hour session, issued a statement on the committee's im-

mediate work and long-range goals. Committee is composed of Walter Tratsch, A. B. T.; Herb Jones, Bally; DeWitt Eaton, A. M. I., Inc.; J. W. Coan, Coan Manufacturing;



JAMES T. MANGAN

Grant Shay, Bell-o-Matic; Dave Gott-lieb, D. Gottlieb; and James A. Gil-more, secretary of CMI.

Principal news issuing from the Principal news issuing from the meeting was the announcement that James T. Mangan, of Mangan & Eckland, has been retained to form and direct the CMI Public Relations Bureau Announcement of Mangan's appointment was greeted with en-thusiasm at a luncheon for the trade press, October 16.

#### Text of Release

Complete text of the release issued by Coin Machine Industries, Inc., follows:

"There will be established immediately a bureau known as CMI Public Relations Bureau with a complete public relations staff operating in the offices of CMI, Inc., at 134 North La-Salle Street to handle the public relations of the entire coin machine industry.

"This bureau will be formed and controlled personally by James T. Mangan of the public relations firm Mangan of the public relations intin of Mangan & Eckland, Board of Trade Building, Chicago, who will be re-sponsible to CMI and to the entire coin machine industry for the public relations job to be done by this pureau."

James T. Mangan is a prominent and familiar figure in the coin ma-chine trade, having spent the past 25 years in every form of coin mark (See P. R. Bureau Sct on page 132)

## **City Approves Lower Fee On Juke Box and Pinball**

HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 19.--This city's much-discussed license ordi-Oct 19 -This nance for juke boxes and pinball games has finally been adopted by common council. An amendment, fixing lower fees for both types of equipment, was adopted by the coun-cil and approved by the mayor, Octo-ber 1. Commen thruout the nation, who followed the Hartford action with great interest, were pleased when the city's officials expressed their appreciation for the co-operation local coinnen showed during the period when the ordinance was being discussed.

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Amendment to the Hartford ordinance follows:

Amendment of Ordinance Provid-ing For Licensing of Music Vending Machines or Mechanical Amusement Devices.

Be it ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Hartford.

I. Subsection 4 of Section 23-22 of the Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

License Required. (a) All distrib-utors shall be required to obtain a license from the chief of police for all music vending machines or me-chanical amusement devices placed in operation. (b) All operators of music vending machines or mechani-cal amusement devices shall be required to obtain a license from the chief of police for all music vending machines or mechanical amusement devices in operation.

#### How To Apply

forms to be supplied by him for that purpose.

2. Subsection 5 (f) thereof is here-by amended by adding thereto the following:

This shall apply only to the opera-3. Subsection 6 thereof is hereby

amended by adding thereto the following:

lowing: In any case of the denial of or refusal to grant or renew a license, the chief of police shall notify the, applicant of his proposed action and set a day and place for a hearing thereon, giving the applicant reason-able notice in advance thereof and an experiment to be represented by opportunity to be represented by counsel at such hearing.

4. Subsection 7 thereof is amended to read as follows:

7. License Fees. A license shall be issued by the chief of police in the name of each applicant. Annual license fees shall be paid for each machine licensed under this ordinance as follows:

#### Distributor

Music vending machines \$3 per machine.

Mechanical amusement devices \$12 per machine.

#### Operator

Music vending machines \$3 per machine. Mechanical amusement devices

\$12 per machine.

The license fees shall become due on the first day of October in each year, or on the date on which each machine is first placed in operation. In the former case, the license fee shall be reckoned for the year, in the latter case, proportionately from the first day of the month in which the machine is placed in operation to and including the 30th day of September following.

5. Subsection 9 thereof is amended to read as follows:

9. Prohibitions and Restrictions. Each operator shall maintain good order in his place of business and shall not permit any such mechanical amusement device to be used for tax was propos gambling. No operator of any me-next session of t chanical amusement device shall har- from the books.

bor in his place of business persons under 16 years of age or allow them to congregate therein or play any such games, unless accompanied by parent or guardian.

Power To Revoke

6. Subsection 10 thercof is amended to read as follows: 10. (a) Revocation of License. The

chief of police shall have the power to revoke all licenses issued here-under for cause upon due notice in writing to the licensee or licensees, and an opportunity to be heard and to be represented by coursel at such hearing. Cause shall be deemed to include but not limited to, conviction for a crime involving moral turpitude subsequent to the granting of the license, or false information in the application for a license knowingly given, or for any violation of this ordinance.

ordinance. (b) Appeal. Any person aggrieved by any order of the chief of police issued by him in the administration of this ordinance may appeal from such adverse decision within 10 days thereafter to the Court of Common Pleas for Hartford County to the next return day to which such appeal can be made returnable can be made returnable. Adopted by the Court of Common

Council at its regular session, Sep-tember 30, 1946, under suspension of rules by unanimous rising vote, and approved by His Honor, the Mayor, October 1, 1946. Attest: City Clerk.

## Application for such license shall be made to the chief of police upon forms to be supplied by the form of the supplied by the form of the **Output Is Good**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- Introduction CHICAGO, Oct. 19.-Introduction of new model console machines by Bally Manufacturing Company will not affect production of the Draw Bell console already being turned out, according to George Jenkins, vicepresident and general sales manager for the firm.

"Additional assembly lines have been set up to permit manufacture of both games simultaneously," said Jenkins. Called Triple Bell, new console that went into production re-cently has been described as a three-bell console in one. Machine is made with any combination of coin chutes for nickels, dimes and quarters, set up in the three-coin chute combina-tion tion.

Discussing output, Jenkins disclosed that several thousand of the Draw Bell games have been produced and expressed belief that comparable production schedules can be main-tained at the same time the firm is stepping up the number of the new games coming off lines.

First of the new consoles already is out on location, it was said.

**Question Savannah's Right To Tax Cigs** 

SÁVANNAH, Ga., Oct. 19.--Question of legality of a proposed city levy on cigarettes, beer and whisky was neighbors, beer and winkey was referred to the city attorney here. Measure, aimed at balancing munici-pal expenditures and income, was proposed recently to city council.

Tax suggested on cigarettes was 10 cents a carton. It was estimated that this, together with the beer and whisky levies, would yield in excess of \$300,000 annually.

Drawback contemplated is whether the city has legislative authority. In 1937 the Legislature extended necessary authority when a general sales tax was proposed. However, at the next session of this body it was lifted

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## **Trade Directory**

Following tabulation of trade reports received during the week of October 12 and October 19, is made for the convenience of the industry. The the listings may be incomplete because of omissions, they are offered as an aid in revising trade files.

#### New Machines

The Acme Electric Machine (pro-duces an electric vibratory current). Schoenbach, 1645 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn 25.

Concertone Radio (coin-operated). Gott Radio Manufacturing Company, 6517 West Boulevard, Inglewood, Calif.

Free-Play (counter game). Daval Products Corporation, 1512 North Fremont Street, Chicago 22.

Kontest Bomber (skill game). Gillespie Games Company, 1200 Gaviota Avenue, Long Beach 4.

Telomatic (telephone music), Telomatic Products, Inc., Passaic, N. J. Triple Bell, Bally Manufacturing Company, 2640 Belmont Avenuc, Chi-

## Address Changes

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DePerri Advertising Agency, 95 Madison Avenue, New York.

#### **Personnel Notices**

S. J. (Sam) Rose has been appoint-ed manager of the King-Pin Dis-tributing Company, 3004 Grand River Avenue, Detroit.

John W. Hall has been appointed director of the sales management di-vision of Research Company of America, New York.

Ralph S. Merkle has been appointed manager of the parts sales division of Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., New York.

#### **New Firms**

Shelby Distributors, Inc. 9 East 40th Street, New York. (Will manu-facture and distribute products for radio, and phonograph industry.)

Central Sales & Distributing Company, Inc., Rochester, New York. (Will handle games and juke boxes.)

#### Branch Offices

Mills Sales Company, Ltd., 1640 18th Street, Oakland, Calif., has opened a branch office at 2827 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles.

Active Amusement Machines Company, 900 Franklin Street, Philadel-phia, has opened a branch office at phia, has opened a branch office a 1120 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton 9, Pa.

#### Purchases

Barney (Shugy) Sugarman, Abe Green and Willie Blatt have pur-chased an interest in Firestone Games, Inc., 1604 Chestnut Avenue, Brooklyn. Firm name will now be known as Firestone Enterprises, Inc.

Kenneth C. Wilson has purchased the Lobby Arcade, Hotel Sherman, Chicago, from Mrs. Paul Gerber.

#### **Distributors** Appointed

Modern Records, Philadelphia, has Coin Arcade Sold in Ariz. named the following distributor:

David Rosen, 855 North Broad Street, Philadelphia 23.

Telemusic, Inc., Kansas City Mo., Midwestern distributors for Telotone Corporation, 500 North Parkside

Avenue, Chicago. has named the fol-lowing sub-distributors: Wired Music, Inc., Lincoln, Neb., for Nebraska and all of Kansas ex-

cept a tier of counties in the Southwest.

Coin-O Amusement Company, St. Joseph, Mo., for Northern Missouri for phone music service.

Ozark Music Company, Joplin, Mo., for Southern Missouri and the Southeast tier of counties in Kansas.

International Mutoscope Corpora-City, has named the following dis-tributor:

Daytona Beach Amusement Corporation, 518 Live Oak Street, Daytona Beach, Fla., for Florida.

Tradio Company, Asbury Park. J., has named the following dis-N. tributor:

Daytona Beach Amusement Cor-poration, 518 Live Oak Street, Day-tona Beach, Fla., for Florida.

### Arizona Commission Limits All Sales **Tobacco Tax Stamps**

PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 19.--State Tax Commission has adopted a reso-lution limiting all sales and transfers of the tobacco luxury tax stamps to itself.

Reason for move, according to commission officials, is to stop the practice of some tobacco wholesalers of purchasing stamps and passing them on unaffixed to retailers, together with merchandise.

Tax law allows wholesalers a 5 per cent discount on stamp purchases, a reduction intended to compensate them for the time and labor spent in attaching stamps to tobacco packages before selling them to retailers.

Commission's complaint is that wholesalers are making a profit on revenue stamps by accepting dis-counts, but not doing the work. Resolution is set forth in the fol-

lowing language:

"No licensee nor any other person shall sell, give or lend any tobacco stamps; nor shall any licensee or any other person purchase, accept, receive or borrow any tobacco stamps from any licensee or any other person."

### **Heller Shows Neat** Net Gain in Period

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.-Walter CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Walter E. Heller & Company, commercial fi-mance firm which does an important business in financing for coin ma-chine firms, had net earnings of \$467,689 for the first nine months of the year, according to Walter E. Heller, president. Heller, president.

Figure represents net income after all charges and provision for federal taxes, and compares with earnings of \$337,845 in the same period last year.

After preferred dividends, these earnings are equivalent to \$1.06 per share on 328,437 common shares, compared with 88 cents per share on 255,972 shares of common stock out-standing for the first nine months of 1945. 1945.

TUCSON, Ariz., Oct. 19. - Louis Sanders has sold Tucson Playland, an anusement arcade here, to Manuel and Wallace Levin, Sherman D. Jackson and Alexander Axelrod, it was announced this week.

SEE 3-BILLION VENDING TRADE

Get Together In Workshop

#### Sanitation Stressed

CHICAGO, Oct. 19. - Down-toearth problems of the beverage vendearth problems of the beverage vend-ing machine trade got a thoro going-over during the beverage workshop which was a feature of the NAMA convention program at the Congress Hotel here for October 18. With I. H. Houston, president, Spacarb, Inc., as chairman, the working session had speakers representing machine man-ufacturers, sirup firms, soft-drink makers and operators.

makers and operators. E. C. Williams, of Beverage Dis-pensers, Boston, stressed to the as-sembled operators the value of well selected employees. "I believe that if you are careful in the hiring and training of your routemen and serv-icemen, you are off to a very good start in your vending business. Further, once you are sure your men know what they are doing, it is imknow what they are doing, it is im-portant to hold conferences, which often keep you as well informed ar they on new developments.'

#### Plenty Cups in Spring

Two supplier representatives, E. C. Scully, of Dixie Cup, and Lily Tulip's Nolan expressed their opinions on their products. Both agreed that by spring, 1947, their firms would be rolling at something near full pro-duction. Scully pointed out that while the standard vending cup was seven ounces, his company had re-ceived requests for containers up to 22 ounces. Nolan said that the paper 12 ounces. Nolan said that the paper shortage had at one time cut Dixie's production to something under 40 per cent.

#### Water a Problem

Sanitation was the topic of Wil-liam Swingler, Automatic Canteen Company of America. Swingler esti-mated that there were 100 cup bever-age vending machines in Chicago. age vending machines in Chicago. As an illustration of problems en-countered with these machines, he countered with these machines, he cited Chicago's water supply, which he said contains silt. As a result, a filtering tank had to be set up, which removed chlorine. Water tanks were removed, and the water line was hooked directly to the machines. "There are cases of illness," Swingler explained, "which sometimes are blamed on vending machines." To Safeguard against such trouble be safeguard against such trouble, he advised taking a sterile bottle and making a test from water sample when there is any suspicion of im-writice. purities.

#### Keep Them Vending

Keep Them Vending Everett J. Newcomer, of City Milk Company, New York, emphasized to operators that a beverage machine should never be left inoperative for more than 24 hours. "More good will has been thrown away by having people put coins in empty machines on location than for any other rea-son," he declared. If it is a question of parts trouble, he suggest impro-vising. Make them somehow, and have plenty of tools carried with servicemen to keep the machines going, he said. going, he said.

Work shop concluded with an in-teresting question-and-answer ses-sion. Speakers answered problems submitted by operators and a general exchange of information took place.

## Beverage Men Put Insurance Vender on Test Location in N. Y. Air Center Record Meet

NEW YORK, Oct. 19. — Insuro-graphs, quarter-operated machines which vend insurance policies in \$5,000 amounts up to \$25,000, are on test location at the 42nd Street Air-lines terminal here. Invented by Ralph W. Brown and Ernest H. Woods, Birmingham flour brokers, machines combine the prin-ciples of the cash register and ciga-rette venders. They stand 5 feet 10

rette venders. They stand 5 feet 10 cluded, retains contract duplicate i inches high, are 2 feet wide and insurance company files. about 2 feet in depth. Insurographs are being manufactured for the Asso-ciated Aviation Underwriters of New New Chingeo and Los Angeles

ciated Aviation Underwriters of New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. Brown, who claims that three years' research went into the coin-operated machine's development, says: "This won't be merely an air-line proposition. As soon as we can build more machines we'll install build more machines we'll install them in railway and bus ticket centers.

ters." Operation of the insurance vender, according to Brown, is quick and simple. Purchaser drops in his quar-ter, he explained, and the Insuro-graph stamps the time and date on the contract and adjusts it to the machine's window. There the buyer,

Brown pointed out, fills in departure time and destination points, the name and address of the policy's hame and address of the policy's beneficiary and signs his own name. Following this the purchaser pushes a button and out comes an activated policy. Each additional quarter in-serted increases the contract's value by \$5,000 until the maximum \$25,000 coverage is reached. Vender, he concluded, retains contract duplicate for

## Cream Vend. Mch.

DEERFIELD, Mich., Oct. 19 .--Revco, pre-war manufacturer of ice cream vending machines, is producing ice cream venders again, accord-ing to G. F. Forsthoefel, firm presi-dent.

A new model, ready in January, will dispense packaged ice cream in varied sizes, according to the official. Vender, Forsthoefel explained, is pre-war model, with changes planned while Revco was doing war work.

## **Capsule Course for Candy Operators in NAMA Session**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Concentrated matically. "If there is something he into half of the three-hour period criginally allotted, the candy, gun and nut workshop at NAMA's 10th Anniversary Convention here offered candy vending machine operators an becoming series of cansula lessons in Second speaker, John T. Collins, of absorbing series of capsule lessons in efficient operation. Period was shortened to make room for vital discussion of new candy prices.

With J. Sidney Jones, Southern Venders, of San Antonio, as chairman, the workshop opened with a talk by Frank J. Bradley, owner of Automatic Equipment Company, Buf-falo, whose topic was training of personnel.

#### Importance of Serviceman

Bradley pointed out that the serv-iceman is an extremely important factor in maintaining the vending business. "Therefore," he said, "we exercise great care in selecting him. Married men, born and educated in the city which they operate, have proven to be our most dependable workers. Our men are fingerprinted and cleared thru the FBI, and in this way we are off to a sound start."

After a personal talk, dealing with a comprehensive picture of the firm and its policy, the new man is sent to the warehouse. There he absorbs sufficient knowledge of the various candy items so that the man can answer intelligently the questions that arise.

"Next" said Bradley, "we send him out with a serviceman on a route other than the one he will eventually get. He is not expected to do anyget. He is not expected to do any-thing but watch and learn the various points in our standard practice." Later the new serviceman is in-

vited to the office to discuss his im-pressions of the work, Bradley said, and to tell him that big customers, such as plants which he saw serv-iced, are difficult to obtain as loca-tions and must be handled diplo-

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Second speaker, John T. Collins, of New York Automatic Canteen, dis-cussed the importance of sales meet-ings. Collins wanted it known, "Sales meetings should be interesting and impart valuable information to those attending. They should be held for a reason and scheduled when there is something to tell salesmen as a group. Above all when the meeting is over the salesmen should be ready 'to go to Macedona,' or, in other words, give their all on the points dis-cussed."

William Swingler, of the Automatic (See Capsul Courses on page 104)

## **Penny Machine** Vends Hair Oil

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19 .- New 1-cent restroom vender was placed on the market recently by Manufac-turers' Agent Sales Company here, according to firm's owner, Paul J. Schmidt. Coin-operated machine will dispense hand lotion, hair lotion, hair oil or liquid soap. Installations are usually in pairs,

one for hand lotion and the second for one of the other three items, ac-cording to Charles Bloom, vender's Eastern distributor in New York. Machines are made of metal, colored black and trimmed with chrome. They are 10 inches high, 5 inches wide and 3 inches deep, contain no slug rejectors and will be screwed to a wall when located. Bloom claims machines will be sold

to coin machine distributors only, who will then sell them to operators.

First NAMA "Oscar" award goes to P. Lorillard as vending's "Firm of Year"

700 at NAMA

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.---Upwards of 700 members of the vending machine industry and allied industries met in Chicago's Congress Hotel October 16-18 for the National Automatic Mer-18 for the National Automatic Mer-chandising Association's 10th Anni-versary Convention. Convention-goers heard their president, Robert Z. Greene, predict that automatic merchandising will be a three-bil-lion-dollar industry 10 years hence. More immediately, NAMA's "Firm of the Year" was introduced to the assemblage Friday night. Picked for that honor was P. Lorillard tobacco company, whose president, Herbert A. Kent, was at the convention. Earlier Friday officers and direc-

Earlier Friday officers and direc-tors were elected. With one excepthe incumbent officers and board tion. of directors, were re-elected to their posts. Following is the list:

Robert Z. Greene, Rowe Manufac-turing Company, president. E. F. Pierson, Vendo Company,

vice-president. L. D. Chambers, Peerless Weighing Vending Machine Corporation, R. treasurer.

#### **Board of Directors**

Board of directors: L. D. Chambers; J. Renz Edwards, Cigarette Service Company, Kansas City; W. G. Fitz-Gerald, International Ticket Scale Corporation, New York; R. Z. Greene; Corporation, New York; R. Z. Greene; Ford S. Mason, Ford Gum & Machine Company, Lockport, N. Y.; E. V. Morava, Mills Automatic Merchan-dising Corporation, Long Island City; J. Sidney Jones, Southern Vendors, San Antonio; Paul W. Kinball, Amer-ican Locker Company, Boston; R. A. Parina, Messrs. Parina & Company, San Francisco; J. B. Lanagan, Nik-o-Lock Company, Indianapolis; Leverone, Automatic Canteen Com-pany of America; B. W. Scheuer, Vendomat Corporation of America, Baltimore, and E. F. Pierson.

Baltimore, and E. F. Pierson. Scheuer is the new member of the board, succeeding E. J. Dingley, Unit Vending Corporation, Philadelphia. Biggest news at Friday night's closing session was the introduction of Herbert Kent, who received a trophy from President Greene. P. Lorillard and Kent were honored, Greene explained, for the continued use of vending machines in Old Gold's national advertising. On the firm's radio programs. in national firm's radio programs, in national magazines and in all its various other advertising, Old Gold always men-tions that customers should look for Old Golds in their favorite vending machine.

#### **Others** Follow

Other companies, following Old Gold's lead, have now begun to fea-ture venders in their advertising programs—not a surprising thing when it is recalled that 15 per cent of all cigarette sales are made thru vending machine. vending machines.

vending machines. Registration for the convention started at 9 a.m. Wednesday (16) and continued thru the convention. Committee meetings and a board of directors meeting preceded the open-ing session of the convention, which started at 6 p.m. Featured speaker for the evening was Robert Greene, president of Rowe Manufacturing (See 3-Billion on page 103)

## **Candy Suppliers**<sup>1</sup> Huddle With Operators on Price **Question in NAMA Forum**

#### Seek Way To Continue Nickel Price as Overhead Soars

candy-vending machines had a gold-en opportunity to discuss their spe-cial price problems face to face with many leading candy suppliers during a conference discussion which led off the series of workshop sessions fea-tured at the 10th anniversary con-vention of NAMA here this week.

Crowd of more than 300 jammed the Gold Room of the Congress Hotel to participate in a free exchange of information and opinions on the vex-ing price problems which now con-front candy manufacturers and vend-ers alike. Presiding was B. W. Scheuer, of Vendomat Corporation of America, Baltimore.

#### **Two Developments**

Talk was based on two main de-velopments which appear to be emerging out of the uncertainties of past weeks. These are (1) many candy bar makers have decided to raise prices, on the average, from 68 cents to 72 cents per box of 24 bars; (2) candy bar vending machine op-erators face an approximate 3½ per cent rise in merchandising costs as a result and the dilemma of continu-

result and the dilemma of continu-ing to sell at the nickel price to which most candy machines are adjusted. To meet this rise in costs auto-matic merchandisers speaking from the floor saw three alternatives. First, if it were possible to get in-creased supplies of candy, expanding volume of business would help to ab-sorb added costs. Second, reduced commissions to locations would be a way out if larger supplies are not forthcoming. Third solution contemplated various attempts to cut over-head costs of operation. And under this heading a strong appeal was made to manufacturers for special multiple-count packaging of candy bars for the vending trade.

#### **Poignant Questions**

Before discussion of proposals to reduce commissions operators wanted to hear from the candy mak-ers on questions of increased sup-plies, of prospects for further price increases and of possibilities for economy - producing larger - count performed. packaging. Frank expressions of opinions on

these questions were presented nearly a score of important candy manu-facturing firms. Their comments were both pessimistic and hopeful. Dark, of course, was the supply picture painted. Representative of one candy maker told operators that if they were to work into his plant

one candy maker told operators that if they were to walk into his plant they would find not only sugar a critically scarce item but almost every factor going into the making of candy. Chocolate, corn products, labor, packaging materials and ship-ping facilities all are critical, he said.

#### Sugar Factor

Nevertheless, this supplier, unlike most others, said that firm would be increasing deliveries within the next 60 days. Others said that much would depend on whether an increase in the sugar quota would be forth-coming for the first quarter of 1947. They echoed his analysis of multiple shortages.

Concerning prices, most candy makers said they were unable to tell. makers said they were unable to tell. whether operators could count on candy bar prices remaining at the level of about 72 cents a box for six months, or even three months. Pros-pect of early decontrol of all prices makes such a prediction impossible, they asserted.

Willing to Co-Operate

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- Operators of merchandisers of their firms' interest in the development of vending ma-chine sales and willingness to co-operate fully on the proposal for larger unit-count candy bar packages. Advanced not only as a means by which manufacturers could produce for venders at a lower cost (eliminating 24-count boxes for larger ones), the multiple-unit packaging proposal interests operators also on a long-term basis. Such a practice, they say, would help to service routes more efficiently.

Different spokesmen for the sup-pliers varied in reports of plans for large-unit packaging. Some said they were considering 100-unit packs, other 20-unit packs. One firm said that it now was producing in 60-unit packs.

One speaker whose firm is cutting weight of candy bars 20 per cent instead of increasing prices said that stead of increasing prices said that this move would make possible a rough 25 per cent gain in output. On the other hand, he said, cutting weight by this amount would not mean a proportionate cut in manu-facturing costs. Packaging and han-dling costs are the same, substantial-ly, for reduced-weight bars as for the old, larger size.

#### Division of Opinion

When the discussion got around proposed reduction in commissorbed all merchandism continue with sorbed all merchandism cost in-creases themselves. Some believe it will be necessary to continue with this policy. Others indicated on im will be necessary to continue with this policy. Others indicated an im-mediate scaling down of commissions. It was pointed out, however, that ab-sorption of a 3½ per cent increase in the price operators pay for candy would necessitate only half as great a reduction in commission paid to locations.

Those who favored commission cuts argued that the operator is per-forming a service to locations. If he is to continue to do so, they said, he will have to reduce costs and loca-tions should bear part of the responsibility.

General tenor of the conference was recognition on both sides by opcrators and suppliers of the problems confronting one another and a readi-ness to co-operate in finding the solutions.

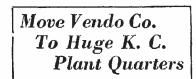
## Amer. Distribs Open **Miami Branch Office**

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 19.-American Distributors here announce the opening of a new branch office in Florida, with headquarters at 800 West Ave-nue, Miami Beach.

Office has been inaugurated to en-able the firm to offer better service to vending machine operators in the Florida territory, according to of-ficials. Firm is distributor of ma-chines and supplies of the North-western Corporation, of Morris, Ill.

#### **Keller Retires From Casey**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—William Car-sky, head of Casey Concession Com-pany here, announced the retirement of Louis Keller, his partner. Accord-ing to the announcement, Keller will no longer be connected with the company. Carsky will remain as sole owner. Company manufactures candy All who spoke assured automatic novelty packages.



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address this week as it moved into the big plant which formerly housed the Aluminum Company of America here.

Move will bring all its offices and plants, except the original Vendo factory, into one spot with a total 375,-000 square feet of floor space. Huge factory, situated on a 29-acre tract, was leased from the War Assets Ad-ministration for five years with op-tions, according to Elmer Pierson, Vendo president. Negotiations for the lease took a year.

Assembly lines were being set up this week to produce the company's two soft drink venders, one an 83-bottle dispenser and the other a 59bottle machine. Coin changers also will go into production there soon.

Other products scheduled include a gas-operated steam oven and a supersonic garage door opener operated by an electronic device using ultra-high frequency whistles. About 1,000 of the ovens and 500 of the door openers are being made as pilot models, company officials said.

Washington Street plant will continue to house the firm's research and painting departments until the first of the year, it was said. Plant there has about 30,000 square feet of floor space.

Pierson said that originally his company had not planned to use all the space available in the Alcoa plant. but present production schedules call for use of the entire footage. About 500 workers will be on the Vendo pay roll until assembly lines begin working full tilt, then the firm's working force is expected to surpass its wartime peak of 1,650, Pierson said. At peak war schedule, company had its operations scattered thru six plants and occupying 213,000 feet of floor space.

### Chase Candy Co. **Increased Volume by UnrationedSweetner**

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Oct. 19.-Chase Candy Company reported that by obtaining corn sirup and other unrationed sweeteners to replace beet and cane sugar it was able to increase its volume of business more than 70 per cent in the three months ended September 30.

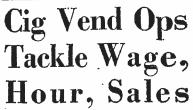
Company reported a gross volume of sales totalling \$1,400,000 for the quarter compared with \$800,000 in sales reported by its predecessor com-pany a year ago. Net earnings for the period amounted to \$232,117, equal to 68 cents per share on the 340,000 shares of common stock now outstanding outstanding.

In the fiscal year ended June 30, the firm showed net profits of \$427,-473, which was equal to \$1.25 per share on the common stock.

Company's balance sheet at the end of September showed current assets of \$1,982,770 and current liabilities of \$1,069,694. Its accounts receivable increased \$450,000 during the threemonth period while it boosted bank loans by \$200,000.

#### Automatic Sales New in Ky.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Oct. 19 .--- Autocapitalized at \$65,000 to deal in amusement and vending machines, was chartered this week by William G. Slater, Mildred Slater and Robert G. Cassaday.



#### Talk General Management

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—General man-agement, wage and hour laws and sales arguments were subjects discussed before operators, manufac-turers and suppliors who attended the cigarette workshop session this week at the 10th Anniversary Con-vention of NAMA here.

Workshop session, which lasted three hours, was termed an outstand-ing success by those who attended and, it was believed, will be used as a format for future meetings. The session was held in the Gold Room of the Congress Hotel October 17.

R. A. Parina, of Messrs. Parina & Company, San Francisco, served as chairman of the meeting, with J. H. Saxon, of Saxon's, Inc., Charlotte, N. C., serving as chairman.

Discussion of the wage and hour law by Frank Newman, of Automatic Canteen Company, Chicago, raised the question to those present of how that law applies to the vending industry.

George M. Seedmen, Rowe Manufacturing Company, presented sales points to be used in selling new lo-cations. He pointed out types of good locations and methods of solicit-

ing locations. "Locations are divided into two elassifications," he said, "those who do not handle cigarettes at all and those who sell cigarettes over the counter.

#### Machine Modern Way

"The general approach to both classifications is the fact that you are in reality not selling anything, but giving a no-cost no-bother service to locations . . , the machine is the modern way. "The business of operating cig-

arette vending machines is a service business, and the location owner must be impressed with the fact that

you can give good efficient service. "In order to do that your equip-ment must be as modern as possible so that you can refer one location to another and in turn one location will refer you to another one," Seedman stated.

A definition of modern manage-ment was given in the discussion of general management by J. H. Saxon. Said Saxon:

"Management is the art of COordinating all the factors and func-tions of a business successfully. The first talent a manager must have is the ability to make decisions, and most of them fast."

To the question of how to meet increased costs of merchandise and service, Saxon said that "it can be ac-complished either by an increase in price or a cut in commission and trying to get more efficiency into your operation."

On the question of on-the-job training for veterans, Saxon said: "I believe this to be a very fine thing. It believe this to be a very line thing. It may be that we have been unusually successful with it, but it is working out'very well and we have certainly got some good men. At present we have six men in training." Among the other subjects discussed during the workshop ware:

Among the other subjects discussed during the workshop were: "Training of Personnel," by Mau-rice Levitch, Stern Cigarette Vend-ing Machine Company, Norwood, O.; "Public Relations on the Routes," by Howard Hultz, Hultz & Meirs, Inc., Springfield, Ill.; "Compensation for Route Men," by Aaron Goldman, of G. B. Machine Corporation, Wash-ington. ington. py ne national

## Plan Million-**Dollar Drive** For Peanuts

#### See Bigger Markets

ATLANTA, Oct. 19.—Spearheaded by the National Peanut Council, a \$1,000,000, three-year research and advertising campaign has, been launched by this industry to seek wider markets for peanut products.

Peanut people foresce disaster to the 4,000,000-acre investment unless increased consumption is developed increased consumption is developed to hold up production and price levels reached during the war. Chiefly a move to popularize peanuts as a nutritious food product, drive is expected to gain important sup-port from the vending machine trade, in which they have been an import-ant merchandise item.

#### All Branches Join

All branches of the industry are joining in the program. Growers will joining in the program. Growers will pay 25 cents per ton on peanuts sold to shellers, crushers, warehousemen and seed dealers. Peanut cleaners and shellers will pay 25 cents per ton handled; peanut crushers will contribute 5 cents per ton; brokers and jobbers one-fourth to a half cent per bag. Salters, roasters and con-fectioners have agreed to pay in 1 cent per 199 pounds of peanuts used. Besides the National Peanut Coup-

Besides the National Peanut Coun-cil, a dozen other trade associations covering exclusively peanut opera-tions, or in allied fields, will partici-pate in the campaign.

First objective in the drive is to sell women on the idea of letting their children eat peanuts and peanut products between meals, said Mo-dane Marchbanks, council director.

#### Good for Children

"Nutrition experts, pediatricians, child psychologists, government ex-perts, now all agree that children should be allowed to eat between meals—provided they eat the right things at the right times," said Marchbanks. Marchbanks.

"The experts agree," he asserted, "that peanut butter, salted peanuls and peanut candy are the right kinds of food for growing children."

Story of the peanut industry's part in winning the war also will be played up. "The government bought the equivalent of 277,000,000 pounds of shelled peanuts in the form of salted peanuts, peanut butter, peanut candy and peanut butter sand-wiches," Marchbanks said.

This year's peanut production is estimated by the council at slightly over 2,000,000,000 pounds.

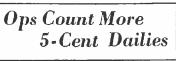
## South Carolina Hits High Tobac. Output;

COLUMBIA, S. C., Oct. 19.--To-bacco supplies in venders were as-sured this week with the announcement by the Department of Agricul-ture here that a total of 141,590,346 pounds of tobacco were sold in August and September.

Venders Supply Sure

Announcement by State Commis-sioner of Agriculture J. Roy Jones revealed that the tobacco had been sold in the State's nine tobacco mar-kets for \$69,960,811.96.

This indicated an increase over 1945 volume and money. For those two months last year 123,408,160 pounds were sold for \$54,258,621.17. Average price this year per 100 pounds was \$49.41 compared with \$43.96 last year.



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NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Operators who have been interested in news-paper vending machines this week watched prices and circulation rises thruout the country, following an analysis by the American Newspaper Publishers' Association. Of 1,748 daily newspapers in the United States, 251 have increased their circulation rates since January

their circulation rates since January. Only four have decreased their rates, according to the report. Increases were ascribed to the high cost of newsprint, labor and other operating costs.

Increasing their daily retail rate of A cents to 5 cents were 42 papers, the report disclosed. Only one newspaper in the United States, *The Mechanics-burg* (O.) *Telegram*, continued to re-tail for a cent. In 1934 there were four. In Texas *The Dallas News* increased the retail price of its Sunday issue from 10 cents a single copy to 15 cents, making it one of the highest priced Sunday papers in the country.

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Way behind in appearance and opera-

tion, this operator's outmoded equipment

boosted complaints and maintenance

costs. Profits were puny.

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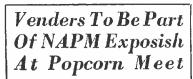
HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 19. -Peter Paul, Inc., one of the largest manufacturers of 5-cent candy bars, has made no decision on new prices, but will not change the size or quality of its product, it was learned here this week.

Reliable sources also revealed that the company, largest user of cocoa-nut in the United States, is planning construction of a cocoanut dessicating plant on Luzon in the Philippines.

New plant will operate as an added assurance of a continuous supply of cocoanut. Production at the plant is expected shortly. Company has its own dessicating plant at Arecibo, Puerto Rico.

During the war the company main-tained its own fleet of ships to bring cocoanut into this country from Puerto Rico. Company's fleet will be reduced as transport service is restored.

Just SaÿTHE NEW DuGRENIER"



CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .- Exhibition to CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Exhibition to be held in conjunction with the an-nual business meeting of the National Association of Popcorn. Manufac-turers in the Sherman Hotel here, November 5-6, will feature among other types of machinery and equip-ment used in the industry, latest types of coin-operated popcorn venders.

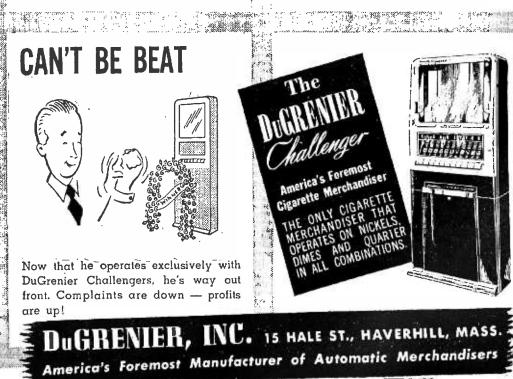
According to A. J. Villiese, ex-cutive secretary of the association, more than 300 persons are expected to attend the two-day meet. Exhibition is the first to be held in con-nection with NAPM business meetnection with NAPM business meet-ings, but every inch of available space has already been booked for the show, Villiese said. Among the exhibitors will be the T & C Company, Dallas, and Viking Tool and Machine Corporation, Belle-

ville, N. J., manufacturers of coin-operated popcorn venders.

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#### Call Impulse Selling Key to Vender Merchandising

By Nathan Cummingns

President, Consolidated Grocers, Inc.

erating a general line confectionery plant. During the '30's the company plant. of which I was president supplied candy bars especially prepared for distribution thru vending machines. Therefore, I speak today with more than a casual understanding of the vending machine industry and its

problems. When the consumer's coin clinks when the consumer's coin clinks merrily down the slot of a vending machine the customer often listens to the click of the relays and the whir of machinery with an awed feeling of adventure. They greet the candy bar, cigarettes or the iced bottle with somewhat of a youthful thrill. Automatic vending machines, with a gradually diminishing num-ber of people, are still regarded as a sort of adult plaything. Actually, the mirrored, smartly lacquered ma-chines are no toys. They are big business—your business. Your vend-ing machine industry is rapidly bouncing back from a war-stunted interlude to a period of great pros-perity and expansion. I am told that already your pre-war figures are dwarfed. are dwarfed.

#### Have Secure Place

Automatic vending machines, often referred to as silent salesmen, are today finding a secure place in the national economy. But the steady growth of your industry has not been achieved silently nor automatically. It has taken hard work to enable you to win your share of well entrenched retail trade. Your industry, original-ly born of the inventive genius and experience gained in fascinating experience gained in fascinating penny arcades, has outgrown its penny arcade atmosphere. You have established yourselves as merchants of integrity, and you must keep this hard-won position of respect by conhard-won position of respect by con-ducting your busines with integrity at all times. The conventional re-tailer admits now that your vend-ing machines are here to stay, but even today they eye you and your "upstart" silent salesmen with some misgivings. They must be shown that automatic vending machines help human salesmen and do not.re-place them. For example, the ciga-rette machines in bars and taverns place them. For example, the ciga-rette machines in bars and taverns have substantially relieved the busy bartenders' job of selling smokes across the bar. In bus and railroad stations, factories and offices, and on many trains, your tireless salesmen are on duty night and day. They are always ready with a stick of gum, a snack or a refreshing drink. Al-ready available thru vending ma-chines are ice cream, automatically prilled franks. hamburgers. cellogrilled franks, hamburgers, cello-phane wrapped fruits and sandwiches—yes, and even gasoline from coin-operated pumps.

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(Following is text of address at NAMA Convention.)
Ladies and Gentlemen of NAMA: research of your machine manu-Altho I stand before you today as a facturers are never-ending. They may grocer, I am partially, at heart, a manufacturer of confectionery. Several years of my commercial experience were spent in Canada op-Your industry, like ours during the erating a general line confectionery. connance from any denomination of coin and even say "Thank you." Your industry, like ours during the war years and since V-J Day, has had an almost endless continuity of what seemed like insurmountable problems, handicaps, shortages and labor difficulties, but in spite of all this you have shown remarkable growth.

#### **Brushed** Aside

But all of your handicaps can be But all of your handicaps can be brushed aside when they are com-pared with the physical handicaps of some individuals. The best de-bater ever produced at Rollins Col-lege, Florida, was a blind boy. All thru his college caurse he received "A" marks in his studies. A fellow student who did his reading for him was a crippled girl who spent much of her time in a wheelchair. They, had such a happy time working together that they married and to-gether climbed to new heights. I can think of a dozen famous men whose progress was not halted by physical handicaps. Lord Byron had a club foot. Robert Louis Stevenson and John Keats had tuberculosis. Charles Steinmetz and Alexander Pope were hunchbacks. Admiral Nelson had only one eye. Edgar Allan Poe was a psycho-neurotic. Charles Darwin was an invalid. Julius Caesar was an epileptic. Thomas Edison and an epieptic. Thomas Edison and Ludwig Becthoven were deaf, and Peter Stuyvesant had a wooden leg. Handicaps build strength and pur-pose—and accomplishment!

During 1932 I was financially broke, but I was not broken in spirit! I had great hopes of using merchan-dising service as the cornerstone of dising service as the cornerstone of my newest pursuits which turned out to be the candy and biscuit busi-ness. Application of sound mer-chandising practices are equally im-portant to you. The fundamentals of your business, above all things, require the good will of your loca-tions. Every location curver must tions. Every location owner must believe that you have dealt fairly and squarely with him, and he will tell others about you. Furthermore, don't let your competitors take busidon't let your competitors take busi-ness away from you because of poor service. The operator who gives a maximum of service gets a maximum of public good will. You must be fair and just with your suppliers of both merchandise and equipment. You must live up to your promises. In this way you strengthen your position and are regarded as a pre-ferred customer, and that makes for good business. Always you must practice good public relations. Pass the work down through your entire organization that the location owners organization that the location owners who are using your services are, in effect, the real bosses. Questionable ethics or actions can never be covered up or white-washed. It's not what you say about yourself or your industry that creates good will. It's what you do and what you stand for that determines your future success. The public must always be given a first-class impression of your mer-

eyes of the public than any one other thing.

#### Impulse Business

Your busines is an impulse business. Spotlessly clean, sparkling equipment to a "must." Your servicerefinishing. Have your name on your refunsioning. Have your name on your trucks or service cars. Be proud of your business. If you think well enough of automatic merchandising to be engaged in it, advertise it. Offer the public the best values and they'll come have for more Yours "they'll come back for more. Yours is a repetition business. Put the name and address of your company on your machines. In case of error in operation of the machine, this demonstrates there is a responsible company in back of it.

Remember that you supplement, but do not replace, retail personal selling. Your automatic merchan-dising machines can exist on a small volume of business as compared to the volume necessary to maintain personal selling. Your silent salespersonal selling. Your silent sales-men are on the job 24 hours a day. During World War II the automatic merchandising industry received the highest commendation for its con-tribution to the war effort. In training camps and war factories your machines provided a necessary ser-vice which could not have been sup-plied profitably by any other method.

Surveys show that three out of four shoppers buy one or more pro-ducts on impulse. Pre-war statistics revealed, that 24 per cent of grocery sales were items purchased on im-pulse. To determine the effect war may have had on impulse buying, surveys conducted among 1,300 super market showner; in course different market shoppers in seven different cities show that 38 per cent of pur-chases had been made on impulse. Pcople prefer self-service as usually Associated with food super markets. Vending machine sales are, in effect, self-service impulse sales.

#### How To Succeed

Vending machine merchandising, to be successful, should contain packages:

 $\binom{(1)}{(2)}$ That easily attract attention

- Tell the product story Look clean and sanitary, and (3)
- (4) Look like a good value.

In effect, the package should be an advertisement and a salesman at the same time.

Now let us consider briefly the responsibility of all you business men who represent management. You have a tremendous interest in preserving and strengthing our system of free enterprise. Yet you must make greater contributions toward a make greater contributions toward a better understanding of free enter-prise by the public and by your employees. You must teach them how it works, and the simple prin-ciples of running a business success-fully. Emphasize always the im-portance of successful business opera-tion to successful business operation to everyone in these great United States.

Simply stated, management's efforts should be directed toward mak-(See Venders Help on page 105)

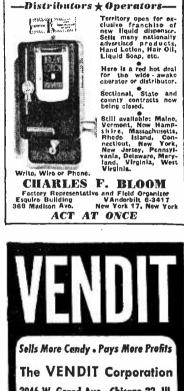
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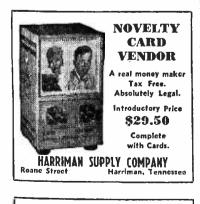
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(Continued from page 99) Company and of NAMA. Greene's address, entitled *Ten. Years* of *Progress*, dealt with the formation of the association, its accomplishments and its future aims.

**Basic Needs** 

Greene pointed out that the past 10 years have proved these basic needs for the association: (1) a needs for the association: (1) a strong association, with a large, active and selective membership; (2) ele-vating the standards of the industry by adhering to the association's Code of Ethics; (3) the development of better machines; (4) the need for strong leadership within the associa-tion, and (5) the need for a public relations program on a local and na-tional scale tional scale.

Looking ahead to the future, Greene said: "On the basis of my per-sonal optimism, I predict that your president (in 1956) will be talking to a much larger audience. There will be many more operators, many more monuforturers, many more manufacturers, more suppliers and far greater interest. The importance far greater interest. The importance of NAMA and the words of its presi-dent will be of greater concern to the average individual whose daily life will be affected by automatic mer-chandising. There will be a few in-troductory remarks by the 1956 pres-ident, and after a few of us old-timers are wheeled in, he probably will state casually that we are a \$3,000,000,000 industry and that the next 10 years will see us attaining our reasonable goal of becoming a \$6,000,000,000 industry."

#### Approve Showing

Later in his address Greene said that the board of directors of NAMA had approved the holding of an exhibition of merchandising equipment in 1947.

Said Greene: "There is still one laring weakness in our activities. While we have been careful to disassociate ourselves from gaming and associate ourselves from gaming and amusement machines, we align our-selves with them by exhibiting our machines with theirs. X X X Why shouldn't we have an exhibit of our own? There will be enough new manufacturers of merchandise and service machines in 1947 to justify

"We have no quarrel," Greene con-tinued, "with operators and manu-

tinued, "with operators and manu-facturers of other equipment, but their business and their problems differ greatly from ours." After the Greene address, conven-tion delegates watched a motion pic-ture entiled *Three Keys* to Tomor-row, furnished by courtesy of the Vendo Company, Kansas City.

#### First Workshop

Thursday morning saw the first of Inursday morning saw the first of the workshops around which the con-vention was built. First workshop was devoted to candy, gum and nut machines, and is fully reported else-where in the vending machines sec-tion. The service machine confer-ence, originally scheduled for Thurs-day morning, was canceled however ence, originally scheduled for Thurs-day morning, was canceled because of the tremendous interest in the candy, gum and nut problem. At the luncheon Thursday, Nathan Cummings, president of Consolidated Grocers' Corporation, Chicago, deliv-ored one of the principal speeches of

ered one of the principal speeches of the convention. Cummings, who is president of the world's largest grocery wholesale company, had many interesting comments on the vend-ing machine industry. A full text of his speech is printed elsewhere in this issue.

Rest of Thursday afternoon was given over to the cigarette workshop, where special problems confronting the operators of cigarette vending machines were brought up and discussed by experts in that field. After 5 p.m. no more activities were scheduled on the convention program



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WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—C. M. McMillan, executive secretary of the National Candy Wholesalers' Association, said this week that jobbers are required, under OPA Directive MPR 615, to notify vending machine operators of any increases in the prices of candy. Notification of the increases, McMillan said, must accompany the first order shipped under increased price.

"Under the new order," the association official explained, "a manufacturer will just multiply bis material and packaging cost by 1.85 to arrive at his selling price. This will permit him to vary his weight from bar to bar to enable him to have the same price for all his bars if he wishes. Of course, wrapper difficulties may affect that temporarily, but it is admitted that it will eliminate much confusion for the jobber and operator if manufacturers are not required to vary prices of their different bars.

First order shipped to an operator with an increase must bear a stamp or letter explaining the increase and further stating that the operator can add the same percentage mark-up to the price which he maintained on or before June 26, 1946. Many operators, reports have it, are turning to the dime bar in anticipation of possible increases in nickel-bar prices. Some manufacturers of nickel bars,

Some manufacturers of nickel bars, not discontinuing their brand names or increasing prices, are supplementing their nickel bars with new dime bars, reports indicate. Peter Paul, for instance, known for Mounds, has placed on the market a new dime bar similar to Mounds but with nuts added.

#### Shortages Shut Down Peter Paul's Florida Candy Factory

TAMPA, Oct. 19. — Peter Paul's Mounds candy factory here may not produce for another year, according to its manager, E. G. Goldsmith. Natural sugar shortage, shipping and trucking strikes and insufficient quantities of corn sirup and cocohut are causes for the delay, he explained.

when operations begin, Goldsmith estimated, the factory will manufacture up to 20,000 boxes of Mounds daily for distribution in Florida and other southern States.



## Capsul Courses for Candy Operators

(Continued from page 99) Canteen Company of America, addressed the operators on sanitation. He mentioned that sanitary precautions for candy, gum and nut venders should be carried out to the nth degree. "For some reason an individual can purchase an apple every day and upon finding a worm in it throw the apple away with harly a comment. He still buys another apple the next day. In our business, if our merchandise crops up in a similar state, there are complaints. In the case of a large factory location, the product, together with its foreign matter usually ends up on the president's desk."

up on the president's desk." There is no reason, Swingler said, why every possible means of cleanliness should not be used all the way down the line. "The route man must be neat and personally clean. His clothes must be cleaned and laundered regularly. He must be careful to keep the venders free of dirt that naturally accumulates from time to time, inside and out. He must be taught that the candy or nuts or gum must reach the purchaser in a flawless condition or else his own pay check will suffer."

Accounting was the subject of W. T. Collett, who represents the W. W. Tibbals Company. Collett said that simplified methods now in use were a help to all personnel engaged in the vending business. "My firm," he declared, "has servicemen leave location data with the accounting department. These slips are an accurate tab on the condition of specific locations and routes. The amount of merchandise replaced in the vender is designated, the collections and the general condition of the machine itself. In this way we know definitely whether commissions are correct. And the route man knows when and wherehe is short," Collett concluded.

**Cool Candy in Hot Weather** 

Leo Beresin, of Philadelphia's Berlow Vending Company, was enthusiastically in favor of refrigerated trucks for the warmer sections of the country and during the hot months anywhere. He mentioned that his firm even during the sweltering days had been able to keep candy at a less than 75-degree temperature by an air-induction system used with racked ice. Cold air would circulate in and around the candy and was easy to set up.

Among several other topics discussed by speakers was insurance. Operators were advised to do business with an underwriter who is acquainted with the vending business and its divergent problems. Speaker recommended a comprehensive policy that would, cover fire, criminal incidents and general accidents that might damage the vender or its contents.

Just before the workshop came to a close William Wrigley Jr. sent a message to the conference concerning his stand on prices, Wrigley said that even tho his costs had gone up, he was going to stay with the nickel price on gum as long as possible. He also expressed the hope that operators present could see the wisdom of keeping the buying public's good will at this time.

Queen Anne Names Horrell CHICAGO, Oct. 19—Harry S. Martin, president of Queen Anne Candy Company, announced this week the appointment of Judson Horrell, of Evans Associates, local ad agency, as advertising manager. Move was part of an expansion program, according to Martin. Firm will launch first national ad campaign this fall. Prior to joining Evans Associates, Morrell had 12 years of candy advertising experience.

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## Live Salesmen, Says Magnate

(Continued from page 102) ing the danger and the remedy of today's unrest clear in every possibleway to every group-employees, suppliers, customers, representatives in Congress and in State Legislatures, in. ministers, teachers, newspapers and magazines, and the general public. Business managers must use the tools of public relations. They must have direct contact with employees in order to give them an understanding of the fundamentals of sound eco-nomics and of the reasons why our economic progress has gone far beyoud that of any other nation.

Workers must learn that the only way to acquire real earnings is thru greater production and lower costs; that it is impossible to have what is not produced or to get something for nothing; that they, as employees, have as much interest in the profitable operation of the business of which they are a part, as have the owners. Do not make the mistake of believing that employees do not think for themselves—that they believe everything they are told by all labor leaders.

Under the law management has the right to tell its employees the requirements for successful operation of the business in which the employees have a personal interest. There is no law against free speech in defense of American principles. The only restriction I know of is coercion of employees in their selec-tion of a bargaining agent. You, as management, must assume fully your share of responsibility for educating your employees and the public to an understanding of the principles and enterprise that made the American people the most prosperous people in the world.

This story of the economic development of America is a thrilling story. We are today the best-fed nation, with the highest standard of living of any nation in the world. In the early days most of the people lived a hand-to-mouth existence. More than 80 per cent were farmers, as was than 80 per cent were farmers, as was the case in Europe. Today not more than 20 per cent of our population are employed in agriculture. In the early days people worked from 12 to 16 hours a day. Up to that time the progress of the world had been slow and unimportant in comparison with and unimportant in comparison with the economic progress that the world has made during the past 150 years: The steel plow was not invented un-til 1837. The production of a bushel of wheat at that time represented the investment of 2½ hours of hard manual labor. Today the labor time of prining and houristing a hundred of manual labor. Today the labor time of raising and harvesting a bushel of wheat is about 10 minutes. So it has been thru all the years of our great technological accomplishment. Never at any time in any other country has there been such an ever-increasing supply of things which made life easier

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**NCA Candy Council Feature** Hits Papers in 48 States CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Second in the series of the NCA council on candy's "candy features" will be received by more than 1,750 daily newspapers and at least 400 magazines this month, it was announced by the council this weck.

Series is a publication which.carries a collection of short stories, re-cipes and newspaper and magazine fillers which may be rewritten or used as is in the publications reached. Material goes to towns and cities in all 48 States, Alaska and Hawaii, according to the council.

supplement the happiness of our American people.

I started out to talk to you on merchandising but it being such a wide subject I could not refrain from touching on economics and a great many other contributing factors, all of which make up your great industry. In closing might I say that you make, "Today's perfection to-morrow's second best."

#### chine industry is a great boon to Fla. Cigarette Taxes Show 15% Gain for September

September, according to the State tax department. Amount represents a 14 per cent gain for the like period in 1945.

Revenue for the first three months of the fiscal year, due to the cigarette levy, totaled \$2,686,987, or a 9.74 per cent increase for the same period a ycar ago.



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**IAPOA BACKS TEEN CENTER** 

## **Jukes Gratis** For City Net

#### Assoc. works with Detroit recreation agency to keep down juvenile delinquency

DETROIT, Oct. 19 — Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' As-sociation, co-operating with the De-troit Department of Parks and Recre-

troit Department of Parks and Recre-ation, is engaging in a broad cam-paign to tie in the automatic music industry with a drive to combat sources of juvenile delinquency. Program will be built around a series of youth centers which are to be opened thruout the city. Instead of the scattered and occasionally haphazardly located teen centers, these canteens will be a part of a city-wide system which will function under numicipal auspices. under municipal auspices.

#### Seven Already Open

Seven such centers have already been opened, two in the basements of churches which offered the use of their property and five in commu-nity centers. Formal control of the city department in charge of recreation assures the best type of opera-tion for the centers.

MAPOA has pledged its member-ship to donate a juke box free for support to additional a justice box rifee for every such teen center opened in the city. Seven music machines have been installed in the centers already opened. Machines are adjusted to operate without fee so that youngsters in the centers can have music at any time without having to deposit money

Mechanical servicing of the machines will be carried on without charge by members of the associacharge by members of the associa-tion. Sclection and providing of disks will be cared for by the young-sters themselves. Tecn-agers can bring in whatever records they wish and change them as often as they want without the necessity of calling in a servicemen in a serviceman.

In a serviceman. Plan, which has been under devel-opment for some time under the leadership of Joseph Brilliant, presi-dent of the association, was unveiled at the monthly meeting of MAPOA which drew practically 100 per cent attendance. attendance.

attendance. Guest speaker at the operators' meeting was Gerald K. O'Brien, prosecuting attorney of Wayne Coun-ty. O'Brien spoke briefly of legal problems which face the Detroit music machine industry.

#### Hope for 25 Centers

If the plan for teen canteens pro-gresses according to schedule Detroit

gresses according to schedule Detroit will have a minimum of 25 centers in operation within a month. Teen-center idea is being developed quietly, with no publicity as yet in the local newspapers. Centers are being designed to en-courage teen-agers of the neighbor-hood to come in for an ice cream soda or a soft drink and listen to the juke box. Youngsters from 12 to 20 will be eligible to attend the centers. Each center will be responsibly oper-Each center will be responsibly operated, with a departmental counselor or an adult leader from the neigh-

or an adult leader from the neigh-borhood in charge of each spot. This movement, Detroit music ma-chine operators believe, marks the first united action on the part of operators to help stimulate youth centers. Individual operators in various cities have in the past con-tributed machines to teen canteens, and their efforts have been marked with unique success. with unique success.

### Jukes in School

BATON ROUGE, La., Oct. 19. Official approval for placing juke boxes in Louisiana public school auditoriums and gymnasiums was announced here by Francis Edwards, special assist-ant attorney general. Edwards said there was no State provi-sion prohibiting use of the music

## **McIlhenny Buys** Hamel's Boston Distrib Set - Up

BOSTON, Oct. 19.—John A. Mc-Ilhenny announced that he has pur-chased Hamel Distributing Company here and has changed the firm name to McIlhenny Distributing Company, with headquarters at the same address

McIlhenny thus succeeds Bill Hamel as distributor of Packard Manufacturing Company products in this area, returning to an association

this area, returning to an association with Homer E. Capehart which be-gan 17 years ago. Except for two years, McIlhenny has been active in the coin machine business since 1929. During most of this time he has either operated, dis-tributed or acted as music machine monufacturers, representative in the manufacturers' representative in the New England States. He was also district manager for one juke box manufacturer for a short term in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and Alabama Alabama.

More recently McIlhenny has managed Redd Distributing Company has here. He is acquainted with music operators thruout New England and taking over new distributing activities, reports plans for building an organization which will service the trade thruout his territory.

## Launch ABC Music as **Op Firm in Detroit**

DETROIT, Oct. 19.—New music firm, ABC Music Company, has been organized in suburban Highland Park by Ed Henderson and Franklin West-gate. Headquarters are currently at 11 Moss Avenue, but firm is planning move to 1228 Webb Avenue. Westgate, Detroit motor bus opera-tor, is new to the coin machine busi-ness. He will devote spare time to the new concern for a year, when he will retire from the bus service to devote full time to the enterprise. Henderson was formerly associated

Henderson was formerly associated as a serviceman with a Battle Creek operating firm. He will function as active service manager and operator. Firm plans to begin operations with a small route of juke boxes in new locations.

#### Juke Dance for Teen-Agers Started in Harrisburg

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 19.-Juke box dance for teen-agers only has been started here in the smaller of two halls of the Madrid Ballroom, it was learned this week.

Dance will be held on a Saturday night. Admission is 25 cents and the teens can dance to the records until 11:45.

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## **Distrib** Serves All of Canada VANCOUVER. B. C., Oct. 19.-

**One Wurlitzer** 

Smith Distributing Company here has suspended its activities as distributor in Western Canada for Wurlitzer due to the continuing ill health of Hugh Smith, owner and general manager. Smith organization will be replaced by Siegel Distributing Company, Ltd., of Toronto. Siegel, which formerly handled the manufacturer's distributorship for Eastern Canada only, will now assume distributorship for all of Canada: First official notification of this change came in a letter sent to West-

change came in a letter sent to West-ern Canada operators by David O. Lee, export manager at the North Tonawanda division. Lee's letter paid tribute to the excellent job done by Smith and expressed regret that illness had made it necessary for him to curtail his business activities. In his encoursement of the Signal

In his so that hade it necessary ion him to curtail his business activities. In his announcement of the Siegel appointment Lee characterized that organization as "intimately familiar with Canadian commercial phono-graph activities and problems." Owned by Al Siegel, Siegel Distrib-uting Company is perhaps best known for its active part in the in-troduction of remote-control equip-ment to Canada. Siegel is recognized as an authority on the installation and servicing of all types of com-mercial music equipment. Siegel will retain its present head-quarters in Toronto, but will take over the Smith offices in Vancouver and will set up a branch there. John Hamilton, with the firm for seven years and currently manager of To-ronto headquarters, is slated to man-ora the Uaracuver baret

ronto headquarters, is slated to man-age the Vancouver branch.

## **Canucks Report** Henderson, Westgate Good Juke Play

Juke box ops in this territory have enjoyed a summer season of excep-tional business, with a large share of profits due to the phenomenal in-flux of money-spending tourists. R. H. Baker, manager of the Van-couver Tourist Association, verified the fact at a recent meeting of that body when he stated: "Vancouver

body, when he stated: "Vancouver will have entertained a million tourists by the end of this year-300,000 more than last year and twice as many as during any of the past 12

years." All time record estimate was based on totals for the first nine months of the year plus traffic for the remain-ing three months, calculated on the same basis as in 1945. A graph he prepared indicated that 580,000 of the of the year will enter by the end of the year will enter by the Pacific Highway. Highest recorded total was

Fre-war peak was 500,000 in 1930, and wartine low was 350,000 in 1930, she chart showed. Baker pointed out that the influx of tourists from 1944 to 1946 continues to rise from 1934 broken only by the War

war. During 1946, distributors for juke boxes in this territory jumped from one to four, with another coming up. Manufacturers with distributors here include Wurlitzer, Aireon, AMI, See-burg and the RCA music machine to be distributed by the RCA branch.

## Seeburg Schools in Third N. Y. Cycle

NEW YORK ,Oct. 19.-Third cycle in the Sceburg service schools being conducted by Atlantic New York Corporation in its 10th Avenue headquarters is now under way, according to Harry Rosen, Burt Lane, and Myer

to Harry Rosen, Burt Lane, and Myer Parkoff, firm partners. Charles Smith, factory representa-tive, and Harry Wox, Edward Port-noi, Harvey Bakerman and Leon Garber, all Atlantic sales engineers, conduct the sessions. Project was started by the firm in January. Service schools are also held in Newark, N. J., and Hartford, Conn., by Atlantic New Jersey Corporation.

and Atlantic Connecticut Corporation.

## Fitzgibbon To **Start Delivery** Of New Machs.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-New music

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—New music boxes and commercial music system of Musical Minutes, Inc., are readied for delivery, John A. Fitzgibbon, furn's president, announced. Fitzgibbon said that the music equipment has been undergoing lo-cation tests during the past nine months, and that production begun recently is expected to develop in volume within a short time. Measuring eight inches across, six inches high and four inches deep, the

inches high and four inches deep, the music boxes will accept either nickels or dimes. Featured is a new coin accumulator, which takes any com-bination of nickels and dimes up to a total of a dollar to provide 20 plays or 120 minutes of continuous playing time. Front castings are removable from backboard for convenient servicing.

icing. According to Fitzgibbon, operators will be able to operate the music boxes from the same studio with commercial music under the present arrangement of units. • Pioneer in the coin machine busi-page Fitzgibbon has 20 years to bis

Pioneer in the coin machine business, Fitzgibbon has 30 years to his credit as operator, jobber, distributor and manufacturer. Prior to the war he held the position of regional sales director for Bally Manufacturing Company. In 1945 he partnered with Al Schlesinger to produce a new game for which he still is manufacturer and distributor. Fitzgibbon said he considered

Fitzgibbon said he considered the new music equipment one of the most important coin machine projects of his career, stressed the work of engineering staff which was responsible for its design.

### Halifax Music Firm Launches Disk Plan

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 19 .-- An in-HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 19.—An in-stitutional advertising campaign, sponsored by the Coney Island Amusement Company, will begin here this week. Campaign will stress weekly record changing. Company, coin machine distributor and dealer, points out in its ad pro-

and dealer, points out in its ad pro-gram that 24-hour service is being supplied, with prompt repairs guar-anteed. Firm, in building up patronage for jukes, is buying space in dailies in Nova Scotia province, particularly in twin dailies published in Halifax.

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# Those 4 Days In New York; The Reaction The Reaction

#### Indies Worried, Worked

heavily since they felt that they had sufficient backlog material to outlast any protracted strike that might have resulted if Petrillo had remained adamant about his initial offer or any figure near it. In this latter category were Joe Davis Records, Standard, Keynote and Signature. All the major diskers here maintained that they had not accelerated their disking sessions at all the suspicious number of major (Continued from page 20) at future waxing dates they would cut down on the number of sessions they do. National, Standard and Keynote sources assorted that unless they turned out fewer masters the nut would be too great for them to crack. Some indies, such as Musi-craft and Majestic, didn't expect to cut down on their present recording schedule attractions in town seemed to be spending a lot of time in studios. schedule.

#### Near Apoplexy

In the earlier part of the week, indies were almost on the verge of apoplexy resulting from the initial Petrillo 500 per cent increase pro-posal. They began frantically re-cording before the old contract dead-line tomorrow midnight. Typical crisis scene took place at Musicraft, where on Wednesday (16) at 5:30 p.m., Sales Manager Lee Savin was pressed into service as a recording properties, except insofar as it will be necessary to develop a certain amount of new names to replace fad-ing stars. These and many other possibilities were being mulled by major and indic plutteries. How many of them will actually happen only p.m., Sales Manager Lee Savin was pressed into service as a recording supervisor and was choosing songs for a 6:00 p.m. WOR studio date in a  $6 \ge 9$  room containing a baby grand, two artists, a couple of publishers' contact men, Savin, and a piano player. Total score for three days of

cut nine sessions in three days. Other

firms weren't recording quite as heavily since they felt that they had

at all tho suspicious number of major

(Continued from page 21) be cut. More small units (three, four and five pieces) may be used. Less records may be released with greater.

production on fewer disks. As a re-sult, when present pacts expire, bands who aren't selling on wax will be dropped. The diskers figure to be much less inclined to gamble on new

of them will actually happen only time will tell.

EFFECT ON DISKS

## Those 4 Days The Negotiations-In Hollywood; Day-by-Day, Play. By - Play Review The Reaction

#### **Plenty Coast Cutting**

(Continued from page 20) week in frantic effort to build a back-log of masters in anticipation of a general strike. When word of settle-ment was flashed, several platteries were in the midst of continuous re-cording decimation with cording sessions, with other sessions skedded far into the night.

Hike in scale of 37 ½ per cent was taken in good form by most of the town's important platteries. Fact that price agreed on was so vastly less than what had been rumored pre-viously, found waxeries saying, "It ain't so bad after all." Most jubilant, of course, were the town's musicians.

#### Majors Piled 'Em Up

General survey of Hollywood recorders, taken several hours before settlement was announced, found most of the indie labels bewildered most of the indie labels bewildered and unable to take a definite stand. Surprise AFM coup, altho long known to the general trade, found little "stocking up" sessions going on among indies. At the majors, how-ever, the story was different, with Columbia, Victor and Capitol record-ing every artist within shouting dis-tance of Hollywood. At Capitol for instance all-night

At Capitol, for instance, all-night sessions have been going on since last Monday, and were skedded for the rest of this week before settle-ment canceled out further sessions. Capitol artist Margaret Whiting, it was learned, cut six sides in one evening. Other Capitol artists, such as Johnny Mercer, Jesse Price, Skitch Henderson and Andy Russell, also spent off hours in the recording studios.

At Columbia, every available artist waxed extras, including Dinah Shore, Frank Sinatra, Kay Kyser, Harry James, Benny Goodman, Woody Her-man and Xavier Cugat.

Victor Records not only went ahead with pop label waxings, but squeezed in sessions with Heifetz and Iturbi for their Red Seal label. Only at Decca did there seem to be little or no unscheduled waxings going on. Decca's Leonard Joy told The Billboard that the plattery had waxed only one session all week—that one a pre-skedded date with the Delta Rhythm Boys.

The smaller indie picture was generally hopeful, except in instances where small outfits had inked large bands to contracts. Jewel Records, for instance, has a deal with the Boyd Raeburn ork, and Enterprise Records has Benny Krueger and Jimmy James orks. In such instances, indie owners feel the added cost will be absorbed in the slicing of artists' royalties. Not one indie approached by The Billboard figured on hikes in platter selling price.

days.

Indies were generally caught short Indies were generally caught short insofar as a backlog of masters was concerned, pointing out that unlike majors, they haven't been in biz long enough to draw upon a vast library of old standards in case of a pro-longed strike. Should the strike have been called, therefore, indies ad-mitted that they might not have been able to hold out for long.

(Continued from page 20) come back with a 25 per cent offer, and plenty more reasons why this is plenty! Petrillo and his board say no dice and the meeting adjourns.

October 17.—Looking slightly grimmer, if anything, the record reps come back into the meeting with a 30 per cent offer. Again they present a convincing, carnest picture of rising costs of record manufacture, impos sibility of raising disk prices, etc. It becomes apparent that the steady, logical flow of argument is having an effect. The AFMen listen, counter and make a proposal that the increase be 50 per cent. Now the disk-ers ask for another breather, get into another huddle and come back with a 37½ per cent offer. After another 30-odd minutes of battling for the 50 per cent, Petrillo and the board call for time out. It's a short onc. They come back and say they will accept the 37½ per cent. Overtime, restric-tions on number of sides per session, and other points are discussed all thru the negotiations, but the increase is the big factor. It's decided to apply it across the board and leave all other conditions the same. The negotia-tors shake hands all around.

#### BIG ASK, FAST DEAL

(Continued from page 20) members felt almost certain that they were headed for a repetition (with trinumings) of the 27-month disk ban which began in August, 1942. Only which began in August, 1942. Only the negotiating members of the in-dustry (James Murray, RCA-Victor; Edward Wallerstein, Columbia; Mil-ton Rackmil, Decca; James Conkling, Capitol; Peter Hilton, Musicraft; Ben Selvin, Majestic; Frank Walker, MGM Records, and Gerry Ross, Sig-MGM Records, and Gerry Ross, Sig-nature) could actually see, after the first two days of negotiations were completed that there was real hope of averting a musicians' strike against the record companies. Petrillo and the entire AFM exec board handled the union's end of the negotiations. Attorneys (both industry and union) were conspicuous by their absence. were conspicuous by their absence. Full details of the negotiations leading to the settlement, as well as stories covering more than a dozen phases of the new contract and its effects on the industry are treated separately in these pages.

Indies Hopeful

ing price. Other indies, such as Aladdin, Cadet, Mastertone and Bel-Tone, didn't fear new pay scales, since out-fits record small combos and added cost won't be too heavy. Black and White and Majestic, however, joined the recording band-wagon, and went at it hammer and tongs for several days.

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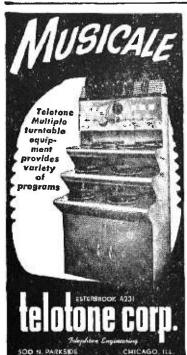
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"Hoots" Hit Chi

People's Songs, Inc., announced the formation of a Midwest division at 203 North Wabash, Chicago. A char-203 North Wabash, Chicago. A char-ter has been granted and the follow-ing officers elected: Rae Florlage, executive secretary; Jerry Ziegler, chairman; Margaret Goss, recording secretary; Ruth Kaplan, treasurer; Joe Arstein, librarian, and Charles Ceiffon publicity. Griffin, publicity.

A big Hootenanny is planned for Chi's West Side some time in November.

Dock Reese. Texas folksong a artist who was recently released from a penal farm in Texas, was the fea-tured artist on the last "Hoot." He gave a descriptive account of the life and background of prison life.

Irving Siegel, folk songwriter and entertainer, has just had his melody, Rhythm Waltz, published for piano solo and piano duet.

Billed as "Saddle Rockin' Rythm," Shoriy and Sue Thompson and Sally Dixon, "Shoriy, Sue & Sally," are doing three quarter-hour programs weekly

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over KLZ, Denver, Vick Chemical is sponsoring the shows. Midget Music, Inc., will soon re-lease Ralph Stockton's Violets For Christmas, Herbert E. Brown's My Sweetie's Got Rhythm; Burley Blount's Feeling Like a Million and Vernon L. Barclay's Texas by the Sea.

Also slated for an early release are Also slated for an early release are Get the Most Out of Life, Breezing Along, Moonlight on the Old Ohio and I'm Gonna See My Honey, To-night. Last four numbers are by James B. Paris, writer and collabora-tor of such hits as Pistol-Packing Mama, I'm Losing My Mind Over You, Rosalita, It's Up to You and Guitar Polka. Guitar Polka.

#### New Novelty

A new novelty number, Furnish Up the Cowshed, Ma (I'm Bringing

Up the Coushed, Ma (I'm Bringing Home a Bride), written by Lee Tur-ner, Lee Thomas and Gene Gaye, has been published by Country Music Publishing Company, Chicago. Why Did You Cry When You Said Goodbye?, words by Bob Levell and Ted Matheson, music by George Calder, and Won't You Tie Me to Your Heart Strings, Little Darlin', by Bob Levell and Ted Matheson, are both scheduled for an early release both scheduled for an early release by Chart Music Company and are being introduced by Freeman Denny and His Kentucky Ridge Runners over WKUB, Richmond, Ind: Bobby Gregory and His Cactus Cow-

boys recently recorded their 127th radio transcription. These records are used on over 200 stations from Coast to Coast. The boys are also scheduled to make lour sides for Checkered Records, a new label. The Yodeling "Miccolis Sisters," of

The Yodeling "Miccolis Sisters," of KMOX, St. Louis, who are featured on Ozark Varietics, have a new 15-minute program at 5:15 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Their latest song, written with Chaw Mank, is Just a Little Constitute Browne Spanish Prayer.

Billy Caswell, the singing and yodeling cowboy. Station CJCH, Halifax, N. S., is singing Pearl Clark-Grace Valentine songs. Those getting most requests are Shwnee Old Pal, Bluest Yodlin' Cowboy, There's a Rainbow Shining Somewhere. All will be in the new Billy Caswell Folio. Billy has a regular vaudeville show besides his radio time.

Hank Keene, well known to most folk artists as a writer-publisher, star of the recent Velvet Tobacco Coast-to-Coast program and one of the first to put a hillbilly show successfully under canvas, has recently completed a new series of radio tran-scriptions at Columbia in New York. In this series, which forms part of the new SESAC Transcribed Library Service, Hank has recorded more than 59 of his own tunes as well as many other SESAC numbers. These transcriptions are now played regu-larly on approximately 200 stations. Keene's two newest songs are You'll Be Sorry and Cried the Fair Young Maid.

Heads South

James E. Myers, president of Cow-boy Records Company, Philadelphia, is heading below the Mason-Dixon line to look over the field for his waxwork. Jack Howard, one of the partners in the Cowboy disk firm, has been on the road for the past two weeks winning friends and influencing people in favor of his record label.

The label has recorded more entertainers appearing on the WFIL-ABC Hayloft Hoedown than any other network. Waxings were made by the Sleepy Hollow Ranch, Santa Fe Rangers, Murray Sisters, Elmer Newman, Pancake Pete Newman, Monti Rosci, Shorty Lang, Jack Day, Pee Wee Miller and Rusty Keefer.

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October 26, 1946



### Cincy Phono Assoc. Directors Confab

CINCINNATI, Oct. 19 .- Board of directors regular meeting of the Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association here was held this week in the association offices, according to Sam Chester, president, who handled the meeting.

The meeting. Present at the meeting were Charles Kater, secretary and treas-urer; John Weisenberger, vice-presi-dent; Dave Tavel, Ray Bigner, Sam Butler, Al Lieberman, Nate Bart-field, Jerry Levy, Les Pegg, John Nicholas, William Fitzpatrick, Sam Gerros, Max Mocckel, Edward Wen-pinger Louis Schoenlaub, Morris Louis Schoenlaub, Morris ninger, Kleinman and Al Chasson.

### Aireon Plans Added **Common Stock Issue**

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 19.—Aircon Manufacturing Corporation has filed exchange commission to register 54,166 2/3 additional shares of common stock with a par value of 50 cents.

Out of this total, firm has reserved 37,500 for issuance upon exercise of conversion rights of notes held by directors, officers and others. Another block of 16,666 2/3 has been reserved for issuance upon exercise of an option held by Railway Radiotelephone & Signals, Inc., which is the exclu-sive distributor for the firm's railway radiotelephone equipment.

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**OPA** Frees Metallic [ **Cloth: Jukemen Glad** 

. NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- Decontrol of metallic cloth by OPA this week was seen by local juke reconditioners as an opportunity to again use it for music machines.

End of control applies to all types of metallic varn, which contains at least 25 per cent of that material, according to the OPA.

#### NO JUMBLE, SAY WAXERS (Continued from page 21)

of their 50 centers. Since that time Victor and Capitol have found it necessary to go to 60 cents, while Decca has been quietly decimating its 50cent label by transferring talent to the 75-cent series. Columbia, of the Big Four, is the only outfit which still has a 50-center. Costs (materials and manpower) may easily continue to climb in the disk business as in other industries and if they do there is a possibility that the diskers will find it necessary to jump the 60-cent platters to 75 cents. With disk sales off at the present time, however, most observers agree that the record men will hold the price line just as long as it's economically possible.

#### WHAT ABOUT UERW?

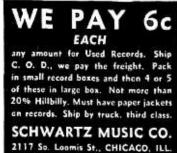
(Continued from page 21) contracts. Union most consistently referred to is the United Electrical and Radio Workers (CIO) to which most of the platter plant workers belong,

UERW, the crepe-hangers point out, didn't get percentage increases approximating the 37½ per cent fig-ure granted the musicians. RCA-Victor, for instance, just recently granted the UERW members in their granted the OLKW members in their Camden plant a jump of 5½ cents per hour, which is much nearer 20 per cent than 37½ per cent. Less pessimistic members of the platteries claim, however, that the plant people have received several increases in the same period during which the musicians have gotten only the one hike.

Most of the present disk company-UERW pacts were signed in recent months and run for a one-year period, but practically all of them have clauses permitting reopening for wages before the expiration date of the contracts.

#### CAIN IN NEW YORK

(Continued from page 21) Music trade observers, however, felt there was better than an even chance that representative of the songwriters would manage to get with him for a session too. There were no further developments on the SPA's flirtation session too. with Local 802 toppers reconverting the cleffer org into a union. The music publishers in the meantime claim to be tied up at the moment with international conference of performing rights (and other copyright societies) which takes place in Washington beginning October 21.



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### ADVANCE RECORD RELEASES

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WRAP UP YOUR TROUBLES IN DREAMS
YEARS AND YEARS AGO
YOU)
YOU TAUGHT ME HOW TO CRY Piccadilly Pipers-Bonnie Davis (THE WOLF)

### **New Jersey Owners** Seek Tavern Limit

ATLANTIC CITY. Oct. 19.-More than 1,000 New Jersey tavern owners met here recently for the annual New Jersey Tavern Association convention and voted to recommend an act, to be submitted to the State Senate and House, to limit the number of liquor licenses in the State.

Act would limit the number of tav-erns to one for each 1,000 population and package stores to one for each 3,000 persons.

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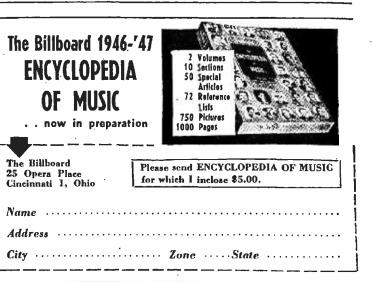
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## 20 Counties Now **Open for Taverns in** Alabama; Jukes OK

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Oct. 19.-With juke boxes again operating in Alabama taverns, coinmen here were encouraged over results of recent referendums in which three counties voted wet.

Twenty counties, having more than half of the State's population, are new open to taverns, according to william I. Truby, State director of the Alabama Committee of U. S. Brewers' Foundation.

Alabama has a State liquor monopoly, but beer is legal in taverns in counties where local option permits them. These locations were opened to juke boxes this year, when a law prohibiting their operation in taverns was revoked.



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#### New York:

Jack Semel, music op, just back from several weeks vacation in California, reports that he ran into Jerry Karpman, former New York op, who is in the vending end of the biz out there. . . Albert S. Denver, AMOA prexy, has been on the receiving end of congrats from members since the association's largest banquet two weeks ago...John W. Hall, handling research for Amity Manufacturing Corporation, is due back from a dis-tubuter achoning thin Fuender. tributor gathering trip Tuesday.

Harry Berger, West Side Distributing Corporation, will spend Tuesday in Boston on biz. . . . Maurice Schack, Milk-O-Mat Corporation, arrived back in town this week-and from Canada. M town this week and from Canada. ...Paul Bitter, 7 month-old son of Mee Bitter, West Side, is now on the stoady road of recovery from pneu-monia, ...Nat Cohn, Modern Music, leaves again this week on another trip to Detroit for a Vogue confab.

to Dotroit for a Voque contab. Al Goldberg, music op, is the proud father of a daughter, born last Monday. . . Earl Winters, Modern Music, is busy appointing salesmen for Vogue Records. . . . Two of the old-timers in coin machines, Buddy Lieberman, Chicago op, and Charlie Lichtman, New York Distributing, talked over old times this week on the occasion of Lieberman's visit here. . . Loc Knebel, Manhattan Phonograph Company, is planning an Aireon service school. . . Charles Bloom, Manufacturers Agent Sales Company, reports interest in coin-Company, reports interest in coin-operated lotion and soap dispensers is high.

Jack Fitzgibbon, Musical Minutes, Inc., had his coming out party this week for his new telephone music box and the John-Lee commercial music system. . . . Barney Berkens, AOAA secretary, is recovering at home this week from a minor operation. . ACAA annual night club affair is due "about" the second week in Docember, according to Louis Fox. vice-president. ... Tom Byrno, New Jersey Tavern Association, reports that organization is fighting for a bill limiting the number of taverns in the State.

Al Stein, Bob Martin, Irving Popof-sky, Frank Facier and Hal Pickman are the new Modern Music salesmen operating out of New York. . (See NEW YORK on page 116)

#### Philadelphia:

Vice-Chairman of business dis-trict's group of city's Community Chest drive is Frank F. Engel, Automatic Equipment Company. . . . Asa S. Melloy returned from American Marvin Medway was appointed ad-vertising manager of Automatic Equipment Company.

Clyde G. Port and Charles L. Smith. J. P. Seeburg Corporation, visited here this week. . . I. H. Rothstein, Ban-ner Specialty Company, plans new showings of Packard Equipment in Pennsylvania. ... Earl Monigomery, Automatic, joined a 10-week radio course requiring only one-hour-a-week attendance. . . Leonard Bell and Myer Lowen, National Games, Inc., plan to leave early in November for a pre-season rest in Miami .

Kenneth Stewart, postage stamp machine operator, awarded Bronze Star recently for action during the "bulge"... Many ops expected to attend Atlantic City conventions starting October 21 with plans for ice cream and milk operations.

#### **Detroit:**

Gilbert A. Campbell, heading up the new Detroit firm of Secamuco, Inc., located on Mayfair Avenue, is planning to ship juke boxes and vending machines of various types to the Orient, particularly to Shanghai, where there is said to be a considerdemand for American music able machines.

Frank Healey, of Automatic Prod-ucts Company, 'Is in Florida for a few weeks... William L. Monkhouse, (See DETROIT on page 118)

## COINMEN YOU KNOW

#### Indianapolis:

"Tex" Holley, operator of the Vending Machine Exchange here, flew to Birmingham to visit his mother, who will return with him to spend a brief vacation in this city.... Geraldine Taylor, accountant at the Southern Automatic Music Company, had the pleasure of entertaining Col. H. J. Smith, who is stationed in the Aleutian Islands. Colonel flew his own plane to Indianapolis and back.

Erving Eystes, of the Eystes Music Company, Terre Haute, was a pur-chaser of equipment during the week. . . . Automatic Music Operators' Association of Indiana held its regular monthly meeting in the Indianapolis Athlotic Club. . . . Mrs. Blanche Janes, head of the Janes Music Com-pany, is vacationing in California.

C. A. Shry, Anderson operator, was C. A. Shry, Anderson operator, was in the city last week buying parts and looking at equipment. . . Despite a lame back, Peter Stone, Rock-Ola distributor, is working overtime get-ting out his deliveries. . . Crystal Jewel Brown, daughter of Clarence E. Brown, pinball and phonograph operator, has been discharged from operator, has been discharged from the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children after seven weeks' treatment for polio. She is completely recovered, doctors report.

#### **Cincinnati:**

Muriel E. Weiner, daughter of Mrs. Ida Weiner, of B. W. Novelty Com-pany, and Bernard Clayton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Clayton, were married October 6 in the chapel at matried October 6 in the chapel at the Netherland Plaza Hotel. Cock-tails, dinner and dancing followed the wedding. Among guests at the wedding were Al and Mrs. Lieber-man; Nat and Mrs. Bartfield, of B. W. Novelty Company; Ben and Mrs. Goldberg, and William and Mrs. Goldberg, and William and Mrs. Marmer, of Sicking. Bride and groom left for a four-week honeymoon thru Canada and New England. They will join Mrs. Ida Weiner later in New York.

Bill and Mrs. Bigner, Wesco Novelty Company, are enjoying a vacation in Connecticut. Cecil Dickins. one of Wesco's mechanics, has been passing out cigars to celebrate a new addition to the family. Baby and Mrs. Dickins doing well, thank you.

Harry Hester. B. H. Vending Company, was in Columbus last week attending the annual meeting of the Ohio State Amateur Athletic Union. Hester is a member of the amateur boxing committee.

#### Cleveland:

B. Mervis, of Mervis Trucking Company here, is celebrating his fourth year next month as trucker for the Cleveland phonograph, mer-chants. November will also mark his second year in the used-record business. As a token of his apprecia-tion Mervis will furnish refresements tion Mervis will furnish refreshments at the November meeting of the Ohio State Automatic Phonograph Own-ers' Association to be held at the Hotel Cleveland.

News that Leo Dixon, Jack Cohen and Virginia Holcomb were all New York-bound sounded like a big association business deal. But Virginia. who is secretary to the association, said it wasn't so, since they would all be going separate ways for separate reusons.

#### Pasadena, Calif.:

Arch C. Riddell, general manager, Riddel Company, wholesale tobacco and candy firm here and in Los Angeles, left for the East this week on an extended business trip. Riddell will attend the National Automatic Merchandising Association Convention in Chicago and will also visit many of the manufacturers in that area with whom his firm deals.

Riddell will continue to Tampa where he will spend some time with Eli Witt, of the Eli Witt Cigar Com-pany, and the Hav-a-Tampa Cigar Company, Riddell Company is a distributor for those firms. Riddell ex-pects to be back about November 1.

#### **Phoenix:**

A new peanut vending machine route is being operated by S. H. Ammerman, 2805 North Third Street. ...J. W. and R. W. Barnhurst have established the Barnhurst Sales Com-pany at 1425 East Washington Street. John Canning has been licensed to handle vending machines. Arizona Sales Company announced a anne change last week. Firm now calls itself Ace Cigarette Service. Owner Carl J. Volpe says the com-pany, at 1030 Grand Avenue, will handle cigarette vending machines.

C. F. Wortman, 718 East Polk Street, has purchased the route of Huddleston and Hays. . . . In Safford. Valley Amusement Company has been established by Eugene Ely and Del Cluff to handle pinball and vending machines. . . . John Lockaby, 1002 East McKinley Street, has been licensed to handle vending machines.

IT'S A FULL HOUSE at the Seeburg juke box service school session held at Atlantic New York Corporation headquarters in New York. School, sponsored by this distributor, is now in its third cycle, with attendance reported gaining with successive lesson phases.



Lew London, Bel-o-Matic dis-tributor for the Dallas area, dropped into the Bel-o-Matic offices for a short visit on his way east. Lew's horse, London's Folly, is to perform at the Madison Square Gardon National Horse Show in New York this month. The horse, one of the finest fivegaited in the country, has won the grand championship at the annual Bellwood Horse Show in Pottstown, Pa., for the last three years.

Other visitors at Bell-o-Matic were Tommy Harrison, of McKees Rock, Pa., who dropped in to see friends and equipmont: Bill Helricgel, of Keystono Panoram Company, Philadelphia: Fred Davis, Indiana operator, and George Coleman, Rockford, Ill.

Dave Johnson, Don Froney and Doug Johnson, Sioux City, Ia, visited the Windy City to see the Bears football game. After the game they paid a visit to Allas Novelty Com-pany. Fay Gardner, an operator from Rock Island, Ill., was a visitor to Atlas also.

Business was humming this week at Exhibit Supply Company when C. A. Childers, an operator from Fort Madison, Ia., pald a visit.

Dick Law, of Mills Industries, was planning to leave this week for the national refrigeration and air-conditioning convention show in Cleveland. Dick is going up to set up the Mills booth there. The booth, he says, will show refrigeration equipment made by Mills and will also exhibit its coke machine.

Bill Jay and his wife, from the Jackon Amusement Company, Jackson, Mich., popped into town for a brief visit and then resumed their pheasant hunting with Ralph Sheffield. Empire Coin Machine Exchange. The group is bagging the birds in South Dakota, Among other visitors to Empire were (See CHICAGO on page 120)

#### Los Angeles:

George Burke, of Coinmatic Dis-tributors, is in the San Francisco Bay Districts on business for Pacific Rec-ords. . . . Dean Watson, Silver Spur Records, is currently covering Idaho, Montana and Wyoming, setting up a sales campaign for his label. . . . Bill Abel, Coast Records, is in New York on a sales trip, and while there will run a couple of recording sessions for the Coast diskery.

George Ehrgott, local manager of new Mills Sales Company branch office here, conducted a highly successful open house recently. A large crowd of local ops and distribs turned out... Chet Wiser, Coast Records, is out pushing his label on a local selling trip thruout Southern Calliornia.

Dick Hood, president of H. C. Evans Company, Chicago, was in town for a few days mixing business with a vacation. . . Gladys Washburn is still doing a terrific job as treasurer of Charles E. Washburn Company, which includes Coast Records, Pack-ard music machines, Peerless Diskos and Ace Distributing Company.

Bill Happel, of Badger Sales, has hired S. L. Warlick as his new office manager and auditor. Happel also announces the addition of Jimmie Lyons to his staff. Lyons was with the engineering department of the Keeney Company, Chicago, for two and a half years. At Badger, he will (See LOS ANGELES on page 122)

#### Kansas City:

-Victor Roos, of Automatic Coin Machine Company, had the telegraph and telephone wires hot last week trying to line up reservations for a pheasant hunting trip. While Mrs. Roos pinch-hits at the office this week, he will be tramping the South Dakola nheasant country. When Daco Dakota pheasant country. Mrs. Roos is using free time between callers in planning for the trip to French Lick, Ind., November 6-8, for the international distributors' convention of the (See KANSAS CITY on page 126).



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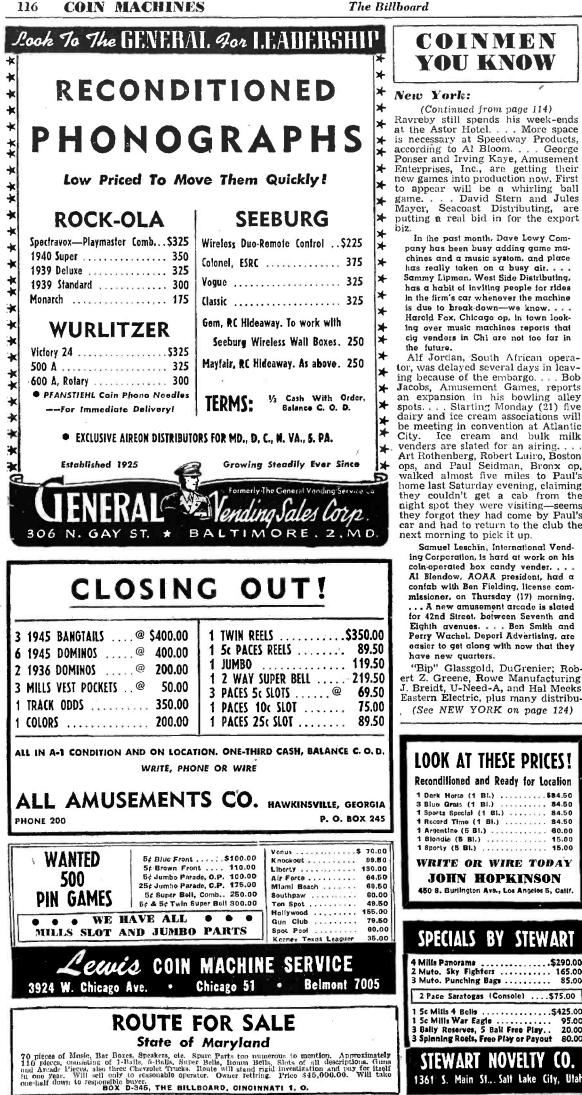
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Harold Fox, Chicago op, in town looking over music machines reports that cig venders in Chi are not too far in the future. Alf Jordan, South African operator, was delayed several days in leaving because of the embargo. . . . Bob Jacobs, Amusement Games, reports an expansion in his bowling alley spots.... Starting Monday (21) five dairy and ice cream associations will be meeting in convention at Atlantic City. Ice cream and bulk milk venders are slated for an airing. Art Rothenberg, Robert Luiro, Boston ops, and Paul Seidman, Bronx op, walked almost five miles to Paul's home last Saturday evening, claiming they couldn't get a cab from the night spot they were visiting—seems they forgot they had come by Paul's car and had to return to the club the next morning to nick it up next morning to pick it up. Samuel Leschin, International Vend-ing Corporation, is hard at work on his coin-operated box candy vender.... Al Blendow, AOAA president, had a confab with Ben Fielding, license commissioner, on Thursday (17) morning. . . A new amusement arcade is slated for 42nd Street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues. . . . Ben Smith and Perry Wachel, Deperi Advertising, are easier to get along with now that they have new quarters. "Bip" Glassgold, DuGrenier; Robert Z. Greene, Rowe Manufacturing; J. Breidt, U-Need-A, and Hal Meeks, Eastern Electric, plus many distribu-(See NEW YORK on page 124) LOOK AT THESE PRICES! Reconditioned and Ready for Location 
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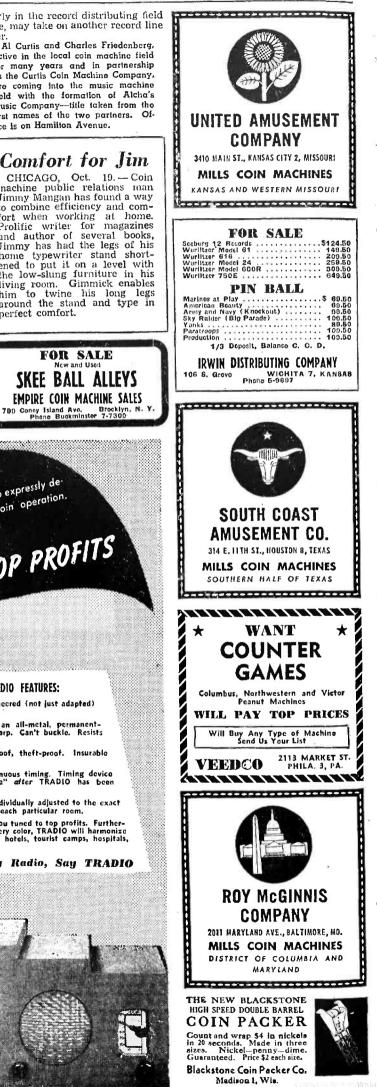
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## COINMEN YOU KNOW

#### Detroit:

(Continued from page 114) who recently established Redford Vonding Company, has gone off on a vacation. . . . Gordon McBain is re-vamping the design of a new book-match vonder which he expects to have ready for the market shortly. Gordon says the device will allow a more efficient delivery of matches.

L. V. Rohr, of the Rohr Sales Company, has reopened his store on 12th Street and is resuming jobbing operations in the vending machine field. ...John P. Kelly, of the Batter-Up Company, has joined the staff of the Empress Theater in addition to his other business enterprises.

Arthur Jacques, head of Shoematic shino machines, is making plans to place his new machine in production shortly. . . . Joseph Budjack, develop-er of the charact-o-graph, is back from three months on the road, winding up with covering the Southern fairs. Henry C. Lemke, Lomke Coin Ma-chine Company, is enlarging and romodeling his store and salesrooms on West Vernor Highway.

on West Vernor Highway. Mrs. Elizabeth Lund, until recently official manager of the Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' As-sociation, is recovering from a nerv-ous breakdown, Joseph Brilliant re-ports. . . , Buhl Sons Company, for-

merly in the record distributing field here, may take on another record line later

active in the local coin machine field for many years and in partnership as the Curtis Coin Machine Company, are coming into the music machine field with the formation of Alcha's Music Company—title taken from the first names of the two partners. Oflice is on Hamilton Avenue.

### **Comfort** for Jim

CHICAGO, Oct. 19. — Coin machine public relations man Jimmy Mangan has found a way to combine efficiency and comfort when working at home. Prolific writer for magazines and author of several books, Jimmy has had the legs of his home typewriter stand shortened to put it on a level with the low-slung furniture in his living room. Gimmick enables living room. Gimmick enables him to twine his long legs around the stand and type in perfect comfort.



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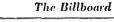


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Los Angeles:

to get away.

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take charge of the Super Bell and other Keeney products. This brings Happel's local staff to 16 people. Walter Murra, of Super Service Coin in Downey, Calif., is talking

about his first plane trip, taken re-cently to Cleveland. It was a pleasure jaunt, as Murra took a couple of

weeks for a vacation.... Bill Leuen-hagen is trying to close shop for a

week so he can go deer hunting, but reports there has been so much business lately he probably won't be able

Paul and Lucille Laymon are playing host to Mr. and Mrs. Sorenson, of Washington. The Laymons are show-

and is currently on an extended hunt-COINMEN ing trip while his office is making the change-over. YOU KNOW

Curly Robinson expects to move his AOLAC offices into the new building on Pico Boulevard by Christmas. Curley has experienced the usual numerous delays with the building program. . Les Kelley, K & M Service, is in Denver on business, preparatory to going to Omaha to complete arrangements to set up company branch office there. Pariner Fred Myers is swinging by company's Dallas office and thru Oklahoma City, before meet-

ing Kelley in Omaha. Al Bettelman, C. A. Robinson Com-pany, is horseback riding every Sunday, now that the fishing season is over. . . Bud Parr, General Music Company, is back from his latest business trip east for Solotone, and reports business conditions back there are good and steadily improving. Bud reports he had a couple of really rough plane rides on this last jaunt. ... Jimmy Rutter has decided to build and operate his new Del Mar game himself, until such a time as interested Chicago manufacturers can get material to handle production of the new game.

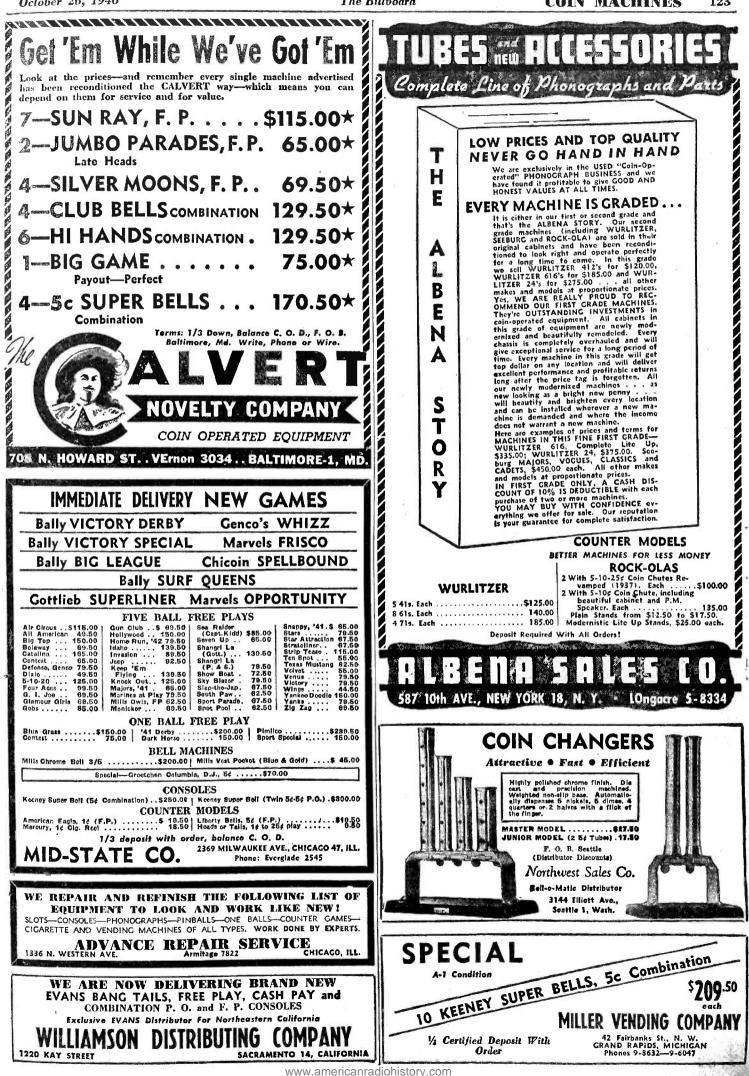
Seen in Badger Sales showrooms and along the row recently were Irvin Gayer, San Bernardino; Lowell Gayer, San Bernardino; Lowell Ayers, Inglewood; J. B. Mullenaux, Calexico; Lee Wirt, Montebello; Jack Arnold, Barstow; Frank Lamb, Inglewood; L. H. Maston, Porterville; Ownille Kindig and M. L. Christensen, Orville Kindig and M. L. Christensen, Long Beach; John McGee, Downey; Paul Hawkins, Tucson, Ariz., local operators O. C. Watts, Johnny Nelson, Art Sternall, Fred Kohler, Emmet

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formerly handled Aireon, have given up the line. Gutshall has taken over Chew and Sol Schwartz. the Packard Pla-Mor distribution, D ROSEN Music and Automatic Equipment 855 NORTH BROAD STREET, PHILADELPHIA 23, PA. PHONE: STEVENSON 2258-2259 Dear Mr. Operator: When it comes to records-the latest and best releases, delivered in a hurry--more and more operators are "Doin' What Comes Natur'lly." They're flocking to Dave Rosen. "I Can't Begin To Tell You" all about Dave's completely modern record department, but you can be sure it isn't just a "One-zy, Two-zy" affair. Dave has full stocks of every popular, money-making disc to assure you deliveries as promised. None of this give me "Five Minutes More" business. In fact, "Just the Other Day" I overheard a group of operators hailing Dave's fast-moving record set-up. "They Say It's Wonderful." And what's more, Dave never worries an operator with any of that "I Don't Know Enough About You" sort of thing. If you want top records immediately, just write, wire or phone Rosen now. You'll get 'em "Come Rain or Come Shine," because with Rosen you're always on the "Sunny Road" to profits. Recordingly yours, (1) Man 3608 Eoff St.









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#### New York:

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tors and operators, are in Chicago this week attending the NAMA convention. . . . Clarence Lommerin and Edward C. Leson, Viking Tool & Machine Corporation, will display their coin-operated popcorn vending machine in the Sherman Hotel, November 5-6 during the National Popcorn Manufacturers' Exposition. . . . Harold Levy, Baltimore op, is in town looking over equipment.

Al Blendow, International Mutoscope sales manager, returned this week from Chicago where he attended the manufacturers' publicity campaign meeting. . . . Harry Wartell, Automatic Machine Company, is slated to announce a new vender soon. . . A new apple vending machine will be tried out next week. . . . Coin Frozen Food venders are now in the works by a New York manufacturer. . . Sol Wohlman, Pan Coast Amusement Company, will announce new game machine shortly. . . . Rudy

WHIRLWIN

Greenbaum, Aireon vice-president, is reported headed this way. . . . Bob and Harry Watson, postage stamp operators, are hard at work designing their own machine.

Jack Mitnick. Runyon Sales, is host to many out-of-towners this week that are looking over Telomatic... Al Schlesinger, Square Amusement, is due in town next week.... Ray Cunliffe, Illinois Phonograph Operators' Association prexy, is reported due here next week for a confab.... Marty Gould. Trenton, N. J. operator. claims that a purchase of New York route is in the mill.... New coin-operated diathermy machines are on test location in the city.

Ed Ravreby's suite at the Astor is still headquarters for the regular coinmen gin rummy sessions. . . D. J. Ambrose, Patchogue, N. Y.; Jack Cohn, Atlantic City; G. A. Koenecke, Columbia, S. C.; Otto Stegmaier, Greenwood Lake, N. Y.; Lewis Berger, Sandusky, O.; Dan Buck, Cincinnati, and Jim Alexander, Rochester, N. Y., were among visiting coinmen this week. . . Richard Dodds, coin machine operator in Blackpool, England, stopped in the city for a few days on his way to the Atlantic City ice cream and dairy convention starting Monday (21).

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## **COINMEN YOU KNOW**

#### Chicago:

(Continued from page 120) numbers. Among these were I. H. Houston, H. F. Korholz, R. E. Parks and William Tandier for Spacarb, Inc.. New York; Ford S. Mason and Harold Nelson for Ford Gum & Machine Com-

Frank Shumann, Maurice Auerbach, Robert Heiligman, Neill Mitchell and Ben Spira for Lehigh Foundries, Inc., Easton, Pa., and for Rowe Manufacturing Company, Inc., R. Z. Greene, George Seedman, Charles Brinkman, Richard Gluck, Jack Gordon, John Mill, John Moran and Ralph Phipps

Up from Missouri were heads of several vending machine firms, to-gether with distributor representatives. Jerry Manning, F. C. Steffins and Fred Wallin came for National Slug Re-jectors, Inc., St. Louis. Ray Dahl-strom was here from American Vending Corporation, Kansas City. From the Vendo Company, Kansas City, delegation included E. F. Pierson, F. N. Pierson, W. E. Brust and R. H. Ericksen.

Firms which have headquarters in Chicago and Downstate Illinois had good representation, too. Waldo Bolen and W. R. Greiner were here from Northwestern Corporation, Morris; Clarence Adclberg held the fort for Stoner Manufacturing Corporation, Aurora, and Sam Kogen, Leon Segal and Don Buck repre-sented the Vendit Corporation, Chi-cago. A. G. Alex, Burt F. Ricl and Robert Sayles, of Chicago's Vendall Company, attended. Another Chi-cago firm, Johnson Fare Box Company, was represented by F. J. Burt, H. E. Forester, H. R. Griesemer and

C. F. Forsthoefel, head of Revco, Inc., Deerlield, Mich., was another manufacturer from the Midwest. William S. Lynne represented F. L. Jacobs Company, Indianapolis, Ind. Frank Vogel was here from Columbus Vend-ing Company, Columbus, O. Both A. F. and R. A. Parina, of Messrs. Parina & Company, came from San Francisco.

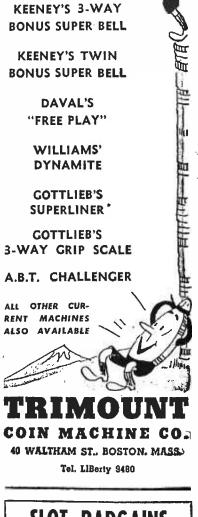
Hundreds of operators, forming the backbone of the meeting, came from every section of the country, and a heavy attendance of supplier firms' representatives rounded out a convention which tied together every phase of the vending machine in-

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Manufacturers **Face Possible Rail Embargo** 

The Billboard

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.--Already wASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Already faced with a serious shortage, coin machine manufacturers were this week confronted with a possible em-bargo on less-than-carload freight, according to the United States Cham-ber of Commerce here.

Manufacturers now shipping at less Manufacturers now shipping at less than carload space would be cut out of the picture by the restraint, it was indicated, unless they shipped at full car space. It was suggested that they would likely follow other manufacturers in the trailer truck shipping trend.

#### May Be Needed

May Be Needed Chamber declared that the re-straint would become necessary un-less present, widespread congestion in boxcar shipping is eliminated. They said the present shortage is, in a large measure, due to the lack of storing snace of storing space.

of storing space. Many manufacturers were met with a circle of events caused by the boxcar shortage. Because they could not get materials from other man-ufacturers they could not produce in quantities large enough to make large shipments. Most coin machine manufacturers were, when using freight cars, shipping at less-than-carload space.

Increased production of trailer trucks offered many manufacturers a solution to the problem of small shipments. Already many Chicago coinmen were turning to this form of transportation to handle their products. products.

One Chicago firm divided its ship-ments to 65 per cent by railroad and 35 per cent by truck, dealing mostly in less-than-carload freight. They reported that, until this date, there had been little difficulty in their transportation.

Relief in sight thru new freight car construction is limited, the chamber declared, with 55,000 new cars on order and promised delivery of 7,000 per month. The railroads, they said, have 1,725,000 ćars on hand while private owners have 250,-000 cars 000 cars.

The shortage of cars, according to the chamber, is expected to continue this winter with an easing of the acute shortage hoped for about that time.

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## **Army Post Locations May** Benefit in Closing Snag

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19 .- A pos- 2,100,000 sible reprieve to commen, concerned month. over the closing of army post locations, was indicated by the War Department this to week. Camp closings, they said, had struck a snag in local opposition.

Announcement disclosed that more than half of the army camps have have been declared surplus since V-J Day. From a peak of 2,075, active posts have been cut to 827. More, they said, are marked for closing.

Local opposition, such as chambers of commerce, have built up resistance to the closings or any proposal to shut off local military pay rolls, the War Department asserted. In some in-stance, it was stated, they have the support of congressmen.

#### **Army Slashed Needs**

Post locations suffered a play cut when the army slashed merchandise needs last year, due to the increased number of men discharged. At the time, however, it was felt that the locations would draw good play for many months.

According to army regulations, vending and amusement machines could be installed in posts in one of four ways: Outright purchase for cash or installment contract; rental-purchase; loan; rental. Machine opera-tors were mostly interested in the latter two courses.

During the war it was found that coin-operated machines had a definite place in military camps, especially machines which dispensed merchandise and entertainment.

A peak month in a California army ost showed that 400,600 bottles of post soft drink were vended by machines there. there. A New Jersey camp reported that soldiers smoked more than



## cigarettes there every

#### Types of Machines

Vending machines on location in army posts were mostly of the soft drink and candy type. Amusement devices included most types of pin-balls as well as jukes. Most of the machines were operated in PXs and restaurants.

Present War Department policy is to concentrate the post-war active army on a small number of installations where the best facilities are available, it was said. Posts thus far disposed of include

sprawling temporary camps in iso-lated areas, hospitals turned over to the Veterans Administration and emergency munitions plants and depots.

At the wartime peak there were 615 posts camps and stations used by the ground and service forces, 1,990 air force installations and some 170 industrial plants under War Department control.

## Berger To Head Diathermy Firm

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Harry Ber-ger has succeeded Stanley Arnold as president of the Coin Diathermy Corporation here, manufacturers of dia-thermy machines, it was announced

thermy machines, it was university by the firm. Company also revealed that 15 machines went on test locations and more machines are coming off the production lines. Machines on test locations are receiving good play, ac-An announcement to distributors

An announcement to distributors through this country and Canada will be issued shortly by the firm, it was revealed. Machine vends five min-utes of radio wave heat. Heat op-erates from the inside out upon the insertion of a quarter.

### New Active Amuse. Branch in Scranton

SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 19.—Second Pennsylvania office of Active Amusethis week by Joe Ash at 1120 Wyo-ming Avenue here. One of the fea-tures of the new office, Ash said, will be its parts department.

Other offices of Active are in Phil-adelphia and Newark, N. J. Irv Morris is in charge of the Newark office.

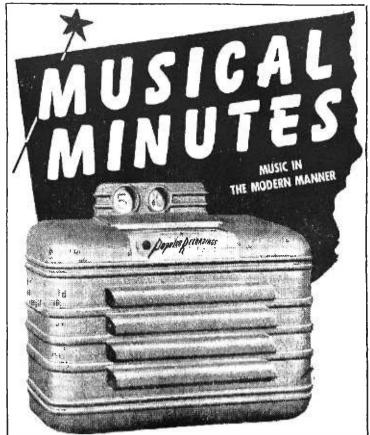
#### S. Stiebel Granted Charter For Louisville Coin Firm

FRANKFORT, Ky., Oct. 19.—Sid-ney L. Stibel, known to coinnen as an official of Southern Automatic Mu-sic Company, Louisville, has been granted a charter from the secretary of state for the firm of S. L. Stiebel Company, also of Louisville.

Announcement indicates that the company will deal in coin-operated devices, with \$5,000 capital stock. Listed with Stiebel are Bess F. Stiebel and W. W. Waldman.

#### Schulnick and Koondel Will Visit Showing of Shoe Mach.

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 19. — Lucky Schulnick and Al Koondel, partners in Empire Coin Sales, of Coney Is-land, N. Y., will be among those dis-tributors present at a showing De-cember 12-15 here for Shine-a-Minit convice muchine according to A. P. service machine, according to A. R. Slade, general manager of Coin-Arts.



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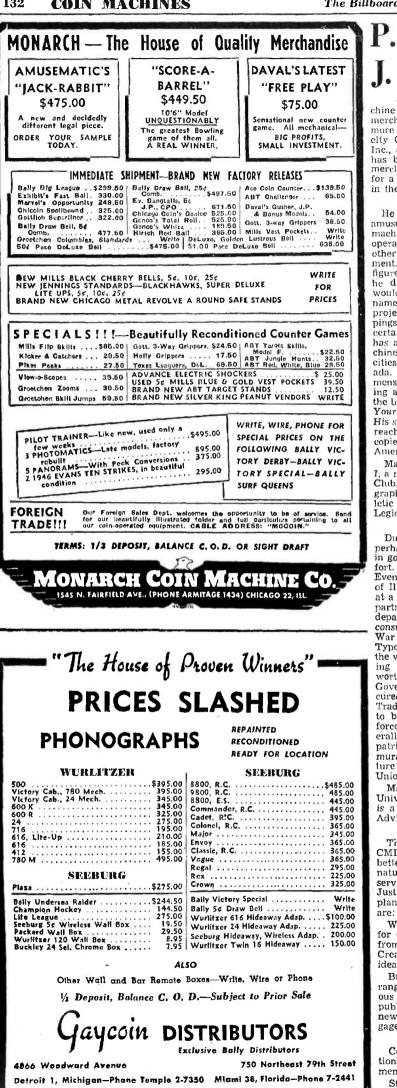
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## P. R. Bureau Set for CMI; J. T. Mangan To Direct Staff

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chine public relations, promotion and merchandising. Mangan was for more than 20 years with Mills Nov-elty Company and Mills Industries, Inc., and for the past two years he has been handling public relations, merchandising and design problems for a large number of manufacturers in the coin machine field.

#### National Figure

He grew up in the business with amusement machines, games, vending machines, coin-operated music, coinoperated service machines and every other form of coin-operated equip-ment. Mangan is a nationally known figure in publicity. In the year 1940 he did what every publicity man would give his right arm to do; namely, he had the top publicity project of that year with 38,000 clippings and photographs covering a certain coin-operated machine. He has addressed meetings of coin machine men in almost all the large cities in the United States and Canada. He is a writer with an im-mense business men's following, havmense business men's following, hav-ing authored six books, among them the best-sellers, The Knack of Selling Yourself and You Can Do Anything. His sales manual, Sell By Giving, has reached a distribution of 400,000 copies to the business men of America.

Mangan is a veteran of World War I, a member of the Chicago Publicity Club, the Chicago Society of Typographic Arts and the Chicago Ath-Association American and Legion.

#### City War Work

During the war, Jim Mangan was perhaps the most active coinman in government service in the war effort. He was co-chairman of Special Events for the U. S. Treasury, State of Illinois, and served for five years at a dollar a year with the U.S. De-partment of Labor as one of that department's two national promotion consultants. He was chairman of the War Committee of the Society of Typographic Arts and co-ordinated the work of 600 Chicago artists creat-ing a contribution of over \$500,000 worth of free art services to the U.S. Government. He is the man who se-Government. He is the man who se-cured from the Chicago Building Trades Council a donation of \$125,000 to buy a light bomber for the air forces and to construct what is gen-erally considered to be the largest patriotic display in history, the murals and assembly of 5,000 minia-tures interaction to the concurse of the ture airplanes in the concourse of the Union State, Chicago.

Mangan is a graduate of Loyola University, Chicago, A. B. 1917, and is a member of Loyola University's Advisory Council.

#### **Outlines** Activities

The Public Relations program of CMI will be addressed to creating a better public understanding of the nature of coin machines and their services to 130,000,000 Americans. Just a few of the activities already planned for CMJ Relations Bureau

Write and issue publicity releases for CMI. Secure publicity material from members of the association. Create and put into action publicity ideas, events and programs.

Build up a CMI speakers' list. Arrange for trips and talks before various groups or associations. Release publicity to trade papers and local newspapers regarding speakers' engagements and subjects.

#### Stress Co-Operation

Co-operate with church organizations, teen-age centers, and all movements of a social nature.

Stimulate education of distributor, operator and manufacturer in public

relations-co-operate with them relations—co-operate with mean Increase membership; crusade for 100 per cent representation in CMI by all manufacturers, distributors and operators. Work with various operators' associations.

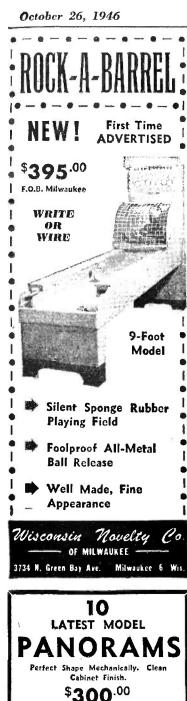
As a preliminary to the actual kick-off of the Public Relations Program, CMI on October 9 called a conference of advertising managers and advertising agencies to help promulgate a code of ethics. CMI announced that "The primary purpose was to help place all publication advertising in the coin machine field on a plane comparable to that of other representative industries." Meeting was presided over by Dave Gottlieb, president of CMI.

Stressed at this advertising conference was the necessity of truth in ad-vertising, which the association suggested should be used substantially as a guide in the preparation of all publication advertising.



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**AOLAC Urges** Halt to Games **Play by Minors** 

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19 .- Reports LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19.—Reports that some locations here have been allowing minors illegally to play amusement games were brought to the attention of all members of As-sociation Operators of Los Angeles County, Inc., in a second warning letter signed by Curly Robinson, managing director of the group.

Letter, which fell naturally into the aggressive public relations pro-gram of this association, quoted in full a resolution passed in 1937 by the board of directors.

Resolution states that toleration of play by minors is reprehensible, and not in the best interests of the amusenot in the best interests of the annuse-ment machine business. To keep the business of game operation on a high plane, members are urged not to sanction such conduct on the part of any of their locations.

#### **Cite Penalty**

Loss of membership in the associa-tion is cited as the penalty for any member who knowingly allows lo-cations, upon which amusement de-vices sanctioned by the association are operated, to cater to patronage of minors minors.

Robinson advised operators to pre-sent their location owners with emphatic warnings regarding this rule, saying that the practice of permitting minors to play the games must be discouraged to the point of elimination.

If violation of the rules continues after warnings, he declared, machines should be removed from the location. In such an event, procedure is to noti-fy the association office so that other members may be advised to refrain from servicing such locations.



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## **Distrib** Firms **Push Exports**

NEW YORK, Oct. 19 .- New York's distributors are launching one of the strongest bids ever made for the Latin-American coin machine export business. At least four distributors here have already started their cam-paign with advertisements printed in English and Spanish and direct-mail pieces in two languages.

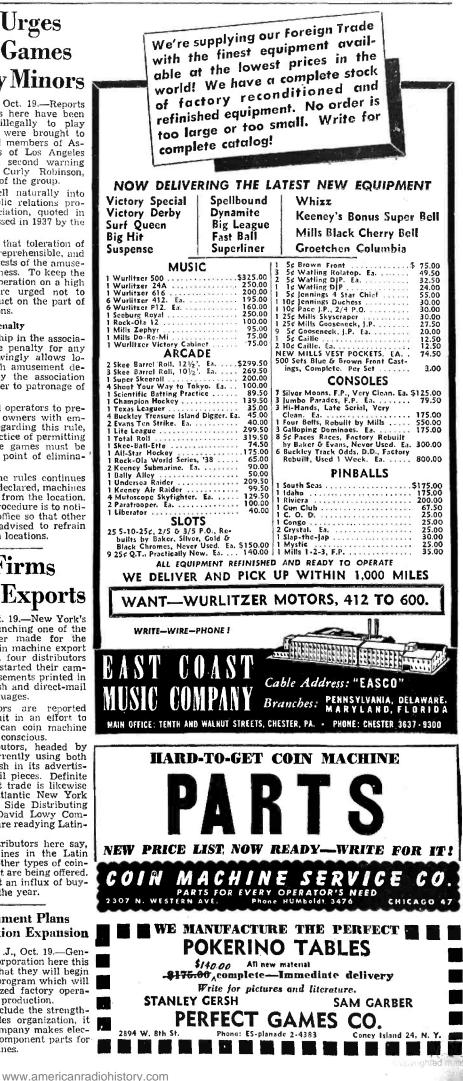
pleces in two languages. Other distributors are reported ready to follow suit in an effort to make Latin-American coin machine buyers New York conscious. Seacoast Distributors, headed by Dave Stern, is currently using both English and Spanish in its advertis-ing and direct-mail pieces. Definite bid for this export trade is likewise ing and direct-mail pieces. Definite bid for this export trade is likewise being made by Atlantic New York Corporation, West Side Distributing Corporation and David Lowy Com-pany. Other firms are readying Latin-American drives.

Juke boxes, distributors here say, are favored machines in the Latin countries, but all other types of coinoperated equipment are being offered. Distributors expect an influx of buyers at the first of the year.

#### **General Instrument Plans New Production Expansion**

ELIZABETH, N.J., Oct. 19.—Gen-eral Instrument Corporation here this week announced that they will begin a new expansion program which will involve decentralized factory opera-tions beside new production. Program will include the strengthening of their sales organization, it was revealed. Company makes elec-

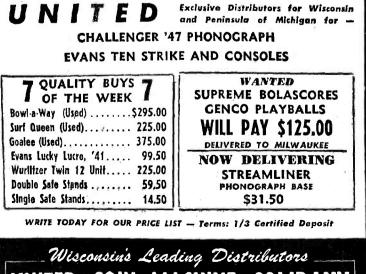
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## World Tobacco Trade in **Rise With Prices Higher**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19,—A view f the tobacco industry this week resented commen a picture of recpresented coinmen a picture of rec-ords being set in tobacco crops both here and abroad. Imports and ex-ports were up. Sales were heavy, loors crowded and prices were high. In Canada the prospective 1946 prop is expected to exceed the pre-vious peak of 107,700,000 pounds which set a record in 1939. Based on which set a record in 1939. Based on nicl-August conditions, the first offi-nicl-August conditions, the first offi-eial estimate places the crop at a ecord 109,900,000 pounds taken in 4.096 acres.

At San Juan, Puerto Rico, at least 8,700,000 pounds of stemmed leaf obacco were sold at an average price objace were sold at an average price of \$1 per pound. Largest holder of stemmed leaf tobacco was the Puerto Rico Tobacco Marketing Association which had a total of 12,000,000 pounds. The company sold its hold-ings to the Consolidated Cigar Comoany, it was reported.

#### U. K. Imports Climb

Imports of tobacco into the United Imports of tobacco into the United Kingdom for the first six months of 1946 were 217,000,000 pounds valued at \$121,480,000. This compared with the 172,000,000 pounds for the first half of 1938, which was valued at \$56,554,000. During the six-month period, the United States supplied 88,5 per cent of total British leaf import mport.

Imports from empire countries, Imports from empire countries, principally Canada, Southern Rhod-esia, India and Nyasaland during the first half of 1946 were 22,400,000 pounds, or 10.3 per cent of the total, compared with 41,400,000 pounds, or 24 per cent of all imports during the corresponding period of 1938. This ndicated an increase above pre-war standards.

standards. Final sales in the Georgia market, before the holiday, period there, showed 869,742 pounds of tobacco were sold at an average of \$40.09 per

were sold at an average of \$40.09 per hundred. Season's sales ran to 149,-753,646 at an average of \$42.77 per hundred pounds, of which 948,776 pounds came from Georgia. According to reports from the Ohio district, Little Dutch cigar leaf, grown in the Miami Valley, has been selling at 35 cents a pound. Farmers in the valley, busy harvesting their crops, reported that most of the early crop was very good, while some of crop was very good, while some of the later plantings were retarded by weather conditions. It is expected that the crop may improve if the fall is late arough s late enough.

In the enough. Entire crop in the Miami Valley is estimated at 5,500 acres by the Fcd-eral Crop Reporting Service. It is reported to have an estimated yield this year of 1,050 pounds of tobacco to an acre.

#### Sales Are Heavy

In the middle tobacco belt, first-day sales were reported as heavy, with floors crowded. Sale there of flue-cured tobacco in the nine markets began with prices higher on the bet-ter grades of leaf than on the same date last year. Prices on the lower grades upper much leag if upper dis grades were much less, it was disclosed.

Increases ranged from \$4 to \$20 a

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 reserva-

tions from pre-war exhibitors began September 28. Jas. A. Gilmore, sec-retary-manager of Coin Machine In-dustries, Inc., predicts that all avail-able hooths will be let within 10 days.

hundred pounds. Losses amounting to \$1 to \$19 affected principally low and common leaf, low grades of lugs and nondescript, according to the United States and North Carolina de-partments of agriculture. Jammed floors were in evidence at all markets.

floors were in evidence at all markets. Top price was \$51 per hundred. Operating on a five-hour sales day, the markets have reduced to a three-hour day due to the crowded floors. Rate of sales will continue at 400 piles per hour, it was reported. Quality at the middle belt sales was better than opening sales in 1945 due to the increased neuron target

due to the increased percentage of good grades. Proportion of poor grades was smaller, according to reports.

### Vender Fix-It Man Finds Self in Fix

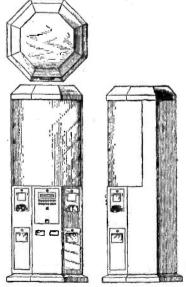
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 19. — A 26-year-old Kansascitian developed an unsuspected interest in vending machines that landed him in jail and

machines that landed him in jail and nearly got him into serious trouble. Police thought it was peculiar when they found the young man standing in the doorway of a down-town Kansas City building late the other night tickering with a stamp vending machine. So they took him down to beadquarter where a zedown to headquarters, where a re-port had just come in that a stamp vender had been stolen from a cigar vender had been stolen from a cigar counter in the lobby of a hotel near the scene of the tyro vender me-chanic's activity. Owner of the ma-chine taken from the hotel identified the vender undergoing the im-promptu overhauling as his. Next morning the young man said be had been drinking and could not

he had been drinking and could not even recall the episode. But when he agreed to pay for the damages to the machine the owner was willing to let any charges drop, and the jail doors opened for a youth who apparently was not a born vending machine mechanic.

#### **Approve Carr Biscuit Merge**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Stockholders of J. B. Carr Biscuit Company, it was announced recently, approved firm's merger with Consolidated Bis-cuit Company, of Chicago. Action formed the fourth largest unit in the cookie and cracker field.



DESIGN FOR VENDER, patented by Olga V. Wells, of Alhambra, Calif., as illustrated in the Official Gazette, U. S. Patent Office.

### Movie Biz Up

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Weekly attendance at movies in the United States has been estimated at 110,000,000, despite a 30 per cent increase in admission prices since 1941, according to the Paris & Peart Research Bureau.

Firm, in a statement here this week, estimates that more than a billion dollars will be paid at box offices in this country during 1946. Officials declare these figures indicate the nation's escapist attitude from life's realities.

### Juke Boxes Gracing Hotel Lobbies Now In Maritime Cities

ST. JOHN, N. B., Oct. 19.—Juke boxes are becoming an essential medium of entertainment in Northern and maritime provinces. Statement comes from operators of

Statement comes from operators of hotels, motels, service stations and roadside eating spots who are busy handling touring motorists. Formerly, hotels contented themselves with juke box locations primarily in the dining rooms and coffee shops. Now lobbies have the jukes also and are getting a good play.

operators of various service establishments report that unusually warm September weather brought out more than the normal number of motorists. Dancing to juke box music was found, they claim, to be the most popular form of amusement.

#### Leaf Kenny Fund Chairman HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.-Appoint-

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 19.—Appointment of Sol Leaf as chairman of the Confectioners' Division of the 1949 Fund Appeal for the Sister Kenny Foundation, was announced recently by Kate Smith, national chairman, and Bing Crosby, executive committee chairman. Leaf is president of Leaf Guin Company and prominent in tobacco trade circles.

#### Maryland Co. Changes Name

BALTIMORE, Oct. 19.—Change of name of the Maryland Coin Machine Company to Novelty Sales Company was announced here this week. Firm is using same location.

W. B. Music To Have Lush New Office in K. C.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 19.— Remodeling of the music showrooms and offices of W. B. Music Company, 1518 McGee Traffieway, is expected to be completed within three weeks, Harry Silverberg, partner in the firm, announced.

Feature of the new layout will be a soundproof listening room where operators can hear new phonograph models at their leisure. Silverberg said. Showrooms will feature an installation of the Seeburg sound systems which the company distributes.

suid. Showrooms will feature an installation of the Seeburg sound systems which the company distributes. Carpenters were busy this week putting in the framework for the low-hung ceilings, and plasterers are due next week. Silverberg said. Altogether, only 70 feet of the building's 110-foot depth will be utilized for offices and show space. The remaining 40 feet will be used for storage. Meanwhile, the firm is carrying on

Meanwhile, the firm is carrying on its business in the adjoining building, which will be remodeled as soon as the space now being remodeled can be occupied, he 'said. All told, the company will have a total of 2,750 square feet available when the work is finished.

Firm is a branch of W. B. Novelty Company, of St. Louis, in which Silverberg and W. B. Betz are partners.

Grand opening and show are planned as soon as the remodeling is completed.

#### Concession Supply To Make Popcorn Machine in Toledo

TOLEDO, Oct. 19. — Concession Supply Company, of Secor Road here, was incorporated this week with 250 shares, no par value, by Bradford H. Brockway, president, and Angelo Boudouris, vice-president and chief engineer, it was announced.

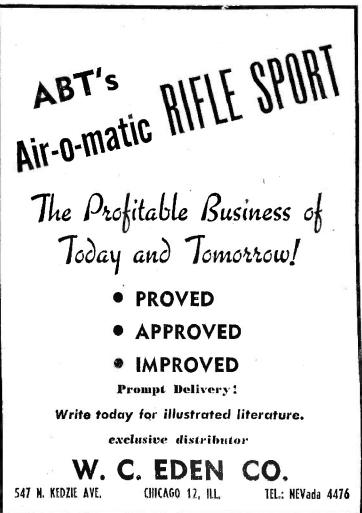
engineer, it was announced. Firm will manufacture candy and popcorn machines and kettles. Present plant and equipment represent a \$30,000 investment, it was reported.

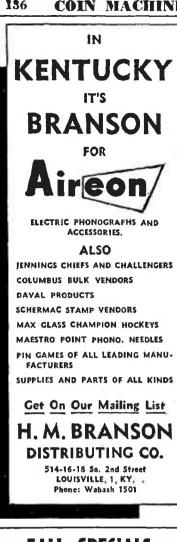
#### Shapiro Resigns in Buffalo BUFFALO, Oct. 19.—Al Bergman, Alfred Sales, Inc., announced this week that Bernie Shapiro has resigned from the firm and is no longer connected with the organization.

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LATEST COIN LAUNDRY opening in Philadelphia was attended by premiere festivities, including on-the-spot radio interview broadcast over Station WDAS. At mike (left to right) are Bernie Denmark, local representative of Telecoin Corportion; Elizabeth Rogers, home service director of Raymond Rosen & Company, distributors for washing machines used, and Patrick J. Stanton, program director for WDAS. Operator of the launderette, not shown in photo, is Edward Kramer.







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## Lew London Horse Plucks Two Champ Ratings in Month

The Billboard

READING, Pa., Oct. 19.—"London's Folly," five-gaited chestnut gelding owned by coinman Lewis London, continued his championship career in two Pennsylvania horse shows this month. Coin machine distributor, who heads Leader Salcs & Distributing Company here in Dallas, is seen



astride his famed mount in the accompanying photograph.

London saw "Folly" win for the London saw "Folly" win for the third consecutive year the five-gaited grand championship at the Chester County Horse Show. Three-year victory retired the Dilwyne Farms Challenge Trophy for London.

On top of this victory "Folly" picked up another five-gaited grand championship a few days later at the annual Bellewood Horse Show, staged on the Edward L. Gruber estate near Pottsville. He also won the five-gaited gelding and stallion stake at this event.

Early next month London will take his champ into big-league circles showing him at the National Horse Show at Madison Square Garden, New York.

### **Klein Holds Service** School in Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 19.-A service MILWAUKEE, Oct. 19.—A service school for juke operators will be held at the Klein Distributing Company here October 20-21, with a factory representative from Aireon present, Harold H. Klein, head of the firm announced this week. Klein said that refreshments will be served to those who attend. Factory representative will be present from Aireon Manu-facturing Company, for which firm

## **Returns on Wis. Cig** Tax at 12-Year Peak

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 19.-Revenue collected from liquor, beer and ciga-rettes reached a 12-year high, ac-cording to a report this week by the State Beverage and Cigarette Tax Division for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946.

This was despite the fact that 28 per cent of the State's area, which contains 11 per cent of the population, prohibits the sale of beer and intoxi cating liquor, according to John W. Roach, chief of the Beverage and Cigarette Tax Division.

Revenue collected from the sale of cigarettes brought \$5,285,840 against \$3,627,424 in the previous year, according to the report.

## **T. Heaton Gets Change-Making** Vender Patent

BLYTHEVILLE, Ark., Oct. 19.-Thomas L. Heaton, local vesident, has been granted a patent on a coin-operated vending and change-mak-ing machine now available for licensing or sale, it was announced this week in Washington.

According to the announcement in the Official Gazette of the United States Patent Office, the machine is intended for use as a newspaper or magazine vender.

The gazette's description of the machine read, "The article is par-tially projected thru a normal opening and grasped by a customer. Ma-chine may be adjusted to function by the insertion of either a nickel, dime or three pennies. May also be ad-justed to return two cents change upon insertion of a nickel. Two sep-arate slots are opened and closed by slides. If wrong coins are inserted, they will drop into housing without operating or jamming machine."

## **Minneapolis Firms Open Two Automatic** Laundries; More Due

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 19 .- Indications are that washday woes of local housewives will soon go swirling down the drain as two franchises for coin-operated automatic laundries were granted here this week with the probability that more would be in operation soon.

Mrs. W. Hardigan has established a Laundrette, trade name of Tele-coin Corporation's nationwide string of self-service laundries, at 14 West 26th Street.

Leonard E. Atlas, returned veteran of three years in the European the-ater, will operate Automatic Laundry Service at 1711 Fourth Avenue South.

Each of the self-service laundries has installed 20 automatic washing machines. Customers will rent one or more of them with soap and soft water furnished without charge. Each machine can complete a 10pound wash in 30 minutes.

#### Latest Type Machines

Machines in both laundries are of the latest type, with automatic water damp dry the clothes by centrifugal force.

In order to avoid waiting, an appointment system has been worked out at both establishments which will remain open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Machines can handle 400 washings daily.

According to the operators, firms expect to have as many men and expect to have as many men and children as women customers. Auto-matic laundries permit women to complete their shopping while the washing is being done, they point out. Mrs. Hardigan as mother of five children had a personal interest in simplifying washday routine, she caid said.

Telecoin Corporation, founded by Eugene R. Rarney and Arthur W. Percival, operates about 75 estab-lishments in New York and about one-third that number in Chicago in eddition to other the second for the second addition to other types of coin-op-erated vending machines.

#### Auto Coin Files in Conn.

HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 19. — Trade name has been filed at town clerk's office at Waterbury, Conn., for Automatic Coin Company, Waterbury, by Charles Summa, 122 Rose-land Avenue, and Dante Navarra, 53 Wildwood Avenue, both of that city.







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(Continuel from page 23) rumba instructions, drawings and photographs of a couple in action serve to make the lessons clearer and on the Vogue picture disks themselves, other designs show how the cardboard feet should be laid out. Set looks like a good commercial offering.

#### SOCIETY RHUMBAS (Vogue Album V-104)

Right away, plaudits should be handed to the Vogue method of packaging. Album is closed in all sides except the top side, which keeps the album covers from flying open unexpectedly. Records are lifted out from the top, and printed tabs help one locate the position of each disk in the set without the necessity of emptying the album. All rumbas in the set are composed by Paul Shahin, Chicago radio teacher of Latin dancing, and the album is probably designed to tie-in with over-the-counter sales of Vogue's How to Dance the Rumba album. Tunes themselves are pretty mediocre but are given colorful and melodic treatment by Dick La-Salle and his society crew. Bouncey Latin dance beat is highly accentuater thruout, and the disks would peddle well at swanky locations where the payees like to shake their hips. Recording, as usual with Vogue product, is clear and well balanced and grooves are free of surface noise. Piano kicks off each of the four sides and maraccas are heard plentifully. Tunes are It's Always You (Siempre Eres Tu), Let Me Take You in My Arnns (Quierote En Mis Brazos), Give Me All of Your Heart (Dame Tu Corazou) and I Dreamed About You Last Night (Cantigo Anoche Sone).

#### TICK-TOCK-TALE (Sonora Album:

Sonora 1144-5-6

Material in this album is adapted from the radio program, Storyland Theater, which presents musical dramas designed for the kiddles. This directed by Jules Werner, while music is composed and conducted by Paul Creston—currently musical director of the Hour of Faith seg on ABC. Story is laid in an imaginary clock shop in Switzerland, where all the clocks and watches come to life after hours. Swiss watches are pictured as a snooty group, which refuse to let the "poor, little American walch" join their Tick-Tock Club. Then, the their Tick-Tock Club. Then, the American watch explains why it is so battered and the tale gives proof of such gallantry that the other time-pieces admit it to membership. Simple story is built into a production, which occupies six 10-inch sides. Interpo-lations by Narrator Craig McDonnell and inusical effects by the orchestra inject dramatic pauses and high-lights into the scripting. Use of an echo chamber adequately conveys the impression of vastness in the old shop. Story lacks the frightening, gory de-tails of the usual fairy tales, but manages to preach a far-from-pedantic moral against snobbery. Whether moral against snobbery. Whether kiddles will be able to focus their at-tention for the full length of the album is hard to say, and shortening of the plot to four sides would have helped immensely. Acting credits also go to Mae Questel, Bill Keene, Bill Wyatt, Michael Artist, Eta Reiss Marin, Ken Tower and Francois Grimmard Grimmard.

#### CONTINENTAL GAIETIES

(Victor International Set S-45)

This is nostalgic needling capturing—for the most part-the gayety and romance of the Old Continent. Henri Rene, who produced and directed the cutting of this package of 10 sides, has gathered together a company of instrumentalists and

singers that almost turn out a perfect performance. Fiddler Mischa Borr, conducting orchestra and chorus, establishes the mood with a potpourri Overture of familiar European folk melodies, for which basso S. Strelkoff and soprano Johanne Morland add vocal color. And to showcase his own gypsy fiddling, Borr fairly excites with a Roumanian Medley of bittersweet Romany songs. There is also instrumental brilliance in the mood-inspiring guitar solos of Mirko for the waltzes Adelita and Grandma's Music Box. Basso Sidor Belarsky, a familiar voice on foreign language waxings, fairly steals the spotlight with his stirring singing of Poliusho, the popular Russo Meadowlands. Songbird Blanka adds more vocal color as she pipes the Yugoslav melodies with a delicate Continental air. Impresses on all counts with Mare Moja and adding English lyrics without dispelling the impression for Tamo Daleko and Ko' Lepi San, all folk chanties. Also in this company is the low-voiced Greta Keller singing in French for Plaisir d'Amour and in German for the tango Der Wind Hat Mir Ein Lied Erzahlt. However, the Continental chanteuse just ain't there. Her intonation is bad, so much so, that she sounds out of tune most of the time. However, there is more than enough in the efforts of the others to make this a desirable disk package for the nostalgic-seeking needler. Colorful drawing for the album cover captures the spirit of the songs. Front and back inside covers carry photographs of the participating artists with notes on the selections they offer.

PETER RABBIT—Narrated by Gene Kelly (Columbia MI-30)

To meet the demand for children's records, particularly for Christmas storyteller. This is the familiar fable of *Peter Rabbit*, the mischevious cottontail. Story was adapted for wax by Nancy Sokoloff, with mood music created by Herbert Haufrecht and played by Paul Affelder. Kelly takes his storytelling seriously, giving it a heavy reading talking down rather than to the moppets. However, the saga is a desired one by the kids. And if not too young, will be able to follow Kelly in unfolding the tale over four sides. Double envelope carries the two disks, with the story synopsis taking up the center spread. Envelope pages profusely illustrated.

#### VAUGHN MONROE'S DREAMLAND SPECIAL (Victor P-160)

Augmenting his band with a string section and harp, the Vaughn Monroe music is all the more becoming for this package of eight selections geared to the "dream ditty" theme. And while the maestro's vocal efforts, along with assist from the Norton Sisters and the Moon Maids, dominate the disking, the singing spins to better advantage in this instrumental setting which shows fuller body and richer color in the band. All the selections are familiar "dream" songs and Monroe sings and plays them with a high degree of freshness. In a bright tempo, packages *I'll See You in My Dreams*, Drifting and Dreaming, Did You Ever See a Dream Walking?, I've Got a Pocketful of Dreams, Dream, My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time, and in the three-quarter tempo, Meet Me Tonight in Dreamland and My Isle of Golden Dreams. All the selections familiar and rich in melody content, making it an all-themore-desired package, which should also prove potent for juke box spinning. Album cover design plays down the "dream" angle. But since (See Album Reviews on page 138)



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## **Robertson** Expands Nova Scotia Phono **Distributing Firm**

KENTVILLE, N. S., Oct. 19 .-Automobile man, Fred Robertson, has expanded his coin machine business in a big way here. He has erected an addition to a building now housing his car trade. Robertson says he will use the added space as a display room, service shop and storage area for coin-operated machines, concentrating on juke boxes.

He has been distributing the devices thru Annapolis Valley, where activity is now at its peak because the apple and vegetable crops are now being harvested, packed, canned and processed. Valley is widely known as being one of the largest apple producing areas in the world. Robertson, who claims that his coin facilities are the most ornate in the provinces, recently was visited by Frank Hanlon, Halifax's veteran coinman. Meeting revolved around a new coin-operated machine which Hanlon plans to introduce this fall to Nova Scotla.



## **Currency** in Use Up 78 Million \$\$

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.-Federal Reserve Board reported that money in circulation had increased by \$78,-000,000 during the week ended October 2. Rise more than offset the aggregate decline in the three previous weeks of \$58,000,000, and lifted the total currency in use to \$28,526,-000.000.

Institute of Life Insurance, reporting on a study based on figures compiled from government and private sources, declared that the American people had accumulated around \$150,000,000,000 in long-term savings. Amount is more than two and one-half times the total at the end of 1939, and is about one-fifth great-er than the total record-breaking consumer spending this year, which the government estimated at \$120,-000,000.

Nest egg, according to the insti-tute, was exceeded by the national income in only three years, 1944 to the present.

#### ALBUM REVIEWS

(Continued from page 137) it plays up a face photo of the maestro, that means more as an attentiongetter.

## SPIRITUALS—Selah Jubilee Quartet (Continental No. 36)

One of the better of the gospel singing groups coming out of the shellacked grooves, their earthy qual-ities and rhythmic feel make this an attractive package for those seek-ing out the Negro spirituals. Selah singers, male foursome, blend their voices well to bring out all of the inspirational qualities of the six spir-ituals contained here. Tempos vary, but in each case their voices sustain the rhythmic flow. Selections are all standard spirituals, taking in I Selections are Need Jesus in My Dying Hour, Jesus Cares, Noah, Dry Bones, Selah Gos-pel Train and Jesus, I Love You. Records shipped for review without the album jacket.

#### NEW VARIETY ALBUM-with Songs by Franklin Wade (Master. 500-1-2-3-4)

This package of 10 Western and This package of 10 western, and hillbilly sides is a one-time shot by Franklin Wade to promote his own tunes, of which there are seven in this album. However, it will take more than an album cover to make these sides catch on. Music making is in the keeping of Shorty Warren and his Western Rangers, the usual and his Western Rangers, the usual set-up of fiddle, guitars, bass and ac-cordion. Best of the 10 sides is Jim-my Davis's tuneful waitz melody, *Riding Down the Arizona Trail*, for which Smoky and Hank out of the Rangers crew add lyrical attraction. Franklin Wade sings his own songs, adding a lick of yodeling to some scores. However, neither his piping por the tunes themselves reaches bescores. However, neither his piping nor the tunes themselves reaches be-yond the mill run levels. Of his seven, Dear Old Dixie Moon spins best, lacking vocal qualities and any appreciable degree of outdoor charm for his Blue Bird Lane, Will You Meet Me Tonight?, My Baby Loves Me, or the waltz, When My Wonder-ful Dreams Come True. Nor does he fare any better for In the Valley of the Ozarks or Louisiana, for which Mary, Shoemaker joins him with un-Mary, Shoemaker joins him with unearthy soprano piping. Remaining two sides from outside folios fare a two sides from outside folios fare a bit better, with the trio out of the accompanying string band (Shorty, Hauk and Smoky) singing Jimmy Davis's Columbus Stockade Blues and the Detour hit. Ten such sides are a heavy' dosage for anyone to take. Album cover features full-length photo of Franklin Wade strumming his guitar and includes the 10 titles. his guitar and includes the 10 titles. new department.

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## **Reefer Truck To Transport Frozen** Foods

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Patented by Willard L. Morrison, of suburban Lake Forest, a new type of refrigerat-ed truck is expected to facilitate transportation of frozen foods, ice cream and other products requiring extreme cold.

Inadequacy of present types of refrigerated trucks has heretofore made it impractical to ship frozen foods or ice cream over long distances by road, and the extreme scarcity of rail-road "reefers" has limited rail transportation.

Use of the new truck will enable processors to quick-freeze produce at the point of production for highwav transport to markets, Morrison said.

#### **Truck Divided**

According to specifications, the truck body is divided into two parts by an aisle down the center which permits working space for the at-tendant. Common housings on either side hold cylindrical containers which are refrigerated, with all intervening space insulated.

Two independent refrigerating erated by motion of the vehicle. The new truck will make it possible to maintain required temperature for longer periods of time than is per-mitted by those now in use.

According to members of the ice cream and frozen food industries, transportation problems arising from the freight car shortage and lack of adequate truck refrigerators has been a factor in holding up speedier expansion of the fast-mushrooming business.

### **REWA Develops New** Distribution Plan To Speed Delivery

CHICAGO, Oct. 19 .--- A wartime system developed by the refrigeration system developed by the reingeration industry to insure fast distribution of parts has proved its value in peacetime, as strikes and material shortages delayed production, it was announced here this week.

The plan was organized by mem-bers of the Refrigeration Equipment Wholesalers' Association, who agreed to maintain even distribution and supply in all parts of the country. System is given credit for keeping pre-war equipment in operation while the industry was dealing with the reconversion tasks.

"The task performed by the re-frigeration wholesalers has given our members the opportunity to get pro-duction under way on a long range quality basis to meet the large back-log of orders," said a statement by the Refrigeration Equipment Manu-

facturers' Association. Distribution system, now improved according to the association, would result in speedy and efficient servic-ing of air conditioning equipment as soon as that industry begins produc-ing ing.

#### Plymouth Gets M-G-M Disks

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 19.—The Plymouth Electric Company an-nounced recently that it has been appointed a distributor of MGM Rec-ords. Disks feature voices of movie stars under contract to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Connecticut, Western Massachu-

setts and lower Vermont comprise Plymouth's territory. Richard J. MacCatherine will be in charge of the cpy iff in

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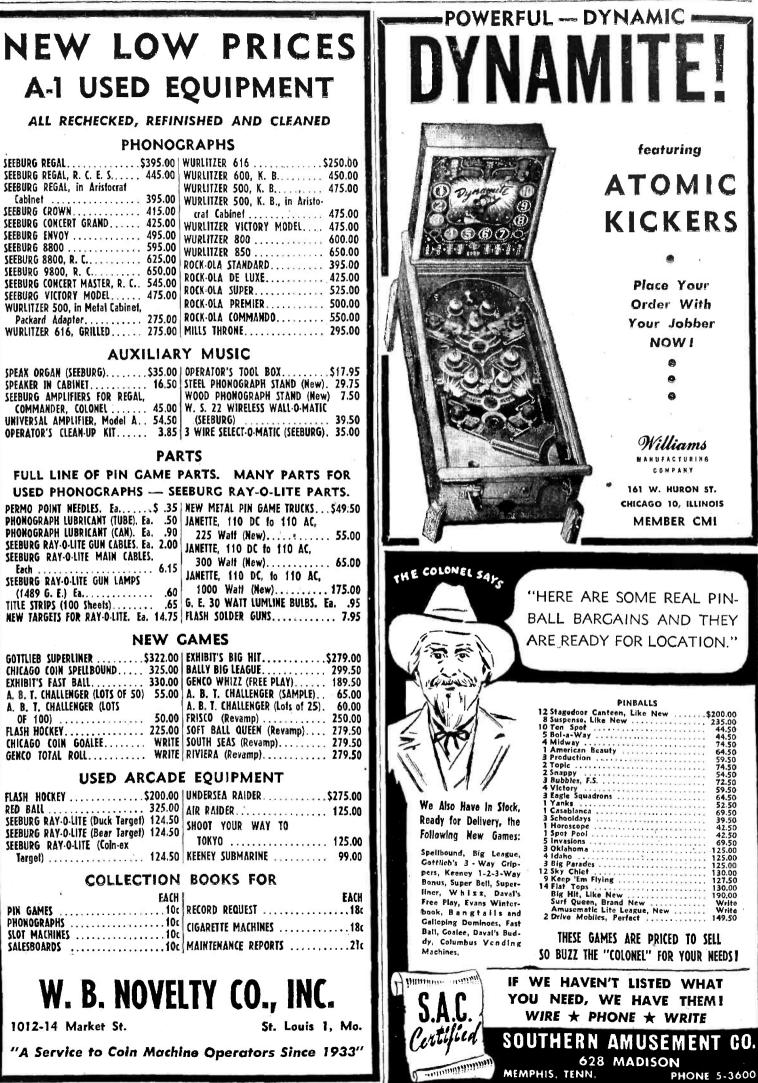
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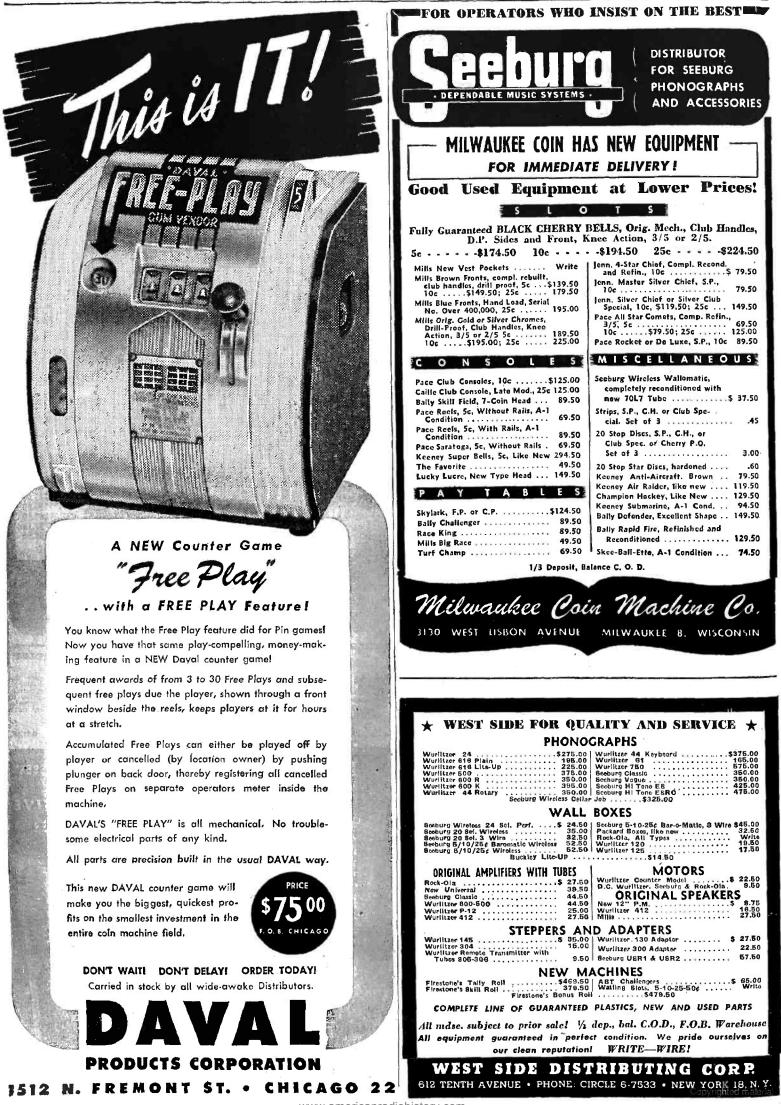
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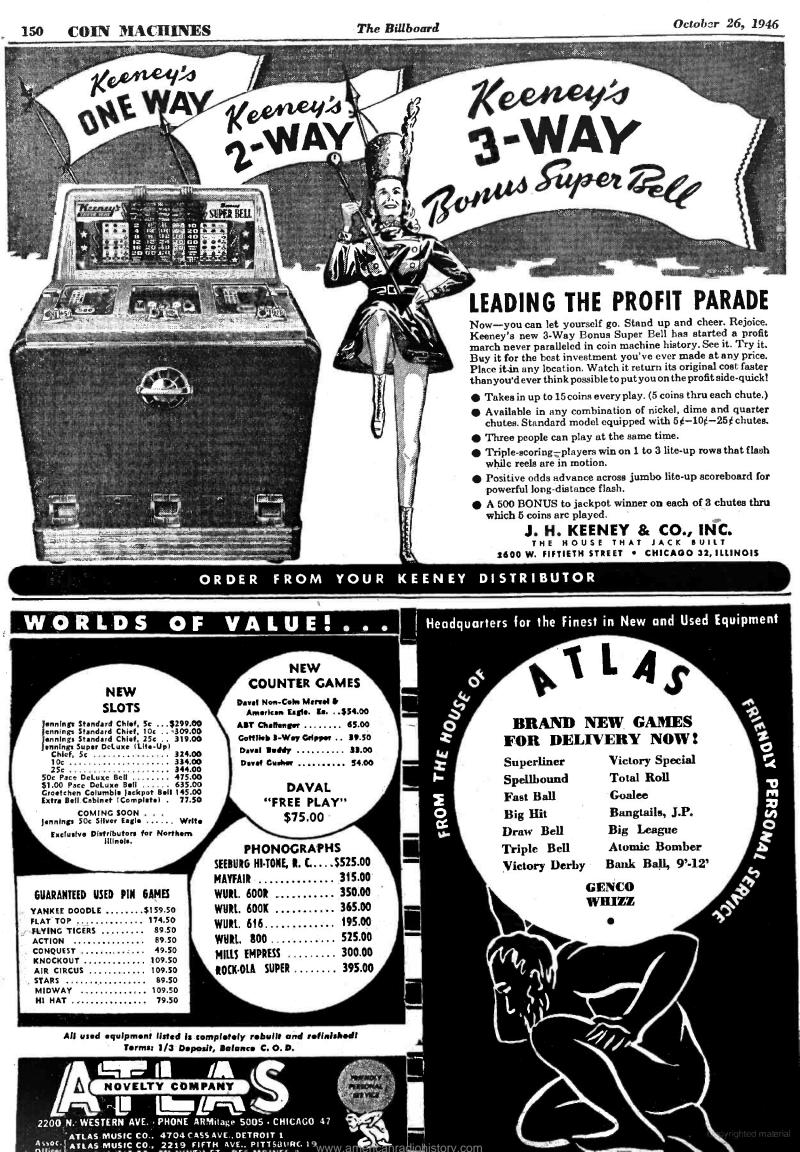
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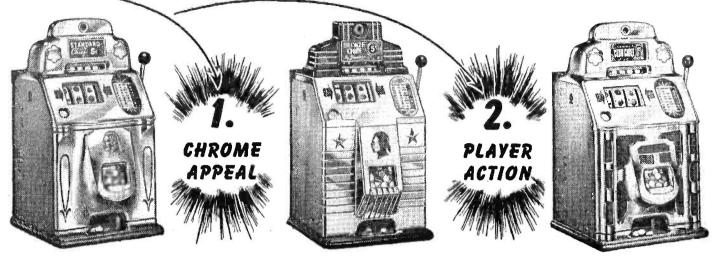


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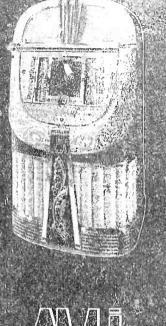
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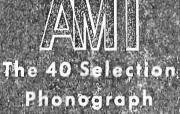
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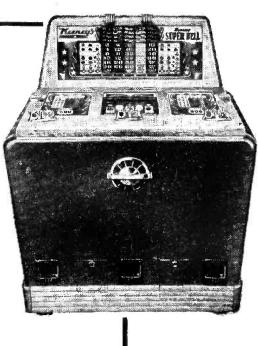
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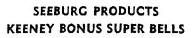
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Beautiful interior of Carter's Cocktail Lounge



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