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MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RACE RECORDS 1946-1947

Listed below is a 78 week compilation of standings of Louis Jordan records in the 'Most -Played Juke Box Race Records Chart, based on Billboards weekly survey among juke box operators.

THE RECORD	IS PLACE	2nd PLACE	3nd PLACE
AINT NOBODY HERE BUT US CHICEENS	18 Weeks	3 Weeks	2Week
CHOO CHOOGIE	18 Weeks	3 Wheeks	2 Weeks
BOOGIE WOOGIE BLUE PLATE	14 Weks	4 Weeks	
JACK YOU'RE DEAD	7 Weeks	4 Weeks	6 Weeks
STONE COLD CEAD IN THE MARKET	5Weeks	6 Weeks	5 Neeks
TEXAS AND PACIFIC	2 Weeks	l Weeks	5 ¥ceks
AIN'T THAT JUST LIKE A WOM	2 Weeks	11 Weeks	2 Weeks
LET THE GOOD TIMES	***************************************	4 Weeks	5 Weeks
OPEN THE DOOR RICHA		4 Weeks	l Week
THAT CHICK'S TO YOUNG TO	<u>Anna - 19 anna - 20 a</u>	****	8 Weeks
EARLY IN THE MOP	***************************************	*******	3 Weeks

66 Weeks

40 Weeks

39 Weeks

As if he needed a reminder that his Decca disks are potent nickel-pullers on the jukes, not to mention over-the-counter sales and disk-jockey plays, Louis Jordan is presented with a blown-up box score of win, place and show standings of his Decca platters for 1946-1947 in the Juke Box section of The Billboard's Music Popularity Charts. The scoreboard was presented to Jordan by Personal Manager Beile Adams (right) and Pic Director Bud Pollard (left) on the set during shooting of Jordan's third full-length feature film, "Look Out, Sister, Look Out." Adams is also producer of the Jordan films, and Pollard directs. Pix are beleased thru R. M. Savini's Astor Pictures Corporation.



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This statement was made last September by a new Manley owner who had just operated his machine during July and August of 1947. When you consider the fact that approximately 80% of that gross is straight profit — it's easy to see that he netted around \$150 per week

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Kenton Again Niteries Find Biz Hypodermic Bing Captures; In Rumba and Celeb Nights Wins in 10th **College Poll**

More Results Next Week

NEW YORK, March 27.—Kenton's king of the ork division for the second consecutive year, according to results of *The Billboard*'s 10th Annual College Poll. His progressive jazz proved to be the face among 421 colleges to be the fave among 421 colleges, junior colleges and prep schools which participated in this year's poll. Some 1,250 questionnaires were mailed out and the returns represented about a 19 per cent coverage, which is far better than an adequate return in poll-taking. The Billboard this week is cases based on campus-conducted (See Rah Rahs Go on page 16)

The Winnahs! NEW YORK, March 27.-Give a good substantial look! Top bard, male singer and gal chirp as voted by America's colleges in *The Billboard's* 10th annual poll of college music tastes: No. 1 band—Stan Kenton.

- No. 1 male singer-Bing Crosby. No. 1 fem singer-Peggy Lee.

For detailed tabulations in these and other categories, see the Music Department of this issue.

-By Bill Smith

to hypo declining nitery biz have been tried time and again. Some had a temporary effect and others didn't even register. The only two stunts that have stood the test of time are celeb nights and the more recent one, rumba nights.

recent one, rumba hights. The rumba pitch, which is used under various guises, got its greatest impetus from dance teachers and their pupils who followed various Latin bands around. The Havana-Madrid probably was the first cafe to put these rumba things on a com-mercial basis and make them pay off. Since then there have been many others that have gone for it. The most recent additions are the The most recent additions are the China Doll, which has put in Noro Morales, and the Ebony, which has Marcelino Guerra on the stand.

L. Q. Next

L. Q. Next The latest impending recruit to the rumba contingent is Lou Walters' Latin Quarter. The club has Pupi Campo coming in, and Walters, who can add as well as the next one, has started dickering for a rumba session. But instead of limiting his plan to one night a week, he wants it to run for a full week. The idea is to have various dancing teachers put on exhibitions between shows to serve a double purpose: Keep cus-tomers longer and attract new ones. The Latin dance craze got its great-est lift from Jeri Gerardo, formerly the male half of the ballroom team, the male half of the ballroom team, the Gerardos. Gerardo installed the gimmick at the Havana-Madrid, put-ting it on at the end of the set show. consisted of exhibitions,

NEW YORK, March 27.-Gimmicks | ner; introduction of various rumba teachers who also did an exhibition, and wound up with Latin jitterbugs doing an exciting finale. The fact that the gimmerk paid off

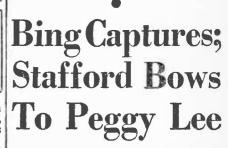
was evidenced in cash register takes and soon spread to other clubs. Gerardo, now associated with Ann Lano, who in turn has quite a rep as

Lano, who in turn has quite a rep as a teacher, works the plan as follows: They get a minimum of \$100 a night from the op who also furnishes a teacher's table. Different teachers have a night each week. They drag along their pupils, who in turn take other people with them. The only (See Niteries Find Biz on page 4)

25 Get Wing Awards in N.Y.

NEW YORK, March 29. — Local theaterdom overflowed the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria last night for the second annual presentation of the Antoinette Perry Awards, sponsored by the American Theater Wing, in memory of its late chairman and secretary. Some 25 recipients accepted their "Tonys" which are not awarded for "firsts" or "bests" but for cuttornding contributions to the for outstanding contributions to the arts, crafts and business of the theater during the current season. The committee distributed honors

Tandy (Streetcar), Katharine Cornell (Cleopatra), Paul Kelly (Command Decision), Basil Rathbone (Heiress), at the exhibitions, audience Henry Fonda (Mr. Roberts) for dis-participation, with a prize to the win- (See THEATER WING on page 40)



Sinatra Hits Toboggan

NEW YORK, March 27.—By their records ye shall know them. That's the campaign slogan of the singers division in *The Billboard's* 10th An-nual College Poll. Bing Crosby, who probably enjoyed his biggest sales year on wax in '47, won the kampus kid kudos in the male sweepstakes, while Peggy Lee, with a late '47 and early '48 surge on disks via Golden Earrings, Manana and I'll Dance at Your Wedding, brought home the Oscar in the fem chirp bracket. Voting for the male fave evidenced that Frank Sinatra's star has faded considerably in the past year's top (See "Sing Bing" on page 17) v

Showbiz Taxes In Feb. Slump

WASHINGTON, March 27. — The amusement business is still on the skids compared with last year, Feb-ruary tax collection returns indicated this week. The Bureau of Internal Revenue reported that only the levy on phono sets and radios increased over February, 1947.

Collections on admissions to the-aters and cabarets hit a post-war low of \$29,662.665, a drop of some \$4,500,-000 from the previous February. Tax receipts from disks, coin machines, cigarettes and liquors also slumped. Revenue Bureau Collections

	Feb. 1948	Feb. 1947
Liquors	\$162,631,129	\$178,867,616
Cigarettes	88,747,669	99,172,401
Admissions	29,662,665	34,243,592
Radios, Phonos	6,173,908	4,823,700
Disks	750,148	801,276
Coin Machines	274,461	320,260

Club Beef

WASHINGTON, March 27.—In-vestigating three stations controlled by G. A. Richards in Los Angeles, Detroit and Cleveland as the result of news slanting charges leveled 'against Richards (*The Billboard*. March 6, 13, 20, 27) at KMPC in Los Angeles, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is not only study-ing the current charges but has also Commission (FCC) is not only study-ing the current charges but has also undertaken an exhaustive survey of its records of the "case history" of each of the stations. The FCC's in-vestigators, it was learned, have al-ready dug up the almost forgotten fact that KMPC was the subject of a hearing on a renewal bid shortly after Richards became owner in 1937.



FCC DIGS INTO KMPC C

Gets Action 3 Stations Studied WASHINGTON, March 27.—In-vestigating three stations controlled by G. A. Richards in Los Angeles, Detroit and Cleveland as the result of news slanting charges leveled against Richards (*The Billboard*.) NEW YORK, March 27.—Further evidence of the spread to these h'yar parts of hillbilly and folk music is chirp Esmereldy's first theater tour which tees off April 23 at the State Theater in Hartford, Conn. The yodel-thrush (who waxes for Musi-craft) is reported drawing \$1,000 weekly for her solo theater dates, which so far include the Hartford stand, April 23-25; the Adams Theater, Newark, N. J., the week of April 28, and a week's run at the Hippodrome Theater, Baltimore, starting May 5.

The commission at that time reported The commission at that time reported that investigation disclosed some pro-gram announcement "of doubtful public merit." but the FCC granted the KMPC renewal, explaining: "Present indications are that here-after greater care will be exercised in the selection of program material." Altho it has been known for sev-eral days that the FCC was investi-(See FCC Digging on page 11)

Shot in Arm Needed

GermanVaude

Limps Along;

BERLIN, March 27. — The main trouble with German vaude seems to be the inability of houses to come up with something new, something the customers haven't seen time and again. Berlin, once the mecca of acts touring the Continent, is now given the go-by, mainly for political rea-sons. sons.

sons. The American sponsored Titania, run by American Special Service, opened its February show, a Charles D. McIntosh production, *Rhythms* of 1948, and got a fairly good play. The show has novelties, some comedy, music and a ballet. Being run by Americans, the house has made some attempt to bring in something new, (See German Vaude Limps, page 4)

Lacks Novelty Filmster J. Moran **Tops Oatuner Tour**

> HOLLYWOOD, March 27.—Head-lining a show combining bobby-soxer draw and Western specialties, filmster Jack Moran headed east over the week end accompanied by agent week end accompanied by agent Richard Wiley for a series of personal appearance dates with a show fea-turing oatuners Wesley Tuttle. the Texas' Stars and the Milo Twins, Capitol waxery artists.

Tour handled by Philadelphia booker Jolly Joyce, kicks off in Nash-ville, following appearance of Tuttle on *Grand Ole Opry*, and takes in dates along Eastern Seaboard includ-ing stand in Washington, during first week of May. Compact score of dates in Texas area are also being rigged by Dallas disk jock, Hal Horton.

GENERAL NEWS

Coin Record

Only 916G Paid in '46

NEW YORK, March 27.—Making a comeback last year and reaping a golden harvest, legit has plucked \$4,580.000 from Hollywood films for

scripts. This is the top money year since 1940 and might be the top since

the Coast went after scripts as movie material. The year before the pic-

material. The year before the pite-ture outfits paid out only 916G, the low for several years, as against near-ly \$2,000.000 in 1945 and \$3,000,000 in 1944. Previous cabbage devoured by legit had been \$1,318,000 in 1940-

'41: \$1,990,500 in 1941-'42, and \$1,-122,500 in 1942-'43. These figures are not the total amounts paid for the plays, as in many cases they reflect only down payments with substantial adjustments upward if the pictures

made from the scripts were winners.

In addition, last year saw two plays bought for astronomical amounts. Born Yesterday and Harvey each were worth paying \$1.000,000 to ob-tain. This is another figure that hasn't been topped. Yesterday was

hasn't been topped. Yesterday was bought by Columbia as a vehicle for Rita Hayworth, and Universal will have its pick of the top stars in Hol-

Pre-Production Deals

However, the situation isn't all sun-

shine from the legit producers angle. A study reveals that pre-production deals, which during the war years were the answers to a manager's prayer, have become a thing of the past. Last season only Command De-

cision rated a pre-production deal and that for 100G. The reason was

(See PIX PAY \$4,580,000 on page 40)

lywood for Harvey.

Legit Reaps Boff Pic Dough 4,580,000Seeburg's Industrial Music CHICAGO, March 27 .- With first showings of its industrial-**Cracks Script**

commercial music system scheduled for early next week (The Billboard, March 27), the J. P. Seeburg Corporation this week revealed details of the non-coin-operated mechanism which will diversify See-burg distributors' music line and may offer music operators a com-petitive weapon in better-class locations where Muzak, World Broad-casting and similar commercial systems are now dominant. At the same time, Seeburg announced a national advertising cam-paign to push the product in newspapers and general circulation magazines. First advertisement will break in the April 10 issue of *The Saturday Evening Post*, full page, black and white. The music system will be sold exclusively by established Seeburg distributors as part of the company's long-range program to diversify board, March 27), the J. P. Seeburg Corporation this week revealed

distributors as part of the company's long-range program to diversify the types of music equipment its distributors handle and to tap mar-kets which could not be reached with the firm's coin-operated phonographs:

graphs: Two basic models of the Seeburg industrial-commercial unit will be displayed at next week's showings. Heart of the unit is the record selecting and reproducing mechanism which Seeburg calls the Select-o-Matic "200" library. The Select-o-Matic plays records vertically, offers up to 14 hours of continuous music without repetition and pro-vides instant choice, or pre-programing, of any one or all of the 200

(See Unveil New on page 103)

Niteries Find Biz Hypodermic In Rumba and Celeb Nights

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concession the teachers get is a lift-ing of the minimum, which in many cases is meaningless. They pay all tabs. It has been estimated that the cost to the club is about \$200 and for that it turns a dull night into almost a work-end big puller. week-end biz puller.

Must Run Eight Weeks

To be successful, however, the gim-mick has to be used for a minimum of eight weeks. If used less than that, its chances of catching on are slim. It has become almost a stand-ard at the Havana-Madrid (Tuesday wirkter) where its success is evident nights), where its success is evident. The celeb night is older and prob-ably lends itself to greater publicity.

Leon and Eddie's celeb nights are probably the oldest, and the club's Sunday night has become almost a tradition. A major part of its success is due to the emseeing of Eddie Davis. When Davis had the celeb night all to himself ... e made quite a thing of it. Today at least two other Stem spots use it regularly and have taken the edge off Leon and Eddie's.

The gimmick behind celeb nights was ostensibly to give new talent a chance to be seen. This meant that buyers and agents would have to be

present. In some cases this had been true and occasionally some kid did get a job out of a celeb night. But basically the idea was to sell drinks. Like similar stunts, this one depended on longevity. If it was used often enough to become established, it made a buck.

Alpert Turns Trick

Alpert Turns Trick The major problem was to get celebs who would pull. And that in turn brought o⁺⁺ the emsee who could get the names. The most success-ful (outside of Davis) in recent months has been Mickey Alpert at the Havana-Madrid. He runs the things Monday nights, usually one of the worst nitery days of the week, and jams the joint until closing. La Martinique has Harry Morton (who also is the booker there) to put on shows Sunday nights. Celeb nights, however, don't come

on shows Sunday nights. Celeb nigh s, however, don't come cheap. First there is an annual fee to American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) that mounts into the thou-stands. Then the actors who go on outside of the celeb and his pals expect their checks to be picked up. But despite its financial obstacles it makes a buck, and making enough bucks keeps niteries open.

4 Labels	Join
Scramble	Over
"Girl Jula	vda"

NEW YORK, March 27 .- A tidy music publisher scramble appears to be brewing over rights to a promising polka, My Girl Friend Julayda. Origpolka, My Girl Friend Julayda. Orig-inally released via a harmonia wax-ing by Walter Solek which caused some small stir, the public domain melody has now popped up on three other small labels with different lyrics. The original version was picked for publication by Melling Music, Inc., a Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI) licensed outlet, from the BMI pubbery. This version has lyrics by Solek set to the melody of an old Solek set to the melody of an old Polish folk song.

Polish folk song. Meanwhile Vogue Music, BMI sub-sidiary of the E. H. (Buddy) Morris pub holdings, this week picked up Dana Records' version of the ditty which is titled Julida Polka, My Girl Friend Julida. Other versions of the polka are due out on the Continental and De Luxe labels. When word got around about the

and De Luxe labels. When word got around about the Vogue acquisition, Mellin sent a let-ter of claim to that pubbery stating that any similarity in part on tille to the Mellin song would constitute un-fair competition as well as a violation of the Copyright Act of 1909. In addition to peddling pubbing rights to their Julida the Dana disk-ery turned over four other tunes for publication. Diskery gave Evening Bells to the Morris firm, My Irish Colleen and Schone Madel to Tommy Balando's Laurel Music pubbery and You're Mine to Triboro Music. All four have waxings on the Dana label.

GERMAN VAUDE LIMPS

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(Continued from page 3) but critical press notices have hurt it. The Friedrichstadt Palast, in the Russian zone, started its February show with acts, but 50 per cent of the running time is given over to ballet. Taking a page out of the Scala which was the first German theater to buy a foreign act (Joe Roth (American) last December), the Friedrichstadt bought Myria Denny from the Casino De Paris to start its spring season. The gal is unknown here, but with bookers screaming for new or fresh talent, it is expected she'll click.

Showbiz people here, those still Showbiz people here, those suil left, feel that good vaude, particularly strong novelties will give the biz a shot in the arm. Erich Carew, one of Berlin's best known comics who op-erated his own house, Carow's Lach-buene, for 12 years, is busy looking for another spot to start over again. for another spot to start over again. His old theater was destroyed by an

air raid in 1943. The only other big-time vaude houses here, the Scala, is holding up fairly well with its monthly flesh changes and long-run flicker policies.

Newark Bares Fangs For Bite on Showbiz

NEWARK, March 27 .--- City com-missioners are considering a proposed ordinance for socking higher taxes on all forms of charged amusement in an effort to hike the revenue \$2,000,000.

The proposal suggests three ways to collect the dough—either by a per-centage of receipts, or by a flat 5-cent admission fee or by a graduating scale of 2 cents on 25-cent tix to 10 cents on the buck ducats.

For all regularly licensed orgs, the ordinance would require monthly at-tendance reports. Any non-licensed shows playing here would have to obtain a permit issued by the public safety director 48 hours before open-ing and post \$100 bond for each day of skedded performance,

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 - A TREE IN THE MEADOW

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RADIO

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TV Duplication Brings Double AFRA Air Fee

NEW YORK, March 27.—Until an agreement is worked out between telecasters and the various actors' unions involved, members of the American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) who are working on radio shows being duplicated over television are being paid additional fees equal to the minimum AFRA broadcast scale. Tele fees, however, are based on straight broadcast rates without rehearsal fees.

AFRA's stand has been that duplication requires extra fees under union-network contracts. Deals are being worked out individually between employers and AFRA members. Now that the networks and AFRA

Now that the networks and AFRA are virtually set on renewal of their AM contracts, the television committee representing the various talent unions—legit, radio, film, variety and music—is planning to present its demands for a formal TV contract covering fees and working conditions.

Army Nulls Saphier Bid for "Command"

HOLLYWOOD, March 27.—Radio packager Jimmy Saphier has been given a polite "No" by the army in reply to his efforts to secure commercial rights to famed *Command Performance* airshow. Brig. Gen. C. T. Lanham, director of division of troop information and education, disclosed that Saphier's request has been nixed by government since such a move would have required sacrifice of rights and interests of G.I.'s overseas for whom show is designed. Saphier would not disclose name of prospective bank roller but said he hared to got army outhoritien to

Saphier would not disclose name of prospective bank roller but said he hoped to get army authorities to change decision in view of great interest show has stirred in commercial radio circles. ;

General Lanham also revealed that the total service being provided by Armed Forces Radio Service (AFRS) was now 10 per cent greater than the wartime peak. AFRS will become a permanent part of army and navy operations, with org committed to a five-year lease on new Hollywood headquarters.

Injunction Still On Vs. WJLB, Det

DETROIT, March 27.—An injunction barring the cancellation of all foreign-language programs by WJLB here was continued last week by Circuit Court Judge Ira W. Jayne, who refused to dismiss charges brought by 27 various foreign-language groups against the station. WJLB planned to end all foreign-language airers last month, but has been under injunction for some weeks. Edward N. Barnard, attorney for

Edward N. Barnard, attorney for the groups involved, stated that most of the contracts involved had until December to run. He also charged that the station's proposal was discriminatory, since it deprived foreign-language groups in Detroit access to radio. WJLB, he said, is the only station whose rate is within their means. Pending final adjudication, the shows are continuing on the air.

P. Morris Cigs Angle for Ace

NEW YORK, March 27.—P h i l i p Morris Cigarettes were reported hot this week for the new Goodman Ace show, *Mr. Ace and Jane.* The account, thru the Biow Agency, has been shopping around for a replacement for the Dinah Shore-Harry James program which shifts from the Columbia Broadcasting System to the National Broadcasting Company in a few weeks.

The price on the Ace show is said to be around \$5,000. The program has been given first-rate reviews since its debut a month or so ago. Meanwhile, Biow is reported dis-

satisfied with the Shore-James format and has been working toward some sort of a revamp.

E. T. Firms To Meet Re AFM

NEW YORK, March 27.—Library and open-end transcription companies will hold meetings Thursday (1) in New York to review the industry situation concerning the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) ban on recordings. The meetings will be held separately and will discuss moves the recording companies may make in view of the AFM's recent peace pact with broadcasters. One e. t. firm, Standard Radio, is planning legal action against the union.

Meanwhile, only five open-end companies are said to have agreed to contribute to an industry fund to fight the union. They are NBC Thesaurus, Fred Ziv, Harry S. Goodman, Lou Cowan and Transcription Sales

Ed Kirby's WMAK For Preem May 1

NASHVILLE, March 27.—WMAK, the new station owned by Ed Kirby and Frank Mayborn, is due to debut on or about May 1, the partners in the operation stated this week. The station will be affiliated with Mutual. Kirby is well known in broadcasting, having been with the National

Gotta Match?

NEW YORK, March 27. — Morey Amsterdam now does one show daily on WHN, New York; a television show each Friday on WNBT, New York; gags in Stop Me If You've Heard This; one on WOR-Mutual, and also works at his own coal-mine type nitery, the Playgoers. In addition, the Columbia Broadcasting System is building a new package around him, neatly disposing of his spare time. He also writes songs.

How many heads can you have?

Guests Replace YouthsforTexas

HOLLYWOOD, March 27.—Kudner Agency appears set to return to a name-guest format on its Texaco-Gordon MacRae airer, following the sudden exit of Alan Young from the Wednesday night show over American Broadcasting Company (ABC). Budget adjustments are to be made and approved by bankroller before new policy takes hold.

The Texaco airer, which originally starred Tony Martin, has been in trouble several times since its inception last year. Young quit the show Tuesday (23) contending that the 12 minutes allotted to comedy wasn't sufficient to give him proper build-up. Sponsor refused to sacrifice musical elements of Gordon MacRae and Evelyn Knight to highlight Young's stint. Break came on eve of switchover from Columbia Broadcasting System to ABC and at the start of Young's 26 week contract. Comic's agent, Jimmy Saphier, is offering Young as star of his own half hour comedy seg.

Association of Broadcasters for years and after that head of radio in the army's public relations bureau in general headquarters, Washington.

WMAK will be Nashville's fifth station, others being WSM (for whom Kirby was once press agent), WLAC, WSIX and WKDA.

J. Sparkman And Hill Push Surprise Move

Coy Favors Reappointment

WASHINGTON. March 27.—In a surprising political development now shaping up here, a new move to dratt Clifford J. Durr for reappointment to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is gaining considerable momentum. Necessarily, at this stage of developments, many of the events are still in the behind-thescenes status, altho it is known that Durr's newly gained support is coming from both political sides. His term expires June 30.

Ing from both political sides. His term expires June 30. Two of the key capital figures supporting Durr, it is said, are Senators Lister Hill and John Sparkman, Alabama Democrats. Altho both have recently voiced opposition to President Truman's renomination, political insiders say that this might well react in Durr's favor as a trading point. In addition to Hill and Sparkman. at least one influential cabinet member is reportedly pro-Durr, this being John W. Snyder, Secretary of the Treasury. Another pro-Durr figure. from accounts, is Robert P. Patterson former Secretary of War. Snyder, a conservative, is especially close to Truman.

Coy Sounded Out

Some moves also have been made toward ascertaining the position of Wayne Coy, recently appointed FCC chairman, as to Durr's reappointment and it is said he is in favor of Durr continuing in office. This is held as especially important, not only because of Coy's position in FCC, but because he was previously an active broadcaster himself. Ample support for Durr will also

Ample support for Durr will also be forthcoming, when propitious, from other sources. These will include virtually the entire labor movement, from right wing unions of the American Federation of Labor (AFL) to left wing unions of the Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO). Edu-(See Draft-Durr on page 8)

AFRA, Radio Pact Now Awaits Union's Ratification

NEW YORK, March 27. —The American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) and network and station reps have virtually come to terms on a cost of living increase and contract extension of the agreement now in force. The ratification by the national AFRA board and the membership of the various locals is all that is needed to formalize the agreement, with this approval considered a certainty.

The new agreement will effect a $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent pay increase in agreements covering staff AFRA members employed by the networks and stations signatory to the present code. Fees for commercial scale is now as high as it can go under present circumstances, with the AFRA membership willing to go along in their

desire to stabilize this phase of the work.

The new agreement will be effective for two years, with AFRA given the right to demand a cost of living increase on or after November 1, 1949. Networks originally offered a 5 per cent pay hike and a firm threeyear deal. AFRA originally had asked a 10 per cent hike and a oneyear renewal. A trading point involved has been the networks' willingness to facilitate union shop elections later this year. The agreement includes the major networks transcription companies

The agreement includes the major networks, transcription companies, WOR, New York, KNX, Hollywood; KPO, San Francisco, KQW, San Jose, Calif., and KFI, Los Angeles. It also includes sound effects men and staffers in Chicago, New York, Hollywood and San Francisco.

CBS Makes Pitch For Theater Guild

NEW YORK, March 27.—Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) this week makes its quarterly pitch to the U. S. Steel Company and to Batten, Barton. Durstine & Osborn (BBD&O) Agency for the hour-long *Theater Guild on the Air* show, now heard on the American Broadcasting C ompany (ABC). The CBS argument is reportedly one of facilities, with the same time being offered the sponsor as it now has on ABC, Sundays, 9:30 to 10:30 p.m.

as it now has on ABC, Sundays, 9:30 to 10:30 p.m. ABC will have its inning Monday (29), when it will tell Steel why it should stay put. Its talk, it is understood, will be predicated upon the show's rating rise from a 4.9 average two seasons ago to an 8.2 average last year and 11.4 this season, all figures being from October 1 thru March 1. The current Hooperating is 13.5. The decision is not expected for a couple of weeks. INDIES SEEK NAB VOICE

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By-Law Shift **Could Put Two On the Board**

200 Signatures Required

NEW YORK, March 27.—Rejection by the board of directors of the Na-tional Association of Broadcasters (NAB) of a proposal for a standing committee representing independent stations this week led to a move aimed at getting two indie operators on the board. Leaders of the indie movement plan to petition the trade organization for the necessary by-law change. The NAB's present 25-man board has 24 network affiliate mem-bers and one FM representative. The position taken by the inde-

The position taken by the inde-pendent stations parallels that taken at the NAB convention last year in connection with the proposed industry code. The indies' squawk then was that the code was written with a disregard of non-network operational problems. Following the convention beef. NAB President Justin Miller named several indie reps to the NAB program executive committee.

Present indie plans call for a referendum enabling the appropriate by-law change so that two non-network directors would be required permanently. Some 200 signatures will be required, and proponents of the meas-ure are now drafting the petition. They hope to get action before the annual NAB convention in May.

KLZ Traffic Manager F. TOM BOISE Boise keeps KLZ's heavy traffic of local, network and national spot programs and announcements moving smoothly along KLZ's 560 kc. airlane. He was formerly in traffic and sales with well-known airlines. KLZ. DENVER

CBS May Shift Lewis To Daytime ½-Hr.Seg

NEW YORK, March 27.—Columbia Broadcasting System may shift Robert Q. Lewis to a daytime spot in a month or so, at the same time enlarging the show from its present 15-minute seg to a half-hour stanza across the board. The program now airs at 11:15 p.m., Monday thru Friday. The tentative shift date is May 3. nothing.

Diluted Code Goes to NAB

Am. Tobacco Billings Seen Hinging on April 7 Meet

NEW YORK, March 27.—Meeting of the American Tobacco Company (ATC) stockholders April 7 is expected to bring to the surface the behind-the-scenes maneuvering which last week resulted in the resignation of George Washington Hill Jr. from the vice-presidency of the American To-(FC&B) from the account. The sequence of events, which was given great play in the daily press, set in motion a mad scramble among top-flight agencies for the choicest pickings in a long while—some \$12,000,000 in annual

Nets Make Some FM **Affils Take All Segs**

WASHINGTON, March 27. - Almost half of all FM stations carrying network programs are being forced by the webs to carry shows on an allor-nothing basis, the FM Association (FMA) announced this week on the basis of a poll of 44 operating FM outlets.

The FMA said 46 per cent replied they had to use all web shows or none, while 41 per cent said they were under no such compulsion. The The poll further revealed that 16 per cent of the National Broadcasting Com-pany's affiliated FM stations, 57 per cent of American Broadcasting Comcent of American Broadcasting Com-pany stations, 38 per cent for Co-lumbia Broadcasting System's FM outlets and only 5 per cent of the Mutual Broadcasting Company's af-filiated stations' had to take all or wathing

billings. Hill's resignation was accom-panied by a statement that he found his position untenable, and that his resignation was based upon disagree-ment with the management regarding advertising policies. The conflict on policy was further pointed up by Emerson Foote, of FC&D, who indicated he did not see eye to eye with company execs on advertising policy, and under those circumstances felt that his firm should not collect commissions.

Ad Policy Clash

Cooking in the immediate offing— as seen by the trade—is a battle for power within ATC, with one faction supporting the advertising policies of President Vincent Riggio and another favoring those of Hill Jr. and Emer-son Foote. Foote and Hill are under-stood to be adherents of the so-called "irritant" type of advertising de-veloped under the supervision of the late George Washington Hill Sr.

The move by FC&B-resignation of the account—is regarded as a stra-tegic gamble in the trade. It is felt that a reshuffle of power in ATC fol-lowing the April 7 meeting might conceivably see FC&B returned to the account, and the advertising policies of the agency and Hill Jr. vindicated.

Among successor agency possibili-ties are N. W. Ayer, which now han-dles ATC on television: Young & Rubicam, whose radio boss, Pat Weaver, is an ex-ATC exec and which once resigned some ATC busi-ness, and Ruthrauff & Ryan.

Hackett Ad's Slice

One of the most interesting speculations, however, is that the M. H. Hackett Advertising Company may get a large slice of the business. Hackett is Riggio's son-in-law. His agency currently handles ATC's Herbert Tareyton account, which amounts to about \$500,000 gross billings.

about \$500,000 gross billings. The resignation of the ATC account will affect a great number of FC&B personnel. According to Foote, some 200 people are involved on the ac-count in some capacity. The agency has no plans for immediate retrench-ment, Foote stating that all radio and television commitments would be continued until such time as another agency is named. agency is named.

Other elements enter into the April 7 ATC stockholders' meeting. Hill owns some stock and it was also re-Hill owns some stock and it was also re-ported that Albert Lasker, erstwhile partner in Lord, Thomas & Lasker, one of the FC&B predecessors, also has holdings. It was reported that both would work closely. Lasker was close to the late George Washington Hill. When Lasker retired 10 years ago, he did so, from accounts. with Hill's express approval of Foote as Lasker's successor as head man on the account.

Lucky Strike sales were off about 1 per cent in 1947, with Camels gaining 12 per cent and Chesterfield 2 per cent.

ABC Mulls Test of "House" Seg

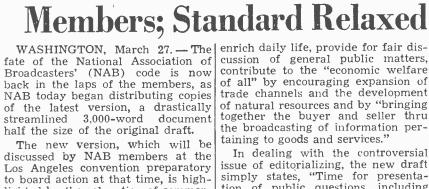
NEW YORK, March 27. — The American Broadcasting Company has auditioned Go for the House, a halfhour audience participation which gives away household goods, and fially a house—the latter to anyone astute enough to answer to a veddy, veddy tough question. The web is mulling using the show in the sum-

The package is owned by Bob Jennings. John Cleary directed, with Hank Sylvern handling the music assignment.

McCarthy To Ankle To Video Calif. Post

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.-C. L. McCarthy, for the past 14 years vice-president and general manager of KQW, announced his resignation of KQW, announced his resignation this week, effective April 1. He will become general manager of Tele-vision California, an applicant for a tele license here, headed by Erwin W. Pauley, former special assistant to Secretary of the Army, Kenneth Royall. McCarthy said he was sell-ing his interests in KQW to Ralph Brunton. president, and members of the Brunton family.

the Brunton family. According to McCarthy, Television California is a co-partnership of a group of industrial and business men, with plans for a transmitter on Mount San Bruno and main studios in the downtown section of the city.



lighted by the relaxation of commer-cial standards and a drastic moderation of language in the morality and commercial regulations. The entire first section of the Atlantic City draft, popularly called the "morality" sec-tion, has been replaced by a highly general foreword emphasizing broadcasting's freedom of expression and duty toward the "common good of the whole people." The new draft retains in extremely general language some of the Atlantic City tenets on religious and children's programs, but these regulations are greatly watered down. In the commercial regula-tions, a broadened schedule which had been approved by independent broadcasters has been recast to the point where they are almost identical with the schedule submitted to the with the schedule submitted to the 1947 convention.

Creed Added to Draft Another feature of the redraft, as anticipated, is a 230-word creed, which follows the foreword as pre-face to the new watered-down standards and practices. The creed pledges radio broadcasting's determination to honor religious and racial freedom,

enrich daily life, provide for fair discussion of general public matters, contribute to the "economic welfare of all" by encouraging expansion of trade channels and the development of natural resources and by "bringing together the buyer and seller thru the broadcasting of information pertaining to goods and services.'

In dealing with the controversial issue of editorializing, the new draft simply states, "Time for presenta-tion of public questions, including those of a controversial nature, should be allotted with due regard to all other elements of balanced program schedules and to a degree of interest schedules and to a degree of interest on the part of the public in the ques-tion to be presented. A broadcaster, in allotting such time, should use his best efforts to insure fair presenta-tion of those issues which concern the interest and welfare of the com-munity."

Use of Special Segs

The redraft also specifies that "discussions of controversial public issues should be presented on programs specially intended for that purpose and they should be clearly identified as such."

The modification of the language and meaning has taken place in the with the elimination of an entire subsection which specified 14 busi-nesses as not acceptable for radio advertising.

Some protests and expected on a proposed ban on airing gambling odds.

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BMI...

First in Television Music

BMI has long been ready for television. Since 1940 it has granted the unrestricted right to perform its music in television broadcasting.

At present BMI is the only major performing rights organization that serves or can serve television on the same basis as audio broadcasting.

An ever increasing BMI catalog – widely diversified from classics to be-bops—gives television broadcasters a complete service of music for every type of program.

In the future, too, BMI pledges all of its facilities and all of its cooperation in helping television pioneers, whether broadcasters or film producers, meet every musical need on the road ahead.

Consult BMI now for information concerning music in television.

BROADCAST MUSIC, INC.

580 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK 19, N. Y. New York • Chicago • Hollywood

CCNY Awards Criticized **For Omitting Pubserv Phase**

NEW YORK. March 27.—Fourth annual national radio awards of the City College of New York (CCNY), announced this week, drew sharp criticisms from some broadcasters on the ground that the awards were almost exclu-sively given on a commercial basis and ignored public service phases of broadcasting. Such an attitude, broadcasters maintained, is completely un-realistic, especially under the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Blue Book. Radio men also said that it was hard to justify the elimination of public service aspects in the awards on the part of a college. They declared

that even tho the CCNY awards are made under the aegis of the college's school of business and civic adminis-tration. this did not warrant bypas-sing public service. They also pointed out that for the first time since the out that for the first time since the CCNY radio conference had been in existence, WNYC, the city's station, was not airing events. The public service omission was a factor in WNYC's decision. The station and college work very closely normally, the school using station facilities for radio courses radio courses.

Skipping Pubserv

Atho the Easter school vacation made it impossible to reach any con-ference spokesman, it was said that CCNY's attitude was that it should CCNY's attitude was that it should skip the pubserv phase because of the heavy accent given this field by the Ohio State, DuPont, Peabody and other award operations. It was also said that CCNY felt it would have to duplicate these other awards if it went into public service.

CCNY awards, to be made at the conference in New York, April 14, included:

included: To Frederick W. Ziv, Inc., most effective di-rect selling show ("Favorite Story") in agency-package class; to WAAT, Newark, N. J., in the 500 to 1,000-watt class, for "Second Honey-moon"; to the Columbia Broadcasting System for best selling, for "My Friend, Irma"; to CBS for best promotion on "Eagle's Brood"; to Kayshow, Inc., for the best institutional show, "Greatest Story"; to Kudner Agency, best agency promotion, on "Greatest Story"; to WOWO, Fort Wayne, Ind., for promoting a program called "Fire"; to Columbia Pacific Network for promoting "Menace in White"; to KLX, Oakland, Calif., for its hourly news-cast promotion; to Mutual, for all-over net-work promotion; to WKY, Oklahoma City, for its "Oklahoma Front Page"; to KELO, Sloux Falls, N. D.; KMBC, Kansas City, Mo., and WLW, Cincinnati, for all-over promotion.

Draft - Durr **Move Growing**

(Continued from page 5) cational broadcasters, thru the Na-tional Association of Educational Broadcasters, similarly will record their approval if and when the time comes.

Senate Approval Needed

Senate approval still would be nec-essary should the president renomi-nate Durr. However, Democratic support would be aided enormously if spearheaded by Hill and Sparkman. Similarly, the two Alabama legislators would have influence in Republican ranks thru their having joined the large senatorial group now hostile to Mr. Truman. Durr, one of the key figures in the FCC's Blue Book, was for some time

the chief target of broadcaster criticism, but many now agree that his presence on the commission gives it a balance it would lack should a con-servative be nominated to replace him. In addition, many broadcasters now admit—off the record—that the Blue Book has had a highly salutory effect on radio and admit to a high respect for Durr's integrity.

Whether the networks would take a public stand is debatable, altho re-action from bigwigs of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) could be especially important, since Charles Denny Jr., former FCC chairman un-der whom Durr served, is now an NBC vice-president.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Leon Goldstein, veepee of WMCA, New York, has been named chairman of the radio division of the United Negro College Fund's fifth national cam-paign. The drive, which opens April 13, will seek funds for 32 private Negro colleges. The national commit-tee of the campaign is chaired by John D. Rockefeller Jr., with Win-throp Aldrich serving as treasurer and Thomas A. Morgan as chairman of the executive committee. of the executive committee.

Lonesome?

BALTIMORE, March 27.-One sponsor who is certain to have sponsor who is certain to have his own way about how his show is produced is Ted Phillips, pres-ident of Baltimore's Phillips Roofing Company. For eight years, Phillips has been spon-soring the 2:30-to-3:30 p.m. pe-riod every Sunday on WCBM. Phillips himself produces the show, writes the script and han-

show, writes the script and han-dles the announcing. He also pens poetry and reads same on

when Phillips gets out of wind, he is spelled by the South Sea Islanders Trio.

Ind. Survey Shows Variety Segs Pall **On Rural Listeners**

CHICAGO, March 27.-Small-town listeners have great indifference to radio programing and are getting tired of variety shows, altho they have few suggestions as to what they prefer instead. These are the para-mount facts revealed in an informal sampling of over 4,000 homes in 50 communities by students of Indiana University. The survey, second an-nual, was supervised by Dr. H. J. Skornia, director of radio for Indiana University.

Skornia declared that all his 64 student poll-takers reported that those questioned showed an apathy to programing and had few definite views on what they liked or what they would prefer.

Surveys also revealed that rural listeners have tastes varying from those in urban areas. Skornia pointed out that they dislike sophisticated en-tertainment of top shows and lean instead toward simple shows.

The survey also pointed out that altho there is much indifference toward radio and a lack of understanding of the industry, in areas where more stations have been put into operation the lack of understanding de-creases. Skornia interprets this to creases. mean that in areas where there are more stations citizens become more aware of local programing and thus are more aware of the industry's im-portance in local society. He also interprets this to mean that the increase in the number of stations on the air has done the industry a public rela-tions service which should reflect in greater listening and listener support of the industry and its problems.

Baseball TV In St. Paul **Now Foul Ball**

ST. PAUL, March 27.-Misunderstanding over bankrolling rights for telecasting of St. Paul American As-sociation baseball games has produced somewhat strained relations between the Twin Cities branch of the Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn (BBD&O) Agency and KSTP-TV

BBD&O apparently has been hot for some time to buy telecasting time for the Minneapolis Brewing Company, for its Grain Belt beer product. And when Miller Robertson, the station's sales manager, offered "around \$25,000" for the at-home games, ex-cept Sunday and holidays, the agency gave a firm order.

Meanwhile, word leaked out to Mel Jones, the team's manager, now at Sequin, Tex. He immediately wired Jack Horner, KSTP sports chief, de-laring, in effect. that station couldn't sell the baseball telecasts for the St. self the baseball telecasts for the St. Paul team to a commercial sponsor "unless and until you have written permission" from the club. Branch Rickey, of the Brooklyn Dodgers, owns the Saints and he is supposedly

opposed to a beer sponsor. At the same time, WMIN, local indie with a contract for AM and FM broadcasting of the Saints, let word out that it had exclusive rights of the park. Furthermore, it was pointed out the videocast of games was "ex-perimental" and "open to all stations."

Robertson told The Billboard that KSTP-TV had made earlier commitments to Camel cigarettes and Ford Motors for the Saints telecasts. Ford already has bought half the games and is expected to buy the remainder soon, Camels having turned down the BBD&O and Grain Belt are deal. somewhat miffed.

Also miffed, reportedly, are TV distribs here who claim KSTP-TV experimental, run with makeshift towers, have got video off to a poor are TV start here, where 250 sets are esti-mated in operation. Reception has been bad, pending completion of a permanent tower in mid-April.

ABC Wins \$12,000 In Swagger Suit

NEW YORK. March 27.—A verdict awarding \$12,000 to the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) was handed down this week in the U. S. District Court in the case of the Prod-usta Distributing Comparation against ucts Distributing Corporation against the network. Products Distributing, ucts Distributing Corporation against the network. Products Distributing, makers of Swagger cosmetics, had sued for \$166,000, alleging damages caused when ABC canceled its con-tract with the sponsor several years ago, ABC filed counter-suit. ABC had canceled on the ground that Swagger's program used music

that Swagger's program used music published by firms in which Arthur Jarwood, owner of the cosmetic firm, was interested and that in order to earn performance bonuses the music was duplicated excessively. Swagger sued for alleged sales losses and breach of contract.

KAYE BATS FOR CHESTIES

NEW YORK, March 27.—The Sammy Kaye band has been set as the summer replacement for the Chesterfield Supper Club over the National Broadcasting Company (NBC). The spot is currently held for Chesterfield by Perry Como three times a week and Jo Stafford the re-maining two days. Kaye will air maining two days. Kaye will air five-a-week in the same slot, 7-7:15

Newell-Emmett Company is the agency.

CBS Sets Baseball Documentary Show

NEW YORK, March 27.—The Co-lumbia Broadcasting System (CBS) has set Saturday, April 17, 8 p.m., as the tentative time for its baseball documentary, and has arranged for remotes by baseball immortals all over the country. Honus Wagner will be heard from Pittsburgh; Harry Heillman, Detroit; Rogers Hornsby, Chicago; Clark Griffith, Washington; Commissioner H a p p y Chandler, Louisville. The story line will follow the career of Pee Wee Reese, short-stop with the Brooklyn Dodgers. Reese's wife and mother, in Louis-ville, will also be heard on the show. ville, will also be heard on the show. Leo Durocher, Dodgers' manager, also will be heard. A couple of psychologists will expound on the game's ef-

fect on the public. It's not known yet whether the program will be 30 or 60 minutes.

Standard Lab, WGYN Ink 2 Yr. FM Pacts

NEW YORK, March 27.--A twoyear contract was signed last week by Standard Laboratories, Inc., for two 30-minute programs daily over FM Station WGYN. New York. Standard puts out such products as Sloan's liniment, Hudnut cosmetics and Rayve shampoo. The segs are 10 to 10:30 a.m. for *Rhapsody in Rhythm*, and 8 to 8:30 p.m. for *Night Club in the Sky*.

The business was placed direct.

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Barry Grabs 5 New Shows In Hollywood for American NEW YORK, March 27.—Charles Ben Hecht-Charles MacArthur clas-

(Bud) Barry, American Broadcasting Company (ABC) program director, returned from Hollywood this week with rights to five new programs which the web believes have bright futures. The first is *Radio Reper-tory Theater*, a transcribed dramatic show owned by seven top Hollywood stars, Ray Milland, John Garfield, Myrna Loy, Charles Boyer, Fred MacMurray, Joan Fontaine and Dana Andrews. A different star will take

a turn each week. Barry intends to showcase this turn each week. Barry intends to showcase this anza this summer in either a 30-ninute or 60-minute seg. If the full-our format is used, the show may erve as summer replacement for J. S. Steel's Theater Guild on the itr. Radio rights to Front Page, the old stanza this summer in either a 30-minute or 60-minute seg. If the full-hour format is used, the show may serve as summer replacement for U. S. Steel's Theater Guild on the Air.

Ben Hecht-Charles MacArthur clas-sic, were obtained by Barry from Century Artists, with Dick Powell set to take over the old Lee Tracy characterization of Hildy Johnson. The series will pick up the story line where the stage and screen ver-sions left off, with Hildy returning to the journalistic wars. A test wax-ing is being made now, with initial airing set for this summer.

Carleton Moss, who produces the I Love a Mystery series, has sold ABC a new package titled I Love Ad-venture. The web plans to sell this

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petitions in favor of the measure in

numbers even exceeding the approxi-mate 100 already filed in favor of the Capper bill, which would ban

liquor plugs entirely. The strategy of the dry forces is to

The strategy of the dry forces is to bring back national prohibition via individual bits of legislation—with each bill a step in the over-all cam-paign. The concern of the country about the international situation and possible depression on the domestic scene forms a parallel with the sit-uation after World War I when the dry wreache to push they the pro-

as does a disputed bill by Sen. Arthur

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DFS Executive Set-Up in Revamp

CHICAGO, March 27.—A new alignment of executive responsibility affecting the Dancer-Fitzgerald-Sample agency operations here and in ple agency operations here and in New York has been put into effect. Under the new set-up Clifford Fitzgerald will be in charge of all creative activities in Chicago, New York and Toronto, and will spend most of his time here. Reporting to him will be Samuel M. Sutter, for-merly copy chief of the Biow Agency. merly copy chief of the Biow Agency, and Howard W. Newton, formerly copy chief of J. M. Mathes, who have joined D-F-S as vice-presidents. Dancer is taking over responsibility of all accounts.

Major **National Awards** to WLW

1936

Variety-Outstanding Program Origination

1938

Variety-Outstanding Program Origination 1939

Variety-Best Nationally-Exploited Station

1940

George Foster Peabody-Outstanding Meritori. ous Public Service Billboard - Outstanding Achievement in Publi-city and Exploitation

1941

Variety-For Patriotic Leadership Billboard-Best Clear Channel Statian Exploite-

1942

Variety - Promoting Better Understanding of War Issues Billboard-Best Clear Channel Station Exploita-

1943

Variety-For Individual Enterprise on War is-Alfred I. Dupont-Outstanding Public Service

1944

George Foster Peabody-Outstanding Report-ing of the News City College of New York-Most Effective Promotion of a News Program Billboard - All-Over Promotional Excellence

1945

National Bureau for Fire Prevention—Out-standing Public Service in Fire Prevention Billboard—Best 7th War Loan Pramotion City College of New York-Best All-Over Station Promotion

1946

Variety—Contributing to the World's Bread-basket Dasker American Symphony Orchestra League Encouraging, Stimulating and Perpetuating the Influence of Good Music

City College of New York—Most Effective All-Over Station Promotion Billboard-Best Over-All Station Promotion

1947

Direct Mail Advertising Association-Best of Industry Award City College of New York-Most Effective All-Over Station Promotion





THE NATION'S MOST MERCHANDISE-ABLE STATION

New Dire Threat to Liquor • as does a disputed bill by Sen. Arthur Capper (R., Kan.), the Johnson-Reed bill directs the Federal Trade Com-mission (FTC) to ban all but institu-tional advertising. Thus a distiller could sponsor a radio program, but his advertising message would be limited to a mention of the product name. The bill would specifically limit "printed and verbai" liquor ads to a picture of the bottle and/or label and the mention of the distiller's name. name. With the bill as a rallying point for uation after World War I when the dry forces thruout the country, Con- drys were able to push thru the pro-gress is expected to be deluged with hibition amendment.

Would Limit But Not Ban

WASHINGTON, March 27. — The campaign by drys to revive prohibi-tion and end liquor ads on the air (*The Billboard*, March 20) gained significant power this week when a bi-partisan compromise bill to limit radio liquor plugs was to so do not be the solution. radio liquor plugs was tossed in the hopper by Sens. Edwin Johnson (D., Colo.) and Clyde Reed (R., Kan.).

The bi-partisan nature of the bill, plus its sponsorship by two prominent members of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, gives it a bet-ter-than-even chance of reaching the Senate floor this year. The drys hope to repeat their post-World War I per-formance of getting such legislation across while Congress is preoccupied with an international crisis.

Rather than banning all liquor ads.

WMAW in Debut. With Headaches

MILWAUKEE, March 27.-WMAW, Milwaukee's newest 5,000-watt indie, made its much delayed debut here Wednesday (24) without fanfare—but without fantare---but with plenty of headaches. The sta-tion's latest trouble was disclosed in County Court Tuesday (23), in the form of a claim for \$500,000 against the estate of Herbert E. Uihlein, a director of the Schlitz Brewing Com-pany who died last September 18. It was filed by George E. Inghram, vice-president and general manager of WMAW.

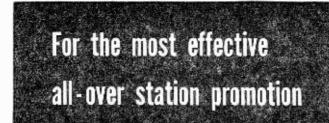
Inghram stated that Uihlein and his wife, Myrtle, had entered into an agreement with him in 1944 to es-tablish a radio station. The agreement, he said, provided that the Uih-leins were to invest capital and Inghram was to get a half interest in the undertaking in consideration of personal services.

The Uihleins provided "substantial capital" and Inghram performed "valuable services" after the agree-ment was made, the suit said. but "thru neglect and default" of the Uihleins, Inghram was deprived of the benefits Uihleins, In the benefits.

Uihlein left an estate valued at \$4,749,079. His wife died last Christmas Day.

Clifford A. Randall, an attorney and executor of the Uihlein estate, said Tuesday (23), after an examination of Inghram's claim. that the Uihlein estate would contest it.

Meanwhile, Circuit Court Judge Roland J. Steinle overruled demur-rers of the Midwest Broadcasting Company and Jack Bundy, defendants in a \$10,000 damage suit brought by the Journal Company, WTMJ ops. The court held that the issues had been united properly and that a cause of action existed. The Journal Com-pany is seeking an injunction to re-strain Bundy and WMAW from using the name Heinie in a skedded daily airer. Judge Steinle set the trial for April 5 and gave the defendants 10 days to answer the Journal Company.



AGAIN, we at WLW are proud to acknowledge the honors bestowed upon us by the 1947 Committee on National Radio Awards of The City College of New York.

This is the fourth consecutive year The Nation's Station has received top honors for promotion in this annual competition. And it is the second consecutive year that WLW's All-Over Station Promotion entry has won dual honors . . . the Award of Merit for the most effective promotion in the 50,000-watt station classification . . . the bronze plaque for being selected, among all award winners, for the outstanding achievement in radio promotion during 1947.

Because sound promotion always has been an important function of our station operation, it is indeed gratifying to receive national recognition for our efforts. WLW's promotional activities are basic and twofold: to keep our listeners informed of our sincere efforts to provide them with the best possible radio service and programming ... to make our clients' advertising more resultful.

Stop the Music

Reviewed March 21

Sustaining Via ABC

Sundays, 8-9 p.m.

Estimated Talent Cost: \$12,000; pro-ducers-directors: Lou Cowan, Mark Goodson; music conductor, Harry Salter; announcer, Doug Browning; emsee, Bert Parks; vocalists, Kay Armen, Dick Brown.

CBS: "Adventures of Sam Spade" (8-8:30) 12.7 "Man Called X" (8:30-9)..... 10.7

 MBS: Sustaining (8-8:30)
 None

 Jimmy Fidter (8:30-8:45)
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 "Newscope" (8:45-9)
 2.7

 NBC: Edgar Bergen (8-8:30)
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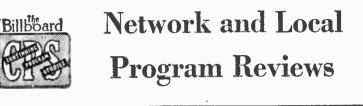
 Fred Allen (8:30-9)
 24.1

The widely - heralded American Broadcasting Company (ABC) threat to the 8-9 p.m. Sunday near-monop-oly of National Broadcasting Com-pany (NBC) bowed in this week and, off the initial effort, could well prove a real commercial buy. It's a click ich with a fact enough pace a slick job with a fast enough pace to sustain the all-music give-away show, and the major question is whether 60 minutes of prizes is not somewhat glutting the market. ABC thinks not, and points to the fact that new listeners actually will flow in at the latter stages of this show in anticipation of Walter Winchell's airer, which follows. On the pre-miere, the first quarter hour drew a 2.5 Hocher and the audience 3.5 Hooperating and the audience swelled to a 5.7 for the final 15 minutes, for an average rating of 4.4. For that sizable number of radio listeners who prefer a big-time al-ternative to NBC's comedy line-up, Stop the Music may turn out to be the answer.

Emsee Bert Parks handled things smoothly, altho he was afflicted with that over-geniality which seems to that over-geniality which seems to be occupational with announcers who dispense largesse. Harry Sal-ter's band was suitable for the comparatively simple arrangements used. Vocalists Kay Armen and Dick Brown warbled the lyrics, with Miss Armen turning in an especially appealing job on her numbers.

Phone Mix-Ups

The show itself utilized familar tunes, some of which were inter-rupted by Parks, who then queried listeners as to the title. Calls were listeners as to the title. Calls were placed from the studios to a well-dispersed selection of cities, but many listeners, thinking they had to place the calls, caused ABC opera-tors considerable trouble. • Over \$5,000 worth of prizes were passed out on the opener, including refrig-erators, movie camera-projector sets, silverware, radio-phono combos, and others. In cases where the phonee muffed the title, a member of the studio audience got a chance. However, only those reached by phone who guessed the interrupted tune's title were given a whack at the The Billboard



Songs From the Old Sod Reviewed March 25

F. & M. SCHAEFER BREWING CO. John T. Morris, Advg. Mgr.

Thru Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn John John, Acct. Exec.

Via WINS, New York Tuesday, Thursday, 7-7:15 p.m.

Estimated Talent Cost: \$250. Producer, Ira Avery; director, Gladys Franklin; writers: Turner Bullock, Dorothy Malli-son; announcer, Arthur Scanlan; music director, Irving Landau; organist, George Shackley; vocalist, John Feeney.

There may be Irish tenors who sing louder or better than WINS' John Feeney, but few have a thicker or more charming brogue. Feeney, who debuted last week as a sus-tainer on a two-a-week basis, was picked up by Schaefer beer this week. Backed by George Schackley on the organ, Feeney warbled some of the traditional Just fails form on the organ, Feeney Warbled some of the traditional Irish folk songs, which are his specialty, and even tossed in one Scotch ballad, *Flow Gently, Sweet Afton*, to show he's broadminded. On the show caught, Feeney also presented as guest jig-Feeney also presented as guest, jig-and-reel fiddler Joseph McGuire, who had a bit of a brogue himself. In all, while something was left to be desired in the music department, the show had charm and distinctive-

the show had charm and distinctive-ness, which should pay off in loyal Hibernian listenership, which, in New York, can be considerable. Commercials, pitched straight, pointed out that while many of the old pleasures described in the an-cient ditties no longer are enjoyed, the sponsor's product, fortunately, is still with us, and also compared the brew with the sweet and mellow the brew with the sweet and mellow the brew with the sweet and mellow melodies. But who can resist a singer, tho he's no Tagliavini, who opens his show bidding listeners 100,000 welcomes and winds up in-forming them of free classes in Gaelic being offered at a Brooklyn high school. Sam Chase.

"mystery tune" of the program, which would have paid off with an automobile, piano, \$1,000 war bond, diamond ring and a couple of other such items. Nobody identified the number, however. The airer, a Lou Cowan package produced under Mark Goodson's supervision, should attract increas-ingly large audiences as word gets around about the giveaways. As a \$2,000,000 package which ABC is trying to sell in 15-minute segs to four sponsors, Stop the Music rep-resents a good buy which should bring in a sizable portion of the giant Sunday night audience avail-able. But nobody, least of all ABC, thinks it will drive Edgar Bergen and Fred Allen off the airlanes. and Fred Allen off the airlanes. Sam Chase.

The Great Talent Hunt Réviewed March 25

Réviewed March 25 Sustaining Via MBS Thursdays, 8:30-8:55 p.m. Estimated Talent Cost: \$3,000 (as com-mercial); producer, Herb Moss; direc-tor, Walt Framer; writers: Will Glick-man, Joe Stein, Sid Resnick; music di-rector, Emerson Buckley; emsee, Jim Backur Backus.

Current Hooperating of the program (Sustaining)None

More often than not, understatement is the sine qua non of humor, for the understatement itself serves for the understatement itself serves only to accent the ludicrous situation involved. That is especially so of Mutual's new offering, *The Great Talent Hunt*, an idea which appears to have great merit on paper and which, properly executed, could have lived up to its promise. The odd and slightly bewildering human curios who make up—on the basis of such past evidence as Dave Elof such past evidence as Dave El-man's Hobby Lobby, Believe It or Not and We, the People, to name a few radio examples—no small part of the American population cer-tainly can be welded into a pathet-ically comic radio program, neces-sarily exploitative in nature. But when the "gee whiz-look-what-we-have-here" sort of approach is ap-lied the measure of slopetick be have-here" sort of approach is ap-plied, the measure of slapstick be-comes virtually insupportable.

reaction of the state of stapsher be-comes virtually insupportable. *Talent Hunt* is dedicated to rib-bing the recent welter of amateur shows. To this end, it rounds up a weekly galaxy of oddities, i.e., a great grandmother, who, in her six-ties, does shadow boxing and trains with three punching bags; a cowboy who "sings" while twirling a lariat in his teeth and two more in his hands, and an esthete who makes musical instruments out of plumbing fixtures. But when a lad says he makes a musical instrument out of a toilet bowl, how can you top him? The second broadcast (25) more or less bore out this point, with Jim Backus, the program's emsee, and

Backus, the program's emsee, and the show's writers pressing hard to make funny at the very start and trying harder and harder as the show progressed. That meant that it was that much more difficult to build to the show's natural peak, the maestro.of the flush, but had the script pursued a deadpan approach, chances are it would have been funnier to listen to. This is espe-cially true since much of *Talent Hunt's* material is sight comedy. It

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Revere's All-Star Review Reviewed March 25

REVERE CAMERA COMPANY E. J. McGooking, Advg. Mgr.

Thru Roche, Williams & Cleary. Inc.

Phil Stewart, Radio Director Via MBS

Thursday, 8-8:15 p.m.

Estimated Talent Cost: \$2,000; pro-ducer-writer-director, Myron Dutton: announcer, Toby Reed; cast: Andy Rus-sell, Marion Hutton, The Pied Pipers,

CURRENT HOOPERATINGS OF SHOWS ON OPPOSITION NETWORKS

The 15-minute musical revue for-mat, worked successfully for some time by the *Chesterfield Supper Club*, and more recently, by Camp-bell Soup's *Club* 15, has been the pattern adopted by Revere cameras for this new opus, which last week replaced its Jan August show. But where the first two named are on across the board, the Revere stanza airs Thursdays only. And, like most carbons, it doesn't measure up to its predecessors.

The components each, individ-ually, were good enough. Andy Rus-sell's tonsiling has considerable fol-lowing, and his efforts on this show were up to his usual level. Marion Hutton has a distinctive and stylized way of selling a song, and she turned it loose with good effect. The Pied Pipers have stature among ried Pipers have stature among vocal groups, and did well enough. Ray Sinatra's band was up to the demands made of it. But somehow, the show as a whole, did not quite jell. And there just seemed to be jell. And there just seemed to be a plethora of talent of considerable diversity going in too many separate directions, with no one item outstanding. On top of this, the sponsor had his

own theme music, with tender lyrics memorializing the "moments so dear" which can be recorded on his movie cameras and projectors. This crime against society was performed no less than three times in its en-tirety during the 15-minute show, and may yet become another subject for international disagreement. De-letion of this piece, substitution of one outstanding production number and some brisker scripting might do a great deal for this airer. As is, it's far from dull radio; it just needs sparkle. Sam Chase.

should do well in television, by the way, altho it will probably have to bypass micturition.

Backus has shown, via his own one-man Mutual stint, that he is a funny performer. He produced a couple of boff laughs on the program reviewed, but without forcing there should be more if the pro-gram's mentors will stop gilding the drainpipe. Jerry Franken.

Nets Cold To Wire Service 'Agreement'

NEW YORK, March 27.—An an-nouncement this week by the three major wire services that they reached an agreement "designed to prevent discrimination against radio" with respect to the release time on news stories left network radio news heads in New York quite cold. The prin-cipal criticism was that the news agencies still hadn't gone to bat to eliminate the standard "7 p.m." re-lease date for morning newspaper lease date for morning newspaper

stories. As a result, it was pointed out, hour.

none of the network stations in New York can air a 7 p.m. release until the 11 p.m. newscasts, since there are no news shows after the standard 6 p.m. programs. Meanwhile, the dailies, especially tabloids, are out on the street the street.

Services involved, the Associated Press. the International News and United Press, stated they would ob-serve only the earlier release time when stories are announced for one hour for newspaper breaks and a later one for radio.

Radio men's beef was that the services could have insisted on elimina-tion of the standard 7 p.m. release Yale Architects Plot WNHC Expansion

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., March 27.-WNHC, New Haven, Conn., has effected a unique tie-up with the department of architecture at Yale University in its proposed program for enlarging its studio facilities to provide for the FM and television sta-tions it has under construction.

Forty-six students who are study-ing intermediate architecture design at Yale are devoting five weeks to the architects will judge them.

design of the WNHC studios of the future. The first class of the new assignment was held at the WNHC studios, where the group was ad-dressed by James T. Milne, manager of the station.

During the first week, the class has During the first week, the class has been divided into four groups by Robert T. Coolidge, assistant profes-sor of architecture, to gather data on air conditioning, acoustics, television facilities and station operation. All of this material will be pooled for common information, and each stu-dent will then have four weeks to complete his design, after which a papel of New York and New Haven panel of New York and New Haven

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FCC Digging Into KMPC Case; "The similarity of the present scheme," remarked the FCC, "with Three Richards Stations Studied

(Continued from page 3) (Continued from page 3) gating the current charges against KMPC, the commission withheld a formal announcement until Wednes-day (24) in a brief statement as fol-lows: "Upon consideration of the complaint and associated documents filed by the Radio News Club of Hol-lywood against G. A. Richards, pres-ident of KMPC. Los Angeles, con-cerning the broadcasting of news over that station, the commission on March 19 authorized an investigation over that station, the commission on March 19 authorized an investigation of the matter covered by the com-plaint with respect to the operations of stations KMPC, Los Angeles; WJR, Detroit, and WGAR, Cleveland." First disclosure of the charges against KMPC was carried exclusively in The Billboard, March 6. It is considered significant that the

It is considered significant that the FCC has expanded its investigation to cover not only KMPC but also the other Richards stations in Detroit and Cleveland, where Richards Depended is seeking television channels. Deemed equally significant is the fact, not yet formally announced by the FCC, that the commission is examining the "case history" of each of those sta-tions. The latter inquiry is being undertaken by FCC legalists.

Diagnosis Gadget

The 1937 hearing by the FCC on KMPC's renewal bid was an out-growth of a hearing two years before. In the first hearing, KMPC was brought on the carpet by the FCC for airing programs of the Alhambra Electronic Institute, which was ped-dling a machine to diagnose illnesses. The FCC reprimanded KMPC for The FCC reprimanded KMPC for carrying the programs but renewed the license. In September, 1937, four months after Richards became owner, KMPC was again subject of a hearing

because of a request for the facilities by W. H. Kindig, Hollywood. Kindig failed to appear at the hearing, how-ever, and the FCC trial examiner recommended a renewal. But the FCC states that "before the commission could act, investigation revealed that certain announcements of public merit were being made over the station concerning the Basic Science In-stitute and Samaritan Institute." The former organization, said the FCC, was headed by the same person who had run the Alhambra Electronics Institute.

that of 1935, coupled with the fact that the chief promulgator is the same, should normally have placed the station on notice to inquire into the practices to be advertised."

Alky Treatment

Regarding the program of the Samaritan Institute, the FCC said the organization was advertising a 48hour treatment for alcoholism.

"The organization," said the com-mission, "has in its service certain persons who are engaged in the practice of medicine without a license, and investigation has revealed that several individuals who have sub-jected themselves to the treatment

Washington Round-Up

WITH National Daylight Saving Time now being pushed by President Truman as a means of saving fuel during the coal shortage, increased interest is being demonstrated here in a hearing on a bill to make fast time mandatory for the U. S. from April to October. The hearing will be held by the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee starting April 13. Mean-while a special bill covering only the nation's capital is nearing congressional passage.

MISREPRESENTATION MISKEFKESEN 1 ATTOM charges filed by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) against Philco Corporation and Montgomery Ward Company have been dropped. The FTC said the two firms "have aban-doned the practices" complained of. Philco was charged "with misrepre-senting the number of tubes contained charged with "falsely representing that its radio sets were equipped for television."

GENE AUTRY, cowboy singer. was given permission by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) this week to buy 50 per cent of au-thorized station KOWL, Santa Monica, Calif., for \$80,000.

EXHIBIT space has been assigned to 39 associate members for the Los Angeles convention of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB). Exhibitors include manufacturers, music publishers, trade publications, and transcription and program service companies.

offered have suffered serious physical consequences.

The FCC then noted that both pro-grams had been discontinued and voted to renew KMPC's license be-cause "in general, a satisfactory pub-lic service is now being furnished. Indications are that hereafter greater care will be exercised in the selection of program renewal."

Transfer Dea!

The FCC's present study of the commission records of the Richards-controlled stations also shows that Richards' two other stations were in-volved in a hearing in the same year concerning a transfer deal that was nixed by the FCC as not being in "the public interest." The transfer "the public interest." The transfer deal turned down by the FCC in-volved a switching of control of WGAR Broadcasting Company—con-trolled by Richards—to WJR, "The Good Will Station." controlled by Richards and his wife. Denying the bid, FCC said that "the stockholders will benefit privately from the finan-cial arrangements, but that "the com-mission finds that no direct public benefit will result from a granting of the application."

In Public Interest

Also being looked over by FCC legalists is an FCC decision last year granting 50kw. power to WGAR, despite an expected overlapping of its primary service area with that of WJR. The FCC said at the time that "it is admitted that WGAR and WJR are jointly owned and operated and that the evidence indicates that the two stations would be technically rendering primary service to a sub-stantial portion of the primary serv-ice area of each other."

FCC's verdict said that while the Communications Act bans such "mul-tiple ownership" except where the public interest would be better served, WGAR "has more than adequately demonstrated that the grant would be in the public interest."



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LINH BURTON WENR WIND WAAF







ERNIE SIMON WIID

The Pin Up Girls are proud that you featured "Pin Up Polka" in your act. Thanks to your efforts, over 50,000 records of this new hit, "Pin Up Polka," have already been sold in Chicago alone. Again thanks and congratulations.

> Signed THE WALTER THORNTON PIN-UP GIRLS

Tele's Kelly Off To Disney Hats Short Scannings Herbert Bavard Swope Jr., WCH

1st Bankroller **To Use Screen** Exclusively

20-Station NBC Bonanza

NEW YORK, March 27. - First instance of an advertiser building a national campaign entirely around television has developed in Disney television has developed in Disney Hats, which has agreed to sponsor a television program on all the video stations of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) starting in Septem-ber. By September it is expected that NBC will have 20-odd stations in operation. The show will be News of the Week in Review a 10-minute of the Week in Review, a 10-minute program.

In some cities where NBC will not have stations by fall, Disney Hats will use newspapers. But this use of an-other medium will be strictly supplementary to the video campaign.

Disney Hats manufacture a high-priced product—its Kellys running from \$10 to \$50. It's expected that the television audience will provide good prospects for sale of this merchandise.

Disney, it's known. intends to inter-grate its merchandise with the tele-vision theme. One of the plans, for instance, will involve naming one of its hats the telecast model: Grey Advertising is handling the account

account.

Don Lee's Sunrise Service Bid Nixed

HOLLYWOOD, March 27.--Warner Bros. this week refused Don Lee video Station W6XAO permission to televise portions of the annual Easter sunrise service from Hollywood Bowl. Phase of the service involved is segments in which Warner contract play-ers Dennis Morgan and Alexis Smith will appear. The action forces tele station to return to its studios for fillins during those moments.

Station had hoped for clearance, inasmuch as the event is a public service feature of religious nature in which stars appear in serious roles. All previous efforts to snag film players on Don Lee video have likewise failed.

Schenley To Tele Pix Commercials

HOLLYWOOD, March 27.-Schenley Distributors, thru Biow Agency, this week signed to televise film com-mercials on a co-ordinated sked call-ing for simultaneous airing of identi-cal spots over 11 video outlets daily. The 10 film string which plug Create The 10 film strips, which plug Cresta The 10 film strips, which plug crest Blanca wine, were completed in Hollywood last week by Biow's tele production chief, Michael Sasanoff, Sasanoff returns to Gotham next week to present finished series to agency toppers. Beginning next week the Schenley

agency toppers. Beginning next week the Schenley spots will be rotated nationally so that a different clip is used each day over all existing tele stations. New outlets will be added as stations take to the air. Total cost in time and production charges is estimated at nearly \$1.000.000 for the year. nearly \$1,000,000 for the year.

99 Daily Logs

NEW YORK. March 27.—A total of 99 newspapers thruout the country are now publishing television station logs, according to a check made recently by Na-tional Broadcasting Company (NBC). The study covered the areas serviced by the 19 TV stations now on the air commercially.

Some dailies, however, are favoring their own operations. are The Washington Star, for exam-ple, runs the sked of its own WMAL-TV, but merely lists the hours on the air of the opposition WNBW and WTTG.

Hearst Bidding For Tele Web

WASHINGTON, March 27.-Hearst Radio, Inc., is moving to build up its own TV network, having filed for its third station this week. The new bid was put in for Channel 10 in Mil-waukee. Hearst already has a grant for WBAL-TV in Baltimore and has pending bid for Pittsburgh thru WCAE.

A batch of seven other new TV bids filed with the Federal Communications Commission this week brought the pending file to 184.

Net Carrier War Rages;

Now AT&T Undercuts WU

Equity To Offer Sale of 12G Seg Of 1-Hour Legit

NEW YORK, March 27. — A \$12,-000 tele show, probably the highest be offered to sponsors shortly by Ac-tors' Equity. The package will origi-nate in key cities throut the nation and be piped to other tele stations in the immediate vicinity, with several units traveling to different key cities.

The seg will be owned, staffed, di-rected and performed by members of the union, the profits going to the actors' fund. The top Broadway hits will be unveiled to the tele audiences thruout the country in one-hour con-densations. The best Broadway ac-tors will be available for the program. densations. The best Broadway ac-tors will be available for the program, with their fees to run about \$250 per performance.

The program, to be called *Tele-*vision of the Air, will be sold on a 40-week yearly basis, the Music Cor-poration of America doing the agenting. Bert Lytell, former head of the union, has been set as producer-director.

If sponsored, the package will take legit into the homes of millions who have never seen a play and could very well prove a shot in the arm to the entire theatrical trade, by creating a demand for that form of entertaina demand for that form of entertainment.

Herbert Bayard Swope Jr., WCBS-TV sports chief, hospitalized with pneumonia. . . Mavella Pearls has bought a participation in DuMont's Fashions on Parade, Friday nights, thru Cecil & Presbrey. . . Vivian Gordon, formerly with Harvey Mar-lowe Television Associates, named di-rector of television with Sherman H. Dryer Productions. . . Video sports-caster Dennis James, who has a busy schedule handling boxing and wres-tling for DuMont, has gained an addi-tional assignment on another outlet. James will handle the five-minute pre-Dodger baseball film series titled

James will handle the five-minute pre-Dodger baseball film series titled Sports Album, which will air over WCBS-TV for Schaefer's beer. . . . Naomi Fine to do promotion for WCBS-TV, replacing Halsey Barrett, who resigned. Series of 52 four-minute films have been completed by Telecomics, Inc., based on the comic strip, King of the Royal Mounted. . . Sidney Strotz, veepee of National Broadcasting Company's Western division, has ar-rived in Manhattan for his several-month video training. Harold J. month video training. Har Bock, tele director for NBC's Harold J. West ern division, is due here within 10

days. KSD-TV. St. Louis, will air all live talent shows from April 3 thru 11 from Kiel Auditorium, where a special video exhibit is taking place... Teletranscriptions filmed from Du-Mont tele shows will furnish the basis for video discussions at sessions held next week by the American Asheld next week by the American As-sociation of Advertising Agencies. Walter Craig, of Benton & Bowles, will lead the tele talks at the Vir-ginia Beach convention. . . Daniel M. Peterson has been named to as-sist Harry Coyle in WABD's mobile operations department. . . Advertis-ing House. Inc., is the latest agency to add a video department. Veepee Peter J. McDonnell will head its op-eration. Emil Velazco. Inc., film firm, will work with the agency. . . . Weed & Company, station reps, also have will work with the agency. . . . Weed & Company, station reps, also have stepped into the tele field. Peter B. James, formerly of *Television Maga-zine*. will manage the department. John McGiver, legit, screen and radio writer, has joined WGN-TV as head of script department. Bill Meyers, former WGN promotion chief, named salesman for WGN-TV.

IATSE, IBEW TV Pact Soon

NEW YORK, March 27.—Execs of International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) and the International Brotherhood of Elec-trical Workers (IBEW) are expected to reach an agreement score which trical Workers (IBEW) are expected to reach an agreement soon which will pave the way for telecasting of programs originating in legit theaters and in other halls and auditoriums where IATSE has jurisdiction, ac-cording to reports late this week. The fate of two Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) programs hinges on the negotiations now being carried on. Shows are the behind-the-scenes legit theater series planned by Martin the negotiations now being carried on. Shows are the behind-the-scenes legit theater series planned by Martin Gosch and recently announced by CBS and the American Tobacco Com-pany, and a series of Carnegie pop concerts which would be aired this summer from Carnegie Hall. The American Tobacco show is scheduled to start April 6. The jurisdictional problem, pointed up recently in *The Billboard*, lies in the fact that the IATSE has juris-diction in legit theaters and halls, whereas the IBEW has a contract covering CBS cameramen. In the event the negotiations fall thru, a distinct advantage will fall to DuMont in the packaging of such programs, inasmuch as DuMont has IATSE cameramen.

NEW YORK, March 27.—The rate war between Western Union (WU) and the American Telephone & Telegraph Company (AT&T) for video network carrier facilities flared higher this week as AT&T offered its new proposed rates, which it will file next week with the Federal Communica-tions Commission (FCC). The AT&T proposal would cost broadcasters \$3,905 per month between New York and Philadelphia for full-time trans-mission compared with the \$4.700 charge posted by WU in its proposed microwave relay rate sked, filed two weeks ago. WU previously had under-cut AT&T's original proposed rate of about \$6,000, which was submitted to the FCC last summer and later withdrawn. NTG Set on New

HOLLYWOOD, March 27.---Veteran nitery emsee Niles T. Granlund (NTG) who did one of radio's first city break via video with the home audience and those attending the telecast voting for their favorites.

Show will originate at Florentine Gardens, according to a deal made between Klaus Landsberg, KTLA general manager, and Frank Bruni, owner-operator of the Hollywood Boulevard nitery.

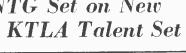
KSFO HAS TV SCHOOL

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27. — Technical staffers at KSFO have started a television school to prime the station personnel in preparation for KSFO television. The series of lec-tures will last three months. Al Towne, KSFO director of engineering, is supervising. Subjects include the American TV system; terms, nomen-clature and standards; cameras and camera tubes, video circuits, antennas and the side-band filter.

to the FCC last summer and later withdrawn. The new AT&T rate sked bases its charges on "airline miles" instead of the "circuit miles" by which its first rates were estimated. The rate will be \$35 per month per airline mile for eight consecutive hours per day, whereas the old AT&T rate was \$40 per circuit mile. The new card also calls for \$2 per month per airline mile for each additional consecutive hour. hour.

The saving to broadcasters under the new card would be sizable. For example, telecasts from New York to Philadelphia eight consecutive hours a day would have cost \$5,340 under the former tentative rate. The new charge would come to \$3,905... a saving of \$1.435. Of the \$3,905, \$1,000 is for terminal equipment and the rest covers the 83 airline miles at

the rest covers the 63 arrine miles at \$35 per mile. The new schedule also sets up rates for part-time or occasional service. This is \$1 per airline mile for the first hour of use and 25 cents per air-line mile for each additional con-secutive quarter hour. The charge for terminal equipment and mam-tenance under the occasional category would be \$200 per month per termi-nal plus \$10 per hour in use. AT&T also is setting up the same rates for tele's sound channel as it now charges for audio. This is \$6 per hour for Class A service, 100 to 5.000 cycles, and \$8 per hour for Class AA, 50 to 8,000 cycles.



big shows almost two decades ago, will pilot a tele audience participation show tagged Hollywood Opportunity on KTLA starting Thursday (1). Gimmick is for talent to get its film

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NBC MAY TEST 5-STATION LIMIT

Coax Fees Spur Net Deals; Columbia Šigns WMAR-TV

NEW YORK, March 27.—The May a direct sale is not consummated, a 11 deadline, ending free television use of the American Telephone & Tele-graph (AT&T) coaxial cable between Washington and New York, has stirred Washington and New York, has stirred NBC AM affiliate. up increased activity in television affiliation negotiations (*The Billboard*, February 7). Pivotal points involved are Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washare Philadelphia, Baltimore and Wash-ington. With a meeting scheduled for Monday (29) between phone company execs and telecasters, some deals should be resolved over the week-end. Stations which have been feed-ing one another irreporting of future ing one another irrespective of future affiliation will end that practice when coax use goes on a paid basis.

The Baltimore object of affection has been WMAR-TV, owned by the Sun papers. Frank Stanton, president of Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), stated today that WMAR-TV had been signed as an exclusive affiliate. The American Broadcasting Company (ABC) had been after the station and ABC is in the process of signing WMAL-TV, Washington.

Washington WTTG Sitch

Reports that CBS had attempted to buy WTTG, the DuMont station in Washington, were denied by Stanton, who said no negotiations or discus-sions had taken place. He added that if the station goes up for sale, CBS would be eager to buy it, since no station is available in the capital for affiliation. Stanton said CBS will operate in Washington, if necessary, with studios and mobile equipment.

The Philadelphia situation involves the Philco station, WPTZ, now operating on a working agreement with National Broadcasting Company (NBC) but rumored to be sold to KYW, Philadelphia (Westinghouse).

Philco, it is said, wants out on TV station operation, with discussions already said to have taken place. If

K-F Drops Hit Amateur Show

NEW YORK, March 27. - The Kaiser-Frazer Corporation this week Kaiser-Frazer Corporation this week decided to bow out of sponsorship of the Original Amateur Hour, aired Sundays over the DuMont web after the broadcast of Sunday (4), which winds up the 11-week contract. The show, placed thru the Swaney, Drake & Bement Agency, topped the first Hooper video ratings published re-cently.

No reason for the cancellation was given officially. However, the auto firm's recent legal entanglements over stock issues were believed con-tributing factors. It may also drop its Mutual news shows.

KTLA Gets Angels, Stars Ball Games

HOLLYWOOD, March 27.-Klaus Landsberg, KTLA general manager, last week sewed up the season's rights to the baseball games of the Los An-geles Angels and the Hollywood Stars. Angels will be sponsored by Standard Oil of California while sponsor for the Stars game had not been defi-nitely set by press time.

Remote pick-up of Stars games will start this week, with Angels coming in following week.

U-I, RKO Prep Short Subjects' Video Release

NEW YORK, March 27.-Two film companies, Universal - International (U-I) and RKO-Radio, this week were reported preparing to clear some of their top short subjects for tele-vision, for release thru subsidiary firms. U-I's releases probably will be out they. United World Films, while set thru United World Films, while RKO's would likely come thru RKO-Pathe.

U-I films, understood to be poten-U-I films, understood to be poten-tial video material, includes two series, Stranger Than Fiction, and Going Places. A tremendous number of these have been made over a period, of years. Three RKO series are reported likely prospects for early video sale. These include This Is America, two-reel documentaries; Sportscope, one-reelers issued 21 times annually, and Flicker Flashtimes annually, and *Flicker Flashbacks*, one-reelers, as well as a number of others. All such shorts made available for tele would probably have the music edited out of the sound track.

Deal On for WPIX's **Use of Versailles Club**

Use of Versailles Club NEW YORK, March 27.—A deal between *The New York Daily News* video station WPIX and the Ver-sailles nitery reportedly was brew-ing this week, whereby the tele out-let would take over the club one night a week for use as a studio in staging its own musical variety show. Danton Walker, *The Daily News* night life columnist, will emsee the opus, which will run 30 minutes. The format of the show reportedly calls for new talent to appear each week, with Walker ringing in numer-ous celebrities as well. WPIX may also utilize part of the Versailles show occasionally. The station is skedded to start airing June 15.

Tele Spot Times Hard To Locate

NEW YORK, March 27.—Sponsors seeking to break into video via spot campaigns were having increasing difficulty finding first class availabili-ties here this week. WCBS-TV was reported virtually sold out on its spot time. DuMont's availabilities are limited entirely to film filler program periods, with one exec saying "we're trying to open up new periods with-out going haywire." WNBT was re-ported having almost nothing availout going haywire." WNBT was re-ported having almost nothing avail-able prior to 7:50 p.m., with the later time now being geared more and more for web operations.

The Chicago situation is said to be even worse. WbKB has almost no spot time left. And WGN-TV's policy precludes the sale of one-minute spots.

\$70---\$700?

NEW YORK, March 27.—An interesting revelation occurred recently regarding the unsettled state of video production costs. Harry S. Goodman, transcription producer, queried a dozen film and television producers about the cost of half-minute video versions of his weather spots. The quotations ranged from \$70 to \$700 per spot. These prices would include cost of prices would include cost of filming and cost of puppets. Goodman would supply music and voices.

Goodman wonders, in view of the price range, whether the video producers know what they are doing.

Parsons Video Show in Works

HOLLYWOOD, March 27 .--- Woodbury Cosmetics are reported working on a new television show starring Louella Parsons, now sponsored by the same firm on the American Broadcasting Company Sunday nights. It's understood the program, which would be filmed so as to enable use in various TV cities, will star the film columnist in screen star in-

terviews.

Lennen & Mitchell is the agency.

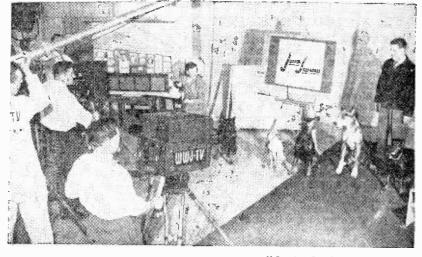
Trial of FCC Ruling Awaits Denver Switch

May Not Be Needed, at That

NEW YORK, March 27.—National Broadcasting Company (NBC) may soon test the legality of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) ership of five television stations in non-overlapping markets. The pivotal point of the NBC move, if it materializes, will be Denver.

izes, will be Denver. Altho NBC owns its AM adjunct, KOA, in Denver, it has no TV affiliate there. There is a strong possibility, it is said, that *The Denver Post* may apply for a channel, and in this event, the network hopes that the station will join its television network. If this happens, NBC obviously would • not feel the need to test the FCC position. A similar situation obtained in San Francisco, where NBC recently set up an affiliation deal with *The Chronicle* effective when that paper's tele station goes on the air.

tele station goes on the air. NBC now has TV licenses for New York and Washington, both operating, and construction permits for Cleve-land, Hollywood and Chicago.



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WBKB Features New Format For Lensing of Cubs' Games

with the demand of Phil Wrigley, owner of the Chicago Cubs National League baseball team, that baseball be telecast with an entirely new technique, WBKB, B&K video station which, with WGN-TV, will air the Cubs' home games this season, has worked out a new format of coverage. New technique, it is claimed, will satisfy all types of fans.

sausiy all types of Ians. To work out the technique. Bill Eddy, head of WBKB, Wrigley and execs of KTLA, Paramount West Coast station, last week televised the training games of the Cubs at Cata-lina Island. Paramount also had movie cameramen on hand to take shots which could be studied in the attempt to get hest coverage possible attempt to get best coverage possible. WGN-TV also had an observer on hand.

The WBKB coverage has been copyrighted. Copyright will be turned over to Wrigley and the National League without charge so that teams in other cities can use similar techniques.

Principal WBKB procedure will be based on an attempt to have as much based on an attempt to have as much action as possible coming toward the cameras instead of away, as has been the rule in tele. There also will be an attempt to pick out one personality of the day, player, manager, coach or umpire and get his visual reaction to or participation in play. to, or participation in, play.

WBKB will use three cameras. One, for infield play, will be placed just inside third base; another, in left field, just outside the foul line; the

Pincuses Prepare **2 Video Packages**

NEW YORK, March 27.—Legit pro-ducers Irving and Norman Pincus this week spread out their efforts to in-clude television as they placed two video packages on the mart thru the William Morris Agency. The initial opus, a 13-week series of 35mm. films made especially for tele, features golf champ Byron Nelson and is titled Winning Golf. The series was photo-graphed both on links and in the graphed both on links and in the studio, with commentary by Nelson, and is designed to give the quondam golfer tips on improving his form.

golfer tips on improving his form. The second package, titled Spe-cialty of the House, features Iles Brody, tood columnist, with the fore-most chefs of Manhattan as guests. Appeal is directed at men as well as women. Tie-ups already have been completed with 18 top New York eateries for their leading chefs to appear. Amateur cooks whose repu-tations have been made in showbiz also will participate, with such names as Alfred Lunt, Walter Slezak and Lauritz Melchior being lined up.

Clubs participating are the Colony, Chambord, 21, Stork, Gallagher's, Barbetta's, Lindy's, Copa, Luchow's, Lum Fong, Gripsholm, Le Pavilion, El Morocco, Voisin, Ritz-Carlton, Plaza, Hapsburg House and St. Regis. Another i

CHICAGO, March 27.—To conform third, in a press box high in the vith the demand of Phil Wrigley, stands and far down the left-field line. First camera will be on a plat-form which can be lowered or raised so that close-ups can be had at angles below. on a line with, or above play. Second camera will be equipped with Second camera will be equipped with a Zoomar lens and will be able to present close-ups of infield plays or wide angle or close-ups of outfield play. The third will be placed in back of the announcer so that video wiewers will got the improvement that viewers will get the impression that they are viewing the game thru the eyes of the announcer. This, accord-ing to Eddy, will give viewers im-pression of viewing game thru eyes of someone actually at the game, according to Eddy, a necessity learned thru movie technique.

Puppet Playhouse

Reviewed Tuesday (16). Style — Children's. Sustaining via NBC television network, WNBT, New York; Tuesdays, Thursdays, 5 p.m. Producer, Roger Muir; technical director, John Burrell. Emsee, Bob Smith. Puppet operator, Frank Paris. Guests, this program, child actors from "Annie Get Your Gun" and "Me and Molly," Broadway plays.

Video shows angled for the moppet trade may well line up loyal and regular followings unequaled by any regular followings unequaled by any regular tele programing other than sports at this stage of the medium's development. This has been indi-cated by the intense interest shown cated by the intense interest shown by the junior members in Bob Emery's Small Fry show over the DuMont web, and Bob Smith may earn a similar audience for his twice-weekly Puppet Playhouse airer over the National Broadcasting Company (NBC). With a little tightening, Smith's opus may become that sub-stitute for baby-sitters during the early evening hours which many dis-traught parents would welcome.

The program is compounded of The program is compounded of audience participation, puppets, short films and Smith himself, an ingra-tiating guy with the younger set. On the show caught, however, he had a group of kids from two legit shows present—Me and Molly and Annie Get Your Gun. Asked to do imper-sonations, some of the brats showed they were true hambones by running off at the mouth with lengthy recita-tions which had Smith looking as tho tions which had Smith looking as tho he would like to apply a moist palm to some posteriors.

to some posteriors. Co-featured with Smith is the show's "star," marionette "Howdy Doody," who is currently conducting a campaign to become president, as who is not? The marionette is a quaint and sometimes funny charac-ter, but not a particularly lovable one. However, the dummy certainly had a characterization all its own, and one which should draw the kid viewers back for more helpings. Some clever stuff was done with Howdy, including having him stand Howdy, including having him stand up to a wall phone with a receiver in his hand, engaging in a conversation

Another interesting aspect is the



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Stop Me If You've Heard This One

Reviewed Friday (26). Sponsored by Davega Stores thru Alfred J. Silberstein-Bert Goldsmith Company, Inc., Fridays, 8:30-9 p.m. via NBC television network, WNBT, New York. Style, Variety, Di-Roger Bower. Cast: Cal Tinney, Morey Amsterdam, Lew Lehr.

Surprising as it may seem, Stop Me Surprising as it may seem, Stop Me If You've Heard This One is Eastern television's first big-time comedy series, and a most welcome addition it is. Actually, it's not a truly video program—or at least it wasn't on its debut Friday (26), since the camera's mobility as shown was limited to three shots. These were a close-up of producer-emsee Roger Bower, a closeup of one of the three gagsters or a long shot of the trio. Since television's scrutiny only accents the fact that not one of the four can shave without wincing the visual aspects of *Stop Me* aren't particularly exhilarating.

This, tho, is all mere carping. Stop Me bowed in on tele as a riotous program, whose shortcomings were program, whose shortcomings were mostly minor, involving camera and sound gum-ups, but which pelted along with a full measure of laughs-many boff. The program, now aired over WOR-Mutual, used the same cast, Bower, Morey Amsterdam, Cal Tinney (who owns the show) and Lew Lehr. The routine works the same, Bower telling a story, and the comics breaking in in an endeavor to tell the yarn before Bower com-pletes it. pletes it.

Screening Weak

Yet, while the shortcoming's were minor, they may become more im-portant as viewers become accus-tomed to the program and increas-ingly aware of its visual weaknesses. As it is, the video on Stop Me could be tuned out and it would remain As it is, the video on Stop Me could be tuned out, and it would remain equally as funny. Thus, in any num-ber of instances, the camera would fail to pick up a gagster, remaining on Bower, who'd been interrupted. Again, placing the three comics on a settee only added to the stiffness. And only once did any of the four get up—when Lehr told a gag. Since Amsterdam, Tinney and Lehr are accustomed to personal appearance work, there's no reason why they should be glued to the divan vir-tually thruout. In addition, they ought to hand signal when they want to cut in on Bower, rather than start ought to hand signal when they want to cut in on Bower, rather than start spieling. This, obviously, would fa-cilitate camera shifts. The show also needs another mike. Each time Lehr, furtherest away from the mike, started to enough his usion remained low even to speak, his voice remained low, even after the camera had picked him up, and some seconds intervened until the gain had been boosted.

The commercials are brief and reasonably effective, plugging RCA Vic-tor table model tele sets. They were offered at the three conventional spots and used a man-wife acting team and announcer Radcliffe Hall. One fade from the cathode tube being exhibited into a surrest especially effective. Jerry Franken. exhibited into a Stop Me title was

show's use of drawings made in front of the cameras by Nino, the artist. These sketches are called "Whatits," and the kids in the studio attempt to guess what's being drawn as the pencil is wielded. The kids at home probably get a bang out of this fea-ture, too. As for the old movies, they too are slanted for the youngsters. those shown this time being shots of kids riding miniature trains in Los Angeles and a Roller Coaster in Vi-Angeles and a Roller Coaster in Vienna.

With all these features and more tossed in to hold juvenile attention, Smith's show should register well. With the show made a bit less sprawling it could become an institution. Sam Chase.

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TALK OF THE TRADE

Network Operations

R^{ED} BARBER, sports director of the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), back in New York Tuesday (30) after a month in Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic, where he covered the spring training of the Dodgers in preparation for his seasonal coverage over WHN, New York. . . Robert Unanue, assistant director of Latin-American relations for CBS, leaves by plane Saturday (27) for Bogota, Colombia, scene of the ninth International Conference of American States, opening Tuesday (30). Unanue's nightly commentaries will be beamed by short wave thruout Latin-America.

Association of Radio News Analysts recently elected John MacVane, of NBC, as president for the coming year, succeeding NBC's H. V. Kaltenborn. Other officers elected were George Hamilton Combs and William Hillman, vice-presidents; Gregor Ziemer, secretary; Cecil Brown, treasurer; Larry Lesueur, assistant secretary; Max Hill, assistant treasurer; H. V. Kcltenborn, John Daly, Bill Henry and Edward R. Murrow, executive committee.

JOSEPH H. REAM, CBS executive vice-president, will address the Chicago • Federated Advertising Club, Chicago, Thursday (1), on Dimensions of Television. . . Our Gal Sunday, daytime serial sponsored over CBS by American Home Products Corporation, enters its 12th consecutive year of five-a-week broadcasts Monday (29). Leads are played by Vivian Smolen and Karl Swenson.

Station Relations

ROBERT GILLESPIE, former announcer at WONS, Hartford, Conn. **N** appointed new program director at WWCO, Waterbury, Conn. . . . Paul O. Godt, for nearly four years program manager of KFEL, Denver, and formerly of KXOK, St. Louis, has joined KMYR, Denver, in newly created post of program planner and developer. . . . Joseph Manocho, formerly with WJBK, Detroit, and WKNA, Charleston, W. Va., has joined WXYZ as staff announcer. He replaces Ken Marvin, who left to join WAAF, Chicago.

Jack Riaska, recently with KEEN, San Jose, now in charge of continuity for KSFO. San Francisco. Another newcomer at KSFO is Erma Parkes, music librarian, formerly with KOLE, Port Arthur, Tex. . . Additions to engineering department at WCAE. Pittsburgh, are Pete Shalonis and Gerald Lamb. Michael Andrews new continuity director at WCAE. . . . Walter I. Kingsley added to sales staff of WCOP, Boston. . . Fred McCall, former program director for KVAL, Brownsville, Tex., has joined announcing staff at KTSA. San Antonio. Ben Baines, for 10 years city editor of The San Antonio Evening News, now with KTSA news department.

A NNOUNCERS, commentators et al. will be interested in the second edition of World Words, by W. Cabell Greet, CBS consultant. Tome contains twice as many entries as before, with a new section devoted to Japanese and Asiatic place names. . . Actor Ed Begley back in New York, following a six-month stay in Hollywood where he made six films. . . . John F. Hardesty, sales promotion chief at WOL, Washington, appointed director of publicity.

Agencies and Clients

DEKE HEYWARD shifted from Emil Mogul to Fashion Council films.... Tom Rockwell, head of General Artists Corporation, talent reps, spending two weeks working in Florida.... Phil Cohen, New York radio chief for Sullivan. Stauffer, Colwell & Bayles, upped to veepee.... Libby-McNeil-Libby renewed *My True Story* on ABC.... Trans-World Airline has prepped a five-city radio campaign over 16 stations stressing its performance during the past winter. Agency is Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn.

American Family Magazine, distributed by Independent Grocers' Alliance thru its 4,900 retail stores and circulating 300,000 copies, has added a radio column, Radio Roaming, by Buddy Basch, who also runs a flackery..., Lever Bros., prepping a new product, has named Day, Duke & Tarleton, Inc., to handle. Maria J. White, ex-Biow and Benton & Bowles, has signed on as time buyer with the agency.

245,350 Tele Sets in U. S.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Television receivers in cities where stations are now operating, commercially or experimentally, total 245,350, according to estimates by reliable trade sources. The survey was made March 1. The breakdown:

City	Stations	Estimated Set Circulation
Baltimore		5.200
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Richmond	1	550
Schenectady	1	2,550
St. Louis	1	3,450
St. Paul	1	500
Washington		8,000
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(a) 250 to 1.000 watts
(b) 5.000 to 20,000 watts
(c) 50.000 to 20,000 watts
(d) All FM stations
(d) Programs will be judged and awards will be made for each station group (as above) in each of the following eleven categories:
DRAMA CHILDREN'S SHOWS
NEWS PUBLIC SERVICE MUSIC VARIETY
WOMEN'S SHOWS
NOTE: Music shows (including audience)

NOTE: Music shows may be live or on E.T. or commercial records and may cover any type of music or combina-tions of musical types.

*Regional or National Network Shows will not be considered in this competition.

Note: All locally produced radio programs reviewed by The Billboard since January 1, 1947, will automatically be considered as entries in The Billboard's First Annual Local Program Competition. Stations are urged, therefore, not to take the time nor go to the expense of sending in another E.T. of such shows. Any stations which submitted such programs and for any reason do not wish a program to be considered an entry are urged to write The Billboard to that effect immediately.



WOMEN'S SHOWS (including audience participation) COMEDY FARM PROGRAMS COMMENTATORS QUIZ SPORTS

(5) Stations may enter as many programs as desired in any one or more categories. (6) All entries must come in the form of electrical transcriptions. No shows will be considered in script form.

considered in script form. (7) Station must supply complete list of credits for each show submitted (including: name of show, producer, writer and cast)— whether live, electrical transcription, or record program; day(s) and time on the alr; total talent cost; if sponsored, sponsored by whom, and sponsor's advertising agency. These credits may be supplied on station letterhead or any kind of paper. (8) All entries must reach the New York office of The Billboard no later than April 5. The Billboard will appreciate entries arriving as long before that date as possible. (9) Entries, will be judged by the editors and

(9) Entries will be judged by the editors and radio editorial staff of The Billboard.

(10) Entries will be judged on the basis of originality of idea. excellence of production, quality of writing, acting, etc. In short, all factors entering into good programing will enter into the final decisions of the judges. However, all shows will be evaluated on a local station standard. . . . NOT a big coast-to-coast network standard.

MUSIC Communications to 1564 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y. April 3, 1948

Rah Rahs Go to Kenton's Modern Jazz Despite the Votes for Sweet Stuff

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Monroe Zooms to No. 2 Slot; Beneke, Dorsey, James Behind

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(Continued from page 3) polls among student bodies. A new section—Part II—deals with the business aspects of the college dance biz. Facts and impressions dealing with ork performances, agency likes and dislikes and band-campus prices will appear in Part II, to be printed in next week's edition. For the second time (altho the campus kids voted for sweet as their general music preference by some seven-to-one over swing) Kenton's was heralded as the most popular band. Vaughn Monroe's ork pushed up two notches from fourth to second slot. The singing maestro's ascent forced the Tex Beneke ork down to third slot and Tommy Dorsey to fourth. Harry James, who returned to the active ork fold this year, shot up to fifth slot from ninth last year, while Guy Lombardo, with a strong disk year, cracked the first 10 after failing to show in the golden circle during 1947. Lombardo displaced Duke Ellington among the charmed 10, with the Duke dropping out com-pletely. Les Brown slipped from

Eddy Howard remained in eighth slot.

Kenton Wins Swing, Too

Kenton Wins Swing, Too In the individual ork categories, Kenton cleaned up for a second double crown when he swept the swing ork division, leaving the Tex Beneke crew a limping second and Benny Goodman third. Tommy Dor-sey and Woody Herman, last year's second and third winners, received only a smattering of votes in this category, which was dominated by Kenton. Kenton.

Kenton. Vaughn Monroe swept the sweet-stakes by a hefty margin. Surprise second-place winner in this class was newcomer Elliot Lawrence's crew, which has been playing a heavy flow of college and school dates since the band's inception less than two years (See Rah Rahs to Kenton on page 20)

v, with the Duke dropping out com-pletely. Les Brown slipped from seventh to 10th. Elliot Lawrence fell from fifth to seventh, Claude Thorn-hill went up from 10th to ninth and Eddy. Haward remained in airbith

Mooney Grabs Place Money

NEW YORK, March 27.—For the second straight year, Elliot Law-rence's crew emerges as the campus choice for the most promising newer choice for the most promising newer ork title, according to *The Billboard's* 10th Annual College Poll results. Tabulation shows the youthful 88-er far in front of Art Mooney, Randy Brooks, Eddy Howard and Skitch Henderson, who round out the first five listings five listings.

Lawrence's repeat comes as no surprise considering the predominance of school-dance dates in his bookings. The real eyebrow lifter is Art Mooney, who zoomed into second place, apparently riding high on his Four Leaf Clover smash which over-

Alma Mater Trade Picks King Cole as Top Vocal And Instrumental Group

Three Suns' No. 2 Music Place; Pipers' Second Chirp Slot

Three Suns' No. 2 Music Place: Pipers' Second Chirp Slot
NEW YORK, March 27.—Thanks to
Nat Cole's piano-vocal talent., the
King Cole Trio made a royal sweep
of the small instrumental and vocal
group sections of *The Billboard*'s 10th
Annual College Poll, carrying off
twice as many votes as its nearest
rivals, to cop first place in both divisions. The versatile Capitol crew
had scored similarly in last year's
campus survey, holding down second
place in both classifications. No. 2
instrumental faves with the diploma
set were the Suns, Victor's shining
Wax salesmen who made *Twilight Time* a bright sunrise for their careers.
Last year's top small band, the Benny
Goodman Sextette, hasn't cooled off
with the students as evidenced by
BG's third-place victory.
Two newcomers snagged fourth and
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(Male)	(Female)
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MUSIC 17

CROSBY, LEE AND KENTON **Role of IMC**

In AFM Fight Brand Vinylites Seen Fading

Affected by Radio's Truce

NEW YORK, March 27. — The role of the Industry Music Committee (IMC) in effecting an end of the re-cording ban (now that broadcasters have settled radio problems with Pe-trillo) was disparaged by diskery spokesmen here this week. The feel-ing in disk quarters after last week's IMC meeting was that the committee's IMC meeting was that the committee's role now becomes academic, altho at the confab IMC's legal counsel, Sid-ney Kaye, had outlined legal steps that could be hurled at Petrillo.

One major disker pointed out that One major disker pointed out that while the radio people were acting in good faith and continuing IMC functioning (at the latest meeting about \$15,000 in new funds was pledged to cover legal fees, research, etc.), it was becoming obvious that the diskeries separately would have to fight, or settle with, Petrillo in ac-cordance with their own needs and to fight, or settle with, Petrillo in ac-cordance with their own needs and wishes. His contention was that while Kaye may have effective legal attacks mapped out, it was doubtful that any record firm would "bell the cat" and become a complainant on any action Kaye would launch. The same attitude toward IMC's status has been privately expressed by the bulk of transcription and library com-panies, it is reported. panies, it is reported.

London Label Co. **To Expand Biz** To So. America NEW YORK, March 27 .- The Lon-

don Record label company expands its disk activities to South America next month, with Henry Principe, former manager of the Rapson Music Store here, appointed sales manager for the Latin territories.

Principe is skedded to fly down to Rio De Janeiro in three weeks, where he will set up temporary headquar-ters for the English-Decca-owned waxery and make a survey of the country for prospective distributors.

Another new London exec is Richard Paganelli, upped from sales to Eastern sales manager last week. Paganelli, who is already on a tour of the diskery's Southern distribs, re-places Kelly Camarata, whose responsibilities as director of station rela-tions (disk jockey promotion), were deemed too heavy to be paired with the extra load of Eastern sales duties.

Robbins Gets "Shoemaker"

NEW YORK, March 27.—Jack Rob-bins this week annexed the English best-seller novelty-ditty Shoemaker's Serenade for his J. J. Robbins firm. Serenade for his J. J. Robbins firm. The tune is published in England by the Kassner firm. Shoemaker is the second pop ditty taken over by Rob-bins in the past month; first was He Makes Believe He's Mine, penned by Duke Ellington and John Latouche a fortnight ago. In the main, Robbins has been concentrating on his four has been concentrating on his four standard catalogs.

New Firm Offers Hit - Tune, Private-

NEW YORK, March 27.-Jack Mangam, associated with International Re cording Studios here, has formed Music Merchants' Associates, a disk company which aims to supply retailers with special vinylite platters imprinted with their store name on the label.

The personal touch gimmick is set up so that retailers will get six "hit tune" releases a month, three popular and three Western, with a minimum order of 50 a month set for any one title. Unbreakable vari-colored vinys will retail at \$1 a disk.

The plan also includes a monthly dealer poll to find out which num-bers are most in demand by cus-tomers. Mangam claims the company has a big enough backlog of masters to cover most requests. Artists are unbilled on the label.

Dunham Gets

NEW YORK, March 27.-In re-NEW YORK, March 27.—In re-sponse to a written ultimatum by Shedd McWilliams, the personal man-ager of the Sonny Dunham ork, the Tune-Disk waxery in Philadelphia this week returned 16 masters to Dunham. McWilliams earlier had de-manded that the dislown either new manded that the diskery either pay some \$3,200 indebtedness for record some \$3,200 indebtedness for record sessions held before the ban, or re-linquish the sides. According to Mc-Williams there have been nibbles in the last few days by other waxeries for the masters, which mainly con-sists of tunes licensed thru Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI).

Tune-Disk., which amassed some 100 masters in the pre-ban days (waxed by Ray Eberle, Ray Anthony, Al Donahue, Dunham, etc.) still is searching for funds with which to press and release disks. The Eberle, Anthony and Donahue crews still have monies due for disk dates.

The McWilliams step is believed to be the first direct move made by any of the orks and may be the forerun-ner of similar return-the-master deals to be launched by the remaining three orks.

Lewis Bill Nixed By House Group

WASHINGTON, March 27. — The Lewis bill is now officially dead, as the House Judiciary Subcommittee this week voted to report it adversely to the full committee. As foretold (*The Billboard*, February 14), the peace pact between the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) and movie ex-hibitors in the Theater Owners' Asso-ciation doomed the measure. ciation doomed the measure.

A delegation representing the motion picture producers protested at a brief hearing this week against the bill, which would have charged music-use fees against producers rather than theater operators. Fol-lowing the airing, the Lewis bill was voted down unanimously.

"Sing Bing", "Lee's for Me" **Collegian Chant; in Place: Como, Laine; Stafford, Shore**

Sinatra Slip Shows, Lund Fades; Monroe, Christy Pop In

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slot to fifth place behind Crosby, Perry Como, Frankie Laine and Vaughn Monroe. Combination of bad publicity for Sinatra and a long stretch with-out a sock record (his last biggie was *Mam'selle* over a year ago and that bowed to the Art Lund version for impact) took its toll in this year's poll. But Como's disk success remained at high level with one smash hit to his credit (*When You Were Sweet Sixteen* paired with *Chi Baba*, *Chi Baba*) and several peak-sale platters to boot. Laine pulled up from seventh slot last year to No. 3 this year on the strength of his Mercury success since That's



Billboard's 10th Annual College Poll. In the men's division, Torme was closely followed by Vic Damone and Frankie Laine, with Gordon MacRae a distant fourth. The Vaughan gal racked up a comfortable margin over her three nearest fem competitors,

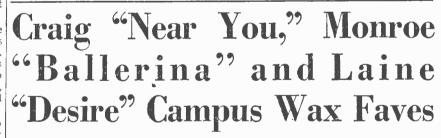
(See Torme and Vaughn on page 20)

|My Desire; the singer even now boasts a hit in his version of Shine. Monroe, of course, enjoyed a pistol-hot record with Ballerina, How Soon, I Wish I Didn't Love You So, etc., riding for him. Sixth slot winner was Mel nim. Sixth slot winner was Mel Torme, who showed for the first time in the poll. He pushed Dick Haymes, Nat Cole and Andy Russell out of place spots in the race. The fem division hardly represented a change from last year's results with

And Vaughan Band Vaughan And Vaughan And Vaughan Achard Sarah Vaughan as the of the Sonny Dunham ork, the e-Disk waxery in Philadelphia week returned 16 masters to

Monroe Vocal Champ

In the band-singing department, Vaughn Monroe stole the honors in a walk over former Tommy Dorsey vocalist Stuart Foster among the men. while Kenton's June Christy retained (See Bing and Lee on page 20)



Iturbi, Rubinstein Longhair Laurels-Khachaturian Boom

NEW YORK, March 27.-The campus lads and lassies' selection of their favorite popular records of the past year apparently reflects the choice of the nation as a whole, according to results of The Billboard's 10th Annual College Poll. Leading off was Francis Craig's waxing of *Near You*, which overnight brought new promi-nence to the veteran Nashville 88-er and the Bullet diskery. The romantic bary tonsils of Vaughn Monroe (ca-ressing the *Ballerina* lyric for Victor) ranked as second choice, almost 400 votes ahead of Frankie Laine's wax-ing of *That's My Desire*, which placed fifth in the 1946 poll.

The college kids also picked upon the banjo craze, tabbing Art Mooney's *Four Leaf Clover* platter in a fourth-place tie with the Ted Weems disk, *Heartaches.* The Weems waxing was a holdover from last year's poll, in which it placed second. The kids didn't forget Bing Crosby either, plac-ing his *How Soon* disk in fifth posi-tion. tion.

NEW YORK, March 27.-Perennial favorites of the American classical music lovers at large grabbed off top music lovers at large grabbed off top billing among the college longhair listeners, with piano compositions leading the way, according to results of *The Billboard's* 10th Annual Col-lege Poll. Victor's Jose Iturbi nabbed first and third positions, snaring the titles with his *Clair de Lune* disk and following up in the about money elect following up in the show-money slot with the Chopin Polonaise. Interruptwith the Chopin Polonaise. Interrupt-ing the Iturbi monoply in No. 2 list-ing, was the Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 2 in C Minor interpreted by Ar-thur Rubinstein and the NBC Sym-phony ork conducted by Vladimir Golschmann, also for Victor. Collegians thumbed their nose at the Soviet composer Aram Khacha-turian by rooting for Columbia's Gayne Ballet Suite and voting it their fourth favorite work as performed by

fourth favorite work, as performed by Efrem Kurtz and the New York Phil-harmonic. For fifth place, the under-graduates held out for the tried and true Jalousic. The effort of the Bos-ton Pops ork, with Arthur Fiedler conducting, won the nod.

The Billboard

PROFITS, PROFITS, PROFITS!

April 3, 1948

Disker'47 **Grosses** Up; Nets Down

Earnings Still Substantial

NEW YORK, March 27 .--- Judging by the annual reports of three of the top four diskers-Capitol, Decca and Columbia-1947 marked the biggest gross-dollar-sales year in the record industry's history. But the huge gross figures told only one story. The drop in net profits below 1946 earnings told the other: A story of rising costs and heavy investment in banbeating backlogs.

Combined profit of the three diskers, for example, shows a net earning figure about 26 per cent below the previous year's take, while unofficial trade estimates put the 1947 diskbiz (gross-dollar sales) almost 10 per cent higher than in 1946. Profit statements still were formidable compared to the pre-1946 period.

Capitol's report, issued this week. shows an increase in annual sales in 1947 of \$1,427,409 over 1946, with the' gross for the year set at \$14,510,206. But the diskery took approximately a 57 per cent dip in net earnings from 1046's \$741,149, to a total of \$318,528. The diskery blamed its de-crease on mark-down of inventories, expenses in building up its transcription department plus additional coin outlay for pre-ban recording sessions.

CBS Records Report Also released this week was Co-lumbia Broadcasting System's annual report which added some data to the Columbia Records, Inc., earnings statement of last month. The report, money-wise, showed that the diskery dipped to \$1,415,800 in 1947 from \$1,880,200 in 1946 in net earnings. The '47 figuré nevertheless repre-sented a tremendous stride over the diskery's 1945 net earnings which totaled \$196,899. The Columbia report reveals that

The Columbia report reveals that the diskery sold 70,000,000 disks in 1947, which represents a 5,000,000 platter sales increase over 1946. The diskery, with the opening of its Hollywood plant, now claims a potential annual production of more than 100,-000,000 records. The report also states that the diskery's newly opened subsidiary in Mexico represented an investment of \$227,832.

Increased Op Costs The report averred that the rea-sons for the drop in net earnings could be pinned mainly on increased labor and disk manufacturing costs, plant expansion costs, the purchase of the diskery's New York office headquarters at 799 Seventh Avenue and to the extraordinary costs ac-crued as a result of the pre-ban wax-ing scuffle.

Decca's report was printed in The Billboard last week and showed 1947 net sales totaling \$32,508,718, rep-resenting an increase of \$1,833,337 over 1946. The diskery's 1947 net earnings were \$1,618,548 as compared to the previous year's \$1,944,538.

Hey, Spinners, Don't Be Spun!

SINCE its inception less than a year ago, the National Association of SINCE its inception less than a year ago, the National Association of Disk Jockeys (NADJ) has run into many formative problems. Watchdogged by various trade papers, the org has persevered thru many self-taught lessons that are the usual price of organizing a new showbiz group. But while some trade papers maintained a construc-tive editorial attitude toward the new jockey group, one New York magazine of dubious stature has come up with a jolt for NADJ that hardly falls within the bounds of editorial function or privilege. According to officials of the New York chapter of NADJ, an insignificant little tradesheet by the name of *Music Business* approached NADJ recently with a "proposition." The proposition took the lines that NADJ should come in with *Music Business* under a sponsorship cloak or else. Here the promise of a "boomerang" was prominently mentioned. Motives? It's Your Guess

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Sponsorship cloak of else. There the profilies of a "boolietaing" was prominently mentioned. Motives? It's Your Guess The purpose of the Music Business threat was not revealed, altho NADJ exces assume that the trade rag (which itself recently abandoned attempts to cover the music industry and attempted to become an all-disk-jockey vehicle) has its own motives. At any rate, NADJ rejected the proposition. Suddenly thereafter, a new organization called the American Society of Disk Jockeys (ASDJ) came into being with membership cards going out_free_to station managers. The office address given for ASDJ was that of Music Business. Officials of Music Business conceded that they were sponsoring this newborn jockey movement. Meanwhile, members of NADJ aver that Music Business, with each ASDJ membership card, attaches a copy of its magazine. All of the mailings reportedly were made to station managers who in turn apparently would hand cards and magazine over to disk jockey personnel. This Needn't Hurt Much Such developments are not surprising. They represent the expected straw-grasping technique adopted by various infant members of the trade press to carve away at the cushy disk-jockey market. Such tactics need not faze nor jeopardize the existence and future of NADJ, provided certain basic principles are adhered to. NADJ, it is true, currently boasts only a couple of hundred members, but the activation of its own house organ and the use of a democratic device known as hustling, conceivably will bring improved results. In any event, we prefer NADJ to an ASDJ for the simple reason that we have always combated outside commercials for an association of jockeys and we will continue to do so. We hold no particular brief for NADJ. Until it has had the time and opportunity to prove itself a clean, wholesome influence on all of showbiz, who's to say what will become of it? But we can't help chuckling at the various characters (we use the term advisedly) who are fulfilling The Billboard prediction

TD Dismisses % Plan; Wants **2G Guarantee**

First Deal Confusing

NEW YORK, March 27 .--- Tommy Dorsey via a telephone conversation from Miami, told *The Billboard* last night (26) that he had dropped his plans to adjust his booking price policy to include graduating percentages. This was because of the confusion that followed the initial announcement of his booking ideas, said TD. He flatly stated that in the future his band will continue to be sold for promotions on a \$2.000 per night guarantee against 60 per cent of the gross.

TD claimed he was forced to change his plans because promoters had mis-interpreted his ideas (which were based on graded percentage takes) and because of increased concern over the single failure of the plan when used in Cleveland several months ago, experimentally.

months ago, experimentally. Interpretations of the deal varied from \$1,500 "first money"—reported by several promotions and confirmed by the Music Corporation of America, TD's agency—to a \$1,500 guarantee, reported by the Dorsey office headed by Arthur Michaud. Success of the plan was considered dependent on lowering of box-office prices and proper advertising and publicity, none of which Dorsey now feels can be assured by most currently operatbe assured by most currently operating promoters.

Dorsey was contacted while taking shore leave from his yacht. Sentimen-talist, which is anchored off Miami where TD is completing a six-week vacation. He returns to action on April 1 with a string of Southern and East Coast one-nighters.

DEBTS, DEBTS, Vita Creditors To Hear New **Reorg Plans**

Assets Top Liabilities

CHICAGO, March 27.—Listing as-sets of \$204,497.79 and liabilities of \$182.462.81, Vitacoustic Records pre-sent 'l its schedules before Federal Judge Walter LaBuy here Wednesday (24), who in turn appointed Nathan W. MacChesney as referee. Mac-W. Macchesney as referee. Mac-Chesney will set a date within two or three weeks for a meeting of creditors at which Vita execs, Lloyd Garrett and Jack Buckley, will present their plan for reorganization.

Albert Langeluttig, attorney for the firm, expressed confidence in its abil-(See Vita Creditors on page 20)

Fate of UAR HOLLYWOOD, March 27. meeting of creditors of United Artists' Records (UAR) was set this week for April 8, at which time a decision will be made as to whether the Hollywood indie waxery will be liquidated piece-meal or sold as a package. Disk-

To Determine

Creditor Meet

ery went into the hands of creditors assignee, Francis Quittner, after a long period of financial stress (The Billboard, March 13).

board, March 13). Quittner said an inventory of UAR assets completed this week showed that book inventory, exclusive of ac-counts receivable and masters, was valued at more than \$100,000. Lia-bilities are being audited and will include a large chunk of dough due producers and publishers for back royalties. Because of a contractual set-up, ownership of certain masters (See Creditor Meet on page 20) (See Creditor Meet on page 20)

DEBTS? Section 10 Move Made By Majestic

CHICAGO. March 27. — Majestic Radio & Television Corporation and Majestic Records this week petitioned the U. S. government to change its the U. S. government to change its rearrangement proceedings from Chapter XI of the Chandler Act to Chapter X. Under Chapter X there is the possibility of bankruptcy being declared; under Chapter XI the possi-bility of 100 cents on the dollar pay-off of debts is present. John P. Haley, federal bankruptcy referee for the Northern District of Illinois, will decide the outcome of *(See Section 10 on page 20)*



Section 10 Move Is Made By Majestic (Continued from page 18)

the proceedings. According to Haley, it will be up to him to make a decision on the basis of information uncovered. An audit of the Majestic companies is now in process and should be finished in a few weeks. At present, Haley indicated, Majestic At present, Haley indicated, Majestic is planning to sell its pressing plant in Newark, N. J., and possibly the distributing-company offices here. The ultimate fate of Majestic un-doubtedly hinges on the question of whether property disposals can cut down overhead while some equitable cales level is still maintained. sales level is still maintained.

A creditors' committee will be ap-pointed anew, Haley also indicated. Meanwhile, reports here held that Eddy Howard, top Majestic disk sell-er and principal creditor in the record branch stands to regain his montant branch, stands to regain his masters if and when a bankruptcy action de-If and when a bankruptcy action de-velopes. This protection for Howard's masters reportedly comes via prior contract and may offer some solace to the orkster, who remains stymied until the government decides which way the die will fall.

New Talks With Decca

New Talks with Decca NEW YORK, March 27. — Friday (26), attorney A. L. Shapiro, rep-resenting Majestic, was closeted with officials of Decca Records, presumably to continue talks originally entered into between Jack Kapp, Decca head, and Gene Tracey, chairman of the Majestic board.

Meanwhile, the Eastern set-up of Majestic here in New York officially shut up shop. Lee Savin, last talent and tune link for the diskery locally, resigned from the company rather



NEW YORK, March 27.—The ex-ecutive board of Local 802, American Federation of Musicians (AFM), has chosen Jack Stein, veteran union member, to fill the key post of treas-urer left vacant by the death of Emil G. Balzer last month.

Louis Grupp, 802 business agent and delegate to the United Hebrew Trades, was named to replace Stein on the 802 trial board. Another trial board member, Edgar Daly, will take over the new treasurer's tax collection duties.

Executive board member Robert Sterne, editor of *Allegro*, 802's official journal, will take Balzer's place as delegate to the AFM convention this summer.

BING AND LEE

(Continued on page 17) her championship of last year by top-ping her closest opposition, Fran War-ren, of the Claude Thornhill ork, by ren. of the Claude Thornhill ork, by a hefty margin. Art Lund, who was enjoying plenty favor via *Mam'selle* last year and who copped the band singer laurels for '47, placed in no section of the singers' poll.

than continue in a condensed opera-tion which would require him to spend much time in Elgin, Ill., head-quarters. Savin said he had too many commitments in New York to make the quitth proticeble the switch practicable.

At the same time, the word was out that the Benton & Bowles advertising agency had purchased the lease on the Majestic studio and office space at 16 East 40th Street here.

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To Hear New **Reorg Program**

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ity to work out the difficulties to the satisfaction of creditors and cited the facts that firm assets outweigh liabilities by \$22,034.98 and sale of Vita disks continues good.

In the assets column, biggest items listed are advance royalties of \$55,-904.50 paid to artists; \$42,269.68 in masters (cost of recording) and \$42,-498.26 due on open accounts, mostly from distributors. Among artists refrom distributors. Among artists re-ceiving advances in excess of \$3,000 are Yvette, \$5,097.06; Leo Diamond, \$9,866.83; Joan Edwards, \$3,360.30; Henry Busse, \$3,191.32; Fred Nagel, \$3,404.80; Jack Carroll, \$3,957.78, and Joe Vera, \$3,245.

The federal government with a claim of \$18,397.07 for taxes, of which \$14,924.48 is excise tax, is the largest single creditor. Harry Fox, representing music publisher interests, has an unsecured claim for \$10,412.58 plus a note of \$7,000 with Vita Record Distributing Company of New York, given as contingent payment. Among other publisher claims are Edward Marks, \$2,827.85, and Music Publishers Holding Corporation, \$688.14.

Liabilities

Among presseries owed dough are Long Island Plastic Products, Bay Shore, \$8,434.44, plus a \$7,000, note with Vita Record Distributors of New York given as contingent payment; Perfection Plastic Products, Pasadena, Calif., \$14,401.08, and Starr Piano, Richmond, Ind., \$2,354.33.

Other important creditors include Other important creditors include Jerry Murad's Harmonicats, \$14,-601.64; United Broadcasting Com-pany, Chicago, \$13,801.48 (account disputed to extent of \$2,000); Sonora Radio & Television, \$5.028.76, with note of Barrett Distributing Company, Baltimore, given as contingent pay-ment, and royalties due other artists, approximately \$15,000.

Vita stated it has on hand 22,741 disks plus an additional 134,166 in hands of its distribs on consignment.

LAWRENCE REPEATS

(Continued from page 16) night brought the banjo back into national prominence and established Mooney as a big box-office property. Real surprise is trumpet-tootler Randy Brooks, who nabbed show money. Evidently the hot-cold Brooks ork remained fresh in the minds of trudents as a result of the band's ork remained fresh in the minds of students as a result of the band's many college dance dates and one-nighter stints during the past year. The vocal-sweet styling of Eddy Howard took fourth-place honors, two notches lower than Howard's second place rating last year. Not too far behind Howard came the less-than-a-year-old Skitch Henderson ork in the No. 5 slot.

Finishing up the standings in sixth, seventh and eighth positions were Ray McKinley, Claude Thornhill and Ray Anthony, who sprinted down to the wire closely bunched.

CREDITOR MEET

(Continued from page 18) will revert to original producers. Added to the woes of the former UAR head, John Clein, was a claim filed in Los Angeles Superior Court this week by Bebe Daniels, who charged Clein had failed to pay more than \$2.200 due her for 5.000 press-ings distributed by Clein thru UAR. Miss Daniels, producer of kidisks. Miss Daniels, producer of kidisks, charged that Clein failed to pay her 50 per cent of the net profits from sale of disks as per agreement.

Coast To Use Gayle **Privately-Cut Disks**

HOLLYWOOD, March 27.—Charles E. Washburn, Coast Records prexy, has arranged to press and release 14 sides cut by Coast artist Lorry Raine with Russ Garcia's ork. The disk-ings were privately recorded and fi-nanced pre-ban by Tom Gayle, local flack and tradesheet publisher. Gavle, who is married to the Raine

Gayle, who is married to the Raine gal, had circulated some of the chirp's pressings earlier under a private publicity label, which were used to cover disk jockeys and other exploitation outlets.

BACK TO DEAR OLD PENN

NEW YORK, March 27.—It appeared certain at press time that the Cafe Rouge of the Hotel Pennsylvania here would play host to a couple of successive piano-tinkling macstri, Skitch Henderson and Elliot Lawrence, to follow the current band-stand tenant, Dick Jorgens. Hender-son is reported almost set to follow Jurgens early in May for four weeks, thereby returning to the scene of his ork's debut last July. Lawrence is due to follow Henderson May 31 and is believed to be booked into the room for five weeks, marking his third engagement at the hostelry in less than two years. He, too, played his first location engagement at the Dana less than two two room at the Penn less than two years ago.

TORME AND VAUGHN

(Continued on page 17) Nellie Lutcher, June Christy and Rose

Murphy. Torme—the Veivet Fog, equally talented as a tunesmith and musician —no doubt found favor with the young set via his dreamy song-selling musicraft disk salesmanship plus his personal and flicker appearances. Another soaring youngster. Vic Damone, has been a consistent hot item for Mercury's disk sellers. Damone's side kick at Mercury, Frankie Laine, who soared to prominence on his *That's My Desirc* platter, grabbed third slot third slot.

third slot. Race Thrushes Cop Three of the top four billings among the gals went to race-field thrushes, with Sarah Vaughan lead-ing the pack. The highly stylized chirp, one-time Earl Hines vocalist, finished far ahead of Nellie Lutcher who grabbed second place. The Lutcher gal, who had been kicking around the niteries for some time, was "discovered" by Capitol diskery's Dave Dexter and inked to a waxing pact. pact.

A consistent fave among the col-A consistent fave among the col-legians, June Christy (who handles the vocal chores for the Stan Ken-ton crew), managed to garner third spot, just five votes ahead of Rose Murphy. The latter, a race-chanter familiar to the New York and Cleve-land scenes for some 10 years, bounced into the limelight with her "chi-chi" styling of the oldie I Can't Cine You Anuthing But Love. Give You Anything But Love.

RAH RAHS TO KENTON

RAH RAHS TO KENTON (Continued from page 16) ago. Lawrence also copped the most promising ork crown for the second successive year. In third place was last year's sweet winner, Tex Beneke. Spike Jones had virtually no com-petition in the corn band contest, with the college pranksters tabbing Guy Lombardo a distant second and Red Ingle a tight third. Cugat swept the rumba field, with only Desi Arnaz and Nora Morales racking enough votes to even show in the race. That's what the college kids are thinking popularity-wise. Their opin-ions on other faves are analyzed and charged elsewhere on these pages. How they think business-wise will be unveiled in The Billboard next week.



NEEDLE NOTES. **NEEDLE NOTES** . . . Frankie Lester, of KGAF, Gainesville. Tex., works a neat sponsor-holding stunt on his *Party Time* show. A local jeweler works a neat sponsor-holding stunt on his *Party Time* show. A local jeweler buys a seg each Friday; Lester, in turn, keep's a week's correspondence on file. Finally at end of week he places the name of a "lucky" letter writer in the jewelry store besides an appropriate gift. Listeners file into the store and look over the merchandise to see if they've won the "free prize." . . An oyster with the mumps? KITE's Bob Oyster in San Antonio suffered simul-taneously from the listener teasing; KITE Program Director Alec Chesser (2:30 to 4:30 p.m. daily) strides in "where Hooper and Conlan never tread." Perkins counts among his best listeners small businessmen and professional people who "never get called by rating services." . . . WOOD, Grand Rapids, has been hypoing the Hooper of its *Off the Record* show by taking it out of the "spot fill" category. Program (9:30-10 a.m. daily) now features The Terrible Trio who go in for zany, bright, patter built around the idea of playing requests as soon as they're phoned in. . . . Bill Marvin, of the 1240 Time airing over KSON. San Diego. Calif., recently complied with the oddest of requests. A wedding host called to explain that "the bride and oddest of requests. A wedding host called to explain that "the bride and groom, guests and minister were present, but no pianist." So Marvin oblig-ingly gave out with Lohengrin's *Wedding March* and removed the halter from the altar. . . Newest gal jockey is Betty Heft, University of Wichita undergraduate, who spins in the early a.m. for KAKE, Wichita.

EASTERN BEAT . . In Buffalo, Virgil Booth has started a special jock show Saturdays, 10:30 to 11 p.m. over WKBW. Program dedicated to one name-band each woek. . . . Down in Montgomery, Ala., suh, Bob Conrad launches a new two-hour wax show over WAPX. Says Bob: "At outset I plan on making this part of the South Mel Torme conscious. Am convinced that Mel will soon be the new top swoon crooner." . . . Decca distrib and retailers in Charleston. W. Va., credit Fred Scott, of WKNA. for swamping them with orders for the Four Knights disking of *He'll Understand and Say Well Done*. . . In Bristol, Va., Tom Dunn, of WCYB, tips off fellow jox to "try playing Capitol's *Brazil* by Les Paul at 33 1/3 r.p.m." . . . In Norwich, Conn., WNOC's Johnny Most, is gaining a rep for his nightly disk airings which combine a bit of acid wit and hep-cat lingo. Most uses a "nuisance" switch on the old habit of singing along with crooners on wax. He de-liberately sounds bad to stir laughs—is that funny? . . . Another guy using the sing-along trick is Mark Sheeler, of WFCI, Pawtucket-Providence. Sheeler boasts a gremlin voice, involving a recording trick, which joins in on wax hit. But for sheer zany selling he goes one better: Runs his own tables, frequently stops disks cold and comes in with an ad lib to answer tables, frequently stops disks cold and comes in with an ad lib to answer a vocalist, then spins again.

GOTHAM GABBING...Don't be surprised if the New York Strand or Roxy theaters here borrow a leaf from the State-Lake Theater in Chicago and stage a vaude show featuring four Gotham spinners...Bob Bach terminating with the Duke Ellington show as WMCA pulls in economy belt. Only ones unaffected by WMCA tightening seem to be Bea Wain and Andre Baruch whose *Mr. and Mrs. Music* airing continues to gather local sponsors; meanwhile the station is getting good reaction to a "syndicated" offer. Wain-Baruch's latest coups were getting Ringling Bros. circus sponsorship for a spots series placed thru Seidel ad agency and a 14-week spot contract with John Opitz, Inc. (J-O Paste), placed thru Tracy Kent & Company, Inc. . . . Meanwhile WMCA's jock Ted Steele takes his orchestra into Essex House. Station will broadcast opening March 27 for its combined gabber-fronter. . . . Of all things, *New York Daily News*' Bob Sylvester (long a critic of disk jockeys) and his wife, Bunty Pendleton, are auditioning for a new local spinner show. local spinner show.

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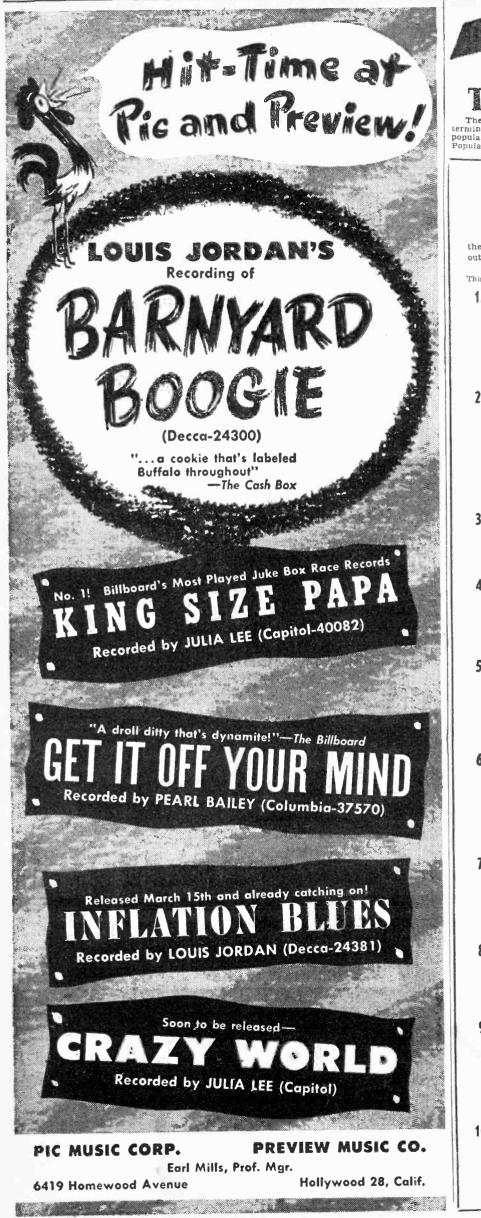
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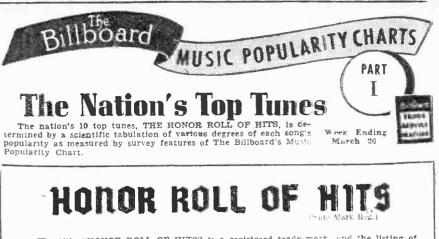
of the comments below necessarily reflect the opinion or editorial policy of The Billboard. WEST COASTING . . . Paul Reiner, prexy of Black & White Rec-ords, credits Coast disk jockey attention to B. & W.'s plattering of Now As Never Before for what he claims to be diskery's most promising item. Tune was cleffed by Bill Dallas, spinner on Fresno's KARM, and Bob Carlson, news writer on that station. Platter features vocal by Bob Hayward, ac-companied by Allen Schrader's ork. . . Bill Leyden, ex-pilot of KMPC's Music Hall seg, has moved to Warner Bros.' KFWB. Understood Leyden will join the growing number of Hollywood's free-lance jockeys and is dick-ering for an additional show on Don Lee's KHJ. . . . Los Angeles area jockeys are turning a cold shoulder to Harry Schooler's Mardi Gras label despite fact that Schooler is buying air time and insists that his disks be played. Reason, Mardi Gras platters were recently cut with non-union musicians and spinners do not want to invite James C. Petrillo's ire. Some stations in ques-tion have contracts with the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) and fear that airing of these non-union disked bands may lead to serious com-plications. One source at KFWB (Hollywood) said that Station Manager Harry Maizlish circulated a memo instructing all spinners to be on the look-out for the Mardi Gras disks and not to play them over the air. Schooler but for the Mardi Gras disks and not to play them over the air. Schooler and partners, Joe Zucca and Harold Lewin, are the trio who openly defied the AFM by operating three ballrooms in this area with non-union bands.

INQUIRIES ON . . . how to start an NADJ chapter in their cities have been received from disk jockeys in Minneapolis, Kansas City, Mo., and Bos-ton. At the same time local chapters in Chicago, Hollywood and New York have resumed regular activity in meetings.

New York chapter held a meeting Tuesday (23) at which the American New York chapter held a meeting Tuesday (23) at which the American Society of Jisk Jockeys movement was discussed. Sick and benefit plan also came up with the possibility of covering jockey members with sick and accident insurance now moving into the investigation stage. It was agreed to hold a local branch election as soon as practicable. The New York branch currently is busy getting its newly acquired Hotel McAlpin head-substance. quarters into shape.







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Last Week

1. NOW IS THE HOUR^{By Maewa} Kaihau, Clement Scott and Diorothy Stewart Published by Leeds (ASCAP) -1

Published by Leeds (ASCAP) Records available: Ray Bloch Ork, Signature 15178; Shep Fields Ork, Musicraft 532: Bing Crosby, Decca 24279; Gracie Fields, London 110; Horace Heidt, Co-lumbia 38061; Eddie Howard, Majestic 1191; L. Paul Trio-C. Hayes, Mercury 5103: Kate Smith, MGM 10125; Margaret Whiting, Capitol 15024; Charlie Spivak, Victor 20-2704; Buddy Clark-The Charioteers, Columbia 38115; Jerry Wald Ork, Commodore C7502; Bob Carroll-Dick McIntire Harmony Hawaiians, Decca 24378. Electrical transcription libraries: Nat Brandwynne, World.

- 2. I'M LOOKING OVER A FOUR LEAF CLOVER By Mart Dixon and Harry Wood 2 Records available: Ray Block Lork Count in Published by Kemick (ASCAP) 5105; Art Mooney, MGM 10119: Russ Morgan-Milt Herth, Decca 24319; Alvino Rey, Capitol 491; Three Suns, Victor 20-2688; Uptown String Band, Mercury 5100; Ferko String Band, Palda 110; Bert Henry String Band. Dot; Arthur Godfrey, Columbia 38081; King Odom Quartet-The Polka Dots, Musicraft 543; C. Fox and His Yellow Jackets, Columbia 38082; Alexander's Jazz Band, Trilon 220; the Harmonicats, Universal U-47; Tiny Hill, Columbia 36100; Jimmy Saunders, Rainbow 10043; Arthur (Guitar Boogle) Excith, Super Disc 1054; Curly Hicks and His Taproom Boys, Victor 20-2787, Electrical transcription libraries: Russ Morgan, World.
- MANANABy Dave Barbour and Peggy Lee
Published by Barbour-Lee (ASCAP)3Records available: Peggy Lee, Capitol 15022: Mills Brothers, Decca 24333;
Edmundo Ross Ork, London 187; J. Loss Ork, Victor 20-2819.
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board goes to press.)3 3. MANANA
- BEG YOUR PARDONBy Francis Craig and Beastey Smith
Published by Robbins (ASCAP)Records available: Frankle Carle, Columbia 38036; Francis Craig, Bullet 1012;
Dinning Sisters, Capitol 490; Larry Green Ork, Victor 20-2647, Art Mooney,
MGM 10140; Snooky Lanson, Mercury 5109; Eddy Howard, Majestic 1220;
Russ Morgan, Decca 24339.
Electrical transcription libraries: Vincent Lopez, NBC Thesaurus; Art Mooney,
Associated; Russ Morgan, World. 4 4. BEG YOUR PARDON
- BUT BEAUTIFUL From the Paramount film "Road to Ric." Records available: Tex Beneke, Victor 20-2660; R. Borden Ork, Crystal-Tone 514; Bing Crosby, Decca 24283; A. Dale. Signature 15177; D. Dennis, London 142; Eddy Howard, Majestic 1214; Frankie Laine. Mercury 5096; Art Lund, MGM 10126; Mel Torme. Musicraft 538; Frank Sinatra, Columbia 38053; Mar-gret Whiting, Capitol 15024. Electrical transcription libraries: Eddy Howard, World. 7 5. BUT BEAUTIFUL
- BALLERINABy Bob Russell and Carl Sigman
Published by Jefferson (ASCAP)Records available: Jimmy Dorsey, MGM 10035; Vaughn Monroe Victor 20-2433;
Jerry Shelton Trio, Mercury 5075; Mel Torme, Musicraft 15116; Buddy Clark,
Columbia 38040; Enric Madriguera, Decca 24265; Bing Crosby, Decca 24278;
B. Clement Ork, Orpheus 255; Gienn Davis, Skating Rhythms SR-273; Phil
Reed, Dance-Tone 162.
Electrical transcription libraries: Lenny Herman, Lang-Worth; Norman
Cloutler, NBC Thesaurus; Jan Garber, Standard; Shep Fields, Lang-Worth;
Charlie Spivak, World. 5 6. BALLERINA

7. BABY FACE

BABY FACE Records Available: The Alpine Beiles, Flint 5006; H. King Ork, Decca 25356; Hum and Strum, Stellar SR-1012; Art Mooney, MGM 10156; Phillie All-Star String Band, Apollo 1112; Butch Stone Ork, Modern 20-570; B. Strong Ork, Tower 1255; Uptown String Band, Krantz K-1024. (No information on electrical transcription libraries available as The Billboard goes to press.) goes to press.)

8. THE DICKEY-BIRD SONG

By Howard Dietz and Sammy Fain Published by Robbins (ASCAP)

From the MGM film "Three Daring Daughters." Records Available: Blue Barron, MGM 10135; Larry Clinton, Decca 24301; the Dell Trio-Jerry Wayne, Columbia 38084; Freddy Martin, Victor 20-2617; G. Olsen, Majestic 1234. Electrical Transcription Libraries: Milt Herth Trio-Larry Douglas, World.

9. SABRE DANCE

SABRE DANCE Records Available: R. Bloch Ork, Signature 15180; Woody Herman, Columbia 38102; The Harmonakings, Jubilee 3505; M. Morrow-MGM Ork, MGM 30048; D. Henry Harmonica Trio, Regent 111; V. Young Concert Ork, Decca 24338; Freddy Martin, Victor 20-2721; Chicago Symphony Ork-A. Rodzinski, Dir., Victor 12-0209; Oscar Levant, Columbia 17521-D; Efram Kurtz-New York Phil-harmonic Symphony, Columbia 12498. (No information on electrical transcription libraries available as The Billboard goes to press.) goes to press.)

10. YOU WERE MEANT FOR ME From the 20th Century Fox film "You Were Meant for Me." Records Available: H. Babbit, Mercury 5117; R. Borden Ork, Crystal-Tone 520; C. Boswell, Decca 25313; Helen Forrest, MGM 10146; Gordon MacRae, Capitol 15027; Art Mooney, MGM 10140; L. Scott-C. Hawkins, Victor 20-2745; Charlie Spivak, Victor 20-2716; Claude Thornhill, Columbia 36298. Electrical transcription libraries: Vladimir Selinsky Sinfonietta, World.

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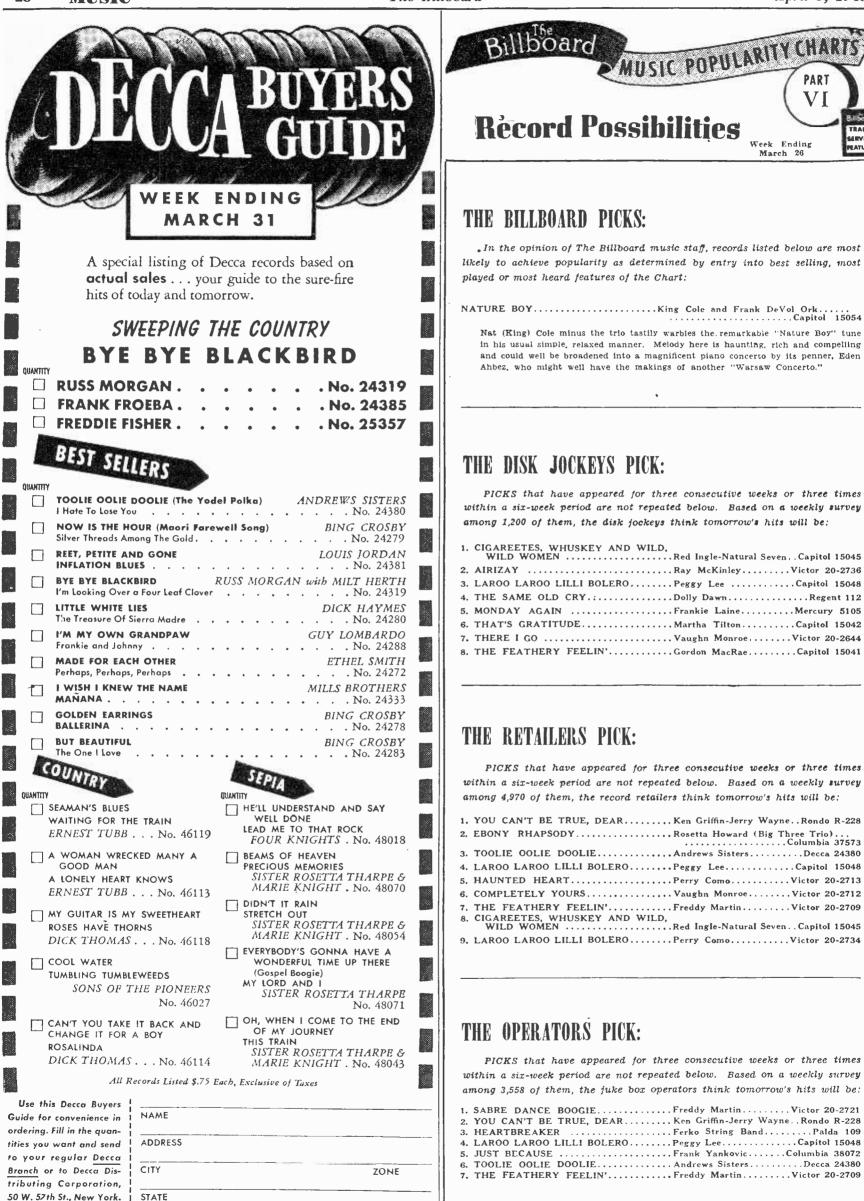
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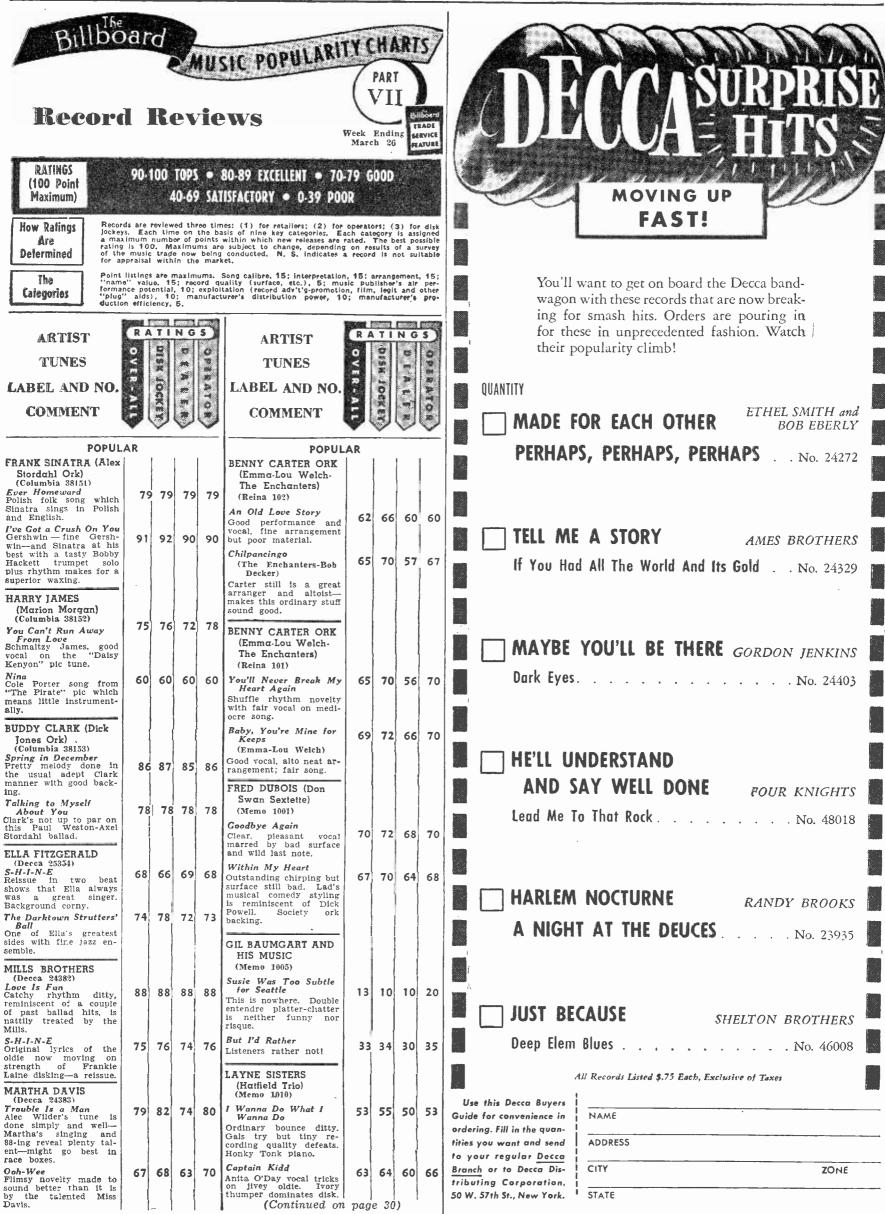
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"SOMETHING I DREAMED LAST NIGHT"	POPULA IOHNNY MERCER-THE	AR	1			POPUL ALVINO REY	AR	1		·····•
FAVORITE RADIO SINGER	PIED PIPERS (Paul Weston Ork) (Capitol 15051)				•	(Capitol 15053) G-String Boogie (Frank Nelson)	83	86	78	84
"I'M GONNA GALLOP TO GALLUP NEW MEXICO"	The Hills of California Mercer-Pied Pipers vocal	77	79	74	77	Amusing novelty instru- mentally and lyrically built around the saga of	1			
"WEDDING BELLS ARE BREAKING UP THAT OLD GANG OF MINE"	hook-up here in praise of Golden Gate state. Usual light-hearted fashion.					a burly queen—one may say a hipped "Strip Polka."				
BEVERLY WHITE Regent //3	JOHNNY MERCER Goofus Mercer runs thru oldie	85	89	82	85	Anitra's Boogie Modern orking show- cases the Rey guitar pluckings on the Greig	67	74	66	60
SEPIA SONG STYLIST	in appealing manner with Weston ork rolling along in old time vaude					JOHNNIE GUARNIERI				
"COUNTRY BOY BLUES" "IF YOU NEED ME"	vein. Instruments also supply animal noises.					(Majestic 1228) With Plenty of Money and You	63	70	60	60
INF DOSH Regent 115	PHILLIE ALL STAR STRING BAND (Apollo 1111)					Guarnieri flashes lots of 88 virtuosity but the market on virtuosity				
NEW SINGING DISCOVERY	Heartbreaker Diskery's first entry in current lucrative string	78	80	76	78	appears to be plenty limited these days. Reminiscences			61	EF
"HI THERE HAVE YOU BEEN AWAY ?"	band field. Waxing has usual banjos, community vocal.					Slower tempoed, pretty Guarnieri tinkling.	01	00	01	22
"EAST OF THE SUN"	Bye, Bye, Blackbird Bright typical string ork- ing of oldie; tho not up to standards of other	72	73	70	73	THE SOFT WINDS (Majestic 1235) When You're Smiling	60	70	66	£0
DON HENRY TRIO Regent, 116	diskings of ditty.					(The Whole World Smiles With You) Pleasant whispered vocal	00	10	00	00
HARMONICA SENSATIONS "WHISPERING"	PHILLIE ALL STAR STRING BAND (Apollo 1112)					and clean instrumental cutting of the oldie. Pin Stripe Pants	81	97	76	95
"FAREWELL BLUES"	Down in Jungle Town Ditty not particularly suited for string band styling, tho some tricky	57	61	54	55	Cute and clever is this rhythm novelty—execu- tion is tasty.	01	02	10	6.0
Going Strong Trees	banjo plunking here. Baby Face Disk should get share of	81	83	79	80	RAY McKINLEY (Majestic 1187)				
	loot away from Art Mooney waxing. Same type vocal, banjo led					Lazy Bones Tasty rendition of an old fave which is par- ticularly well suited to	77	80	74	78
• DON HENRY TRIO •	band treatment. THE ALPINE BELLES					the McKinley style. Mint Julep Eddie Sauter original	74	0.4	-	43
 "SABRE DANCE" "TURNPIKE POLKA" Regent No. 111 	(Flint 1-5006) Baby Face Gals and group team up	62	63	60	63	which is interesting, melodic, well recorded; a lesson in refinement	74	84	10	63
JOHNNY LANE	in community piping of current rave, tho disk lacks banjo flavor.					of "Near You" chords. CANTOR MOSHE				
• "MY GUITAR IS MY SWEETHEART"	(Flint 1-5005) <i>Toolie Oolie Doolie</i> Belles acceptably render novelty a la Andrews	75	75	74	77	KUSEVITSKY-(12") (Joseph M. Rumshin- sky, Dir.)				
Regent No. 107	Sisters platter.					(Victor 38-1024) Zamd Un Shteren Eusevitsky is every bit	72	74	70	NS
 JOHNNY THOMPSON 	(Bill Bruno ork) (Headline HL 115) It Takes Just a Moment	56	61	54	54	as good vocally as his U.S. build-up made him out to be.				
"YOU'RE IN LOVE WITH EVERYONE" Regent No. 110	To Fall in Love and a Lifetime To Forget Forrest handles good					Der Chazan Un Der Gabai Material gives the cantor	80	80	80	NS
- ORDER FROM YOUR NEAREST DISTRIBUTORS-	lyric well, but is hamp- ered by dull Bruno back- ing.	61	62	62	60	greater opportunity to show off splendid tech- nique with cliched				
All State Dist. Allen Distributors Bargelt Supply Co. 30 Warren Pl. 17 West Main St. 1131 S. W. Washington St.	I'm Wearing a Carnation Pretty melody, schmaltzy lyric, strong Forrest warbling. Backing in-				00	Hebrew chants.				1
Vic Baddock Volunteer Music Co. Dunbar Distributing Co. 614 E. Lombard St. 1 Southwestern Ave. 1900 Henderson Street	cludes organ, yet. FRANK WILSON					SWAN ORK (Memo 5001) My Lips Can Say	63	68	60	62
Dave Rosen Co. Vogue Western Northwestern Dist. Co. 855 N. Broad St. 528 State St. 714 North 34th Strent	(Grand G-25004) You Can't Be True, Dear Current pop waltz	75	75	73	76	Ballroom rumba styl- ing of fair melody with Piper gal doing com-	05	00	00	14
Philadelphia, Pa. Sait Lake City, Utah Seattle, Washington Chord Distributors Frederick Lee & Co. Ace Distributing Co. 2406 La Salle Ave. 325 2nd Ave., South 2534 W. Pico Bivd. Chicago, Ill. Minneapolis, Minn. Los Angeles, Cal.	adapted from old Ger- man melody gets good undistinguished handling.					mendable chirping. Rumba Down in Rio Catchy novelty rumbs nined nlessantly br	66	71	63	63
Morry Kaplan Music Sales Major Distributors Macy's Dist. Co. 313 E. Jofferson Ave. 563 West 42nd St. 1913 Leoland Ave.	THE GOOD FELLOWS Honolulu Lullaby Dreamy South sea fla- vored ditty, with group	70	73	68	70	piped pleasantly by Piper. Heavy drum beats hurt otherwise smooth orking.				
Miliner Records Sales Mass. Music Distributors Davis Sales Co. 110 West 18th St. 1257 Tremont St. 1010 17th Street	sweetly styling fair lyric over typical Hawaiian backing.	l				RAY BORDEN ORK (Crystal-Tone 520)				
St. Louis, Mo. Boston, Mass. Denver, Colorado Record Sales Sunland Supply Co. Music Service Co. 231 East Trade St. 120 Duranoo St. 20d South 4th St.	STAN KENTON (Capitol 15052)					<i>I'll Be Seeing You</i> (Nadine) Borden's backing of	28	37	26	20
Charlotte, N. C. El Paso, Texas Great Falls, Montana	The Peanut Vendor Tune well suited to this unrestrained Latin	89	93	87	88	oldie lifeless. Torchy Nadine vocal, bit too dramatic.				
REGENT @ RECORDS	American rhythm can- vas. Thermopolae	63	74	76	40	You Were Meant for Me Instrumental handling of revived oldie. Arrange-	25	34	20	22
1184 ELIZ. AVE., ELIZABETH. N. J., ELIZ. 3-0308	Strictly non-commercial stuff which even avid Kenton followers may find hard to digest.					ment wild and discon- nected. (Continued on	pag	e 11	6)	
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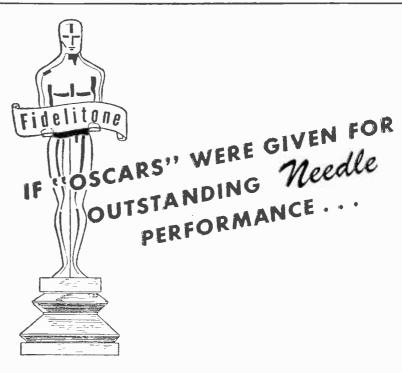


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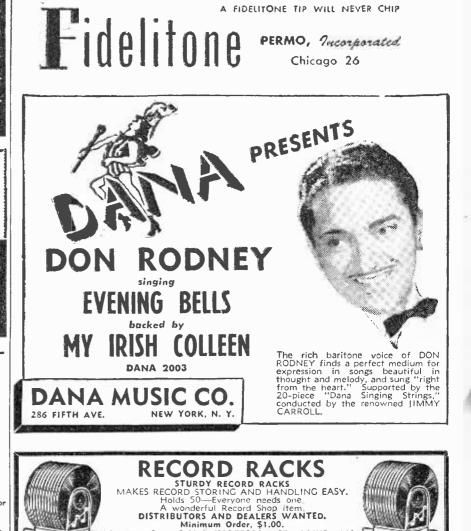
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String Band Fad Pushing To W. Coast

Tempo Inks 50-Piecer

HOLLYWOOD, March 27. — The Eastern string band fad has pushed to the Coast, indie Tempo label join-ing the parade by signing the 50-piece Philadelphia String Band to an ex-clusive contract. Pact was inked last week in Philly by Tempo's prexy, Irving Fogel.

week in Philly by Tempo's prexy, Irving Fogel. Initial platters will feature *Heart-breaker* backed by For Me and My Gal and When You Wore a Tulip coupled with Some Day. Philly string bands are social clubs which do not conform with American Federation of Musicians regulations and therefore

Musicians regulations and therefore are free to record despite the ban. Tempo's move makes it the first Coast label to go for the fad. Other diskeries knee-deep in the string band diskeries knee-deep in the string band development include Mercury, which has concluded a succession of dis-tributing deals for string band wax; Apollo, which acquired pressing and distributing rights from the Parade Record Company, and the Philly-Kranz and Palda labels.

Six Tunesmiths Added To SPA Membership

NEW YORK, March 27.—Tune-smiths Jay Livingston, Ray Evans, Hugh Martin, Beasley Smith, Lou Ricca and Jose Guier last week were admitted as members in the Song-writers' Protective Association (SPA). The five were proposed for mem-bership two weeks ago at a meeting of SPA's membership committee and final approval was rendered at a council meeting last week.



Monroe Sets New Mark at Devine's

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MILWAUKEE, March 27.—A one-nighter record was set at George Devine's Million-Dollar Ballroom here Sunday (14) when Vaughn Mon-roe pulled 11,014 dancers at \$1.50 per head. Gross was approximately \$16,500. Previous top for the spot was 9,200, set several months ago by Eddie Howard.

Record is believed to be an all-time high for a ballroom anywhere.

MGM-Mills Deal Is Set

NEW YORK, March 27.—MGM Records this week virtually com-pleted a deal to press and distribute waxings made by the Irving Mills-owned American Recording Artists, Inc. The deal (negotiated for Mills by Al Brackman) is considered set, altho final signatures are still pend-

by Al Brackman) is considered for Mills by Al Brackman) is considered set, altho final signatures are still pend-ing. Under the agreement MGM will distribute the wax in the United States. Mills already has a foreign deal with Electric Musical Industries (EMI) for international distribution and production of the masters, which were made during 1947. Some 50 to 75 masters are involved in the deal, half of them hot jazz platters. MGM's weakest wax back-log has been in the jazz field and the Mills disks are considered im-portant aid to the catalog, it is be-lieved. Among the artists used on the matrices are Chubby Jackson's be-bop group, Zip Meissner's Dixieland group, Buzz Adam's ork, the New Blue Rhythm Band and Eddie Oliver's ork.

Blue Rhythm Band and Eddie Oliver's ork. Terms of the Mills-MGM deal were not revealed, but it's believed MGM will put out the Mills disks on its 75-cent platter. Since other disk-eries have been propositioning Mills for his masters, it is assumed that MGM topped other offers. Inci-dentally, all of the Mills masters are standards or originals in the Mills music catalog.

Mercury Drops Celeb Tag, Changed to Pop

NEW YORK, March 27 .- Mercury diskery in Chicago last week dropped its Celebrity Series label-title after a nis celebrity series label-title after a minor conflict with Joe Davis's new disk label of the same name. The Celebrity Series (75 cents retail) has been changed to the Popular Series and the former Popular Series (60 cents retail) will be called just plain Mercury.

According to Joe Davis, Mercury originally notified him some weeks ago (when Davis announced his inago (when Davis announced his in-tention to sell pressings from his backlog of masters under the Celeb-rity label) that the title was being used for one of its wax series. Davis's attorney this week contacted Mercury and argued that Davis had prior claim to the Celebrity tag, since he used it initially in 1944. Mercury thereapon decided to drop the Celebrity title.

Apollo Gets New Master

Apollo Gets New Master NEW YORK, March 27. — Apollo Records acquired another new master this week with the purchase of Scott Records' Raisins and Almonds, backed by Ol Poppa Zudick. Both novelty numbers were cut by crooner Hal Kipling and the Bell-Aires vocal group, just before the record ban went into effect. Kipling is part owner of Scott Records.

Ban Fluffing Still Puffing Andrews Gals On Harmonica **Decca Dates**

Indie Studio Using AFM-ers?

NEW YORK, March 27. - Decca Records this week held its second post-ban waxing session on Tuesday (23) with the Andrews Sisters and the Harmonica Gentlemen. The diskery caught up on one tune that shows signs of breaking thru, Heartbreaker, and did Saber Dance with a lyric version published by Leeds Music. Only these two sides were cut and both are skedded for special immedi-ate release. Decca's initial post-ban recording session produced a disking of *Helen Polka*, which was rejected by firm's execs because it was claimed to be inferior to diskery standards. to be inferior to diskery standards.

Other Waxings

Other major diskery post-ban wax-ings include the Columbia Records' a capella date (Buddy Clark's rendi-tion of Now Is the Hour) and Victor's Phil Harris session (Deck of Cards dramatic monolog) dramatic monolog).

dramatic monolog). Meanwhile post-ban vocal dubbing activity has been mounting among the diskers. Columbia has a couple of special dubbing dates skedded for the middle of next week. Dinah Shore is reportedly going to re-cut her vocal chorus on Daddy, Surprise Me, while Dorothy Shay is believed set to try to better her vocal on My Next Romance.

better her vocal on My Next Romance. At the same time out-and-out sneaking around the Petrillo ban has been quietly going on at one inde-pendent recording studio here in town. A spokesman for the studio admitted that post-ban recording dates were made for at least one indie record company and averred that members of the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) were employed on the dates. The latter cut the date with the stipulation that they would receive no billing on the label and would be paid in cash for their services. services.



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"LIVING SOUND"

WATCH FOR THE **NEW TOWER CATALOGUE** WITH ALL THE NEW TOWER-IFFIC HITS SOON ON ITS WAY TO YOU



HARRY WARREN MUSIC, INC.

Music-As Written New York:

The Edison Hotel last week found itself blessed with the best openingnight turnout its Green Room has seen in years. Columnists, agents, publishers and diskers were out in full pack to glom the music of Alvy West's little band and the trio work of Buddy Greco. Heavy crowd was credited not only to the artist pull but to the trade interest shown in Irwin Kramer's efforts to push his hotel into the showbiz big-time with something new. Observers also credited a good hunk of the excitement to the crack flack work put in by publicit Curt Weinberg work put in by publicist Curt Weinberg.

From listener standpoint, crowd impression was that the West aggregation featuring the Larkin Sisters on vocals) was uncannily adept at maintaining a dance-beat while putting out a modern, figure-against-figure sound which was neatly underpayed with some refreshingly different chords. Greco and the Sharps suffered not at all by comparison. The Greco lad's song style in the throaty-bary manner has some disk support and should pass the time test.

Bob Miller publishing firm doing the unique by pushing its Man on the Carousel ditty with absolutely no record support. The unwaxed tune garnered some eight Featman performances this week and its ultimate outcome may be a tip as to exact effects an extended Petrillo ban may have on publishers. . . Mack Martin named definitely this week to take over as Eastern staffer for the Harry Warren pub affiliate of the Loew's Robbins group.

Chirp Francey Lane left the Johnny Long ork this week after three years with the band. No replacement has been set as yet. . . Three Suns return to the Raleigh Room of the Hotel Warwick here April 6 for an indefinite run.

Warbler Don Reid into the Copa, Pittsburgh, Monday (29) for a week's stand at a reported \$750.... Lew Parker to London to star in musical revue with Jessie Mathews, *Maid to Measure*... Joe Davis selling his building at 331 West 51st Street and moving into offices in the Brill Building Thursday (1)... Esy Morales' first date with his newly formed Latin-American ork will be a five-week stand starting April 26 at the Chateau Crillon Philadelphia Crillon, Philadelphia.

Veteran tunesmith-chanter, Joe Howard, this week embarked on a onenighter and theater tour with a Gay '90s revue thru Texas. . . . Thrush Nancy Donovan into the Copley-Plaza, Boston, Tuesday (30).

Chicago:

W. R. Booth is the new record sales promotion manager for the G. W. Onthank Company, of Des Moines (RCA Victor Record distributors for Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota and portions of four other Midwest States). G. J. Lewis, of the same firm, becomes manager of the Omaha disk division.

Hollywood:

Tunesmiths George Tibbles and Ramey Idress have cleffed special material for Sara (Gladys Zybisco) Berner to use on forthcoming personal appearance tour. . . Martha Davis, songstress, who first clicked at Billy Berg's several years ago, returns as headliner at Larry Potter's April 6.

Deep River Boys return to Gotham after current stint at Potter's for date at Strand Theater, beginning April 15. . . Lowe-Robbins group will publish ork director Frank Worth's tune. In Old Milwaukee. . . . Billy MacDonald's ork and vocalist Dave Street set for navy ball at Ream Field April 16. . . Attorney Cy Leventhal treks to Philly and New York April 3 on biz.

Pallais Sisters added to talent stable of Pan American Records. . . . Dan Anderson, Capitol Records publicity and promotion head, has added Glenn O. Clausses and Jack Devaney to his department, boosting his force to six men.

Page Cavanaugh Trio signed for a two-week stand (with ditto option) at New York's Strand Theater for their initial stage show bow. . . . Frank Devol is taking his 23-man Capitol recording ork to Casino Gardens for its initial one-night stand. Music Corporation of America, who set deal, is reportedly lining up similar one-nighter dates for aggregation thru Southern California.

Cincinnati:

Corky Robbins, hefty fem pianist, opened Monday (29) at Lookout House, Covington, Ky., for an indefinite run, set by Sammy Leeds, of the Barney Rapp Agency. She will be heard nightly over WCPO, Cincinnati, on an hour platter show direct from the club. . . Jerry Wald ork set for the Interfraternity Ball at Miami University, Oxford, O., April 17. . . Randy Brooks takes his crew to the University of Dayton, Dayton, O., May 21, and follows the next night at Miami University. . . Johnny Long combo plays the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, April 2-3. . . Paul Dixon, WCPO disk jock. appears with the Mercury Caravan, featuring Frankie Laine, Jan August, Helen Humes, and Carl Fischer and the Mercury orchestra, at the Taft Theater Friday night (2).

Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadians, six acts and a line of girls will comprise the show being staged at Connersville, Ind., Sunday (4) by the American Central Manufacturing Company to raise money for an operation and maintenance fund for the local YMCA. According to Barney Rapp, who set the show, ducats will go for 20 bucks per dip. . . When Elliot Lawrence takes his band to Alumni Memorial Auditorium, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, April 1, for the Nahheeyayli spring formal, he will be presented with a huge loving cup by Gordon Sams, Nahheeyayli Club president, as the first band leader ever to repeat for Nahheeyayli in fits 22 years of existence. Chuck Campbell, of the local GAC office, made the booking.



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- STAFF 602---- "Call Me Darling" by the "Lady of Twilight Moods," Bobbe Caston. This is an unusual ballad. The flip side of this is "God Bless the Child," the old Billie Holliday favorite. Critics say Caston's performance surpasses Holliday's.
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- CRYSTAL-TONE 515----"Bottoms Up" by Sabby Lewis' Band. Terrific sax ride by Jimmy Tyler.
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Plenty Fire in Smoky Pittsburgh! Hottest Nitery Spot in U. S.; AGVA Drafting Agents Can't Figure It Out, But Can Grin and Grab It

Five Big Spots Put It on Line for Name Acts

NEW YORK, March 27.—Judging business, tho turnaways aren't as from the activity among cafe ops in Pittsburgh, Pitt seems to be the hottest show town in the country. Agents can't explain it, and with biz around the country being what it is, they don't even try. They just sign happily—and grab. All they know is there are at least five major niteries in town that are putting it on the line for name acts.

The biggest buyers are Jackie Hel-The biggest buyers are Jackie Hel-ler's Carousel, currently playing Jackie Miles. Len Litman's newly opened Copa Club hit the jackpot a couple of weeks ago with Frankie Laine doing a turnaway biz. Laine got \$2,500 and for a return date he's being offered for \$5,000. The spot now has Vic Damone, who is also doing

Slates To Replace Martin, Lewis, at Cap

NEW YORK, March 27.—The Slate Brothers will go into the Capitol to replace Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis, April 8, who have to go out to fill a date at Monte Proser's Copa.

It was at first thought that the Capitol show would run until April 7 at the latest. But with the house doing such big business, it was de-cided to hold the entire show over.

joints in town, the Fishing and Hunt and the Bachelor Club. The first, booked by George Claire locally, uses names, as does the second, booked by Joe Hiller.

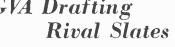
The Nixon, a small operation, using four main acts, is also supposed to be shopping for something that will mean a buck. Same thing is true of at least one cocktail bar which is reaching out for the non-musical tal-

while talent sellers don't pretend to know the reason, interested by-standers say the shot in the showbiz arm the city has had comes from a combo of two factors.

Competition Healthy

The first, they say, is plain competi-tion. As one spot puts in a name, the others follow suit. The first one fol-lows with a stronger name and the second one tries to top that. And so

it goes. The second reason is believed to be the war scare. With orders said to be coming in, potential customers who have been sitting on their dough are beginning to loosen up. Whether this will continue or dry up, these people don't know. But whatever the reason, Pittsburgh clubs are buying, and acts and names are getting the jobs.



NEW YORK, March 27.—With the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) convention around the corner and ballots for delegates in the mails, local factions have started electioneering for candidates.

One ticket is pushing the names of Henry Dunn, Jimmy Hollywood, Joe Smith, Adam DiGatano, Margie Coates, George Rowland, Arthur Ward, Russell Swann, Hal Sherman, Jerry Baker, Charlene Harris and Marty Barrett. This ticket is running on a platform which asks for hospitalizaplatform which asks for hospitaliza-tion, death benefits, welfare fund, a legislative committee to reopen theaters and night clubs and membership participation in all AGVA affairs.

Another group, the program com-mittee, plans to meet Monday (29) to put up its own slate, determine which candidates it will support and decide what its platform will be.

Strand Mulls Jockey Show

NEW YORK, March 27. — The Strand Theater, following in the foot-steps of the Chicago State-Lake, is

steps of the Chicago State-Lake, is also mulling a disk jockey show some time in mid-May. The plan is to get three or four local jocks, add a couple of acts with maybe a name, plus a small band and put them to work. The house will probably get Jackie Eigen as top record spinner because of his plugs by Fred Allen.

Other platter spinners are also in the running, tho no definite sale has been made.

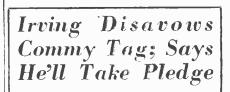
Gestapo Tactics Rival Slates || Fail To Chill **Cincy AGVA-ers**

CINCINNATI, March 27 .--- Came a revolution in the offices of the American Guild of Variety Artists here Thursday (25), and by the time the smoke had cleared, AI Wilson, local AGVA rep, was out on his keister and deprived of all rights to the office by a trio of gun-toting deputy sheriffs who claimed to have been hired pri-vately by Benny Hurst, said to be a former Four A-er turned Shelvey, to oust Wilson and take possession.

But it wasn't all as simple as that. There were the usual ramifications, entanglements and puzzle features that becloud nearly every piece of AGVA activity. It all goes back to some five weeks ago when Hurst, said to be a former Cleveland policeman, was sent in here by the Four A's to check on Wilson, who was sus-As to check on wilson, who was sus-pected of unethical dealings with a local booking office. At that time, Wilson was an avowed Four A-er, but he is said to have swung back into the Shelvey camp last week.

Hurst Makes Switch

At about the same time, Hurst is said to have switched his affiliations back to the Shelvey camp, and his grab of the AGVA office here Thursday came just a few minutes before Fred Nerret and Maxie Bernstein, Four A's rep from New York, ar-rived on the scene to take over for the (See IT'S IN AGAIN on page 39)



CHICAGO, March 27.—Jack Irving, Midwest chief of the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA), who was named by Jack Howard as being "accused of being a Com-munist" (The Billboard, March 20) during a Miami AGVA confab, last week fired back at Howard and stated that he would be willing at any time to take the anti-Commy pledge which the American Federation of Labor has endorsed for leaders of its various unions.

Irving was strong in his denunciation of the Reds and said that he would not stand for an avowed Commy or a member with known pink leanings to be associated with the leadership of AGVA.

Irving produced a faded I.O.U. for \$10, dated October 10, 1941, signed by a Jack Horowitz, and alleged that by a Jack Horowitz, and alleged that Horowitz had worked for the Chi chapter of AGVA for several months during that year, after which Irving fired him for "misrepresentation and failure to perform his duties as a union organizer." Irving said that the Jack Howard, who brought up his neuro in the Minui mont was the his name in the Miami meet, was the same Jack Horowitz whom he fired in 1941. Irving said that to his knowledge Howard never was an actor and had no right to speak at an AGVA confab.

A check with The Chicago Tribunelibrary revealed no story in which Irving had been associated with a Communist movement, as was charged by Howard.

Newport Fathers Mull New License Scale for Clubs

CINCINNATI, March 27.—Night club licenses in Newport, Ky., across the river from here, would be scaled up to \$6,000 and permit operation until 5 a.m. under an ordinance which Newport city commissioners passed on first reading Thursday (25). If passed on its second reading Friday, April 2, it becomes effective July 1.

April 2, it becomes effective July 1. Under the ordinance, clubs would be placed in four categories, each with a closing hour based on its fee. Class A clubs paying \$500 would close at 2 a.m.: Class B, \$3,000, 3 a.m.; Class C, \$4,000, 4 a.m., and class D, \$6,000, 6 a.m.

Commission action was taken on commission action was taken on recommendation of nitery operators, who said the law would eliminate "dives," many of which operate all night. The city's 23 clubs now pay \$500 fees and close at 2. Operators of 97 cafes pay \$200 and close at 12.

Ackerman To Revive Vaude in San Fran

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.-Big SAN FRANCISCO. March 27.—Big time vaudeville, given up for dead by the Golden Gate a few weeks ago, will be revived April 9 by Irving Ackerman, veteran showman, in his downtown theater. The come-back will be tried on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday basis.

National, Local Ops Seek **Repeal of 20% Cabaret Tax**

CHICAGO, March 27.-In an effort | to get the 20 per cent federal cabaret tax repealed, the national and local cafe owners' associations are concafe owners' associations are con-ducting a national survey among owners to determine the extent of damage to biz caused by the tax, Tom Rosenberg, counsel for the groups, said here this week. The findings will be presented to the House Ways and Means Committee in about 60 to 90 days. The campaign will be co-ordinated with efforts of hotel owners who have already conducted a survey who have already conducted a survey and expect to get a hearing before the congressional committee in a few

the congressional committee in a few weeks. The hotel survey, to be released next week, will show a sorry picture. It was decided upon at a national meeting of hotel men here March 9. The campaign is being backed prin-cipally by the Chicago Hotel Asso-ciation. Answers from 34 hotels op-erating niteries revealed that business has dropped about 27.5 per cent since 1946. In that year these rooms served has dropped about 27.5 per cent since 1946. In that year these rooms served about 5,000,000 people. The per-centage is based on the loss in people served and does not represent the drop in gross. Hotel owners contend, however, that the drop in attendance and the drop in earnings have many of them with their back to the wall, threatened with the necessity of clos-ing rooms and thus cutting into earning rooms and thus cutting into earn-ings of entertainers and employees. Hotel men contend that they would get increased attendance if the tax

were cut to the pre-war 5 per cent figure. They reason that increased costs of food are not combatable. They say that even if they had to carry on with high operating costs, if the tax were cut, big savings could be passed on to clients, which would result in increased attendance result in increased attendance.

In many cases the drop was as high as 35 per cent and in some cases as high as 80 per cent. Hotels also say that if they were not operating rooms as services to registrants they would and solutiedly have to close practically all, and some say they will have to cut out entertainment soon.

Rosenberg claims the cafe operators Rosenberg claims the cafe operators are faced with a sadder fate. He says that in Chicago about one-third of the cafes formerly using enter-tainment have either had to cut en-tertainment or close. He, too, says the combination of high costs and the tax is responsible for poor biz. He also contends that the one-third fatality here is about average for the entire country. fatality here is a the entire country.

To get the info, Rosenberg's office will canvass about 800 spots. He will ask the amount of 20 per cent tax ops paid in 1946, 1947 and so far this year. He also seeks info on the num-ber of clubs, which had to change ber of clubs which had to change policy and the number which had to close. Rosenberg is also requesting that owners get in touch with their congressmen prior to official action by the national association.

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VAUDEVIIMUE REVIEWS

Strand, New York (Friday, March 26)

Capacity, 2,700 seats. Price policy, 75 cents-\$1.50. Four shows daily; five on Sat-urdays. House booker, Harry Mayer. Show played by name band on bill.

Current stage layout has all the makings of good theater entertain-ment, with Morey Amsterdam build-ing up the finale to king-sized yocks. Amsterdam's routine is the same ing up the finale to king-sized yocks. Amsterdam's routine is the same mish-mash he's been using in his club with the addition of some topical gags. His quickie: "Put the ice pick back in your ear, Mac; they're start-ing to draft again," started him off. From there on, it was yock on top of yock. Amsterdam now has the rhythm section giving him a manissime heat section giving him a pianissimo beat for his chatter, going crescendo when he does his songs. The rest of the band help out for burlesque glee club effects. The sum total fractured them.

The Claude Thornhill band started off easily and got immediate attention with a hokey *Oh*, You *Beautiful Doll* number. The lift came from Fran Warren, coming on in a corseted soubrette costume, warbling she was the beautiful doll. The gimmick, said to have been developed by house producer, Lee Morgan, was an immediate eye catcher and set a pace that was kept all the way. The ork itself does a pleasant job, but it is the sparkling tinkling of Thornhill that makes listening such a pleasure. The band had two big things, Spanish Dance and Arabian Dance. Both were ex-citing, but the best was Thornhill's citing, but the best was Thornhill's piano medley with just a rhythm sec-tion accompaniment. In this, Thorn-hill went thru *Easter Parade*, April *in Paris*, winding up with If You Were a Tulip. The result was an in-timacy and a brightness seldom achieved on a stage. Pay-off applause was denuine was genuine.

Fran Warren & Wolves

Fran Warren, the band singer, back in a costume change, got wolf whistles for looks and lived up to her green gown with some pretty fancy war-bling. The chirp is one of the best canaries around, a fact that Thorn-hill obviously realizes. For instead of having her work with the band, he has the band back her as if she were a star. It's smart. She does a better job that way and in turn makes the show stand up better.

Helene and Howard also were good applause and Howard also were good applause and yock pullers for their standard knockabout dance act. The kids' jitter bit was handled well. Their walkoff "Go!" thing was good for extra hands. The team's opening, a straight haltwoom act with lifts and a straight ballroom act with lifts and it went into the knockabout. The surprise element paid off with appreciative gasps.

Gene Williams, boy band singer, opened with a cute Boy number and followed with Serenade of the Bells. Lad. a fresh looking youngster, has a good style and sports good phrasing. Some day he'll be quite a singer. Pic, April Showers. Bill Smith.

Pic, April Showers.



Hippodrome, Baltimore (Thursday, March 25)

Capacity, 2.200. Price policy, 40-70 cents, Number of shows daily, four. House booker, Mickey Aldrich. Show played by Jo Lombardi and house band (12).

This Easter bill, with Clark Dennis headlining, packs marquee appeal and adds up as a good holiday draw. A good novelty act, however, could have sharpened the layout.

The Fast Steppers (two lads, two gals) opened with a mixture of ballet, gals) opened with a mixture of ballet, tap and acro terping. A brief ballet and spin bit by one lad meant little, but the tapping got plenty of re-sponse. The fems did some acro to bring on the wind-up by all four, doing little but repetition. The act has flash and youth, but the music isn't so good and the turn could be tightened considerably. tightened considerably. In the deuce, a pleasing interlude

of pops was presented by Jo Lom-bardi and the ork as an Easter overture, in which Marian Dawn, local radio thrush gave an able assist with a well done *Easter Parade* and a bouncy rhythm number.

Gary Morton Scores

Gary Morton Scores The laughs were in the capable hands of Gary Morton, who really punched his way thru a palm-shy audience to good results. Morton's mugging and ad libs rang the bell and his brief but unusual impressions were tops. The comic also did a trumpet bit, a la James, getting off to a nice mitt. All that went before was over-

All that went before was over-shadowed by the clear and rich tenor vocals of Clark Dennis. The intro by Morton against a background Peg o' My Heart was in good taste and sold Dennis before he got on. De-spite mike trouble at the show caught, the singer won them with Jealousy, Ballerina and his theme, Peg. Espe-cially well received was the oldie

Linger a While. Pic To the Ends of the Earth. James A. Carter.

Olympia, Miami (Thursday, March 25)

Capacity, 2,100. Prices 74 cents-\$1. Num-ber of shows daily, four. House booker, Harry Levine. Show played by house ork (10).

The current layout is nothing to get excited about, but grosses aren't likely to be affected with a sock pic

like Treasure of Sierra Madre. Tho cowboy singer Elton Britt gets top billing, Sybil Bowman, impres-sionist, who just got back from Aus-

sionist, who just got back from Aus-tralia, walks off with the top honors. Miss Bowman's skits, done strictly in the English music hall style. clicked solidly at the show caught. Her impression of Bea Lillie was slightly on the broad side, but reg-istered okay. Costume changes are done on stage done on stage.

Saddle Songs

Elton Britt, a good looking guy in fancy cowboy duds. garnered a warm mitt with his saddle songs and light

mitt with his saddle songs and light patter. Where Britt misses is on sock quality in his projection. He needs sharper delivery. Charles Carrer is known to have one of the better juggling and bal-ancing turns, but at the show caught, trick after trick was muffed. The impression was of punching too hard which threw him off his timing.

Curry, Byrd and Leroy do a com-edy terp turn which opens with a heckling stooge in the audience. The terping part of the act is okay, but the stooge play got nowhere and left the audience unrecentive for the rethe audience unreceptive for an mainder of the stint. Les Rhodes's ork backgrounds the show well. Biz okay. *Charles J. Lazarus.* the audience unreceptive for the re-

White To Stage **Bruni's Shows**

NEW YORK, March 28.—George White will produce the shows for Frank Bruni at his Florentine Gar-dens, Hollywood, starting June 5. His decl with Bruni, it is understood, calls for 30 per cent of the gross after the show and the band are paid off off. The George White show will be

tagged Midnight Scandals and calls for small acts, a line and an \$8,000 budget. White also expects to produce an-

other edition of his Scandals here next fall. Acts being bought for the Coast get an eight-week deal and a possibility of getting a chance in his forthcoming Stem musical.

Cal's Cab-Jivers Into Barcelona at Cleveland, 1 Week

NEW YORK, March 27 .- Aiming to draw work in night spots, which ordinarily couldn't afford to buy a full-sized band, Cab Calloway (who for about 15 years has led a successful for about 15 years has led a successful big ork) will work a series of nitery dates with a small crew to be known as the Cab-Jivers. Calloway is skedded to debut his nitery group in a one-week engagement at the Barcelona, a Cleveland bistro, beginning April 5. The unit, which consists of six tootlers, a fem singer and the Cab. has recorded several sides with Callo-

toollers, a fem singer and the Cab. has recorded several sides with Callo-way's chanting under the orkster's Columbia diskery deal. The Cab-Jivers' group will be used by Calloway only for night club en-gagements. He will lead his standard full-sized ork for theater and one-night dates. Calloway will play only intermittent nitery dates.

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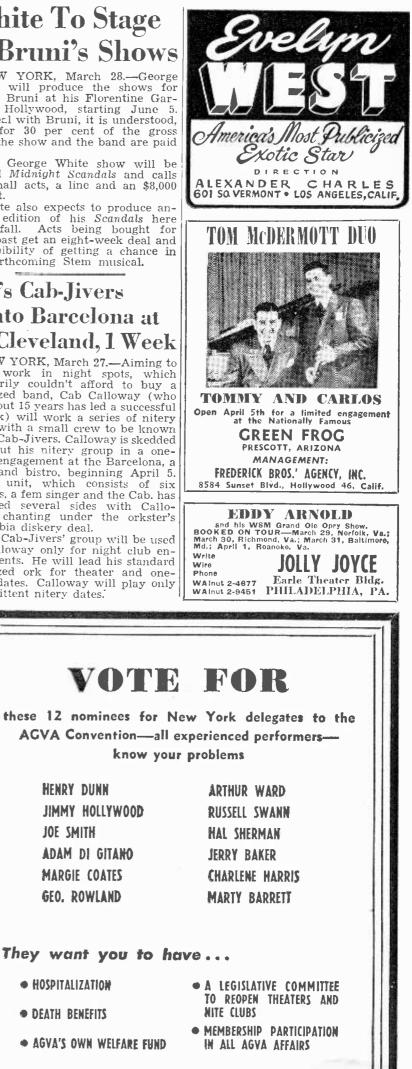
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Broadway Hofbrau, **New York** (Wednesday, March 24)

CaDacity, 300. Price policy, \$1-\$1.50 mini-mum. Number of shows, two nightly, at 7:30 and 11:45. Operators, Kirsch Brothers-Felix Myers. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Esti-mated budget this show, \$750.

This large cellar room right off the Stem is obviously geared to the fam-ily trade, going in for birthday parties, etc. The show isn't outstand-ing but stacks up fairly well considering the budget. Best on the bill was Angela Castle,

a pretty young brunette with a sur-prisingly good coloratura soprano voice. This is the kid's first job, which was evident in her over-selling style. This, however, can be over-come with experience. On voice alone the youngster would be a find for a musical or an operetta. In the long-hair department she's got enough to let the talent boys at the Met take a look at her. Bobby Shields, a dynamic little youngster, showed a lot of enthusiasm

but only a so-so act. His vocal take-offs of Torme, Bill (Ink Spots) Kenny His vocal take-A fast jitterbug dance on which he walked off got chuckles. The lad has spunk but needs a lot more work

before he's ready. Ray Smith and His Pine Toppers Ray Smith and His Pine Toppers (bass, guitar and accordion) work in cow-country costumes making with oldies and hillbilly stuff. Voices and music were pleasant. Their gimmick using a Sambo doll for a hoofing bit meant little. Dave Burton's ork (five) plays a lot of music for such a compact group. They cut the show well and have a nice dance beat. Bill Smith. Rill Smith

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Glass Hat, New York

(Thursday, March 25)

Capacity, 444. Price policy, \$2.50 minimum. Number of shows, two nightly, at 8:30 and 12:30. Operator, Belmont-Plaza Hotel. Booker, Herb Jacobs. Publicity, Herb Jacobs. Es-timated budget this show, \$1,350.

This is a strange show. It has two singing acts on the same bill, one following the other. Not only is it strange but it makes for a dull package, so the first act is strictly a throw-away.

The big act is Georgie Price, still one of the best little showmen in the biz. Naturally he knows his ma-terial. He should, he's been doing it for so long. But that sock of his, that belting 'em back to the back rows, is something he learned out of the Kieth time, and he hasn't forgotten it. The routine hasn't forgotten it. The routine hasn't changed and his pipes are strong as ever. He's just as good when he sings straight with that schmaltzy style as when he does his classical take-offs. For his opening night he had friends out front and probably threw in a lot of Yiddish ad libs because of them. These can be funny if they're understood. The spot, how-ever has a mixed crowd, so amusing some at the expense of others is not in good taste.

Phyllis Arnold sings a little like Ethel Merman but that's as far as the resemblance goes. Like Price, she works with a big voice, but outside works with a big voice, but outside of a desire to please and working hard to do it, it was a poor booking. Eddie Stone's band, still one of the best show cutters in town, has lost some of its power, apparently due to no fault of Stone's. The management has cut the size of the ork. But de-spite the pruning, Stone still handles the show with a rare skill. Incident-ally be has a girl singer Cathy Norally, he has a girl singer, Cathy Nor-man, a pretty brunette, one of the best fem vocalists around. Tho she works in tempo she puts a zing into her stuff that makes people sit up and listen. That seldom happens to and listen. and listen. That seldom happens to a band canary. Al Castellanos' rumba outfit does

Al Castellanos runnes. the Latin dance numbers. Bill Smith.

Village Vanguard, New York (Wednesday, March 24)

Capacity, 125. Price policy, \$2.50-\$3 mini-mum. Number of shows, two nightly, at 10 and 12. Owner, Max Gordon. Booking pol-icy, non-exclusive. Publicity, Jay Russell. Estimated budget this show, \$750. Estimated budget last show, \$900.

A show consisting of a trio (Cedric Wallace) and three girl singers doesn't look good on paper. The re-sult is better than you'd expect. The Wallace)

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at all sin sexy-looking brunette, who looks like a cross between Helen Morgan and Kay Francis. She even sings a little like Helen Morgan. Miss Drake is an actress who is apparently intelligent enough to know that her material is good enough to stand up on its own merits without being oversold. The stuff written by Bud McCreery, a Coast lad, is adult and clever and with the way the gal underacts, the whole thing is smart and good for maximum results. But tho Miss Drake is a hit in this room, she'd be a smash in a smarter room the Miss Drake is a nit in this room, she'd be a smash in a smarter room catering to the carriage trade. Her voice isn't too strong, so an intimate spot is indicated. Given the right conditions, Miss Drake could mean her office box office.

Shaye Cogan

The show opens with Shaye Cogan, **BEARDS MAKE-UP ILOG 30 N. Dearborn St. CHICAGO 2, ILL.** The show opens with Shaye Cogan, a pretty little blonde who makes up in looks what she, so far, lacks in ability. The gal's experience seems limited, as indicated by her amateur performance. The material has been specially tailored, but misses more than it registers. Miss Cogan's youth-

Restaurant Continentale, Hotel Netherland Plaza, Cincinnati

(Thursday, March 25)

Capacity, 450. Prices: Dinners from \$2; drlnks from 40 cents; no minimum; no cover. Shows at 1:30 p.m.-8 p.m.; six days a week. Booking policy, W. Carl Snyder, exclusive. Management, Max Schulman, hotel manager; Richard Elsner, catering manager; Albin Brat-fisch, headwaiter; James Mason, captain; Amy V. Pace, publicity. Estimated budget this show, \$3,200. Estimated budget last show, \$3,500. \$3.500.

Produced by W. Carl Snyder and Produced by W. Carl Snyder and directed by Harriet Smith, Spring-time in Swingtime, new icer which opened Thursday (25), doesn't meas-ure up to its predecessor, which ran a week over three months. It's safe to say that this one won't stick around units as long but with a few of the quite as long, but with a few of the hitches ironed out, especially a lethargic opening, the current layout will pan out okay. It isn't that this is an inferior show (it matches many that have appeared here in the last eight years), it's just that the previous icer was a couple of notches above the average.

New unit has all the ingredients of the typical Netherland Plaza icers the typical Netherland Plaza icers— good music, excellent costuming and sufficient talent—and it also lacks what all tankers generally lack what all tankers generally lack— comedy. In this one Britta Rahlen, teen - age Swedish figure - skating champ, makes her tank-show debut. champ, makes her tank-show debut. The kid made a good showing despite her apparent first-show fright. She sports a nifty array of tricks and once she gets the feel of skating in a limited area, she'll smooth out a lot. Was well received. Bill and Betty Wade, old favorites here, have their work out for them in following work cut out for them in following in Flo and Bob Ballard, one of the sharpest ice teams ever to cavort here. The Wades scored with their usual The Wades scored with their usual topnotch skate work punctuated with fancy lifts, holds and twirls, altho they seemed to be a bit tense at this first show. Ray Frost and Ed Leary, the male features, netted a good re-ception with their solo offerings, and the Sir De Jeers dress up the show the Six De-Icers dress up the show with their good looks and refreshing appearance.

Handling the show vocals are ork leader Gardner Benedict and Penny Joyce, from the line, and they turn in a solid job of song-weaving. Miss In a solid job of song-weaving. Miss Joyce, a pert, vivacious brunet, was mentioned here before as having principal possibilities, and she has al-ready begun to acquit herself. She radiates personality, totes a pleasing set of pipes, and sells well.

Gardner Benedict ork plays the show faultlessly, as usual, and puts the same sort of quality into its dance sessions.

Bill Sachs.

fulness calls for simplicity in costume. Instead, she wears what is apparently meant to be a sexy gown, giving the impression of a little girl trying to play grown-up. Her voice is adequate in the middle register but poor in the upper range where most of her stuff is arranged. With enough experience and coaching, she might make the grade. She's not ready yet.

make the grade. She's not ready yet. Melrose Colbert, a light-skinned gal with a Lena Horne smile, is a blues singer with promise. Her mate-rial consists of standards that lend themselves to a blues styling and when she's not worried about the customers she does a good job. Her costume isn't too good, exaggerating a plumpness that needs toning down. Her singing however is genuine and Her singing, however, is genuine and her feeling for a song is refreshing to listen to.

The Cedric Wallace Trio does some of the show-cutting in fairish fashion and also plays for dancing. Bill Smith.

Slapsy Maxie's, Hollywood (Monday, March 22)

Capacity, 550. Price policy, \$3-\$4 minimums, Shows at 9 and 12. Owners, Sy and Charlie Devore. Manager. Jerry Brooks. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Publicity, Erman Pessis. Estimated budget this show, \$6,000. Estimated budget last show, \$9,000.

Getting a bill with enough impact to follow Danny Thomas's nine-week box-office sensation is an unenviable job, hence current letdown comes as no surprise. Headliner Ben Blue holds featured slot. breaking in a re-vamped act which shows much promise after routines have been worn for awhile. Supporting bill is generally good, but ringsiders unfairly com-pared bill with Thomas's offering.

Altho Blue is the topper, ringsiders really came to see a showbiz freak, really came to see a showbiz freak, Gorgeous George, who has created a mild sensation in local wrestling arenas. Aided by a steady video buildup he has rapidly become a colorful mat character, but as a nitery act he laid a king-sized egg. Blame rests solely with produc-tion plotters who missed the boat in showcesing the muscle bonder. Inshowcasing the muscle bender. In-stead of broad satire on the wrestling racket someone dreamed up a corny idea in which George plays Julius Caesar in an Antony-Cleopatra skit. Routine is laboriously long, amateur-ish and completely lacking in subtle-ty. Decrite this had start however ty. Despite this bad start, however, George is a natural for club work if given the right material.

Ben Blue's new act stands up well over-all, altho some prudent editing is called for to tighten routines and cut few borderline gags. Working cut few borderline gags. Working with stooge, Sid Fields (not the Brit-ish comic), Blue registered with a sock bit in which he manhandles the English language and a riotous take-off on mentalist acts. His satire on radio dramas also went over. Blue worked hard and long to score, and should click all the way once the work spats are out weak spots are cut.

Other acts are top drawer. Spark-plug is Rose Marie, whose warm, friendly personality and listenable Offers variety of tunes, scoring best with a musical take-off on Jimmy Durante and warbling of Chena Luna.

Terp chores are more than ably handled by tapster Eleanor Teeman and the DeMarlos. Miss Teeman's and the DeMarlos. Miss Teeman's curtain raiser displays plenty of flash, talent and smart showmanship. The DeMarlos, a class ballroom team, had to beg off after four turns. Duo is tops in grace and control and wise in production savvy. Dick Stabile's ork still doing a fine

show and dance cutting job.

Alan Fischler.



Currently STATLER HOTEL, DETROIT & Eddie ROBERTS MAGICAL HARRY GREEN, Per. Rep., 1619 Broadmay, N. Y. 19, N. Y.

The Biltmore Bowl, Biltmore It's In Again, Hotel, Los Angeles (Saturday, March 20)

Capacity, 850. Price policy, \$1-\$1.50 cover. Owner-operator, Biltmore Hotel. Manager, Joseph Faber. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Publicity, Maury Foladare. Estimated budget this show, \$2,500. Estimated budget last show, \$1,800.

With a slight increase in budget, Bowl manager Joe Faber has built a five-act parlay which stacks up as one of the best offerings the spot has played this year. Headliners Joy Hodges and Paul Winchell hold down featured slots neatly, aided by three first-rate supporting acts.

Top honors go to ventriloquist Winchell, who with dummy Jerry Mahoney gives ringsiders an unusual act. Winchell's material is laugh-laden and his technical work is flawless. Patter is topped by take-offs on celebs, with the dummy dishing out amazing vocal carbons of showbiz great. Act is a show-stopper and

great. Act is a show-stopper and earned a terrific hand. Thrush Joy Hodges is an easy seller, projecting her pipes with power and plenty of savvy. She leans heavily on show tunes plus special novelties to spotlight her musical comedy-type styling. She clicks with oldies like Smoke Gets in Your Eyes and follows thru with tunes on the cute side, such as Say That We're Sweethearts Again.

Sweethearts Again. In the terp department Jeanne In the terp department Jeanne Blanche, a looker, holds the opening slot with a smart acro tap routine which clicks. Gal is attractively gowned and is tops in grace and ability. The team of Lucienne and Ashour offer a switch to the boy-beats-girl routine when the fem half of the team knocks her partner silly with a series of lifts spins and fistiwith a series of lifts, spins and fisti-cuffs. Duo's work is precise, original and amusing, building to a sock finish.

Magician-mentalist team of Mar-doni and Louise are holdovers from the previous show. They mystify with sleight-of-hand and a mental act which in trigger four Lan Corbora which is trigger fast. Jan Garber's ork continues to do an excellent job of cutting the show and playing for terpsters. *Alan Fischler*.

Bert Pichel Signs With Ziv

Bert Frehel Signs with Ziv CINCINNATI, March 27. — Bert Pichel, who for a number of years has been working niteries with his novelty turn of blowing smoke rings with cigars, has been signed to a three-year pact by the Frederic W. Ziv Company here for a series of commercial tele transcriptions. Pichel, who has been featured in Ripley's Believe-It-Or-Not, will have his ring-Believe-It-Or-Not, will have his ring-blowing pictured in an early issue of Coronet

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The Billboard

Cincy AGVA

(Continued from page 36)

Four A's. Nerret and Bernstein couldn't budge the trio of deputies holding the front for Hurst. The deputies saw fit to mend their ways only after Bob Edwards, AGVA mem-ber here, pointed out to them that both Wilson and Hurst were on the Four A unfair list and that the local AGVA members and not Hurst as an AGVA members and not Hurst as an individual had a right to the office. He then demanded that the deputies "get the hell out of the office" imme-diately or he would call the local chief of police to find out what right they had to take over property of lo-cal AGVA members. The deputies moltod immediately, and agreed to they had to take over property of lo-cal AGVA members. The deputies melted immediately and agreed to quit the premises if Nerret would guarantee to pay for the services rendered in the name of Hurst. This Nerret agreed to do. Max W. Mendel, one of the deputies, thereupon ten-dered a bill for \$77.35, which he said included \$35 which he advanced Hurst to make a trip into New York.

Nerret Moves In

Hurst is alleged to have hopped out for New York late Wednesday (24). As figured here, Hurst jumped into New York to confront Dave Fox, of New York to confront Dave Fox, of the Four A's, with the information that he had taken over the Cincy ofthat he had taken over the Cincy of-fice lock, stock and barrel, and that unless he were reinstated as Four A's head man in Cincinnati, he would toss the office over to the Shelvey forces. Nerret, however, headed Hurst off with a phone call to Fox, explaining what had transpired on the Cincy front and that he had taken over from the deputies hired by Hurst.

It is claimed that Hurst, before jumping off for New York, destroyed all evidence in the AGVA files which he had gathered against Wilson in

the booking office case. Nerret will remain in charge of the local office until all the difficulties are ironed out.

NEW YORK, March 28.—If the Cincy AGVA yarn sounds like Grade C cops and robbers flicker stuff, it C cops and robbers flicker stuff, it becomes even more like a whodunit after a talk with Hy Faine, top com-mitteeman appointed by the Asso-ciated Actors and Artistes of America (Four A's), and Benny Hurst, who just arrived in town. It developed that Hurst, who also

Who? Me?

NEW YORK, March 27 .- The

NEW YORK, March 27.—The Friars' threw another one of their shindigs Thursday (25). This was a luncheon for Maurice Chevalier at the Astor. All the guys on the dais wore straw skimmers except Henny Youngman, who made a late entrance with a giant-sized top-per that stopped things for a while. Chevalier took it on the chin from everybody. The point was to highlight a career which every speaker—Walter Abel, John Garfield, Bobby Clark, Edevery speaker—Walter Abel, John Garfield, Bobby Clark, Ed-die Davis, Jack Carter, Al Kelly and Danny Shapiro—ascribed to a condition covered in the Kinreport. But if the humor all ended sey But

But if the humor all ended with four-letter snappers, some of the gags had the comics hunt-ing for pencils. One of the yarns told was about the actor who, cremated after his death, left instructions that 10 per cent of his actors he through his of his ashes be thrown into his agent's face.

agent's face. Maxie Rosenbloom almost got into a tangle with Eddie Clark, who worked the tables as waiter-heckler. Rosenbloom in-sisted, "A guy on the dais should get some respect." But the top-per was Myron Cohen's yarn about the operator. On that one the yocks could be heard all over the house. P.S.: Oh, yes. It was stag.

is a private dick, went to Cincy to keep an eye on Al Wilson and gather certain evidence. According to Hurst, Wilson, who was supposed to be a Four A-er, had all the AGVA records in a Mrs. Alma Bahlke's office. She is the wife of Harry Bahlke, a fran-chised Cincy agent. In order to get those records, Hurst said he joined Wilson and he and Wilson, both now on the Shelvey side, sent letters of resignation to Faine. The twisteroo developed when Wil-

The twisteroo developed when Wilson asked Hurst to get him "protec-tion." Hurst hired three deputy sheriffs. In the meantime Shelvey, having learned that Hurst was on his side, wired him congratulations and appointed him "national rep at large over entire State of Ohio and its branches." Hurst, having become a Shelvey

man, now learned about the hidden records in Mrs. Bahlke's office, and since he had a key, helped himself, hopped a plane to New York and turned the records over to Faine.



New York: **Stem Biz Holds With 437G;** Roxy 99, Cap 102, MH 143

NEW YORK, March 28.—Biz is still lolding up, with the Capitol, Music lall and Roxy hitting on all cylin-ers. The take for the five houses unning flesh and pix, for the past reek, was \$437,000, only a slight dip yeek, was \$437,000, only a slight dip NEW YORK, March 28.—Biz is still holding up, with the Capitol, Music Hall and Roxy hitting on all cylin-ders. The take for the five houses running flesh and pix, for the past week, was \$437,000, only a slight dip from the previous week's \$490,000. Capitol (4,627; average \$66,000) is still up there getting a big \$102,000 for its third week of the Tex Beneke band. Martin and Lewis and Naked

for its third week of the Tex Beneke band, Martin and Lewis and Naked City. The bill opened with \$147,000, followed by \$121,000. Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average \$115,000) pulled in \$143,000 for its second frame as compared with \$142,000 for its preem week. The show has Paul Haakon, Andre, Andree and Bonnie, and I Remember Mama. Mama.

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$89,000) followed its big initial week of \$107,-000 with a good \$99,000 for the sec-ond frame. The bill has Art Mooney's ork, Al Bernie and Sitting Pretty. Paramount (3,654 seats; average

Strand (2.700 seats; average \$40,-000) wound up its two-weeker with \$30,000 after a first frame of \$40,000. The show consisted of the Russ Mor-gan ork, Phil Foster, Ann Russell, Lou Wills Jr. and Fighting 69th. The new show (reviewed this issue) has the Claude Thornhill band, Maury Amsterdam and April Showers.



NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDE GROSSES

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PIX PAY \$4,580,000 FOR PLAYS

April 3, 1948

Top \$ Output A Comeback; 916G in '46

2 Shows, 1 Mil. Each

(Continued from page 4) that Metro saw it as a vehicle for Clark Gable.

Clark Gable. There were four pre-production deals in 1946 and seven in 1945. Gen-erally, the pre-production deals worked to the film outfit's disad-vantage. Their advance, seemingly, did not make the producing better, since the manager already had a sub-stantial chunk of dough in his pocket. stantial chunk of dough in his pocket. With the restrictions on the British market and the drop in b.-o. receipts, the movie companies have pulled in their horns and are buying more originals.

While the non-availability of these While the non-availability of these deals works a hardship on some pro-ducers, on others it has made for better and more careful producing. The fact is that with the right kind of a hit, the sky's the limit for a pro-ducer from the Gold Coast. The pic-ture companies have repeatedly shown that they are not buying ma-terial but success publicity and presterial but success, publicity and pres-tige, and this legit has to give.

Scripters' Viewpoint

From the scripters' point of view there are fewer plays being bought by the films than during the war. In 1946, 12 properties were sold; in 1945, 29; in 1944, 26, and in 1943, 35. This again puts a competitive strain on the lowwright for he must write a bit playwright for he must write a hit to get any heavy jack. Unless, of

to get any heavy jack. Unless, of course, he has material that a specific studio can use for its stars. In 1947 three of the major Holly-wood studios didn't buy even one le-git property. Twentieth Century-Fox, Paramount and RKO all kept the rubber bands tight on their bank rolls. In 1946 only RKO bought sev-eral scripts. Universal has proven the sugar daddy this season, with \$1,700,000 poured out for six scripts. Warners has spent 390G for four scripts, but Columbia, with only two purchases, has laid \$1,350,000 on the line. line

The 20G paid for Joan of Lorrage is just a down payment, with the final amount reaching a much higher fig-The 20G paid for Joan of Lorraine vre, probably near the top ones. The picture is being made by Sierra Picpicture is being made by Sierra Pic-tures, an independent outfit, with the Playwrights Company getting a substantial portion of the profits. State of the Union is another play in which the down payment doesn't really count. Once \$4,000,000 is reached by the pic outfit, the owners of Union will get 25 per cent of the profits of the movie. Command De-cision will probably get 300G, the final purchase price set, if the show should hit in pix and have a run. "Mister Roberts" Tops

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"Mister Roberts" Tops Right now Mister Roberts is con-sidered the hottest property around. This script will probably top them all as a potential movie property. If the right price is not coming, the producers with Henry Fonda as the star will float a company of their own. Streetcar Named Desire is anown. Streetcar Named Desire is an-other big hit, but tho it's movie pos-sibilities are good, it is not consid-ered in a class with Roberts because of story line. For Love or Money is being considered for purchase by sev-

Pix' Legit Buys

Key Largo......\$35,000 (Warner Bros.) All My Sons......\$100,000 (Universal-International) Distant Drums......\$15,000 (United States Films) Christenhor Blaka \$250,000

(United States Films) Christopher Blake.....\$250,000 (Warner Bros.) Another Part of the Forest \$250,000*

\$250,000* (Universal-International) Are You With It......\$50,000 (Universal-International) Bloomer Girl.....\$100,000* (Universal-International) Annie, Get Your Gun..\$650,000* (MGM)

Ladies and Gentlemen...\$50,000 (Warner Bros.) Anna Lucasta......\$350,000 (Columbia) Born Yesterday.....\$1,000,000 (Columbia) State of the Union.....\$350,000 (Liberty Films) *Advance navment

*Advance payment.

eral Coast outfits because its leading role is a natural for several top Hol-lywood ingenues.

There seems to be no likelihood of any change in the business of pur-chasing legit scripts which will tilt the prices higher or sell more plays until tele gets into the big money class.

NTC Awards 8 Playwrights NEW YORK, March 27.—On a basis

NEW YORK, March 27.—On a basis of over 100 plays seen or read over the past year, the new playwrights committee of the National Theater Conference (NTC) was awarded eight playwrighting fellowships for 1948-1949.

1948-1949. The list is headed by Barrie Stavis, for authorship of Lamp at Midnight and plan for a new turn-of-the-century drama about our Middle West. Herbert Kubly wins on the basis of Punch and Judy, All Souls and Hickory Ridge, fantasies in cur-rent preparation. Our Lan' and a new script Shout Hallelujah gets the nod for Theodore Ward. Abbey Theater scripter, Seamus White, wins a spot with Cardinal and the Crows, already a Dublin product, and soon to get a hearing at Fordham Univer-sity. An award goes to Samuel Mcto get a hearing at Fordham Univer-sity. An award goes to Samuel Mc-Cullouch for None So Blind and the first draft of a new play. Men Did Ever Find and another script in the works puts John Dugan on the list. Ralph (The Wind Is Ninety) Nelson wins a place via his new play The Big Wheel, plus a plan for a new one, Kangaroo Court. Stymean Karlen gets the final award for authorship of Early Strawberry and on the basis that she has two other plays, The Eleventh Commandment and She-Doctor, due for summer production on the West Coast. Fellowships call for a grant of \$200 a month for five months, subject to

Theater Wing Awards "Tonys"

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(Continued from page 3) tinguished performances. Awards for outstanding performances by new-comers went to June Lockhart (Love or Money) and James Whitmore (Command Decision). For spreading theater to the country, while orig-inals perform in New York, a "Tony" apiece went to Mary Martin (Annie, Get Your Gun) and Joe E. Brown (Harvey). Paul and Grace Hartman scored for distinguished performances in the musical comedy field (Angel in the Wings). The Importance of Being Earnest cast received the nod as an outstanding foreign troupe, and as an outstanding foreign troupe, and *Mr. Roberts* was accoladed as an outstanding home-grown contribution.

Special Field Honors

Special Field Honors In special fields, honors went to Horace Armistead for his *The Medium* set, Mary Percy Schenk for her *Heiress* costumes, Joshua Logan for staging of Roberts; Jerome Robbins for *High Button Shoes* dance patterns and to Max Meth as musical director of *Finian's Rainbow*. An award went to George Gebhart as outstanding back-stage technician, and another to George Pierce "for 25 years of cour-teous and efficient service as back-stage doorman at the Empire Thea-ter." For progressive theater opera-tion, a plum went to Robert Dowling tion, a plum went to Robert Dowling for operation of New York houses, another going to Paul Beisman for constructive management in St. Louis. constructive management in St. Louis. Rosamond Gilder was tabbed for her theater mag scripting and Robert Por-terfield for his development of re-gional theater. The Experimental Theater also came in for an award. And finally there was an accolade for Vera Allen as "a distinguished volun-teer in the WING's wartime and post-war services."

Award presentations were broad-cast over WOR-Mutual, with DuMont also televising a previous hour-odd of entertainment by top theater tal-ent. Harry Hirshfield, Bert Lytell and Hiram Sherman emseed the proceedings.

N. Wilkesboro, N. C., **Theater Files Claim** Vs. 'Heart' Producer

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 27. — An affidavit, bond and attachment was filed here in city court against the New York Imperial Players, the parent company of the recently closed Hastin Heart troupe. Action was inparent company of the recently closed Hasty Heart troupe. Action was in-stituted by Ivan D. Anderson, of the Liberty Theater, North Wilkesboro, N. C., against Larry Le Rouge, the producer, and in the name of the Imperial Players, claiming an unpaid debt of \$1,592.37. Action stemmed from the late arrival of the show, caused by unfamiliarity with roads, for a performance in North Wilkesfor a performance in North Wilkesboro.

Heart, starring Freddie Bartholo-mew, lost about 20G for its producer. Le Rouge took over the production Le Rouge took over the production from James Kling and David Jones, the initial producers, after they had found the going rough. Unfortunately, he booked it into territory thru which *Heart* had already played under the sponsorship of the Barter Theater.

BROADWAY SHOWLOG

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CLOSED Skipper Next to God.... 1-30, '48 (Playhouse) Saturday (?7)

AE, Truman Huddle Set NEW YORK, March 27.—Actors' Equity is sending a committee down to Washington in a few weeks to see President Truman about opening the Belasco Theater in Washington for legit next season, with the strong possibility that the President may see his way clear to return the theater to legit. The Equity committee on discrimination, headed by Edith At-water, has already communicated with J. Howard McGrath, Demo-cratic National Committee chairman, and he has arranged the appointment and he has arranged the appointment with the President.

Student Hayloft for Cape

HARTFORD, March 27.—Lewis W. Miller, assistant professor of drama at Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt., has announced organization of a student co-operative summer theater. student co-operative summer theater. The unit, to be known as the College Players Summer Theater, will be sit-uated at Brewster on Cape Cod, Mass., and will open a 1948 season of eight plays with Candida on July 8. The group is limited to five women and 18 men. William Held will be business manager.

Bryn Mawr Plans **T.** Helburn Chair

NEW YORK, March 27.-Honoring its most distinguished graduate in the theater, Bryn Mawr College an-nounced Wednesday (24) plans for the establishment of the Theresa Helburn Chair of Drama.

In outlining the program, President Katharine McBride stated that while the college boasts three stages and presents eight to 10 productions a year, half of them in conjunction with Haverford College, little formal rec-ognition of dramatic work has been made in the past. The new plan, how-ever, is not to be construed as a ever, is not to be construed as a preparatory course pointed toward the professional theater or as an adjunct of an English and speech department, but to be correlated to all depart-ments of the curriculum. Thus a student may write or act in an his-torical drama and receive academic credit on that score. The physics de-partment may contribute lighting and partment may contribute lighting and sound technicians; set and costume designers can stem from art students, etc. In short, undergraduates will have an opportunity to apply their specialties to drama study and vice versa

versa. A \$250,000 endowment for the chair is hoped to be realized by late May. Among members of the sponsoring committee are Brock Pemberton, John Mason Brown, Katharine Cornell, Noel Coward, Rachel Crothers, Flor-ence Eldridge, Lynn Fontanne, John Golden, Oscar Hammerstein 2d, Jo Mielziner, Eugene Ormandy, Margaret Webster and others. Webster and others.

During the coming summer the college will sponsor a summer theater program for Bryn Mawr and Haverford students.

Chorus Equity Prefers Charges Vs. Whyte, Kantor

NEW YORK, March 27.—Charges have been preferred by the grievance committee of Chorus Equity against Jerry Whyte, production manager in charge of musicals for the Theater Guild, and Herman Kantor, one of the stage managers of Allegro. They are charged with conduct prejudicial to the welfare of the union and its members.

The complaints have grown out of trouble backstage at the musical, the chorus there claiming the accused made the terpers rehearse without pay and unjustly discharged one of their number. Since both of the ac-cused are members of Actors' Equity, they are subject to whatever disciplinary action the union wishes to take. The hearing is to be held April 6.

Nominating Committee Set To Pick AE Councillors

NEW YORK, March 27. — Paul Kelly, Lois Wilson, Vicki Cummings, Neil Hamilton, Whitford Kane and Chester Stratton were the six thesps nominated by the membership at the unratedly meeting at the Notel Aster nominated by the membership at the quarterly meeting at the Hotel Astor Monday (22) to choose the 10 coun-cillors and one third vice-president for office at Actors' Equity this year. The council picked Philip Ober, Ralph Bellamy and Frank M. Thomas Sr., to constitute the rest of the nominat-ing committee, with Ober as chair-man. The councillors will serve for five-year terms, and the vice-presi-dent for a one-year period. Elections will be held late in May or early in June at the next quarterly meeting at the Hotel Astor. the Hotel Astor.

Stage Mgrs.' 1st Shindig NEW YORK. March 27.—The Stage Managers' Club is holding its first shindig to raise money for a club-house April 3 at the studios at the Guild Playhouse. The festivities will start at midnight. Admission is free, but the stage managers have worked out a number of gimmicks which will presumably raise dough painlessly.

OUT-OF-TOWN OPENING

The Billboard

Hold It (Opened Thursday, March 25)

SHUBERT THEATER, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

Arina Sondigor, Frik Dexter, Douglas Hull-erford.
SINGING ENSEMBLE: Gloria Benson, Penny Carroll, Kathryne Mylroie, Helena Schurgot, Tom Bowman, Sid Lawson, Budd Rogers, Frank Stevens.
DANCING ENSEMBLE: Onna White, Wana Allison, Janet Bethel, Elena Salamatova, Yvonne Tiber, Helen Wenzel, Margit Dekova, Marion Horosko, Barbara McCutcheon. John Begg, Bob Bernard, Jack Claus, Kobert Cad-wallader, Robert Evans, Martin Kraft, Vernon Lusby, Paul Lyday.

Handicapped by the opening-night illness of featured player Johnny Downs, Hold It unfolded as a completely uninspired musical comedy that was more confusing than amus-While boasting lavish presentaing. tion, as it stands now it doesn't have a streng recasting, and a bit of juggling in the sharps and flats department. But whether Downs could have given the stands, Johnny Downs should show any more than he did, even in have stood in bed.

sound health, because the opus just didn't have it.

The book by Matt Brooks and Art Arthur is a very anateurish piece of work. It is stiff, jerky and un-funny. Comedy situations that could have been incorporated in a tale concerning a college boxing champ who plays leading lady in the campus show and who is forced to carry on his role as a glamour girl in a movie talent contest to save his campus G.I. friends' from eviction offer plenty of chances for laughs which the authors somehow miss

In consideration of his illness, little can be said of Johnny Downs's percan be said of Johnny Downs's per-formance. His dancing efforts had to be confined to just one routine. The show could have done quite well without Jean Darling. She makes an eye-filling ingenue, but since she can't dance and she certainly can't sing, her value to a musical is de-cidedly questionable cidedly questionable.

Buttons Tries Hard "Red" Buttons, who carried the comedy load, did his customary fine work, but was decidedly handicapped by the material offered. His two by the material offered. His two duet numbers with Ada Lynne, Fun-damental Character and Friendly Enemy, were the only two show-stoppers of the night. Top honors, if any, easily go to Patricia Wymore, a luscious night club redhead who certainly has a way about her. She hoofs and warbles with equal facility. The rest of the principals can be rated adequate, altho Douglas Chan-dler, a fine dialectician borrowed from radio, was wasted in a tiny role.

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The music ranges from good to very poor and fails to reveal a single number tabbed for hit possibilities. Always You, Nevermore and Down the Well might catch on for a while under more expert treatment.

The dance routines are completely undistinguished, in spite of a deal of potential talent in the young folks who give them most of their pace. drawer, but direction was certainly off the beam. The show might be saved via a

complete rewrite of book, injection of some genuine comedy, a slight case of recasting, and a bit of juggling in the sharps and flats department. But

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Each year for the past four years voting on the part of the people of the theater for the Donaldson Awards has increased. Now as preparations for the Fifth Annual Donaldson Awards get under way, the Awards committee wishes to do everything possible to see that everyone in the theater has an opportunity to vote. Early in May ballots and instructions are delivered by hand to the theaters to all the players appearing on Broadway at the time. In order to get ballots to players who will not be appearing on Broadway early in May, The Billboard, sponsor of the Donaldson Awards, would like to have the names and addresses of such players, so that a ballot may be properly mailed to them. Make certain of your vote for the Donaldson Awards, the thea-ter's own selections of its "bests." Fill out the coupon below and return it to The Billboard today.

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Aussie Equity Wins Pay Hike

SYDNEY, March 27. — Claims for increased wages lodged by Actors and Announcers' Equity of Australia nearly 12 months ago have been set-tled by the conciliation commissioner. In the case of juniors under 18 years of age, increases granted were over 100 per cent, and in the case of those under 14 the jump was nearly 150 per cent.

Adult rates of pay were secured for all ballet and chorus members from the age of 18, against 20 for girls and 21 for men. In shows for which 21 for men. In shows for which rehearsals are required, half pay was granted where rehearsal time does not exceed 24 hours weekly, three-quarters pay when time taken is over 24 and not more than 36, and full pay when it exceeds 36 hours. Double rates were granted for rehearsals on Sundays, Christmas and Good Friday and for performances on national holidays. Equity fought hard for equal pay for the sexes but did not make the grade; it did succeed in narrowing the margins, however.

One distinct success of Equity's efforts was the inclusion of actors and actresses receiving as high as \$40 under full award conditions. Pre-viously only those receiving \$25 or less were included under award and less were included under award and Equity fought to get those receiving \$50 included. The \$40 limit was a compromise. When on tour all per-formers from the age of 16 years up must receive the adult rates for their sex. The marginal difference between male and female rates is roughly \$2 per week per week.

'Inside U.S.A.' Philly Advance Racks 115G

PHILADELPHIA, March 27. PHILADELPHIA, March 27. — A sensational advance sale of 115G has been racked up by the Arthur Schwartz production of InsideU.S.A., which stars Beatrice Lillie and Jack Haley and which opens here Monday (29) at the Shubert Theater. The musical was originally slated to stay here only three wasks but the stay here only three weeks, but the engagement has been lengthened another week.

The \$250,000 production is skedded to open in New York April 29 at the Century Theater, unless another few weeks are needed to whip it into shape.

ROUTES **Dramatic and Musical** Annie Get Your Gun (Hershey) Hershey, Pa. Burlesque (Selwyn) Chicago. Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo (Royal Alexan-dra) Toronto. Blossom Time (His Majesty's) Montreal. Carousel (Bushuell Anditorium) Hartford, Conn. Cornell, Katharine (Forrest) Philadelphia. Cup of Trembling, with Elizabeth Bergner (Playhouse) Wilmington, Del., 2-3. Dunham, Katharine (Cass) Detroit. First Mrs. Fraser (Plymouth) Boston. Glass Menagerie (Hanna) Cleveland. Hold It (Shubert) Boston. Harvey (Melba) Dallas, 31-April 3. Harvey (Melba) Dallas, 31-April 3. Harvey (Melba) Dallas, 31-April 3. Harvey (Melba) Mana (Broadway) Denver, Colo., 31; (Chief) Colorado Springs April 1; (Univ. of Colo.) Boulder 2; (City And.) Pueblo 3. John Loves Mary (Harris) Chicagoa Lady Windermere's Fan (Iowa) Cedar Rapids, Ia., 31; (Palace) Rockford, III., April 1; (Parkway) Madison, Wis., 2-3. Mary Had a Little (Erlanger) Buffalo 31; (Town Hall) Toledo April 1-3. Oklahoma (Curran) San Francisco. O Mistress Mine, with Lunt & Fontanne (Bilt-more) Los Angeles. Private Lives (Nixon) Pittsburgh. Play's the Thing (Shubert) New Haven, Conn., 1-3. Red Mill (Metropolitan) Providence 31-April 3. Show Boat (Shubert) Chicago.

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Student Prince (KRNT Radio) Des Moiens 31; (Blackstone) Chicago, opening April 1.
There Goes the Bride (American) St. Louis.

Magic .By Bill Sachs

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BILL AND MARY CHAUDET. since the close of the Blackstone show, have been working their own act, a miniature of the Blackstone full-evening layout fitted for night clubs. After playing several months around their native Hollywood, the Chaudets hopped to El Morocco Supper Club, Tucson, Ariz., where Sun-day (28) they concluded a two-week engagement. While in Tucson, they spent most of their time with Harry Blackstone, who is mending nicely from a recent breakdown and enjoy-ing a well-deserved rest. Blackstone, the Chaudets report, has been made a chief of almost every Indian tribe in the Tucson area. . . . Danny O'Day and George Coons are co-managers and George Coons are co-managers of Percy Abbott's Chicago magic emporium, replacing Tom Rainey, who recently resigned. Incidentally, Abbott is reported to be marketing a new diminishing deck which is said to require no sleights at all.... Tommy Windsor, chairman of the publicity committee of the recently formed Magic Dealers' Association, Inc., reports that the org has made considerable progress toward reach-

formed Magic Dealers' Association, Inc., reports that the org has made considerable progress toward reach-ing its objective—that of "elevating the standards of merchandising ma-gical equipment to the ultimate end that the confidence of the consumer in its members shall be restored and maintained." According to Windsor, the MDA boasts over 70 members, with Phil Thomas, president; Joe Karson, vice-president; Frances Ire-land, secretary; Bill Holden Jr., treas-urer; Nathan J. Felsenberg, chief of legal staff, assisted by Ed Mishell. Membership committee includes Lou Tannen, chairman; Harold Rich and Walker Fleming. Tommy Windsor and Gene Gordon make up the pub-licity committee, while the auditing committee comprises Morris Fox and Mike Kanter... Le Paul, now doing veterans' shows, visited with Bill and Mary Chaudet and Harry Blackstone veterans' shows, visited with Bill and Mary Chaudet and Harry Blackstone while passing thru Tucson, Ariz., recently.

LUCILLE AND EDDIE ROBERTS LUCILLE AND EDDIE ROBERTS closed Saturday (27) at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, and opened Monday (20) at the Statler Hotel, Detroit, for a two-weeker, to be fol-lowed with the Brown Hotel, Louis-ville, April 12-28, and the Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, April 29-May 14... Capt. Lee Allen Estes, Safety First Magician of the Kentucky State Highway Patrol, takes his magic Highway Patrol, takes his magic



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Disappeared "HOWARD RALPH KAHN, amateur magi-cian, age 16, 6 ft., 120 lbs., brown eyes and hair, wears glasses, moles on right cheek. Disappeared February 8, 1948, Milwaukee, Wis. Follows carni-vals or road shows. Advise his whereabouts to Atty. Paul A. Leeb, 329 W. National Ave.,

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, or wire collect. Last heard from in Georgia. HOWARD — Call or wire, collect, or write. All is forgiven. Your mother is very ill. Paul."





COLUMBUS, O., March 27.-In the Hartman Theater where many stars cut their professional molars as members of the old Hartman summer stock company, a new stock try is to be made this summer. Beverly Kelley, circus drum beater, William Laboration Store

Beverly Kelley, circus drum beater, William Johnson, New York stage director and producer with the man-agement of the theater, and R. F. Boda, for many years owner of the Hartman, are the backers. Opening is set for April 20, and a resident pro company will be aug-

resident pro company will be aug-mented by occasional movie name appearances. Dream Girl, They Knew What They Wanted, Three Men on a Horse and Rain are on the production roster.

Sets and productions all will be built in the theater, which has a large

scenic studio. This is the first time the Hartman has tried stock in 19 years. The house is not air conditioned, but it may be if business warrants.

New Sales Tax in Conn.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 27.----A new Connecticut sales and use tax (1 per cent) goes into effect April 1. Among the affected items are theater candy sales. Previously, under the old 3 per cent tax, 1 cent was charged on purchases from 13 to 35 cents; 2 cents on purchases from 36 to 70 cents. Under the new tax, all purchases under 25 cents are tax-exempt

safety show to the Oak Park, Ill., high school May 27, thru arrangements made by Russell Shaw, of the Madza Magic Company, Oak Park, and sponsored by the local Kiwanis Club. . . Chanda the Magician, and Prin-... Chanda the Magician, and Prin-cess Zeella, mentalist, have just con-cluded engagements in Florida and Georgia and are set until April 15 on theater and club dates in North Carolina, after which they again swing into Maryland and Pennsyl-vania... Carl H. Borsse, of She-boygan, Wis., who purchased all the magic and illusions of the late Joe Ovette, is selling the collection piece magic and illusions of the late Joe Ovette, is selling the collection piece by piece. . . Bart Lawrence, New York hypnotist, who recently re-turned from overseas where he en-tertained veterans at 20 clubs, camps and hospitals, says he has enough camps and soldier clubs to keep him busy for the rest of the year but believes the experience gained the last several years playing for the years last several years playing for the vets has given him enough polish and class to warrant his taking his hyp turn into niteries and theaters on a commercial basis. . . Milbourne Christopher's new manual of thumb-Milbourne Christopher's new manual of thumb-tip magic, labeled 50 Tricks With a Thumb Tip, has just been published by D. Robbins & Company, New York. Priced to retail for \$1, the 24-page book is 6 by 9 inches, printed on fine-coated paper, and is well illustrated. Hen Fetsch, who has collaborated with Christopher on sev-eral magic books, has written the introduction to the new book, saying, in part: "Christopher's book tells you how to do everything but pull a rabbit out of the thumb tip."

Let's Face It!

STAMFORD, Conn., March 27. -Robert Lehder's Piccadilly Restaurant here has a new plan Restaurant here has a new plan for bringing in customers. Electric razors have been in-stalled at the bar, so guzzlers won't have to rush home to shave. Bartenders are forbidden to shave the customers. "Strictly self-service," Lehder said. Stamford barbers are gearing for protest action before the State Board of Health.

Burlesque By UNO

DOLLY DAWSON rejoined Eddie Kaplan's Screwballs at the Swan Club, Philadelphia, March 29. . . Mar Shan (Marsha Blue) joined the Artie Lloyd unit at the Mayfair, Dayton, last week. . . . Margo Shersted left the Circus Room, Wisconsin Ho-tel, Milwaukee, for the Music Box, Minneapolis, March 23. . . . Gloria Glad celebrated a birthday March 24. ... Sam Cohen, manager; Jack Mont-gomery, producer; Harry Eppie Oakene, treasurer, and Marty Knoff, assistant, of the Hudson, Union City, N. J., received honorary membership or the into Local 50 of the detection N. J., received honorary membership cards into Local 59 of the stagehands union March 20 during the benefit show which featured Phil Silvers, Joey and Vini Faye, Jack Diamond, Georgia Sothern, Lana Barry, George Murray, Eileen Hubert, Tanglefoot and other celebs of former burly beakings. and other celebs of former burly bookings. . . Anita Marie (Mrs. Al Golden), became the feature of the Hirst unit headed by Billy Hagan in Boston last week. . . Phil Rosenberg and Harry Markovich were among the mourners at the funeral of Sam Raymond, house operator and man-ager, March 21. . . . Julius Roth, em-see, severed connections with Ye Trinity Bar and switched to Patsy Baggio's Boston Oyster Bar. Both are Manhattan spots.

EVELYN TAYLOR opened March 26 as feature at the Embassy, Rochester, N. Y., on the Midwest Circuit. . . . Joe Burton, ex-comic, re-turned from a winter vacation in Saluda, Va., is again to manage Kiddy-land at Palisades Park, N. J. . . . Mimi Reed, formerly Mar-vel, is in her 14th week at Burbank, Los Angeles, where recent new principals are Dixie Sullivan and Gloria Love. . . . Renee Grif-fin left the Gayety, Norfolk March 24 to go to Sacramento for the summer. . . . Sheila Ryan, thru Eddie Kaplan, completed 12 weeks in a New Orleans nitery. . . Sammy Lipman, singing emsee, replaced Al (The Baron) Siegel at the Club Milwaukeean, Milwaukee. Complete cast includes Dolly Malone, Eileen Boomer and Little Shirley Little. . . Mickey Carroll, first-time burly strip, closed last week with the Hagan unit, to return to Boston niteries. . . . Sharry Lee from the Empire, Newark, N. J., is a new parade girl at the Hudson, Union City. . . . Murry Pickford, dancer. opened at the Sweetheart Bar, Detroit, last week. . . . Monica Monnette, stripper, moved from the 606 nitery, Chicago, to Club 26, Milwaukee, where Ed Tullock is emsee and Wally Granapre of the Hirst wheel, was partied March 21 at the Gayety, Baltimore, on her marriage that day to Herbert L. Moore, ork leader.... Talu and Peg-gy O'Connor, former chorines at the Avenue, Detroit, are new principals with the Sacks-Kennedy unit. . . Lucia Parks, who just closed in Fall River, Mass., is in Manhattan negotiating for an opening with a musical show....Bonnie Boyia, who has been playing club dates in Detroit, is now featured with the Charlie Robinson unit.... George (Bozo) Lord replaced Kenny Brenna at the Follies. Los Angeles. Margie Roye rejoined after a layoff of several weeks. Betty Rowland is strip-teasing in a tabloid ver-sion of the *Mikado*.

N. Y. Grips Get Increases

NEW YORK, March 27.—The last meeting Tuesday (23) between the League of New York Theaters and the League of New York Theaters and the stagehands' union cleared the deck for a settlement between them. Altho the percentage hasn't been announced, the grips will get substantial in-creases, with the lower paid deck-hands especially benefiting. Next confab is skedded Monday (29).

Showbiz Wins Share Of Newsmen's Prizes

NEW YORK, March 27. - People and organizations in showbiz will be among those honored with Page 1 Awards, to be presented at the New York Newspaper Guild's Page 1 ball May 5 at Manhattan Center. Their May 5 at Manhattan Center. Their selection was announced this week by the judges, 14 newsmen.

Winners in the showbiz fields in-clude Bertha (Chippie) Hill for pop music; Clarence Derwent, president of the Actors' Equity Association, theof the Actors' Equity Association, the-ater; Elia Każan, for his contributions to both pix and legit; the Columbia Broadcasting System and WHLI, Hempstead, L. I., for production and coverage, and Laszlo Halas, longhair music.

The Guild also made citations to WMCA and WNYC, the New Stages legit outfit and Benjamin Britten, composer of the opera, *Peter Grimes*.

"Joan" Closes in Omaha

OMAHA, March 27. — The Jules Leventhal road production of Joan of Lorraine, starring Diana Barry-more, closed here Saturday (20), after a two and a half month run, during which a loss of from 15 to 20G was sustained by the manager. Show only had two profitable weeks since its opening in Norfolk, December 31. Bad business is attributed to the fact that the release of the script national-OMAHA, March 27. -- The Jules that the release of the script nationally last the release of the script national-ly last year by the Broadway pro-ducers, the Playwrights Company, was responsible for its having been performed by many little theater groups. Naturally, this took the edge off the play.

Producer in Bankruptcy

NEW YORK, March 27.—Jewel Steven, theatrical producer and writer, has filed a voluntary petition of bankruptcy in U. S. District Court, Southern District. The petition lists liabilities of \$10,450 and assets of \$750, the latter being listed as debts Most of the liabilities stem from a venture in June, 1946, with Horace Barrow and Edward Van Nierop, when the trio operated a stock company in Saratoga Springs.

Icer Pulls 45,550 in Ala.

BIRMINGHAM, March 27 .--- Holiday on Ice exceeded last year's at-tendance figures during a successful nine-day engagement at Municipal Auditorium March 13-21. Emery F. nine-day engagement at Municipal Auditorium March 13-21. Emery F. Gilbert, president, said the show's 12 performances this year drew 45.550, compared with 32,000 in nine per-formances last year. Four of the shows were sellouts. General admis-sion was 95 cents, with a \$3.05 top.

Hi-Didie-Didie!

NEW YORK, March 27.—Re-member those colossal p. a. jobs the flicker folk used to put on to help super-markets and department stores draw the crowds? Time was when a guy couldn't walk into a Nedick's for a red-hot, seemed like, without finding a Hollywood headliner peeling duds or warbling a ditty. Well, a young singer by the name of a young singer by the name of Bob Stewart topped 'em all re-cently here in New York. He appeared for the Red Cross be-fore 350 workers in a commercial plant, sang a number called The Girl With the Little Red Cross. The plant? General Diaper Serv-ice!

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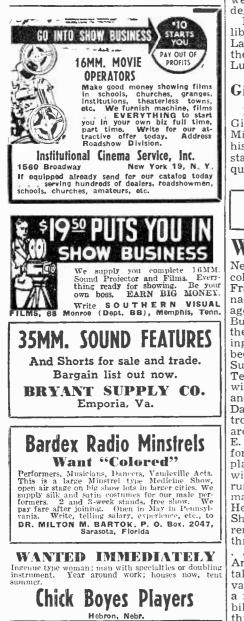
WACO. Tex., March 27.—R. W. (Tommy) Stevens, who recently pur-chased a tent from the C. R. Mont-gomery Circus, is mulling plans to launch a stock musical tab under it this summer. He plans to play local lots lots.

Sighted in the lobby of the Texas Model here recently were Mr. and Mrs. Mack Johnson, of the Harley Sadler Show, and Buford Gamble, of the Cathey Darling Productions.

Derringer Succumbs In Texas Hospital

HOUSTON, March 27 .--- R. E. (Eddie) Derringer, top-ranking rep and stock performer and a leading man stock performer and a leading man and stage director for many years with the Hila Morgan Show, died of cancer in Veterans' Hospital. McKin-ney, Tex., March 20. A veteran of World War I. Derringer also was identified with the Len Henderson and Maude Brooks companies and his last stage appearance was with the Morgan Stock Company here in 1943. Following that engagement he en-Following that engagement he entered war work in Honolulu. He returned to the States in Au-

gust, 1947, when he entered the hos-pital. Hila Morgan credited Derringer with much of her show's successes.



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WICHITA, Kan., March 27.—Henry (Hank) Brunk, owner of Brunk's Comedians, announces that his show will open the season April 12 at Vernon, Tex.

Org's tent is a 60 by 130 and seats 1,200 persons. Brunk has been in show business since 1916.

Alexandra Players Set For 12-Week St. John's Stand

ST. JOHN'S. Newfoundland, March 27.—Bowing Bros.' department store here has imported the Alexandra Theater Players of Birmingham. Eng-land, for a 12-week engagement at Pitts Memorial Hall. Plays are changed weekly with the price scale ranging from 65 cents to \$2.50.

Local firm, which has set up a ticket information office in its store, paid the troupe's transportation ex-penses both ways and absorbed the talent and technicians' costs.

Ontario Spots Okay For Lucey's Unit

COBALT, Ont., March 27.—Henry Lucey has his pic presentations on the go in this sector and, altho weather has bothered his unit to some degree, business has been good. Lucey recently purchased a new library of 16mm. pix from Ernest Lavery, of Montreal, and among them is a Jesse James film, which

Lucey plans to feature.

Giltman Sets Minn. Dates

BARTOW, Fla., March 27.-Leo Giltman left here recently for his Minnesota home where he will ready his flesh-pic org to play three-day stands, with opening slated for Pe-quot Lakes, Minn.



WEBB AND DINWAY, who have WEBB AND DINWAY, who have 16mm. pix in the Hawthorne, Nev., area, report light biz due to cold weather. Dinway caught Neil Fraser's pic and vaude show at Gra-nada, Nev. Fraser is an old-time rep agent. . . Allan Downes writes from Buffalo that he would like to know the final resting place of Arthur Dem-ing, minstrel. . . Leon Players have been making sponsored dates in the Susquehanna, Pa., sector. . . Grabel's Tent Show, short-cast bills and films, will open soon near Frederick, Okla, Susquehanna, Pa., sector. . . Grabel's Tent Show, short-cast bills and films, will open soon near Frederick, Okla., and move toward West Texas. . . Dawson Players are readying at Me-tropolis, III. . . Gitt's Show has been around Ogden, Utah, lateiy. . . Fred E. Morey is in contact with owners for the lease of a hall for a summer playhouse near Rochester, N. H. He will use semi-pro or local cast and run six weeks. . . Barr Players are making sponsored dates in the Helena, Mont., area. . . Devine's Show, 16mm, pix and magic. cur-rently in Southern Vermont, had three weeks of New Hampshire dates. . . . Hall's Novelty Show, around Amarillo, Tex., reports only fair takes. Org gives short-cast bills and vaude. . . Wilbur Tyler will have a four-people flesh trick. playing rep bills in Maine and New Hampshire bills in Maine and New Hampshire this summer. He will stick close to resort towns. . . Everett Players are in the Boston area, under spon-sors. . . Drayton Players, four people, is a new group for Milwaukee. . . Davis and Loring have a colored min-strel unit playing around Biloxi, Miss.



CINCINNATI, March 27.-L. I. Plunkett, agent of Plunkett's Stage Show, this week sent thru the following, which is getting plenty of chuckles around the Plunkett lot in Aransas Pass. It seems the letter, reproduced verbatim below, was in answer to an ad for help which the Plunkett ag-gregation ran in a recent issue of *The Billboard*.

"Plunkett Stage Show,

"Aransas Pass, Texas, "Dear Mr. Stage show; "See piece in the paper where you "See piece in the paper where you want a helper—don't read no more letters because i have decided to take the job. i know how to play piano and also do i know to play and fake like vaudeville. I also know all about juvenile man having did so for nearly 50 years, i also play three accordians to once, was omce on a circus where i rid on the elephant, playing the juvenile and also playing two accordions and the mouth harp at the same time. They wanted me to play the drum but since I was only having one leg, and one hand I could not do same. As to physical get up—I am 38

As to physical get up—I am 38 years old, four feet six inches high (in boots) weigh 298 pounds (un-dressed). Black hair on one side and bald on the other. If you feed us I require at least three pounds of un-cooked (raw) meet each day. All teeth are okay but have too gold one in front but I keen them shined in front, but I keep them shined.

"Have been working steady on one "Have been working steady on one aggergation for the last 18 years, but don't think I am making good—would you lend me five dollars and I could hitch hike to your Pass there in Texas. Would you want me to bring my piano? Will also bring my ju-venile and accordion. Would want venile and accordion. Would want \$275 weekly a salary, but would want it in advance every Tuesday. Do you furnish the clothes for the ac-cordion, vaudeville and juvenile. "Would send self-envelope but don't have a pitchure, and i don't have no stamps

have no stamps. Yours very expectantly, C. U. Thisummer."

Ed Note: Considerable sleuthing on the part of the Plunketts and their private detectives, but without the aid of bloodhounds, revealed that the other than our old friends, Charley and Henry Brunk.

Last of West Coast Showboats To Go

SACRAMENTO, March 27.—The West Coast's only showboat, which in late years has been serving as a floating night club, soon may be burned as a navigation hazard.

Officials of the George Pollack Company, under contract to the army engineers to remove the old showboat engineers to remove the old showboat from its mired berth in the Sacra-mento River bottom near the mouth of the American River, said it prob-ably will be necessary to set fire to the craft inasmuch as efforts to pull it out of the mud with cables have failed.

The vessel has been termed a haz-The vessel has been termed a haz-ard to navigation since it tipped into the river last July. Company rep-resentatives said the portion of the boat above the river probably will be burned within a few weeks. The remainder will be dynamited into small pieces which will be removed by a dredge.

A score of years ago the vessel was operated as a showboat plying be-tween this city and the port of Stock-ton. Later it was used as a ferry before being converted into a night club.

Hugo Players Prep 40th Anni Tour in Kearney

KEARNEY, Neb., March 27.-Hugo KEARNEY, Neb., March 27.—Hugo Players, with winter quarters here, are making ready to launch their 40th consecutive season on the road. This season also will mark Harry Hugo's 40th year at the helm of his own company.

Extensive plans are being made to feature the org's 40th anniversary. slogan in its paper and advertising. Hugo said he believes that his org is one of the oldest on the road today, but admits that there must be others with a langer bistow. with a longer history.

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BENTHAM-Myron S., 80, theatrical agent, March 20 in New York. He was personal representative for He was personal representative for Irene Bordoni, Ina Claire, Laurette Taylor, Rudolph Valentino, Helen Morgan, Alice Brady, Leon Errol, Mary Eaton and W. C. Fields. Bent-ham also had been a play agent and meducar Ulia widow Dorothy cur producer. His widow, Dorothy, sur-vives. Burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Bronx, N. Y.

BOSE - Charles . L., 84, widely known Cincinnati musician, March 21 at his home in that city of a heart attack. Bose had played with Smit-tie's, Esberger's and Weber's bands, all Cincinnati organizations, and for a time with the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra. Survived by three daugh-ters, Mrs. Eiserman; Mrs. Alice Baechtold and Mrs. Norma Schepmann; two told and Mrs. Norma Schepmann; two brothers, Emil and Henry, and a sis-ter, Mrs. Alice Moehlman, all of Cin-cinnati. Burial in Walnut Hills Ceme-tery, Cincinnati, March 24. CHAMBERLAIN — Maurice (Doc),

CHAMBERLAIN — Maurice (Doc), 81, old-time side-show talker and manager, in North Hollywood, Calif., March 7. He was active in outdoor show business for 55 years. A mem-ber of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association, he had worked with C. H. Alton at the Sunland (Calif.) Amusement Park. Burial in Show-men's Past Evergreen Cometery Los men's Rest, Evergreen Cemetery, Los Angeles, March 22.

IN MEMORY OF Our Friend and Boss GEORGE DAVIS WHO PASSED AWAY MARCH 29, 1947, AT DAYTON, OHIO GONE, BUT NOT FORGOTTEN MAY HE REST IN PEACE

THE CANDY BUTCHERS POLACK BROS.' CIRCUS EASTERN UNIT

DERRINGER-R. E. (Eddie), widely known rep and stock performer and formerly with the Hila Morgan, Maude Brooks and Len Henderson shows, in Veterans' Hospital, McKinney, Tex., March 20. A sister sur-vives. Burial in the family plot at Davenport, Okla., March 24.

DIESEL — Gustav, 48, Austrian stage and film actor, March 20 in Vienna.

DONOVAN — Lawrence A., 60, member of various Canadian fair

member of various Canadian fair boards during the past 15 years, re-cently in St. John, N. B. Survived by his widow and two sons. DRISCOLL—Joseph E., 49, brother of Mrs. Marian Jordan, "Molly" of the Fibber McGee and Molly radio show, March 22 in Peoria, Ill. FARISS—William, 35, former pro-gram director of WNJR, Newark, N. J., March 19 in New York. His widow, father and three brothers sur-vive. vive

FLOOD — Kathryn, 40, concert singer, March 19 in Atlantic City. Her sister survives.

Her sister survives. FREUDBERG—Leo, 56, musical di-rector of The Newark Evening News' FM station, WNJR, March 19 in New-ark, N. J. In vaude days he was an orchestra leader in Paramount and RKO theaters in New Jersey. Freud-berg was also with WOR, New York, from 1933 to 1941. His widow, par-out three sitters and three brothers three sisters and three brothers ents. survive.

GEST--Mrs. Reina Belasco, widow of Morris Gest and daughter of David Belasco, March 23 in New York. Being the daughter and wife of two theatrical impresarios, Mrs. Gest was

THE FINAL CURTAIN

familiar with every angle of legit. She wrote a one-acter for vaude, Sentence of Death, performed on the Coast, and her vast library was frequently consulted by film and legit producers.

HARRIS--Fred W., 59, retired mo tion picture director, in St. Joseph's Hospital, Los Angeles, March 22. Survived by his widow and five children. Burial in Glendale, Calif., March 24.

HUMPHREYS - James M., HUMPHREYS — James M., 77, music instructor, recently in Madison, Ind. Survived by three sons, Henry, of the faculty of the College of Music, Cincinnati; Sigfried, with the Cin-cinnati Symphony Orchestra; Mitch-ell, member of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and two daughters, Mrs. Albert Staderman, Philadelphia, and Mrs. A. M. Roessler, Louisville. Burial in Madison. 77 Mrs. A. M. Roe Burial in Madison.

LANTERI-Philip, 38, March 21 in New Britain, Conn. A music teacher, he also had played with theater orchestras in New Britain and Bristol, Conn. He was a member of Local 440, American Federation of Musicians.

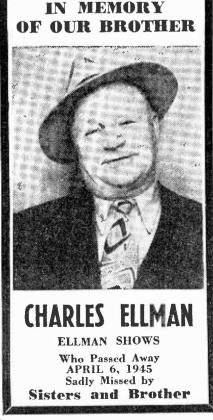
LEWIS-Mrs. Elizabeth Saville, 75. mother of Fulton Lewis Jr., radio commentator, March 24 in Washing-ton. Another son, Millard, and a daughter survive.

LIND—Dolly A., 28, professionally known as Dolly Pressly, of the Press-ley Twins, dance team, March 17 at Colorado Springs, Colo. Survived by her husband, Art; mother, Mrs. C. Shuben, Chicago, and two sisters, Mrs. Chester Barnett, of Polack Bros.' Cir-cus, and Mrs. S. G. Scott, Dandridge, Tenn

LORRE—Maurice (Moe), 59, head of the band and ork department of E. B. Marks Music for the past seven years, March 23 in New York. For 35 years Lorre had been a violinist and conductor both here and in England and at one time was concertmaster and conductor for the RKO and Loew's Circuit. His mother, grandson, daughter and son, Ben Lowe, songwriter, survive.

MANY—Edmund A., 82, musician and composer, March 19 in New-burgh, N. Y. His widow and son survive

McINTYRE—William, 61, former vaude ballad singer, March 22 in San Francisco. His widow, Gertrude, survives.



MICCIO — Tony, 52, operator-owner of Jacques Opera House, Wa-terbury, Conn., burly stock house, March 19 in New York. He also owned Uncle Sam's restaurant in Monticello, N. Y. Miccio was instru-mental in bringing several novelty acts to this country from Italy, which he managed and exploited His he managed and exploited. His widow, two sons and a daughter survive. Burial March 23 in Manhattan.

MILLER-Charles G., 61, manager of the Cincinnati Zoo from 1917 to 1933, March 21 at the home of his sister, Mrs. Grace L. Thompson, West Chester, O. He organized the first regular opera season at the Cincinnati Zoo and did much to build it to its present status. He also leaves his wife, Amy, and two sons, Beekly, of Akron, and Eugene, Louisville. Services March 24 in Cincinnati, followed by cremation.

MOORE-James H., 81, former coowner of the Temple Theater, De-troit, March 24 at his home in that troit, March 24 at his nome in that city. He also operated the former Wonderland Arcade and Theater in Detroit as well as a theater in Roches-ter, N. Y. Interment in Glenwood Cemetery, Wayne, Mich.

MURRAY—Matthew, 64, radio an-nouncer and producer, March 16 in Hollywood. He was once known as the Ambassador of the Air.

MYERS — Charles F., 55, former concessionaire, recently in Winston-Salem, N. C. He had been with the old B & B, John Gecoma and Johnnie Hobbs shows.

NIXON—Herbert J. L., 61, former speed roller skater and instructor, March 15 in St. John, N. B. In recent years he officiated at skating meets. Survived by two sons.

PARIDO-Joanne Gale, four-yearold daughter of Earl and Mario Pari-do cookhouse operators on Moore's Modern Shows, recently in Memorial

Hospital, Chicago. POWER—Howard W., 74, one of the organizers of the Mississippi Valley Fair Association, Davenport, Ia., and well known for his work in the Iowa Fair Managers' Association, March 22 in Davenport. Power was secretary-treasurer of the fair organization prior to his retirement in 1940. RAYMOND—Charles, 53, assistant

division manager of Loew's Eastern division, March 21 in Scituate, Mass. Years ago he worked a mental act with Anna Eva Fay, side show lec-

RAYMOND-Sam, 68, former manager of the Union Square (Manhattan, N. Y.) burly stock house for B. F. Kahn, March 20 in Brooklyn. He also operated the Star, Brooklyn burly circuit house. The last four years he was part owner of the Bev-erly Theater, Manhattan. Survived by his widow, two sons, Harold and Leonard, also prominent in theater supervision, and a daughter, Helen. Burial in Washington Cemetery, Brooklyn.

Brooklyn. ROACH — Thaddeus (Chief Ule-wan), 47, African pygmy fire wor-shiper, for 18 years with Carl J. Lauther's Side Show, Freaks on Pa-rade, at Miller's Tavern, Va., March 1 of cancer. Burial in Miller's Tavern. ROSE—David, 35, former publicity director for the Cincinnati Summer Opera group, March 19 in Jewish Hospital, that city. He leaves his mother, Mrs. Anna Rosenblatt; a sis-ter, Mrs. Julius Peal, and a brother, Ourey. Burial in Love Brothers Con-gregational Cemetery, Cincinnati.

Ourey. Burial in Love Brothers Con-gregational Cemetery, Cincinnati. ROSSI-Mrs. Elvira, 64, mother of Pat Rossi, New York night club and radio singer known as Ross Leonard, March 23 in Yonkers, N. Y. SCHWORM-Jacob, 83, former cir-

cus band clarinet and trumpet player, March 16 in Painesville, O.

SERLIN-Mrs. Fannie, 67, mother of Oscar Serlin, Broadway producer, March 25 in Chicago.

SHEA-John M., 60, veteran balloon salesman with carnivals, in Springfield, Mass., March 13 of a heart attack

SMILEY—James J. (Chief), 63, formerly featured in vaude in this country and Canada as a trick sharp-shooter, recently in Port Dalhousie, Ont. He retired several years ago. His widow, sister and brother survive

STANLEY-George J., 69, origina-tor of the vaude act, known as the Georgia Crackers, March 13 in Bur-bank, Calif. Survived by his widow, Gladys; son, George, and a daughter.

STEDMAN—Lincoln, 41, film pro-ducer and child actor during silent film era, in Hollywood March 22 of a heart ailment. Survived by his widow, Carol

Carol. STEWART—Mrs. Alice Leslie, 80, daughter of the late Sir Thomas Leslie, one-time London Shakespear-ean actor, March 23 in Los Angeles. She was also the sister of the late Eddie Leslie, New York stage actor, and Joseph Leslie, London stage thesp thesp

TRERICE—Victor, 40, former radio concert pianist, March 24 in New York

York. WALDROP—James Harry (Jim-mie) 28, pianist with Ted Brooks' orchestra in Birmingham and The Versatillians in Atlanta, Miami and Panama City, Fla., March 15 in Vicks-burg, Miss. His widow, parents, two sons, a sister and a brother survive. Burial was in Bessemer, Ala.

WALKER-Vernon L., 53, head of

WALKER—Vernon L., 53, head of the process and camera effects de-partment at RKO Studio, Hollywood, at his home at Balboa, Calif., March 14. A pioneer in the development of early background projection and trick shots, he had been employed at RKO for 18 years. Survived by his widow, a daughter and a brother. WHITE—Agnes Mae (Reverend Mae), 50, carnival palmist, in Santa Monica (Calif.) Hospital March 10 of a heart attack. With her husband, Harry T. White, they were with many outdoor shows before going into busi-ness on the Ocean Park, Calif., pier where she was working until the time of her death. She was a former member of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Associamember of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Associa-tion. Survived by her husband. Services at Hollywood Memorial Cemetery March 13. WINTERHALTER—Bill, 49, con-cessionaire, March 22 in a Little Rock hospital. He was with the Johnny L Ione and Lohn P. Word shown last

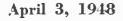
hospital. He was with the Johnny J. Jones and John R. Ward shows last season. Survived by two brothers, Fred and James, of New Albany, Ind., and a sister, of Indianapolis. WOLFE—John A. (Barney), 83, dra-matic stock actor for over 60 years, March 21 in the Kansas Masonic Home, Wichita, Kan. Wolfe owned and operated the Wolfe Stock Com-pany thruout the Midwest for many years. Its tour included a 10-year run at the old Toler Theater in Wich-ita. Subsequently he became char-acter man and stage director of the ita. Subsequently he became char-acter man and stage director of the Ted North Players, remaining with that organization until its dissolvement in November, 1939.

Marriages

AGGER-DICKSON - Don Agger. radio script writer, and Carol Dick-son, non-pro, March 20 in New York. ASHER-BROWN-Charles (Black-

ASHER-BROWN—Charles (Black-ie) Asher and Hester Brown, conces-sionaires, March 23 in Iuka, Miss. BRYANT-AUBREY—Mickey Bry-ant and Essie Aubrey, carnival troupers, March 24 in Fort Ogle-thorpe, Ga. BURNSTEIN - DUBOIS — Sanford (Commer) Burnetoin winter quarters

BURNSTEIN - DUBOIS — Sanford (Sammy) Burnstein, winter quarters superintendent and office wagon man with Mills Bros.' Circus, and Ann DuBois (Donna Drew), dog act worker with the same organization, recently in Cleveland. LYLES-VICKERS—A. C. Lyles Jr., Hollywood film publicity representa-tive, and Martha Vickers, film actress, in North Hollywood, Calif., March 15.





OUTDOOR

R.R. SHOWS MOVE---HERE'S HOW

Move Okayed

Gets ODT approval to rail to L. A .--- green light seen over West Coast railroads

LOS ANGELES, March 27.—Clyde Beatty Circus, only railroad show on the road in this section at this time, has received approval of its permit from the Office of Defense Transporfrom the Office of Defense.Transpor-tation and is cleared as far as this city where it opens for 11 nights and 10 days Wednesday (31). According to Paul Eagles, general agent, who was contacted by *The Billboard* in San Francisco by long-distance tele-phone, the show can travel as long as it is over railroads using Diesel fuel. This gives the green light to the Beatty outfit for any place on the West Coast. West Coast.

West Coast. Show. Eagles said, had encountered only a little difficulty in securing clearance. At Tucson, Ariz., where the show played Monday (22), there was a delay until the order could be clarified. However, show pulled out on schedule and is following its announced route. Eagles said the show was okayed to this city after which the railroad will secure addi-tional permits for moving the equip-ment. ment.

Out of Coal-Burning Area

Since the train passed Lordsburg, N. M., all roads have had oil-burning equipment. There is some mileage east of the New Mexico town where coal is used. However, show passed this section before the ban went into effort Sunday pight (21)

this section before the ban went into effect Sunday night (21). Beatty moves here from San Diego, with one-day stops in Oceanside and Santa Ana. The rou e used in the trip up the coast is Santa Fe. From here the show moves over to South-

ern Pacific. A spokesman for the S. P. told The Billboard that up to now no definite instructions had been received gov-erning the moving of circuses or car-nivals. "If the coal strike continues erning the moving of circuses or car-nivals. "If the coal strike continues it is possible that an embargo will be placed on most all transportation. And, of course, circuses and carnivals will be placed under this ruling first," the railroader declared. Bailey Bros.' Circus is the only other circus in this area. having opened in El Monte, near here, March 5. However, this show travels by truck.

truck.

The only carnival in California traveling over rails is Foley & Burk and this org is not scheduled to open until May.

Freedom Train Uses St. Paul Fair Siding

ST. PAUL, March 27 .- The Minne-ST. PAUL, March 27.—The Minne-sota State fairgrounds will be used for the Twin City display of the Na-tional Freedom Train traveling the country. Tentative dates for the stand are May 2-5. The three-car train will use the siding used during the fair by the carnival. Carl R. Myers, State relations of-ficer for the American Red Cross, made arrangements for the use of the fairgrounds with Ray Lee, fair sec-retary.

retary.

27 -Zack LOUISVILLE, March Ferrell, owner-manager of Cole Bros. Terrell, owner-manager of Cole Bros.' Circus announced yesterday that de-spite rail restrictions the show will open on schedule here April 15, play-ing thru April 18. Terrell stated that as yet no definite plans had been made to move out of Louisville, but that "we did it two years ago and will again this year." Show will be routed on oil burning railroads and will possibly hold one-day stands to a minimum. "As of today L cannot give you our route

day stands to a minimum. "As of today I cannot give you our route beyond Louisville as that depends solely on what railroads we can get on.

Close-Ups:

Beatty Diesel Terrell Says Cole To Open in L'ville; Moves Uncertain Bingling Set for N. Y. Bow **Ringling Set for N. Y. Bow**

Big One to freight to Washington, then shift to electric road - runs over Diesel lines continue okay - costs to circuses, carnivals mount as shows turn to freight

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Under a clarification of the ban on circus train movement over coal-burning railroads, Office of Defense Transportation (ODT) this week approved plans for both circuses and carnivals to move their equipment as regular freight. Local representatives of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus told *The Billboard* that Ringling will use this means to get its properties to New York in time for the April 7 opening. At the same time, ODT emphasized that the green light given to the plan is no relaxation of the ban. "Circuses have had that permission all along," declared A. G. Gass, head of ODT's railroad division.

declared A. G. Gass, head of ODT's railroad division. He said that several shows, includ-ing the James E. Strates organization, have asked for help in moving from winter quarters, but that shipping shows as common freight is the only advice ODT can give. "There is no chance of the ban on special trains being relaxed until the coal stoppage is over," said Gass. (According to information received in The Bill-board's New York office today, the Strates show was en route to Wash-ington via freight train.) Assurance was given, however, that

Assurance was given, however, that the ODT at present does not contem-(See FREIGHT USAGE on page 76)

Sked Industrial Expo for A. Million Pier

ATLANTIC CITY, March 27.—Dr. H. W. Waters, president and general manager of the International Indus-trial Exposition, this week announced the signing of contracts that will assure participation of several na-tions in the trade show to be staged on Hamid's Million Dollar Pier June 26 thru September 11. This booking will result in the Pier's being closed for the first time as an amusement center, altho the Steel Pier, also owned by George A. Hamid, will continue as a fun center. England, France, Germany, Italy and Palestine are some of the nations which will have exhibits, Dr. Waters said. The Pier is already being pre-pared and contracts for exterior and interior refurbishing have been let. Dr. Waters also revealed the nurchase ATLANTIC CITY, March 27 .- Dr.

interior refurbishing have been let. Dr. Waters also revealed the purchase of \$250.000 worth of special display equipment.

Foreign autos slated for exhibit include the Austin Standard, Singer, Triumph, and French and Italian

Triumph, and French and Italian vehicles. Dr. Waters, who managed the Can-adian National Exhibition for 12 years, is being advised by U. S. Sen-ators H. Alexander Smith (N. J.), Brian McMahon (Conn.), Walter Magnusson (Wash.), Elmer Thomas (Okla.) and Francis J. Meyers (Pa.); Representatives Sol Bloom (N. Y.), George W. Sarbacher (Pa.) and Claude I. Bakewell (Mo.); Brig. Gen. Anton F. Lorenzen, U.S.A., retired, commissioner of the New York World's Fair in 1939-'40, and Mary G. Roebling, Trenton, N. J., bank president.

Gus (The Great) Sun Still Shines After 59 Years in Show Business . By William J. Sachs

(This is another of a series of little-known facts about prominent people in outdoor show business.)

G US SUN, on April 29, celebrates his 59th year in show business, an enviable record that should give him the undisputed right to sport the billing, Dean of American Showmen. From the time he began his career as a circus juggler back in 1889 up until the present, Gus Sun hasn't been

as a circus juggler back in 1889 up until the present, Gus Sun hasn't been away from show business a minute. Altho he is supposed to have retired a number of years ago, Gus Sun is still president of the Gus Sun Booking Agency in the Regent Theater Build-ing. Springfield, O.; still takes a hand in shaping the firm's policies, and still takes a fling at selling an act or two just to sorta keep his hand in and to prove to himself that he hasn't lost his whip. At 80, Gus Sun is one of the most highly re-spected and beloved figures in show business, and his name is revered by showfolk in all branches of the amusement industry. amusement industry. Gus Sun was born Gustave Klotz

Gus Sun was born Gustave Klotz of German parentage in Toledo 80 years ago, and at the age of 13 be-came a tinner's apprentice at the princely salary of 15 cents a day for 10 hours' work. Soon after, Sun be-gan hitting the money brackets when he took a job as apprentice machinist at the Singer Sewing Ma-chine Company in Toledo at a sub-stantial increase to 10 cents an hour. While so gainfully employed, young Gus was mastering the art hour. While so gainfully employed, young Gus was mastering the art of juggling as a pupil of a stranded performer who was busking around the Klotz home for coffee and. Gus's

GUS SUNperformer who was busking around
the Klotz home for coffee and. Gus's
three brothers, John, George and
Pete. also were pupils of the same
itinerant juggler. Gus soon became
so proficient at the juggle art that
fay in a copy of The New York Clipper, he spied the ad of the Sommerville
& Lee Circus calling for "several high-class acts," and a few days later
Gus Sun, the juggler, showed up on the lot in Chicago to join the show.
From that humble beginning sprang the Gus Sun Circuit, which in the
heydey of vaudeville was booking nearly a thousand acts weekly into nearly
300 theaters from coast to coast. This meant approximately two years of
steady work, even with the split week which Sun started and popularized.
Gus Sun and Henry Ford shared one distinction in common during the first
quarter of the century. It was a question whether Ford automobiles or the
Sun Circuit drew more laughs in the comic mags of the nation or in performer
quips on the major vaude circuits. Nevertheless, as many in show business
today will testify, there was a degree of economic security in the Sun Circuit,
even tho it was not looked upon as big time, that was not possible elsewhere
in the American amusement world, then or since. After a more or less hectic
season with the Summerville & Lee Circus, where he commanded a munificent
(See GUS (THE GREAT), page 76)

Davenport, Polack Western Set Record for St. Paul And Dayton Engagements

Both Shows Top 1947 Marks

ST. PAUL, March 27 .- Orrin Davenport's Circus, sponsored here by the Osman Temple Shrine, set a new all-time attendance record for its annual showing in the St. Paul Municipal Auditorium, with total receipts also up.

Attendance for 13 performances (15-21), according to Potentate Henry Crepeau, was 88,356 as against the 1947 previous all-time high of 87.554. Ticket receipts were down by \$985

from last year's high, with \$72,164.08 as against \$73,149.08 in 1947. This was due, it was explained, to a much heavier kid attendance at 50 cents a head and thru a school tie-up this year.

Concessions this year yielded \$24,-161.98 as against \$17,821.82 last year. The program gave Shriners \$10,185 this season. Last year this undertak-ing had a yield of only \$7,500.

Several mishaps marred the stand here. In addition to the death of Leon Coliat, originator of the Les Kimris airplane act, Mrs. Montes De Oca, who with her husband does a hand-balance trampoline act, slipped off a platform and wrenched her knee at the Friday night (19) show and was out of the act for the rest of the run. Dick Lewis, clown, suffered second degree burns when a firecracker used in the clown atomic rocket gag exploded on his back. He continued in the show, however. Col. Harry Thomas suffered several broken ribs when he fell in his dressing room.

1 Performance Lost by Beatty **To Texas Storm**

ODESSA, Tex., March 27. -A wind and sand storm that struck the Clyde Beatty Circus here March 18 damaged the show's big top and electrical sys-tem and caused cancelation of the night performance. About 2,500 people were watching

About 2,500 people were watching the matinee performance when the storm struck, tearing loose a rope which permitted a portion of the top to blow off. At the same time, sup-porting poles were jarred out of place, causing several electrical wires to short out. As sparks flew from the wires the ground moved out clearing wires the crowd moved out, clearing the tent in three minutes as Manager D. W. Helms opened extra exits. When the wind started, aerial acts

in the next-to-closing spot were can-celed and the animal tent had to be taken down. As the wind increased at 6 p.m., the entrance tent was bal-looned into the air and poles sailed around like feathers on the end of guy ropes.

People who did not hear radio cancelation announcements were turned away at the gate for the night show.

Full House Greets Gutierrez at Bow

RIVERSIDE, Calif., March 27.-Gutierrez Circus, playing here today and tomorrow, made its bow at Azusa, Calif., March 16, playing to a full house. Show is managed by Maurice Marmolejo, who also does a

slack-wire turn. Org moves on 15 trucks and house trailers. Program runs an hour and 45 minutes, using an eight-piece band.

DAYTON, O., March 27.-With the aggregate attendance topping 50,000 for 18 performances, Louis P. Stern estimated the Dayton gross for Polack Bros.' Western Unit would exceed last year from 15 to 20 per cent.

Engagement ended Thursday night (25) and the show moved to Kala-mazoo, Mich., for five performances starting Monday night (29) for the Knights Templar.

New records were set in Dayton in all departments. The promotion of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. (Buck) Waltrip was by far the strongest in their sixyear tenure. Both the advance mem-ber sale and the door sale were the best yet, and the concessions did unprecedented business.

Opening Is Big

Opening is Big Opening with a matinee Tuesday (16), attendance was excellent from the start, and from Friday (19) on, sellout matinees and turnaway night crowds were the rule, even in pouring min Tuesday (22)

rain Tuesday (23). A parade was staged opening night by Antioch Temple's Red Fez Club, and included the 50-piece Shrine band and other uniformed bodies, 25 mounted porsous and the discus elev mounted persons and the circus elephants and clowns.

phants and clowns. Dayton's three dailies and two ra-dio stations went all out for the show. The papers' first-line theater critics reviewed the opening and had noth-ing but praise for the performance. Low ceiling of the fairgrounds coliseum made it tough for the aerial cate. The Word Poly Flyrorg first

acts. The Ward-Bell Flyers, first flying act to play indoors here, barely managed to squeeze it, with their net scarcely more than three feet above the floor. As a result, Gus Bell frac-tured a bone in his foot Thursday night (18), doing his famous brandi from the net to the floor. He spent two days in Miani Valley Hospital but was back on the show the first of the week. The sway pole of the Great Franzcisco had to be omitted in Dayton.

The Waltrips will spend some time at their home in Madisonville, Ky., before going to their next date at Stockton, Calif.

Malcolm Optimistic About Denver Show

DENVER, March 27.-Dave Malcolm, who is handling the second an-nual Jaycee Circus, scheduled here March 29-April 3, is highly optimistic about the financial outcome of the show this year.

"General admission tickets are being sold by 264 merchants in their stores and an ideal location for a downtown ticket office has been doof B. B. Harding and the Walgreen drugstores of Denver. Program advertising is more than double that of last year. Advance ticket sale is far beyond our highest expectations, with practically all boxes and reserved seats sold out before the show opens," Malcolm said.

Publicity here has been great, with both newspapers and radio stations giving it plenty of build-up. Mal-colm has been here for three weeks handling detail work of the promo-



"HI-BROWN" BOBBY BURNS, last season banner-squarer with the Ring-ling show and who this season will serve as contracting press agent with the Cole Bros.' Circus, met up recently in Daytona Beach, Fla., with an old trouper friend, Clayton L. Mix (left), veteran agent, now living in retirement in Daytona Beach. Burns and Mix trouped together with the old Coburn and Field minstrels.



PHILADELPHIA, March 27. — Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus was refused a city license Wednesday (24) to stage its show, scheduled for May 24 thru 29, on the old circus grounds at 11th Street and Erie Avenue. Fire Marshal George J. Gallagher ruled that the proxim-ity of the circus to the tracks of the

Pickett Looking for Lot

Gallagher announced his decision Gallagher announced his decision to the office of Mayor Bernard Sam-uel, thru which such permits are issued, and to L. W. Pickett, circus contracting agent, who was here to get the permit. Picket, it is under-stood, is now shopping for a new lot. Gallagher said: "Closeness of the proposed location to the Reading Railroad tracks and the two rows of houses nearby would be a fire hazard.

houses nearby would be a fire hazard. (See Philly Lot Hazard on page 91)

Long Beach Retains **Present Circus Tax**

LONG BEACH, Calif., March 27.— The city council here has voted to leave unchanged the present license code in relation to the taxing of circuses. Review of the local circus license

meeting. During the meeting the question of whether or not a concessionaire who operates a business in connection with a circus should be taxed separately, brought the matter of licensing traveling shows to the handling detail work of the promo-tion and publicity. Frank Cervone will lead the 18-piece band. Members of clown alley (See Malcolm Optimistic on page 91)

Beatty - Bailey Legal Battle **In Prospect**

53G Damage Suit Filed

LOS ANGELES, March 27. sharp legal battle looms here with the filing of a \$53,000 damage suit by Bailey Bros.' Circus against the Clyde Beatty Circus for alleged covering of paper and other unfair trade practices allegedly perpetrated against the Bailey show since its opening March

Bailey show since its opening March 5 in El Monte, Calif. Coincidental with the filing of the suit, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Clarence M. Hansen issued a restraining order March 12 against the Beatty circus; Paul Eagles, said to be Beatty's general agent, and the Eagles Hay & Grain Company, of Los Angeles, from further interfering with Bailey advertising. Restraining order Bailey advertising. Restraining order was in the form of a preliminary action whereby Beatty and Eagles were ordered to show cause why an injunc-

tion should not be issued in the case. R. G. Bates, attorney for Bailey Bros., told *The Bilboard* that the re-straining order was violated at the Ventura date when the show's paper was again covered, allegedly by the Boatty org. and that the court will Beatty org, and that the court will render decision on whether this constitutes a contempt charge within a

Howard A. Levine, counsel for Beatty, has asked the court for a 10-

Beatty, has asked the court for a 10-day continuance, it was said. Bob Stevens, owner-manager of Bailey Bros., claims to have photo-graphic and affidavit evidence to sup-port his charge that in addition to numerous paper-covering incidents, defendants have ridiculed and threatened him unless he consented to give up certain California dates.

H-M, Buffalo, **Advance Sale** Breaks Record

BUFFALO, March 27.—Col. Robert Morton, of the Hamid-Morton Circus, which will make its 14th appearance here under Shrine auspices for one week beginning Monday (29), an-nounced that advance sales are 22 per cent ahead of last year's record take. Show again will be staged in Memorial Auditorium. Twelve per-formances will be given. Ducats are scaled from 50 cents to \$2. Morton said he will present a 90 per cent new show. The Zacchini double cannon act and Captain Clem-ens and His Wild Animal Act will be featured. BUFFALO, March 27 .-- Col. Robert

featured.

featured. Advance publicity has been high-powered and more abundant than in previous years. Numerous news-paper stories and art layouts have appeared, in addition to sizable ads, while radio spot announcements have been supplemented by the airing of interviews with several of the sched-

The Shrine again has tied in the gift of an animal, this year a yak, to the local zoo with the general promotion of the show. The Buffalo (See Buffalo Advance Big on page 91)

Trinidad Roundup Set TRINIDAD, Colo., March 27.—The 1948 Trinidad Roundup will be held September 5-6, it was announced by September 5-6, it was announced by the board of directors. H. B. Dove-ton, former secretary of the associa-tion, was named president to succeed Paul Nelson. Ernest Myers was re-elected vice-president, Harry Beirne was named secretary and Robert Lareau was re-elected treasurer.

R-B Seeks Other Grounds

J. Gallagher ruled that the proxim-ity of the circus to the tracks of the Reading Railroad and to nearby rows of houses would create a fire hazard. The Big Show, which has been coming here for two years, has pitched its tents on the same site except for 1945 and 1946, when the lot was used for war purposes. Last year some adjacent householders complained that concessions spilling from the circus grounds into the street had created a fire danger. **Pickett Looking for Lot**

Bruno Zacchini

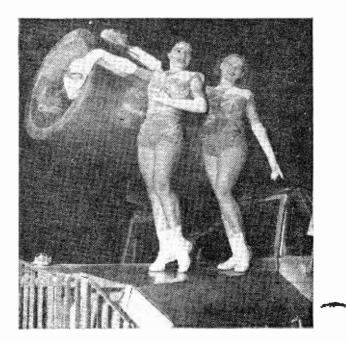
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GOSSIP DRESSING ROOM

Orrin Davenport A gal who was overlooked before deserves a bow. We mean Ruby Haag and her dog act. Naomi Haag is going to school in Medora, Ind.

is going to school in Medora, Ind. Antoinette, Boline, Bonnie and Vicky Cristiani joined in St. Paul for the Easter vacation. Pete and Mogador Cristiani were baying in the lobby of the Lowry Hotel the other evening and who should answer the call but Rube Liebman and Red Simon from the Barnes-Carruthers office office.

Rink Wright made the second-hand clothing business his avocation here and was doing fine until Snoopy Ike gave out word that there were no more controls on credit buying, so the latter part of the week everything was on the cuff. Rink holds the dice in Omaha.

Brownie, in his haste to get out Brownie, in his haste to get out of St. Paul, went out on Highway 12 at great speed. Down the road a little way, he stopped to get gas. A kindly old man came by and asked, "Didn't you have a baggage trailer on behind when you passed me?" Brownie answered, "Yes." "Well, you haven't got it now." said the old gent. The trailer was found 10 miles back in the ditch. in the ditch.

Visitors were plentiful in St. Paul. Aad Temple. Duluth, Minn., was rep-resented by Walter Congdon, Al Moe,

resented by Walter Congdon, Al Moe, Forrest Huyck and Harvey Buchanan. Winnipeg Shrine was led by Frank Simmons, Bill Brumbaugh, William Nelson and Bill Alcott. Hats off: To the Kimrises, Lee Wal-lenda and Henry Kimris. Their act went on as tho nothing had hap-pened. . . . To Al Fleet and Bill Moore. Micky and Minnie gave them trouble, yet despite severe bites, they weathered the storm and the show weathered the storm and the show went on. . . To Lola Montes D'Oca. Undaunted by a severe knee injury, she is in there pitching.—DICK she is LEWIS.

Clyde Bros.

The show, playing indoor dates,

Liyde Bros. The show, playing indoor dates, was under canvas four days at Lub-bock, Tex., two straw houses being chalked up. Hopp Green is on bass drum in the clown band. Mr. and Mrs. Cal Townsend are scoring with their revolving ladder work. The Erwins are working on a new trick. Johnny Erwin's wife, La Verne, who has been out of the act several weeks, will return soon. Bobby Ewalt is using a new red coat in the pony drill. Buzzy Potts is painting props. Frank Lemoind entertained friends at Lubbock. Happy Kellems, who sprained an ankle in the Erwins' teeterboard turn, is mending oltay. Torchy Townsend, aerialist, is an ad-dition to Happy Henry's slack-wire act. Shorty Lynn has added to his concession department. Hutchinson, Kan., police auspices, was good. Re-cent visitors were Doctor and Mrs. Cooper, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard and son, Buster.—VAN WELLS.

Polack Bros. Western

Misfortune fell to Gus Bell at the close of his act during the evening performance at Dayton, O., March 18 when he fractured his right foot. After being hospitalized for two days, After being hospitalized for two days, Gus was discharged and is now hob-bling around on crutches. Continu-ing with the act and doing a swell job are Betty Bell, Mildred Keathley and Harold Ward. Up until this ac-cident the Ward-Bell Flyers had gone 102 performances without hitting the

Jack Klein, Chai Huang, the Mus-tafas, Chester (Bobo) Barnett, Harry Danu and Louie, Ed Raymond, Wally Dann and Louie, Ed Raymond, Wally Newbury and the writer were guests at the Shrine Club luncheon and afterward presented an impromptu entertainment. The Shrine also was host to the entire personnel at a dinner and dance after an evening performance. performance.

dinner and dance after an evening performance. Glen and Mimi Tracy, circus painters, greeted the show on its arrival in Dayton. Dorothy Barnett left for Chicago to attend the funeral of her sister, Dolly Lind. The de-ceased was the wife of. Art Lind, former clowning partner of Chester Barnett. New to the show is Mrs. Florence Newbury, wife of organist, Wally, who joined in Chicago. Justus Edwards, Josephine Berosini, and the writer were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Hubler at their home. Time, tide and Polack Bros., wait for no one as Ed Raymond and Dukie An-derson discovered after being left at a Veterans' Hospital following a benefit. Their clown make-ups dis-couraged passing motorists from picking them up. Dwight Moore confesses he purchased a school bus only because his dogs like to look out the windows while traveling. Frenchy Durant escaped serious in-jury when one of the MGM elephants accidentally stepped on his foot. Tom and Betty Waters are seen practicing each morning in prepara-tion for their opening with Garden

Tom and Betty Waters are seen practicing each morning in prepara-tion for their opening with Garden Bros. Other visitors were Bruce, Mary Ellen, Jimmy and Blondie La Blonde, bar performers; the Arm-strongs, Stuart Roberts, John Tet-low, Don S. Howland, Mr. and Mrs. Flash Williams, Bill McGaw, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Voyles, Don McCullough and Dr. William Huebener. Over-looked in Chicago as visitors were Billy Ward and Doctor Connelly.— HAROLD BARNES. HAROLD BARNES.

Clyde Beatty

The writer forgot to mention, in The writer forgot to mention, in writing about the season's opener, that Mark Anthony, Lou Walton, Lau-rence Cross and Charles Hildarra en-tertained at the Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital, Shreveport, La. Art Cooksey visited the show and clown alley in Big Springs, Tex., en route to Sarasota, Fla. Charlie Baise joined in Tucson, Ariz., making 14 clowns in the alley. During our frigid opening in

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During our frigid opening

NOTICE TO OUTDOOR SHOWMEN

To take care of longer press runs, necessitated by increased circulation, and to maintain our early distribution schedules, it is no longer possible for us to accept last-minute Show ads on Monday morning.



Bailey Still Registers Red On Calif. Trek

LOS ANGELES. March 27.-Bailey Bros., which has had lush going in Southern California since its opening in El Monte, March 5, continues to pile up red ones, with only one poor date so far this season.

At Riverside the show played to two capacity houses and the Corona two capacity houses and the Corona date brought a capacity matinee and a three-quarter house at night. The two-day Long Beach stand brought another surprise because, altho rain fell both days, three performances were given each day of the date, Sat-urday and Sunday (13-14). Ingle-wood brought another three shows and it was estimated that at least 1,000 fans were turned away. Santa 1,000 fans were turned away. Santa Ana came thru with two full houses. Santa Monica, played as a bloomer Santa Monica, played as a bloomer by many shows during the past few years, did an about-face and gave Bob Stevens's opera a good matinee and a turnaway night show. Santa Barbara followed with two capacity houses and Ventura filled the big top twice. Santa Paula proved the only disappointment of the season. Matinee was described as fair with about a half house at night. Bakers-field, Sunday (21) brought excellent turnouts, it is reported. No accidents or major changes in

No accidents or major changes in personnel have occurred to mar the record show has chalked up so far, according to Stevens. Only difficulty has been in organizing traffic on the lot to take care of the crowds.

Show will continue working north thru Upper California, Oregon, Wash-ington and possibly into Canada, Stevens said.

Andrew Signs Texas Shows

HOUSTON, March 27.—John L. Andrew reports he has signed con-tracts to produce the Houston and Fort Worth Shrine circuses this fall. Dates of the Houston event are No-vember 3-16, while the Fort Worth show is to run November 19-28. An-drew former manager of the Houston show is to run November 19-28. An-drew, former manager of the Houston Coliseum and now assistant vice-president of the First National Bank here, will be in Chicago with both circus committees April 26-28 and then goes to New York April 29-May 1.

Shreveport, La., quick-witted Mullins of the calliope played plenty of typi-cal winter music. On St. Patrick's Day he saw to it that many Irish tunes filled the air.

John Staley's cookhouse is a wel-come addition. Incidentally, Sue Staley celebrated her birthday re-cently and was serenaded by the boys of the pad room and by Vic Rob-bins's band.

Our first week started off with a bang, not to mention the sand and wind storm in Odessa, Tex., which leveled the menagerie and dressing tops. The winds trailed us for several days. Bobby Kay's rose-colored lad-der in web turned into a tintex dusty rose after the Liberty acts. The heavy lead in this year's spec is assumed by Moe Brown, who portrays a buxom maharajah atop Anna Mae.

While in Pecos, Tex., for a matinee only, the historical shack representing Judge Roy Bean's establishment of Wild West lore, was visited by many, as was Juarcz, Mexico, while the show was in El Paso, Tex.

In Tucson, Ariz., the parents and family of Shorty Sylvester paid him a visit. Mell Rennick lost no time in getting the laundry situation in hand. He promises one-day service.—DICK ANDERSON.

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WINTER QUARTERS

King Bros.

MACON, Ga., March 27 .--- With but a few weeks remaining before open-ing, work has been speeded in all departments. Every department is working on a speeded-up schedule prepared by General Manager Floyd King and General Superintendent Lorin (Doc) Hall. Show moves out of the April 5. buildings and onto the lot

Recent arrivals include Joe Smiga, Recent arrivals include Joe Smiga, of the concession department, who hails from Cleveland; Prof. Morales and his dogs, who arrived from Sara-sota, Fla., where Morales spent the winter breaking in several new dogs; Betty Biller, Louisville, who is re-hearsing her wire act; J. C. and Dot Roşenheim, bit show manager from Cleveland; Jack Bell, show's band-master and his wife who arrived from Cleveland: Jack Bell, show's band-master, and his wife who arrived from their home in Lexington, Mo.; Eddie Hendericks, aerialist and wire walker. who arrived from his home in Me-nominee, Mich.: and Frank Cain, clown, who came from Burlington, Ia. Erech Bredford, superinterdent of

Enoch Bradford, superintendent of canvas, is working on the seats and already has two sections of the grand-stand completed. M. C. and Fanny Carter were called to Baltimore by the serious illness of Mrs. Carter's mother

mother. Billy Burke, clown, returned from his Honolulu engagement and is as-sisting the decorators. A shipment of elephants and livestock, which ap-peared at the Charleston, S. C., Chamber of Commerce Circus, directed by E. N. Williams, is back in quarters.

E. N. Williams, is back in quarters. Steve Kuzmicz, manager of the advertising cars, is expected soon from his home in Shamokin, Pa., where he spent the winter, F. L. (Kokomo) Anders, recuperating from a recent operation, is reported show-ing progress. He is at his home at 7957 Prairie Avenue, Chicago. Tommy Ponlin show's master elec-

Tommy Poplin, show's master elec-trician, is putting his department's equipment in tip-top shape. He plans to revamp the entire lighting system with emphasis on interior lighting for the performance and the two specs.— WALTER NEALAND.

Mills Bros.

CIRCLEVILLE, O., March 27. Many new faces are appearing daily and with the first warm days of spring much of the equipment was moved outside for the lettering by

moved outside for the lettering by Ed Burddige. Ted Gallup returned to the fold, replacing Bert Pettus as menagerie superintendeot. Gallup and Arthur (Hard Times) Leonard drove some of the new equipment back from Florida and it is being painted with Mille' colory.

Florida and it is being painted with Mills' colors. Many acts have been signed. They include Annette and Joe Dobas, high perch; the Cathalas, rolling globes: Bruna and Yolanda, high pedestal and hand-to-hand, and the Medini Trio, unsupported ladders. The last three named acts were with the Big One last season

One last season. Others contracted are Georgia Sweet, who will ride the hitch; the Knights, tight-wire: Virginia Noels, elephant head carry; Jeanette Wallace, working the dogs, and Burt Wallace, equestrian director. The Wallaces have been in quarters all

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GONZALES, Tex., March 27.—Mild weather and sunny skies are the rule in Gonzales and that's a big help to the painters who are applying their brushes on everything and anything. So many folks have arrived on the scene that an annex to the tent cookhouse was put up. Mitt Carl, steward, took over the management of the cookhouse recently, with Mother Jackson as head cook.

Jackson as head cook. Frankie Doran and mother ter-minated their spring season with Rogers Bros. because of a highway accident. The Dorans' trailer was wrecked and most of their personal effects lost. Several members of the Rogers show offered to share their trailers with the Dorans, but because they were near Gonzales, the Dorans decided to take a rest and try to replace their damaged wardrobe. Billy Alexander has taken over the

replace their damaged wardrobe. Billy Alexander has taken over the new sorrel Liberty act, broken by Hazel King, and is rehearsing daily. Paul Pyle and family are visiting on Rogers Bros, for two weeks. We saw Bev Kelley and Allen Lester strolling about looking for new and unusual angles to spread across the front of some news sheat. It ought

front of some news sheet. It ought to be easy because there never is a dull moment around this show.

The Davenport elephants strutted their stuff in Kansas City, Mo., ac-companied by Norma Plunkett and one of the mahouts, decked in full rajah costume. Here in quarters, the 10-horse hitch driven by James Boyle, made a parade, complete with cal-liope, in connection with the music festival. A herd of baby elephants spent a day in Houston to aid the Shrine celebration there. The wild animal arena was moved

its former location to higher from ground. Tommy (Greek God) Junedes re-

turned to the show after a season's absence. He has rejoined his former partner, Corky Plunkett, on the tram-poline. He also will be seen in the

riding act, tumbling and aerial bars. The trunks containing wardrobe arrived and the costumes are hanging in the wardrobe car, preparatory to fittings.

Versatile Tiger Bill Snyder spends his days constructing wagons and his evenings repairing old Taylor trunks, of which there is an alarming scarcity. New arrivals include Jimmy and New arrivals include Jimmy and Nina O'Dell, Earl Chapman, Pat King, Billy Alexander, Whitey Jones, Red Maynard, Edward Murphy, Francis Benner and Donna Knouff, Recent visitors were Willard the Wizard, Mr. and Mrs. Alla Axiom, magic show, and Dr. and Mrs. Willis Crewes and party.—HAZEL KING.

Raymond Elder, formerly with the Ringling and Sells-Floto circuses, re-ports he is ill in Ottawa, Kan, and would like to hear from friends.

winter training stock and rated sev-

winter training stock and rated sev-eral newspaper and magazine spreads. John O'Bryant, formerly train-master for Clyde Beatty, has signed for the boss props job. Jean O'Bryant will have the wardrobe. Capt. Rob-ert A. Mills, no relation to the owners, will direct the 14-piece band. Sanford (Sammy) Burnstein, win-ter quarters superintendent, flew to Cleveland this week to say the "I do" with Ann DuBois, known profes-sionally as Donna Drew. Both will be with the Mills org again this sea-son, with Donna working dogs and Sammy in the office wagon. So far Charles B. Schuler, in charge of the enlarged press department.

of the enlarged press department. has signed Fred Sohns, Columbus; Charles Carey, Los Angeles, and Fred Stafford Jr., White Plains, N. Y., to handle the advance publicity for Mills.—CHARLES B. SCHULER.

Tower Circus Opens 30-Week Run in Eng.

LONDON, March 27.—Tower Cir-cus at Blackpool, England's leading shore resort, opened its season Mon-day (22) and is set for a run of 30 weeks, longest in its existence.

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comics. As usual, the finale is an elaborate acquatic spectacle in the pool of the Tower circus arena. Acts play the entire run of the show. Promoters, Phone Men. Cowboys, Rodeo Wild West Acts. Must be sober. 30 weeks, no lay-overs. Columbus, Ga., March 31-April 1-2-3; Charlotte, N. C., April 5 thru 11; Macon, Ga., April 15 thru 18; Gadsden, Ala., April 22 thru 25. Rodeo people must join by April 5 at Charlotte.

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R-B European **Acts Arrive**

NEW YORK, March 27.—Several European acts inked to appear this season with the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus arrived here this week. Most notable, because of his size, was Olaf Petursson, 8-foot, 8-inch giant from Iceland. His ar-rival at LaGuardia Field was nicely timed to be included in the nublicity timed to be included in the publicity department's opening barrage in the city's press Thursday (25).

Other acts here and ready to begin rehearsals next week-end with the Big One in Madison Square Garden in preparation for the April 7 opening are Alberti, swaying pole artist, and Albertini and Lulu, clowns, all last with Tom Arnold's Holiday Cir-cus at Harringay Arena, London.

Press agents Roland Butler, Bill Fields, Frank Braden and Gardner Wilson all shared the spotlight with the acts in the opening stories. The city's dailies maintained their fine reputation for being generous with reputation for being generous with space in headlining the scheduled arrival of the Big Show.

The show train is scheduled to The show train is scheduled to leave Sarasota winter quarters Mon-day (29). Several watering stops will be made, including Wake Forest, and Rocky Mount, N. C., and the Potomac Yards, Washington. The show will unload, as usual, in the Mott Hayan Yards Mott Haven Yards.

John T. Howard, the past eight years purchasing agent for the Ring-ling show, reports he has resigned to become utility man with the James E. Strates Shows.

> Announcement CINCO DE MAYO 4TH ANNUAL TOMATO FIESTA AND RODEO MAY 5-6-7-8-9, 1948

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- PROGRAM First Performance: May 5th, 7:30 p.m.—Coro-nation of Rodeo Queen—Presentation of three trophy cups by Mayor McIvin A. Glese of Elsa to the first, second and third winners of the Rodeo Queen Contest. Becond Performance: May 6th, 8:00 p.m.—This night children 14 or under, when accompanied by parents or guardian, admitted free. Hird Performance: May 7th, 8:00 p.m.—This night children 14 or under, when accompanied by parents or quardian, admitted free. Horse Show: May 8th, 3:00 p.m., Saturday Afternoon—Mayor Meivin A. Glese of Elsa will present trophles to the first, second and third Winners of the following contests: Cutting Horse Contest, Five-Gatted Saddle Horse Class, Three-Gatted Saddle Horse Class, Western Horse Class. Spectacular Parade: Floats and Horses—May 8th, 6:30 p.m. Fourth Performance—May 8th, 3:30 p.m. Fifth Performance—May 8th, 3:30 p.m.

Judges: John Merck, Sonora, Texas: Tom Taylor, Blackwell, Texas. Time Keepcrs: Bryne James, Raymondville, Texas; Bud Sumners, Brownsville, Texas. Pick-Up Men: Sheriff Wallace Riddell, Burnet, Texas; Dick Shelton, Tilden, Texas. Chute Boss: Arche Patton, Austin, Texas. Announcer: Peter Adams, Tulsa, Okla. Clowns: Jack Owens, cowboy rodec clown, Wills Point, Toxas; Buck Robinson, Oklahoma City, Okla.

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WON, HORSE & UPP COMBINED CIRCUS

An Equine and Canine Paradox-The Show With a Leaf of Gold

- By Starr De Belle-

Hamstrung, Ga., March 27, 1948.

Dear Editor: Unbilled and unheralded, the Won, Horse & Upp Circus opened its 1948 season at Harbinger, Ga., last Friday. Working under a new policy, we didn't advertise our coming in ad-vance, and there will be no advance vance, and there will be no advance advertising done all season. How-ever, the towns and lots will be con-tracted for by General Agent Les Bouroughs, who will sneak-spot the show from coast-to-coast. The new policy will change our route from what it was during former years. The decision was made final by the show's sudden opening before the actors, musicians, bosses, workingmen, cooks and waiters could disagree on it.

and waiters could disagree on it. Under the new policy this show will predate, by one day, all of the big circuses, and as fast as their route cards come off of the presses we will pick them up. Stating that he wanted them as collectors' items, our mail-man arranged with other shows' mail-man for the purchase of their route men for the purchase of their route cards, which he will sell to memcards, which he will sell to mem-bers of this show after rubber stamp-ing them, "One day ahead." The saving in printing will offset the prices paid.

At our opening stand last Friday the Won, Horse & Upp Circus was one day ahead of the Queen & Gold-man Circus that advertised itself as traveling on a two-section train, carrying 100 tons of elephants and 10 acres of canvas. On our arrival we went onto the air with, "Due to the flooded conditions of the grounds in the city which this cir-cus was billed in for today, the man-agement brought the circus here for today only." Followed with the usual, "A vast tented city. Seventy queens of the air. Five bands of music," At our opening stand last Friday

and "The show that is first in size, novelty and quality—and first in the minds and memories of the people." The show played to two turnaway houses—those turned away were the lithograph pass holders who objected to the \$1,25 service charge and tax.

To shorten the railroad jump here, we left the Queen & Goldman Cir-cus's route to predate the S. S. San-dow & Sons Golden Mascot Circus that advertised, "Three rings; three stages; three shows; three trains; stages; three shows; three trains; three menageries; three super arenic companies; three herds of elephants; three droves of camels; three hippo-drome programs; three museums of marvels and three score of clowns." Their agent had sewed up the only lot in town with a clause in his lot contract that read, "No traveling cir-cus, show or under-canvas amuse-ment shall be permitted to occurv ment shall be permitted to occupy the aforesaid showgrounds 10 days prior to or 10 days following the S. S. Sandow & Sons Circus's appearance unless the property changes owner-ship." To not lose an extra day's ship." To not lose an extra day's lot rent, the property owner sold the lot to Manager Upp, who only made a \$10 down-payment on it, which he expects to receive back in addition expects to receive back in addition to the amount agreed on by the lot owner when our competitor arrives. Again we strawed 'em to the ring-curbs by radio with, "The big circus is here," and again "Due to the flooded condition of the grounds in the city we were billed in for today, the big circus game here for to-

UNDER THE MARQUEE

Faith King played the recent Hunt-ington (W. Va.) Firemen's Circus with her dogs and ponies.

Usual reliable source of circus gossip comes thru the backyard.

Jack Birmingham, off the road for five years, will be with Cole Bros. advance this season.

Jack Smith, Dayton, O., billposter, handled the advance billing for the Polack Bros. date in that city.

Billy E. Thompson reports he will be back for his fourth season as general agent of Monroe Bros.' Circus.

Knocking an opposition show to a city hall was done the safe way—by telegram

Donald Marcks' Miniature Circus will be among feature exhibits at an exchange club show in Civic Auditorium, Fresno, Calif., April 1-7.

Howard S. Moss, former special representative with Cole Bros.' Circus, visited The Billboard New York offices Wednesday (24).

A museum devoted entirely to Cir-cusana was opened Saturday (27) on the grounds of the State-owned John Ringling estate in Sarasota, Fla.

Joe and Bebe Siegrist, aerialists with a new high act, opened with the Bohn United Shows. They will play the St. Louis Police Circus in May. Act is booked by Barnes-Carruthers.

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bler, and brother of wire-walking Con Colleano, is touring England with his wife, Elsie Bower, and a troupe of acro-tumblers. Tour opened at Brighton March 15.

Walter L. Main, now visiting on the West Coast; S. L. (Buster) Cronin, Theo Forstall and Poodles Hanneford were pictured recently in *The Holly-*wood *Citizen-News* in connection with a feature story on Main.

After being with Polack Bros.' Western Unit for two years, Jack and Ruby Landrus, midget clowns, took a job in a Chicago factory until the 17-day Barnes Circus opens in the Chicago Stadium April 16.

Early opening for a circus would be all right if the polar bears didn't keep making insulting noises at managers.

Henry W. Mason, who played in-door circuses the past winter and also did street bally for theaters in Flor-ida, cards that he has been signed as female impersonating clown to work the come-in for Dale Bros.' Cirtocus.

C. G. Sturtevant, San Antonio cir-cus historian and collector, was the subject of a feature story in *The San Antonio Express* recently. A picture of Sturtevant looking at his circus collection was carried in conjunction with the story.

J. Maurice Tyree, former tub thumper with the American Circus Corporation, was the subject of a nifty piece on model circuses in the March 9 issue, The Lynchburg (Va.) Daily Advance. Written by staffer W. D. Mount Jr., piece also carried art work depicting Tyree construct-

Calgary Stampede Prize Money Amounts to 28G

CALGARY, Alta., March 27.—'Total prize money for the stampede section of the Calgary Exhibition and Stam-pede, with entry fee refunds, will be \$28,000, according to George Ed-worthy, second vice-president. This would be made up of \$13.790 for in-field events, \$7,500 for chuckwagon races, both amounts to be contributed by the exhibition board. An additional \$7,000 is anticipated in entry fees, all of which are refunded to the cowboys.

Edworthy also announced changes in the stampede rules for 1948 would result in whips being barred from the chuckwagon races and no driver would be allowed to drive more than

one wagon in a race. Prize money in a number of events has been increased and if the board obtains a shipment of Brahma bulls for the steer riding event, prize money in this event will be increased. native cattle is used prize money

will remain the same. In former years, a contestant was required to enter and compete in five major events for a chance at the ive major events for a chance at the all-round cowboy championship. This year, the number has been cut to four, saddle bronk riding, wild steer riding, calf roping and wild steer decorating.

Medrano Features Solid Program on 50th Anni.

PARIS, March 27.—Cirque Med-rano, small but classy indoor circus, is celebrating the 50th anniversary of its founding by the late "Boum Boun" Medrano, the clown, father of the present owner, Jerome Medrano. Cirque Medrano, during the absence of Jerome Medrano in America, has a fen manager, Marcelle Roulet. House manager is Maurice Roulet; press agent, Legrand-Chabrier; Ring-master, J. Trubka, and ork leader. Germaine Mordant. Featured on the bill are the 12 PARIS, March 27 .--- Cirque Med-

Germaine Mordant. Featured on the bill are the 12 polar bears of Trolle Rhodin, han-dled by Teddy Holmburg. The act has been booked for America by the George A. Hamid office. Second half of the show is a tabloid revue with a number of acts, including the Grip Quartet, adagio: Two Grecos. hand-to-hand, and the Pupozys. slapstick comics.

slapstick comics. Circus numbers in the first half of the Medrano bill are the Berardys, jugglers; Realtor, roller skater; Five Renards, horizontal bars; Olof Olson's sea-lions; Manetti and Mimile, clown gags; the Alvas, perch act, and Rho-din's polar bears.

ing replicas of the old Hagenbeck-Wallace cars.

Mrs. Wick Leonard has returned to Columbus, O., from a 10-day visit with her son, Robert, and his wife in Junction City, Kan., where ar-rangements were made to combine their mouleau shows for the 1042 area their monkey shows for the 1948 season.

Bun-of-the-mill troupers are left out of circus social circles until the privilage car games open-when they're welcome.

George Lundgreen and his wife, age respectively 81 and 83 years, are probably two of the oldest circus veterans still leading comparitively ac-tive lives. The Lundgreens, who (See Under the Marquee on page 74)



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Roton Point Up for Sale

Zoning laws, neighbors' protests foil permit to continue operations

NORWALK, Conn., March 27. — Owners of the former amusement park at Roton Point here are offering the 14-acre site for sale, an officer of the corporation disclosed this week.

Several bids have been received, it was said, the highest from a source intending to develop the tract for home sites. Action will not be taken on the offer to purchase until a mem-ber of the corporation, now absent, returns.

It was revealed that new attempts have been made to interest officials of New Canaan to purchase the property for the town so that residents there could have access to waterfront prop-erty for bathing. However, municipal officials have shown no more interest now than when the offer was first made several years ago. The cor-poration is willing to accept less from a community than from private in-terests, if the acreage is to be used for the public good.

The former resort was recently the cause of a vigorous protest before the zoning board of appeals when the present owners requested continuance of a non-conforming use and a per-mit to install or replace equipment to be used for rides and other amuse-ment park facilities.

The petitioner withdrew its-application after an overwhelming protest was voiced by property owners in the sector.

It was pointed out that the with-drawal of the petition has not closed the doors to further attempts to re-establish the park as an amusement center to be operated as it has been in former years, and it is possible that the directors may try again to get permission to reopen.

Haneys Purchase Lake Lansing

HASLETT, Mich, March 27.-Roger E. and Conrad G. Haney have pur-chased Lake Lansing Amusement Park here from Al and R. E. Sprague, park owners for the last 14 years. Purchase included the entire 44 acres,

Purchase included the entire 44 acres, including 10 rides and the Mayfair Restaurant and night club. Spot will open for the season the first week in May, operating only on week-ends at the start, Roger E. Haney, manager, said. Daily business will start Decoration Day. Conrad Haney will handle public relations. Altho it is not definite, the Haneys said they may reduce the 25-cent ride charge to 20 cents. Outside of that, no other price changes are contem-

no other price changes are contem-plated. Park will use free acts thruut the season and will use fireworks liberally.

"With our 26 years' experience as ride operators, both in parks and at State fairs in the Midwest, we figure we'll make a go of this place," Roger Haney said.

Jimmy Jamison, High Diver, Gets 26 Weeks in Sweden

NEW YORK, March 27 .-- Captain Jimmy Jamison, the high diver, leaves soon for Sweden. He opens a month's engagement at Liseberg Park, Gothenberg, April 30. Thru the Copenhagen office of Ernst Schletzer Lamison's act has been

Sahlstrom, Jamison's act has been set for 26 weeks in the leading amusement parks of Sweden, Denmark and Norway.

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Sitting 'Round the Table

(Editor's Note: After a week's lapse, this column is back in action and the question up for discussion is: "Do you believe a child nursery is a worthwhile idea for your park?" Have you sent in your views on this subject? It not, let's hear from you. This question is one which should interest all park owners and operators. They want your views on the subject, so send them in and they will be printed here.)

He Likes It

I think it's a swell idea. Take care of the children and you get the mothers and dads. Remember, baby sitters are expensive and if the folks can't afford a baby sitter they aren't going to be able to come out to your park.

Another thing, when mother and dad can take the kiddies along for an afternoon or night of fun at the park, they'll have peace of mind and will go more often and spend more money. -CHARLES R. MALONEY, Eweco Park, Oshkosh, Wis.

They're Newcomers

As this is our first year to venture into the park business, I believe our views on this subject would, if given, be of no benefit. Our being newcom-ers to the game doesn't give us the right to voice an opinon. The "first of Mays" should be seen and not heard.

We are thinking of using the nursery idea to increase our pool business for housewives. We will use one nurse on a special afternoon and have

A. C. Publicity Group **Marks 40th Birthday**

ATLANTIC CITY, March 27.-The convention and publicity bureau, which has been instrumental in bringing thousands of conventions to bringing thousands of conventions to this resort since its inception, marked its 40th year last Sunday (21). Con-trary to popular belief, the bureau, located on Central Pier and managed by Albert H. Skean, is not a mu-nicipal office. It is a non-profit cor-poration maintained privately by the oitry's leading hotely and humans in city's leading hotels and business in-terests since it was first chartered March 21, 1908.

The bureau has grown from a oneman staff and an annual hudget of \$8,000 to staff of 17 and a \$200,000 budget. Assisting Skean are Daniel Moltz, Fred Ehrhardt and Wayne Stetson. Skean has been with the bureau since 1924, except for four years spent with convention bureaus in Cleveland and New York.

75G in Improvement, **Rides at Oaks Park**

PORTLAND, Ore., March 27.-Oaks Amusement Park here, accord-Oaks Amusement Park here, accord-ing to R. Bollinger, vice-president, is spending \$75,000 this year for rides and improvements. Spot is adding three new rides, one adult and two kiddie, at a cost of \$15,000; adding 100 large group picnic tables, mov-ing all children's rides into Kiddie-land, and enlarging the parking area to double the present capacity, by filling from river by suction dredge at a cost of \$60,000.

Bollinger reports that he is think ing of reducing some prices on adult rides and plans to sell scrip for kiddie rides at reduced prices.

Geauga Adds 2 Kiddie Rides

GEAUGA LAKE, O., March 27.— Two new rides, both for kiddies, will make their bow at Geauga Lake Park here when the funspot opens in mid-April for week-end activities. Spot starts daily operation June 1. The starts daily operation June 1. The new rides, costing \$5,000, will be a kiddie train and kiddie buggy ride. a housewife party so they can swim without worrying about the baby.

We will be able to let you know more about how this worked out later in the season or next fall.—J. T. BELL, Lakeforest Park, Henderson, Tex.

Spring Brings Big Crowds to Eastern Spots

NEW YORK, March 27. — First week-end of spring was fair and mild, First with the mercury hitting a high of 69 degrees Sunday (21), which resulted in good pre-season crowds at most of the shore resorts in the New York area.

Coney Island's boardwalk drew the biggest crowd, with 200,000 visitors reported patronizing the rides, games and eateries that were operating there. Rockaway Beach was visited by 35,000 and business was brisk at Rockaway's Playland, where several rides, games and refreshment stands were open.

Playland, at Rye, also drew a good crowd, with its big parking lot at-tracting New Yorkers longing for a stroll along its boardwalk and mall.

Outdoor spots in New York City were jammed, with the Bronx Zoo drawing 22,000 visitors and Central Park and Prospect Park zoos also hitting early season highs. Die-hard winter sports fans flocked to Rocke-feller Center and jammed its openair ice rink and the surrounding terraces.

Palm Sunday fashion preview at Atlantic City drew around 150,000 to the Boardwalk, where gardenias were awarded the best-dressed women, picked by a trio of fashion experts.

Fire Damages Two New Jersey Spots

NEW YORK, March 27.-Columbia Park and Schuetzen Park, North Bergen, N. J., were damaged by fires last week. The parks, adjoining one another, were hit the same night.

Columbia, formerly an important amusement park catering to the popu-lation of the Jersey side of the Hud-son River in the metropolitan New York area but now operating a roller rink and sports arena, had a before-dawn alarm Saturday (20) when a short circuit set off a fire in the base-ment of the skating rink, which caused damage estimated at \$2,000.

Schuetzen Park, primarily a picnic and dance spot, had suffered \$1,000 damages early Friday evening (18) when fire burned out the stage section of the park's dance hall.

The parks, situated on Hudson Boulevard and served by busses from all sections of this heavily populated area, serve as carnival lots during the summer.

Funspot Opens in June

BEULAH, Mich., March 27.—Cry-stal Park will open for the season here June 19, C. W. Patterson, man-ager, announces. A total of \$5,000 will be spent on various improvements.

Ludwig Resigns At Long Beach

Steps down after 11 years as Virginia Park manager -Pat Murphy is successor

LONG BEACH, Calif., March 27 .--H. A. (Pop) Ludwig, for 11 years manager of Virginia Park on the Pike here, has resigned, effective April 1. New manager for the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company, which owns the property, will be Pat Murphy, well-known local park man. Murphy has been manager of the Long Beach Municipal Auditorium 12 years.

Ludwig, who is credited with build-ing up the four-acre park on the north end of the Pike from a vacant sand lot to one of the most modern amusement zones on the Pacific Coast, told The Billboard that the parting is friendly and that his resignation im-plies no differences in policy with

piles no differences in policy with Pacific Mutual. "After 11 years of hard work I feel in need of a vacation," said Ludwig. He also said Mrs. Ludwig's health necessitates a rest in the desert to recuperate from a long illness.

Ludwig declared that he is not con-sidering the possibility of retiring permanently and is considering sev-eral show business offers. To quote him, "I've had enough fishing and want to get back in harness."

The Ludwigs will leave for a desert resort soon, but will retain their home

Francisco Predicts Good 1948 Season; **Features Boat Rides**

HAMMONDSPORT, N. Y., March 27.-G. William Francisco, owner of Lakeside Park here, predicts a good season this year. "Business as a whole looks very good for 1948. The Finger Lakes region is enjoying a constant increase every year as an ideal vaca-tion spot plus the fact industrialists are helping to promote vacations for all employees," Francisco said.

This year Lakeside Park will feature pleasure and scenic boat trips on a 36-foot motor launch. Sail boat races also are planned this year as a promotion feature.

Harry Habel Named Manager Of Stands at West View

PITTSBURGH, March 27 .- Harry Habel has been named manager of refreshment stands at West View Park here for the season. He succeeds Mr. Beares Jr.

George H. Harton, West View man-ager, reports the park is adding a Tilt-a-Whirl and several new kiddie rides this year. The park also is rebuilding its ballroom.

West View opens April 25 for weekend operation, altho Harton said this date may be moved up to April 18, weather permitting. The daily sched-ule starts May 17.

Spring Lake Bows May 9

FENTON, Mo., March 27.—Spring Lake Park will open for the season here May 9, A. J. Koller, manager, announces. Spot is doing the usual repainting and repairing, spending obsut \$2,000 repainting a about \$3,000.

CLEVELAND-A recent rainstorm that caused a flood to sweep down on Cleveland Zoo resulted in the drowning of dozens of wolves, coyotes, foxes and birds.

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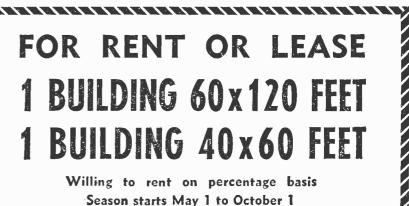
Kiddie Wonderland will be new at Lakeside this year-Caterpillar, Arcade added 60

DAYTON, O., March 27.—Lakeside Park, entering its 58th season, will be considerably revamped and furnished with a number of new amusement devices, Gerald Niermann, manager, reports. reports.

reports. The park opens earlier than any other. The gates opened today for week-end operation. The daily sched-ule starts Decoration Day. Hilarity Hall has been torn down to make way for a Caterpillar. Bingo is being discarded and its building will

being discarded and its building will be used for an Arcade with 125 de-vices under the name of Amuseland. Kiddies are to have a special spot known as Kiddie Wonderland. Here such devices as a Little Dipper, Roller Coaster boyse and buggy ride spil such devices as a Little Dipper, Roller Coaster, horse and buggy ride, sail-boat, seaplanes, Ferris Wheel, auto ride and circle swing, most of them new, will be set up. The park's other rides include Merry Mix-Up, Flying Scooter, Octo-pus, Wild Cat, Whoopee, Moon Rocket, Magic Carpet, Paddle About and Merry-Go-Round. The park has one of the largest

The park has one of the largest ballrooms in the State and uses name bands when available. There is dancbands when available. There is ualle-ing every Saturday night. Johnny Long is scheduled for May 30. The park has booked Russ Morgan, Clyde Trask, Bobby Sherwood and Charles Fiske for successive week-ends, beginning March 27.



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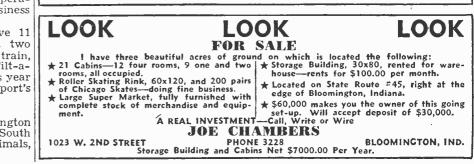
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Forest Park Adds First Aid Station

CHALFONT, Pa., March 27.—Rich-ard F. Lusse, owner of Forest Park here, announces that this year the spot will have a first aid department. Martha Truhan will be the nurse in charge, Lusse said. In addition to the first aid department, Lusse said new picnic tables will be added, new shelters built and the parking field improved. improved. Forest Park opens for daily opera-

tion May 24.

Fairfield, Conn., Beach Is Sold to A. Davenport

FAIRFIELD, Conn., March 27. -Restmore Bathing Beach here, owned and operated for many years by John J. McGuiness, Bridgeport, was sold last week to Arthur C. Davenport, Stamford, son of Matthew (Matty) Davenport, Fairfield Beach conces-cionaire sionaire.

Selling price is reputed to be over \$25,000, and includes the bathhouse. New owner intends to make extensive alterations to the property.

April 17 Set as Opening

Date for Roseland Park CANANDAIGUA, N. Y., March 27. —William Muar, manager of Rose-land Park here, announces the fun-spot will open for week-end opera-tion April 17 and for daily business May 1 May 1.

This year Roseland will have 11 rides, reports Muar. He said two rides will be new, a miniature train, purchased for \$18,000, and a Tilt-a-Whirl for \$11,000. Also new this year will be picnic pavilions and a sport's field.

Malcolm Davis, of the Washington Zoo, is en route home from the South Pole with a group of Antartic animals, 13 penguins and a seal.

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April 3, 1948

Sets Shows **On Premiums**

Bids for increased participation of livestock, ag, women's, other exhibitors

By Herb Dotten KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 27.--In a move to spur increased competition for the \$165,000 it offers in live-stock, agricultural, women's depart-ment and other classifications, Minnesota State Fair soon will initiate a series of 13 quarter-hour transcriptions over approximately 15 Minnesota stations.

The plan, outlined here this week at the Middle West Fair Circuit's spring meeting by Doug Baldwin, as-sistant manager of the St. Paul event, is to publicize each of the fair's lead-ing classications, detailing the amount premiums offered and other pertinent information and to dramatize the value of participation to the exhibitor.

Top leaders of the State in the Top leaders of the State in the fields embraced by these classifica-tions will participate in the tran-scribed programs, thus lending au-thority and variety to the airings. The first 10 minutes of each program will deal cololy with the constanting will deal solely with the opportunities for exhibitions in one classification, with the closing five minutes given over to a build-up of the fair as a whole.

"The five-year hiatus caused by the war resulted in a withdrawal of many of the regular exhibitors from par-ticipation at fairs. We feel their in-terest can be rebuilt and that we can stimulate participation by other potential exhibitors thru these tran-scribed shows," Baldwin explained.

Tie-in on Premium Book

Start of the series will be timed with the publication of the fair's premium book. The programs will urge listeners interested in exhibiting to write in for copies of the book. In addition to spurring increased

In addition to spurring increased entries, the radio series is expected to serve as an added build-up for attendance. What's more, it is re-garded as a powerful public relations move, for it will detail precisely the benefits the fair gives to farmers, breeders and other exhibitors. In addition to this series, the fair will continue its ever-expanding use of radio, in which respect it has been

of radio, in which respect it has been one of the leaders among the nation's major annuals.

Woodland, Calif., **Annual To Operate**

WOODLAND, Calif., March 27.-Mrs. Betty Robinson, president of the 40th District Agricultural Association, announces there definitely will be a fair this year but it may be on a limited scale.

Plans for a contemplated extensive building program at the local fair-grounds have yet to be approved by the State department of finance and the department's action will deter-mine the extent of this year's event. Stuarte Waite, recently named

manager of the annual, has assumed his duties following a conference with State officials relative to the building program.



MURRAY SIMONDS, long ETHEL. sociated with the Oklahoma Free State Fair, Muskogee, has resigned as secretary.

Dwight Parks Heads Commercial Exhibit Com. At Dixon, Cal.

DIXON, Calif., March 27.—Dwight Parks, secretary of the local Chamber of Commerce, has been named chair-man of commercial exhibits for the Solano District Fair here April 30-May 2.

To take care of an expected in-crease in attendance this year, the 36th District Agricultural Association has approved an addition to the grandstand.

The board of directors also ap-proved a program of educational and agricultural events with regular judging contests for livestock, flow-ers, home economics and special FFA and 4-H Club divisions. Anticipat-ing an increase in all departments, additional housing facilities have been made available for this year's

been made available for this year's event, it was announced. Secretary-Manager O. D. McCoy states the tentative program as fol-lows: Friday, April 30, fairgrounds will open at 9:00 a.m. Harry Peter-son, board president, will open the ccremonies and introduce the main speaker, A. E. Snider, chief of the Fairs and Expositions Division for California. Judging of exhibits will follow. On Saturday, May 1, fair will open with a parade thru the down-town district and will be followed by a fashion show, a picnic with comtown district and will be followed by a fashion show, a picnic with com-munity singing and old-time dances. Main, event of the afternoon will be crowning of the May Day Queen, a horse show and three heats of trot-ting races. Sunday, May 2, will have a rodeo as the feature attraction.

ting races. Sunday, May 2, will have a rodeo as the feature attraction. Directors of the annual include Peterson, president; McCoy, secre-tary-treasurer; H. G. Brown, M. W. Carpenter, R. S. Currey, Charles Mc-Gimsey, Wallace McCormack, W. D. Peterson, and D. A. Mowers.

Huron (Mich.) County Board Nixes Horse Racing for '48

BAD AXE, Mich., March 27.—There will be no horse racing at the 1948 Huron County Fair, directors of the Huron Community Association, spon-sors of the annual exhibition, have decided decided.

Ethel Murray Simonds Ends Long Service at Muskogee

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 27.—Ethel Murray Simonds has resigned as secretary-manager of the Oklahoma Free State Fair, Muskogee, Okla., with which she has been associated for about 20 years, and M. E. Twedell, 34, Wagoner, Okla., has been named her successor. Confirmation of Mrs. Simonds's resignation was given here Tuesday (23) at the spring meeting of the Middle West Fair Circuit by delegates from the Muskogee fair. Tom Conrady, president; Bob Venus and Tams Bixby Jr., represented Mus-kogee at the meeting. kogee at the meeting.

Veteran in Fair Biz

Mrs. Simonds long has been identi-fied with fairs. Prior to assuming the Muskogee post, she was an execu-tive of the Tulsa (Okla.) Fair. For many years Mrs. Simonds served as president of the Middle West Fair Circuit. She declined re-election to that post two years ago.

Twedell has been engaged in farm implement sales and in chamber of commerce work.

The one-day session of the Middle West Fair Circuit was devoted genwest fair Circuit was devoted gen-erally to a discussion of fair prob-lems. No formal action was taken, but such subjects as rental of space to farm implement companies and youth participation at fairs were discussed.

Rupard, Kingman Present

Roy Rupard, president of the In-Roy Rupard, president of the In-ternational Association of Fairs and Expositions, and Frank Kingman, secretary of that org, were in at-tendance. Joe Monsour, president of the circuit, presided at the meeting. Delegates present included Doug Baldwin and Harry Frost, Minnesota State Fair; G. B. Boyd, Ozark Em-pire District Fair, Springfield, Mo.; Roy S. Kemper, Missouri State Fair, Sedalia; Lloyd B. Cunningham, Iowa State Fair; Edwin Schulz and D. W. Sedalia; Lloyd B. Cunningham, Iowa State Fair; Edwin Schulz and D. W. Osborn, Nebraska State Fair; Mau-rice W. Jencks, A. J. Schober, Russell Brown, and Clive Lane, Kansas Free Fair, Topeka; Sam Mitchell, P. H. Lambert, R. C. Beasley, William Con-dell and H. A. Praeger, Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson, and Pete T. Baker, Oklahoma State Fair, Oklahoma City. Other fair men present, included Other fair men present included Frank Harris, Davenport, Ia., who was on hand in behalf of the International Motor Contest Association.

Attraction Men Listed

Attraction representatives and show folks noted included Sam J. Levy, Mike Barnes and Fred H. Kressmann, of the Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago; Jack Duffield, of Thearle-Duffield Fireworks, Chicago; Bob Lohmar, general agent of the Royal American Shows; George Bush and Chan Laube, B. & L. Con-cessions; Jimmy Morrissey, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Newberry, and Leo Over-land, Jimmie Lynch Death Dodgers; Iand, Jimmie Lynch Death Dodgers; Jimmy Morrissey, All States Tent & Awning Company; Mr. and Mrs. E. S. (Ted) Webb, custard; Phil Little, cookhouse operator; Whitey Elliott, truck dealer, and Floyd Shanklin, concessionaire concessionaire.

They also plan to promote midget auto races and motorcycle races as well as the big thrill daredevil crash shows.

shows. The rodeo, which has been a grand-stand feature the past two years, has been dropped and will be replaced with stage shows. The board also decided against having fireworks disdecided. The cost of harness races was esti-mated at \$3,500 to \$5,000 including placing the track in condition, salaries of starters, judges and purses. Most directors considered this too high The directors decided to further promote wagon and saddle races by increasing the prizes for these events. The robust for the past two years, has been dropped and will be replaced with stage shows. The board also decided against having fireworks dis-play. Ed McCrea, manager of the Huron County Fair, and his wife recently returned from a Florida vacation.

St. Paul Starts 3 New Bldgs. Costing 300G

ST. PAUL, March 27.-A \$300,000 building program has been started by the Minnesota State Fair which calls for construction of three buildings in time for the 1948 annual.

time for the 1948 annual. Principal building going up is a one-block square glass brick and con-crete block single-story structure to house three dining halls and a food show, with a service court in center. Structure replaces four wooden build-ings now on the site. Present build-ings are over 50 years old and are regarded as fire hazards,

regarded as fire hazards. Cost of putting them into shape is not feasible, according to Ray Lee, fair board secretary. Lee said that salvaged materials from the razing of the Hippodrome and repairs on the cattle barn have made it possible to use the fair's own steel, lumber and roofing without going into the market for this critical material.

Other structures to be erected are two comfort stations, one accommo-dating 60 and the other 20. Service building's contract went to McManus Construction Company, St. Paul, with Grant Construction Company, Ninne-apolis, getting the other two build-ings. Wiring contract was awarded Pioneer Electric Company, St. Paul. Winderer & Son, St. Paul, will do the plumbing.

N. J. Annual **Dates Are Listed**

TRENTON, N. J., March 27,—New Jersey State Department of Agri-culture Thursday (25) issued a list of county and community fairs for 1948

The fair season will open with the Gloucester County Agricultural Fair at Paulboro, August 4-7. Irving C. Pettit, of Paulboro, is manager. The Sussex County Farm and Horse Show, at Branchville, is skedded for August 11-14. John W. Raab, of

August 11-14. John W. Raab, of Newton, is secretary.
Morris County Fair, Troy Hills, August 17-21, will be managed by Alexis L. Clark of Morristown. War-ren County Farmers' Fair is set for August 31-September 6, at Belvidere.
B. H. Pedrick, of Flemington, is manager manager.

Manager. Woodstown Community (Salem County) Fair tentatively is set for September 16-17, with M. Snethen, of Elmer, secretary. Cumberland County Fair, Bridgeton, is scheduled for September 14-18. Raymond Riley, Bridgeton, is manager.

Season will end with the Trenton Fair, September 26-October 3, ac-cording to Norman L. Marshall, secretary.

FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS

Ia. State Withdraws IndustriesBldg.Space From Pressure Orgs

DES MOINES, March 27.-The Iowa State Fair Board has taken ac-tion to limit space in the varied industries building with only agricul-tural or industrial exhibitors to be allowed in the future.

As a result of the action the fair board will deny space in the building to political parties, the WCTU, labor groups and other organizations that have used it in the past. The groups may buy space elsewhere on the fair-grounds but, because of crowded con-ditions it is not even the ther will ditions, it is not expected they will find many desirable locations.

The only type of exhibitors not included in space allocation are those pertaining "to the health and safety" of the citizens of the State, which will allow some of the State departments, including the Department of Public Safety and State agriculture divisions to occupy space in the building.

The action also is expected to result in a crack-down on exhibitors making direct sales in the building. The fair has operated in the building. The fair has operated in the past on a rule that no direct sales can be made in the industries building but several small concessionaires have violated this rule.

N. E. Iowa Mgrs. Elect T. Searcy

WATERLOO, Ia., March 27 .--Thomas Searcy, of Independence, Ia., vice-president of Buchanan County Fair, was elected president of the Northeast Iowa Fair Managers' Asso-Northeast lowa Fair Managers' Asso-ciation at a one-day meeting here. He succeeds Arthur Ellingson, of Decorah, Ia. Norton Bloom, of Nashua, Ia., secretary of the Big Four Fair at Nashua, was re-elected sec-retary-treasurer of the association.

Next meeting of the group will be held late in April at Independence, Ia., when association's vice-president will be named.

Wagner's Drivers Booked For Two Nights at Tioga

TIOGA, Pa., March 27. — Buddy Wagner's Hell Drivers have been signed for two nights at the 11th annual Great Tioga Valley Fair, Au-gust 11-14, reports Carl H. Forrest, secretary. Other features will in-clude a grandstand show, saddle rac-ing and horse-pulling contest.

The premium list will be revised and a large poultry show will be held this year, said Forrest. First-prize winners in tablecloth, bedspread, luncheon set, doily, scarf and chair set competitions will be eligible for entry in the national crocheting con-test to be held in New York in the test to be held in New York in the fall.

Pop From Bottle Out at Sacramento

SACRAMENTO, March 27. - If there's any sipping of pop at this year's State fair it will have to be from a paper cup. The fair board has culed that no soft drinks will be sold ruled that no soft drinks will be sold in bottles. Reason, first aid was given last year to numerous patrons who rut themselves on broken glass. At one time so many empties were strewn around that Boy Scouts were mobilized to gather them. The board also announced that a naximum of 14 cents has been rec-pmmended for midway kiddie rides.

Percy Rademaker, clown, again will be with the Jimmie Lynch Death Dodgers unit under direction of fimmy Van Cise.



By G. R. Lewis, Fair Consultan

condition arises soon, requests for commercial building plans will con-tinue strong during the next several vears.

Fairs have been described as "a chapter in the history of commerce," and commerce has been known and defined as extension of trade. His-torical records dealing with commerce show that fairs and commerce always have been associated and that they grew up together. Therefore, it is important that all modern trends be recognized, that new arts and sciences and manufacturing industries be given a place in the exhibit halls of our fairs commensurate with all other depart-ments, and that fair management keep an open mind at all times on industrial exhibit participation and suggestions suggestions.

Educational, Stimulating

Comparison of exhibits and ideas is always educational. Moreover, it is a spur to competition and improvement in industry and business. The desire to have the best inspires men of business and industry to devise, invent, im-prove and economize in the cost of production.

Without competition, as indicated without competition, as indicated by the variety of exhibits at fairs, we would still be clinging to the clumsy and antiquated processes of farming and manufacture and the business methods of long ago. I believe it would be surprising to know the number of thousands of people who visit fairs every year for the express purpose of seeing and checking up on purpose of seeing and checking up on the new improvements of household appliances, ice boxes, frozen food lockers, electrical equipment and appliances of all kinds, home building materials and latest building designs, the improvement in manufacturing methods and equipment, the newest in construction machinery and trans-portation, the latest in farm tractors, trucks, combines, hay choppers, plows, harrows, saw mills, dairy, poultry and livestock equipment.

Value Grows to Exhibitors

The manufacturer, the wholesaler and the retailer are becoming increasingly aware that fairs and expositions afford the greatest place obtainable for display and demonstration at a very low overhead cost per sale. For a great number of years, a large percentage of commercial and inductivel archibits at a large number

industrial exhibits at a large number of fairs have displayed either in the open or under tents furnished by either the fair or the exhibitor. Such

either the fair or the exhibitor. Such lack of adequate facilities has pre-vented the full realization of a fair's potential by commercial exhibitors. Today, the emphasis is upon the furnishing of proper facilities for exhibitors — modern buildings con-structed with an eye to fulfilling the needs of potential exhibitors. Alert fair men are pushing such construc-tion. Exhibitors, too, are advancing and backing proposals

fair men are pushing such construc-tion. Exhibitors, too, are advancing and backing proposals. By providing such facilities a fair may wield a great influence in chang-ing the attitude of the farmer to-ward the business man, and the busi-ness man towards the farmer. The interdependence of the two is demon-strated by their respective exhibits strated by their respective exhibits and participation in fairs.

Items to be Considered In planning a commercial exhibit building, consideration should be

A COMMERCIAL and industrial ex-hibit building today is as nec-essary on the up-to-date fair-grounds as is any other type of build-ing. Requests for blue prints and information on cost and construction of this type of building run a fast race with junior fair and grandstand buildings, and, unless some unforeseen condition arises soon, requests for request for a vote on a fax leave or a States by requesting the county com-missioners to place on the ballot a request for a vote on a tax levy or a bond issue sufficient to cover the cost of the building.

The second method is where the exhibitor constructs, finances and maintains its own building. The fair, in this arrangement, gives the exhibiin this arrangement, gives the exhibi-tor a contract in which he has exclu-sive use of the building for a specific period—usually 30 days—immediately prior to, during and immediately fol-lowing the fair. Thus the fair has the use of the building the other 11 months of the year.

Co-Operative Building

The third method — and the one rapidly gaining in popularity — is where a group of business men or manufacturers or both underwrite the the cost of construction and, in return, acquire the use of the building on a port free basis usually fire years for acquire the use of the billing on a rent-free basis, usually five years, for exhibiting purposes during the fair. Under this method, those who under-write the building are in most cases entitled to its use for a 30-day period, and for the remaining 11 months the fair of the building of the building fair can avail itself of the building for a variety of uses.

Common procedure in setting up the program for construction under this last plan is to have a planning committee formed by the fair—and committee formed by the fair—and another by the businessmen or manu-facturers—or a joint committee rep-resenting both to work out details. Thus, the requirements of each ex-hibitor can be determined, and the cost of share of the building costs determined, for each exhibitor pays pro rata on the total building cost in propertien with the size of the space proportion with the size of the space required.

Reverts to Fair

Reverts to Fair A customary provision is that should any exhibitor fail to exhibit during the five-year period the space allocated to him then reverts to the fair and entitles the fair to rent such space to another exhibitor. At the end of the five years the building be-comes the property of the fair and from that point exhibitors thereafter are charged for the space they rent. It now is not uncommon under this plan to have the various exhibitors plan to have the various exhibitors provide a note covering his full com-mitment and for the fair in turn to discount these notes at a bank to

obtain the full amount of cash neces-sary for the construction. In the actual design of an exhibi-tion building, consultation with architects who specialize in the construc-tion of exhibitions is recommended. In this way, the latest features and facilities can be incorporated in the building; otherwise it is easy to overlook some detail vital to the full utili-zation of the building, not alone for the period of the fair but in the off-season months as well.

The Milford (Mich.) Fair plant this The Milford (Mich.) Fair plant this year will be the scene of much still-date activity. Events already billed include big car auto races May 2 and June 13, with a third big car race date a possibility for September; motorcycle races May 23, a horse show July 5, and Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers July 14. New fair features planned include a thrill show opening night. Plant improvements proposed bits planted include a triff show opening night. Plant improvements proposed in time for the August 10-14 fair in-clude the construction of a 30 by 100-foot stock building for the Future be Farmers of America.

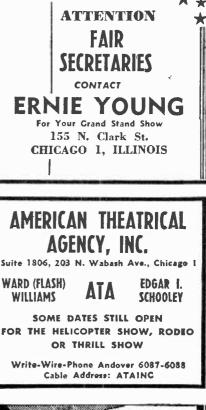


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Orange Show Pulls 272,417 Despite **Five Days of Rain**

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., March 27.—With its slip of 29,534 people showing at the end of the sixth day of its 11-day run ended Sunday (21), its 11-day run ended Sunday (21), the 33d National Orange Show re-gained 14,236 clickers during the closing half and ended with a total attendance of 272,417, only 15,298 under 1947. Out of the 11 days the show had five days of rain and three days of more than 40,000 visitors, a **new record** for big days. Opening on a Thursday (11) as its custom, show pulled 8,915 people and built steadily to a 40,360 Sunday de-spite rain. Attendance dropped to

spite rain. Attendance dropped to half its Sabbath attendance Monday and built Tuesday. In the last half, Friday (19) was the low day with 15,311. The second and final Satur-day, 40,433 and closing day, 42,657.

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Fred H. Phillips, general manager of the Fredericton (N. B.) Exhibition, is the author of an illustrated yarn in the February Canadian Geographical Journal, which includes a lot of data on the Fredericton event.

The Fredericton (N. B.) Exhibition will install photo-finish equipment at will install photo-finish equipment at its mid-summer harness races. This equipment was used in the maritime provinces last year for the first time by the Charlottetown races.

Auto races will be a new feature this year at the Sacramento County Fair, Galt, Calif. Plant improvements planned in time for the July 17-25 event include covering the grandstand and planting of additional trees.

The Welland Fall Fair, Welland, Ont., proposes to spend \$8,000 on alterations to comfort stations, build-ings and fences. The fair plant will be used for a still date carnival stand June 30-July 3, with the Lions Club as sponsor, and for auto races August 1, with the Welland Fire Department as auspices.

Motorcycle races this year will be a new attraction at the Trego County Fair, Wakeeney, Kan. The annual is planning to put a new roof on the grandstand in time for the August 24-27 event.

The Chautauqua County Fair, The Chautauqua County Fair, Dunkirk, N. Y., plans to tilt its grandstand prices this year to help defray cost of a larger show. A radio show tentatively is planned as the pre-opening day attraction. Harness horse races will be cut to two days, with two days of thrill shows and as many horse shows rounding out the program. Construction of a 60 by 100 feet exhibit building is planned. planned.

Photographic exhibits and a Made -in-Saskatoon manufacturers' display will be new highlights of the Saskatoon (Sask.) Industrial Exhibition this year. New construction planned included the erection of two race horse barns and an extension of water facilities.

Much still date activity is scheduled at the plant of the Arizona State Fair. The plant of the Arizona state Fun. Phoenix. Events already held this year include a three-day dog show and a two-day rabbit show. A rodeo, spon-sored by the Phoenix Junior Chamber of Commerce, is slated for April 9-11, and midget car races are planned for every other Sunday afternoon. New show horse barns are to be built this year.

With its amphitheater improved at a cost of \$10,000, the Tri-State Fair, Burlington, Ia., this year will offer two new features—one day of auto races and two of harness races. Gate

admission policy has been changed, with free gate to be in operation two of the fair's five days.

> The Southern Iowa Fair at Oskaloosa this year will present all of its races, both harness horse and auto-mobile events, at night. A new lighting plant makes this possible.

A cage bird show will be a new A cage bird show will be a new feature at the 1948 Mineola (L. I., N. Y.) Fair. The show is being added due to the growth of the pet bird industry on Long Island, Charles Bochert, fair manager ex-plains. Other new attractions planned include a massed choral group of some 300 voices re-cruited from the public schools, the installation of an indoor pond for wild water fowl and an Interfor wild water fowl and an Inter-national Mardi Gras Carnival, open to foreign-American groups. Participations in the latter competition will be free to exemplify their native country by either in-strumental music, songs, sports, dances, pastimes, tableaus, or any practical method they choose.

Mercer County Fair and Horse Show at Harrodsburg, Ky., is mulling plans for increased stakes and an ex-panded program for its 1948 annual, the dates for which are July 27-31. Tom Squifflet, president, said the horse show will be held for five nights and dairy cattle shows will be held and dairy cattle shows will be held each of the afternoons of the run. Dog Show also will be held in the afternoon this year, he added.

Lee County Fair, Donnellson, Ia., this year will have two new features —a revue two nights and a thrill show. Improvements planned include grading of the grounds, installation of tile drains and the provision of more barn room.

barn room. The Cooke County Fair at Gaines-ville, Tex., this year will revert to a paid gate. Up until last year the annual operated with a free gate, but the new fair park then was not com-plete and no fence was up. The plant will offer many improvements over last year. New feature will be a min-iature train permanently installed and. a home demonstration building. The sum of \$10,000 is to be spent on new building fronts, sidewalks, the rebuilding of the zoo and on planting of more trees. The fairgrounds will be used August 4-6 for the Cavalcade of Cooke County, a pageant depicting the 100-year history of Cooke County. Also to be staged at the plant will be the annual circus staged by the Gainesville Community Circus, the Cooke County Centennial Negro Cele-bration and the home games of the Gainesville Big State League ball club. club.

Lee Schmid, recently appointed di-Lee Schmid, recently appointed the rector of technical equipment of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, plans to exhibit a mobile educational unit at fairs. Tentative bookings include Indiana State Fair, Indianapolis, and Milwaukee Cen-toppial tennial.

Grandstand attractions at the Los Angeles County Fair, Pomona, Calif., which returns to action this year for the first time since before the war, will be furnished by the Barnes-Car-ruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chi-cago, it was announced jointly by C. B. (Jack) Afflerbaugh. president-general manager of the fair, and Fred general manager of the fair, and Fred H. Kressmann, of the B-C office. Night show, Cavalcade of Stars, will Night show, *Cavalcade* of *Stars*, will use different acts than those which will work in the afternoon. Two separate daytime act bills will be presented, the first running Septem-ber 17-24, the second September 26-October 3. The B-C night show will open September 26 and run the re-mainder of the fair.

E. Texas Resuming With Big Program

TYLER, Tex., March 27.—Extensive plans are under way for the 33d annual East Texas Fair here which resumes September 13-18 under the direction of C. R. Heaton, secretary-manager, after a lapse of seven years. Heaton succeeds V. F. Fitzhugh.

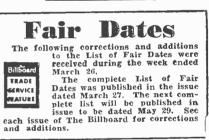
The Bill Hames Shows have been signed for the midway, and it is planned to present three nights of planned to present three nights of fireworks, daily horse racing, free acts and one white and one colored football game in the \$250,000 fair-grounds stadium now under construc-tion. Emphasis will be placed on agricultural and industrial exhibits, it is said. More than \$4,000 in pre-miums will be awarded by the Texas Jersey Cattle Club Show and Sale which is to be held in conjunction with the fair.

O. M. Boren is president of the fair association and A. D. Winston is vicepresident.

Pennsy Spot To Continue With Rodeo Shows, Rodeos

NEW BETHLEHEM, Pa., March 27.—American Legion Park here, which operates on week-ends only, will feature radio shows and rodeos

again as a trade lure. Spot also will continue its policy of playing local bands in the ballroom.



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INDIANA Bloomington-Monroe Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 18-21. Guy L. Baker. Boswell-Benton Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 18-20. Lendall Lowman, Earl Park, Ind. Cayuga-Vermillion Co. Fair Aug. 4-8. V. N. Asbury, Newport, Ind. Columbus-Bartholomew Co. Fair Assn. July 18-23. F. M. Overstreet. Converse-Miami Co. Fair. Aug. 24-28. Allen Kling. New Castle-Henry Co. 4-H Club Exhibit. Aug. 9-12. W. G. Smith. Rochester-Fulton Co. 4-H Fair Assn. Aug. 3-6. Fred Rankin. Sunman-American Legion Fair. Sept. 3-6. E. W. Howrey. Wabash-Wabash Co. Draft Horse Assn. Aug. 24-28. W. K. Delaplane.

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NAINDAD Ness City—Ness Co. 4-H Fair. Aug. 16-17. Ottawa—Franklin Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 23-25 Willard Lister. Pratt—Pratt Co. Fair. Aug. 25-27. W. E Gladhart. Gladhart. Sedan--Chautauqua Co. Free Fair. Sept. 30-Oct. 2. Carl Ackarman. Wetmore--Nemaha Co. Free Fair Assn. Aug 26-28. Earl E. Church.

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W. Coast Shows Get Spotty Business at Tulare, Calif.

TULARE, Calif., March 27.—West Coast Shows, playing its second stand of the 1948 tour here, had spotty business for the week ending Sunday (21) because of cold weather and lack of advance publicity. Show had planned to play Bakersfield but had to make a last-minute switch when electricity to play Bakersheid but had to make a last-minute switch when electricity was not available in the scheduled city. Only limited operation was allowed here, but it was sufficient to flash up the show. Org, which moves on 42 trucks and trailers and is not subject to the Office of Defense Transportation ban on coal burners, picked up two 75-kw. generators in Fresno this week. Two 25's to handle 16 floodlights are being readied and a 60-kw. generator will complete the outfit's power plant. With these West Coast will be operation. St. Pat Party Nets

With these West Coast will be operating full force.

Visalia Also Spotty West Coast launched its 21st an-nual tour March 5 in Visalia, where it played nine days. There, too, business was spotty because of cold and rain. Equipment was moved on the lot here Monday. A permit was later granted the show in Bakersfield, but at that time it had been set up here.

Show makes a neat appearance in circus red with truck numerals in aluminum. For flash, two 60-inch searchlights are carried on a semi and spotted near the entrance. Gate is 20 cents for adults and 9 cents for children. A free net Chaptel Breth children. A free act, Chappel Broth-ers, appears at 3:30 and 10:30 p.m. The Chappells have a dog act that precedes their high turn featuring an upside-down walk, traps and Roman rings.

New Caterpillar

This year the show carries seven major rides, including a new Cater-pillar, and four kiddie rides. There are 34 concessions and 6 shows.

are 34 concessions and 6 shows. Johnny Miller's cookhouse has pulled much praise from health boards in the Central Valley. Mounted on an 8 by 36-foot trailer, the sides open to make a cookhouse 24 by 36 feet. Water is piped in and hot and cold running water are available. Unit is all aluminum. Tommy Syester has his country store and dart games on one trailer and, with a set of hy-

has his country store and dart games on one trailer and, with a set of hy-draulic lifts, is able to set up and tear down in a few minutes. Personnel: Mike Krekos, general manager; Harry Myers, manager; Louis Leos, secretary-treasurer; Everett W. Coe, business representa-tive; Isabel Myers, front gate tickets; Harry Perry, billposter; Eddie Kent, scenic artist, mail and The Bilboard agent; Virgil Latiker, lot superintendent; Charles Auker, master (See Tulare, Calif., on page 63)

St. Pat Party Nets MSA Auxiliary \$700; Bldg. Fund Winner DETROIT, March 27 .- The annual

St. Patrick's Day dance and party, sponsored by the Michigan Showmen's Association Ladies' Auxiliary, netted \$700. Proceeds were turned over to the MSA building fund.

The event drew 400 persons, a larger crowd than was anticipated and it was necessary to put up extra tables to care for all the guests.

tables to care for all the guests. General chairman was Ann Borker. Serving with her were Bessie Gal-lagher, Bernice Stahl, Marie Brown, Carrie Dear, Jennie Hesher, Bea Mor-gan, Clara Silber, Jo Friedman, Maude Yaudas, Pat Crognale, Dot Gould, Dot Miller and Belle Powers, the latter in charge of publicity. charge of publicity.

Acts for the floor show included Harry Harris, vocal; Wanda Rio, Judy Baker and Charlene Manners, vocal-ists; Charles Powell, magician, and an accordion single and juvenile dance team, sponsored by Dave Berk and Murray Roth, of Gem Sales.



COURTLAND, Ala., March 27.—H. B. Rosen Shows were forced to cancel their opening the week of March 15 when a storm which struck winter quarters here Tuesday (16) did con-siderable damage to show property. Striking at 2:30 a.m., the storm twisted and laid flat a new aluminum-panel front entrance with indirect panel front entrance with indirect lighting. It also flattened the 20 by 80-foot side show having a 110-foot Other shows received damage and several concession stands were demolished.

Alamo Expo Bow at **Austin Proves Okay**

AUSTIN, Tex., March 27.—Alamo Exposition Shows opened the 1948 season here in the Rosewood Park. Perfect weather helped Manager Jack Ruback start the season off in good shape.

Sammy Sapson resigned his posi-Sammy Sapson resigned his posi-tion as manager of a night club and is back with the org. His two helpers, Bill Carr and Harry Goddand, will be back on the Spitfire shortly. Also back with the shows are A. R. Wright, Martha Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ste-gall and Dick and Vondell Haven. J. J. Ulcar and wife, Babe, visited their daughter, Betty Jo, student at Texas University at Austin. Betty Jo recently was elected to the Alpha

Jo recently was elected to the Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority. George Lane is still thanking Sam-my Sapson for selling him the lucky ticket on the car award sponsored by the Showmen's League of America.



First traveling carnival to play Soldier Field area org also gets two Ind. fairs

• CHICAGO, March 27.—The John-ny J. Jones Exposition has been signed to furnish the midway at the newly organized Cook County Fair to be held 11 days and nights, August 27 thru Labor Day Sentember 6 27 thru Labor Day, September 6.

Negotiations were completed here this week by Orville F. Cullerton, the

this week by Orville F. Cullerton, the fair's managing director, and Ralph Lockett, Jones's general agent. Brought into the picture were of-ficials of the city park board, as the fair is to be held at Soldier Field and the area immediately adjacent to it, all of which is under the jurisdiction of the park board.

In securing the contract, the Jones shows became the first to crack the park board's resistance to a traveling carnival, the board giving approval

to a carnival, the board giving approval to a carnival in making the land and stadium facilities available to the fair. The signing of the contract was but one of three new fair dates contracted recently by the Jones shows. Only a short time previous the arg had closed short time previous the org had closed to play the Muncie (Ind.) Fair, Au-gust 1-6, and the newly organized Al-len County Fair at Fort Wayne, Ind., which is to run August 16-21. A. G. (Fred) Norrick is secretary of both of the Hoosier annuals of the Hoosier annuals.

Gem City To Discard Winter Wraps Apr. 3 At El Dorado, Ark.

EL DORADO, Ark., March 27.-Gem City Shows will toss off winter wraps here Saturday, April 3, open-ing with a small unit, play two loca-tions in the area and then blossom out with its full strength April 24.

tons in the area and then blossom out with its full strength April 24. Heavy rains delayed make-ready work in quarters, but preparations have been stepped up. Roads are in bad shape because of rain, and it re-mains a question where the show will play after its engagements in the immediate vicinity. Rolling stock is ready. Manager Jack Downs is supervising last-min-ute finishing touches on the Tilt-a-Whirl, Ferris Wheel, Roll-o-Plane and kiddie rides. He says the org will have 12 rides, 7 shows, 22 con-cessions and the Emanuel Zacchini cannon act when it hits the road. The transformer wagon has been put in top condition by chief electri-cian Hank McGuire. All new con-nection boxes have been made, and the wiring has been given a thoro going-over. Carl Byers now is in quarters with

carl Byers now is in quarters with his Funhouse and Pretzel. Dwight Bazinet, concession manager, and his crew have been taking delivery on stock for the concessions.

stock for the concessions. A heavy billing campaign has been mapped. A sound car also will be used for exploitation. Special Zac-chini paper is to be used and many special features are being planned to build up kids' days. The season's route is virtually com-plete, according to W. E. (Bill) Snyder, business manager. Other staff members are Harry Thomas, secretary, and R. R. Thorn-ton, director of exploitation.

ton, director of exploitation.

Hallock Inks Celes, Fairs for Majestic

RICHMOND, Va., March 27.--W. A. (Bob) Hallock, general agent of Ma-jestic Greater Shows, announces the inking of three celebrations and 13 fairs

fairs. Celebrations are the District Fire-men's Celebration, Farrell, Pa., week of May 17; Old Home Week and July 4 Celebration, Sandy Lake, Pa., and the American Legion V-J Day Cele-bration, Milford, Mich. Fairs are the Oakland County Fair, Milford, Mich.; Branch County, Ath-ens, Mich.; District Fair, Waverly, Va.; Nansemond County, Suffolk, Va.; Montgomery County, Troy, N. C.; Chester County, Chester, S. C.; Pickens County, Easley, S. C.; Abbeville County, Abbeville, S. C.; Clark County, Athens, Ga.; Elbert County, Elberton, Ga., and Anderson (S. C.) Colored Fair.

Colored Fair. Org will tour this season with 9 major rides, 3 kiddie rides, 7 shows and about 40 concessions. A free act will be carried.



ORVILLE F. CULLERTON, managing director of Cook County Fair, Chicago, a new event this year, is shown above signing a midway contract with the Johnny J. Jones Exposition as Ralph Lockett, show's general agent, looks on.

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Lillian (Aunt Jemima) Harris is wintering in Birmingham.

Louis J. and Ray Kane recently took delivery on a new house trailer.

Herbert Eugene Dixon, French fry operator, will return to Rehoboth Beach, Del., for the season, after which he will again play fairs.

Belle Evans, who has been with the Big State Shows in the Rio Grande Valley all winter, has joined Rupe's Midway For Fun and is headed north to the Dakotas.

William Beaumont, veteran carni-val trouper, is in Ward 22-B, General Hospital, El Paso, Tex., receiving treatment for ulcers. He would like to read letters from his friends.

Philip Ray announced during a visit to *The Billboard* New York offices Wednesday (24) that the American & Metro Shows will open May 23. Org winters in Providence, R. I.

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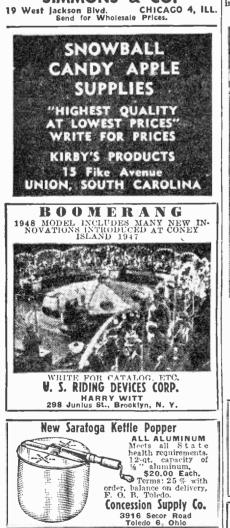
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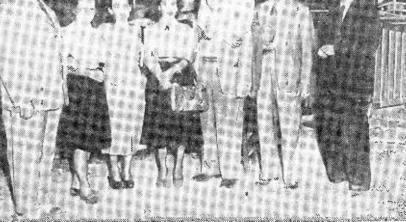
Because of the icy waters of early spring, no Snake Show operator should report find-ing a sea serpent before June 1.

Steve (Butch) Kutney, Funhouse operator on Cetlin & Wilson Shows for the past two seasons, opines that "Ideas are funny things—they won't work unless you do."





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CAPI. JIMMIE JAMISON, high diver, and Betty and Benny Fox, the Sky-High dance duo, were the feature attractions at the Mexican Fair, held in the heart of Havana, March 6-20, which boasted a huge midway and was highlighted by the election and coronation of a Queen of the Fair. Left to right: Julian Gayton, general manager of the fair; Betty Fox, Mrs. Gayton, Mrs. Valdes, Captain Jamison, Benny Fox (rear); Luis Valdes, representative of the fair, and Ignacio Paniagua, reporter.



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McIntyre, former ball game operator on Nat Narder's Majestic Shows. She has been off the road for 12 years, living in Philadelphia where her grandson, Wayne Sechrest, is in school. Claude worked as a salesman for a jewelry firm during the winter.

Show owner attended a Southern fair meeting without bringing a case of panther water with him, and signed a string of good fairs by announcing: "Gentlemen, I didn't come here to run a saloon. I'm here to talk business with you fairmen.

John Henry Jernigan's Chocolate Dandies, featuring Jeepers and Creepers, comics; Laretta Bess, singer; Jack Lenell, one-legged tap dancer, Claude Moore's band and six chorus girls, have been booked with the George Clyde Smith Shows.

Nate Eagle, producer-manager of the Hollywood Midget Show on the James E. Strates Shows, is back in the show's Jacksonville, Fla., quar-ters from a business trip to Chicago, New York and Philadelphia. Added to the midget cast, which now numbers 14, were Murry Wood and Helen Magua.

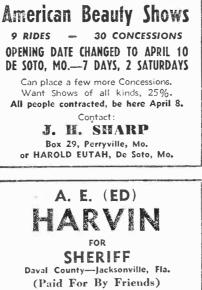
Charles (Bounding) Johnson re-ports from Savannah, Ga., that the Savannah Trailer Park, long a fa-milar round-up spot for outdoor showfolk, will be dismantled begin-ning April 1. Spot, which bordered on the old fairgrounds and circus lot, has been sold to an auto wrecker firm has been sold to an auto wrecker firm with Johnson staying on as caretaker

Danny Pepper, of Peppers All State Shows, drove the show bus from Flor-ence, S. C., to Philadelphia to collect personnel for the Minstrel Show. Eddie Johnson, contracting agent of the Cetlin & Wilson Shows, noted that every seat was filled when the bus departed and commented that it beat wiring railroad tickets.

Old-time bookers, who have and had hosts of friends on fair boards, merely wanted to be called "general agents," but the Johnny-Come-Lately's want traffic managers added to the titles.

Attending a recent farewell dinner and card party for Minnie Simmonds and Anne Roth at Helen Barfield's Miami home were May Belle Hyde, Leveta Ayers, Billie Tarbus, Mitzie Moore and her mother, Thelma Bryan, Thelma Olson, Eddie and Marion Buxbaum, Nora Radke, Cecil Spears, Pearl Miller and Violet and Charles Bauch.

Richard J. Coleman, of Coleman Bros.' Shows, advises from Middle-town, Conn., quarters, that his org, and not the Penn Premier Shows, as was recently reported, has the midway contract for the fair at Alta-mont, N. Y. Coleman added that his shows also hold the contract for





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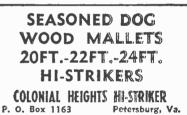
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CLUB ACTIVITIES

Showmen's League of America

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CHICAGO, March 27.-First Vice-CHICAGO, March 27.—First Vice-President Bob Parker returned from the West Coast in time to preside at the regular meeting Thursday (25). With him at the table were Lou Keller, second vice-president; Treas-urer Walter F. Driver and Secretary Joe Streibich.

Joe Streibich. The membership committee re-ported receiving the application of Joe S. Miller. It was ordered posted. The sick list includes Al Latto, W. C. Deneke, Tom Vollmer and Marsh-oll L. Croop. The last appreciation with

all L. Green. The last named is much improved.

improved. Announcement of the death of Mrs. Louis Hoeckner, wife of a life mem-ber of the org, was made. Joe Coyle, Earl Shipley, Alvin Lewis and Sam Menchin are back after an absence. Jack Kaplan re-turned from a trip to Arizona and re-ports visiting Eddie Murphy. Callers at the rooms included Henry Thode, Frank McDermott, Jule B. Mahl, Harry Taylor, Ed Levinson, Sam Wilner, Harry Simonds, Rudy Singer and Orville (Whitey) Harris. Ladies' Auxiliary Ladies' Auxiliary

The regular meeting was held Thursday (25), with Mrs. Sam Gluskin, president, presiding. Other of-ficers on the rostrum were Margaret Filograsso, first vice-president; Lena Schlossberg, second vice-president; Carmelita Horan, treasurer, and Elsie Miller, secretary. Invocation was by Edith Streibich; chaplain pro-tem.

Eaith Streibich; chaplain pro-tem. Ida Chase, chairman of the sick and relief committee, is ill at her home, 4416 South Hermitage Avenue. Billie Wasserman is ill at her home. Delagarian Hoffman, past president, who was laid up with a finger infec-tion, is okay again. Edith Streibich, past president, who suffered a broken wrist a few weeks ago was welcomed past president, who suffered a broken wrist a few weeks ago, was welcomed back. Also attending the meeting was Lena Schlossberg, who has been on the sick list. Myrtle Hutt Beard writes from Fargo, N. D., that she is hospitalized there but will go on the road as soon as her health permits. Margaret Filograsso was given a

Margaret Filograsso was given a vote of thanks for the successful social. Hostess at the next meeting will be Leona Schlossberg.

Michigan Showmen's Association

3153 Cass Avenue, Detroit DETROIT, March 27.-The regular meeting was held Monday (22). On

meeting was held Monday (22). On the rostrum were Harry Stahl, presi-dent; Ben Morrison, first vice-presi-dent; Roscoe T. Wade, second vice-president; Nate Golden, third vice-president; Louis Rosenthal, treasurer; Bernhard Robbins, secretary, and Jack Dickstein, past president. Communications were read from Doc Rivers, Greater Tampa Show-men's Association; Harry Davis and Joe Pisara.

men's Association; Harry Davis and Joe Pisara. Secretary Robbins has his arm out of the sling. Doug Wade is ill in Women's Hospital. Harry Shapiro and Art Hill are ill at their homes. Hymie Stone, Leonard Goldstein and "Which Side Am I On" Brown are new faces seen around the club.

National **Showmen's Association** 154 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, March 27. — Vice-President Ross Manning presided over the regular meeting in the clubrooms the regular meeting in the clubrooms Wednesday (24), with an unusually large number of members in attend-ance. Other officers on the dais were Secretary Ralph Decker, Treasurer D. D. Simmons, Chaplain Fred C. Murray, Counselor Max Hofmann, Dr. Jacob Cohen and President Emer-itic Coorde A Hamid

itus George A. Hamid. Secretary Ralph Decker, chairman of the ways and means committee, made a special trip from the South to made a special trip from the South to get his group organized and set for action. After a spirited discussion, the committee decided to launch a fund-raising campaign, with numer-ous valuable prizes to be awarded. More details later More details later.

Well-attended meetings of the board of governors and of the by-laws com-mittee preceded the regular meeting. mittee preceded the regular meeting. Max Cohen made a special trip from Rochester, N. Y., to participate in the meeting of the by-laws committee at which considerable progress was made in preparing amendments to the by-laws. A number of show-wise attorneys are members of the group. Executive Secretary Walter K. Sib-lay was unable to attend the meetings

lev was unable to attend the meetings because he is still confined to his hotel. The next meeting will be held April 14, at which time it is probable that most of the projects launched this week will be well under way.

Mr. and Mrs. Rothstein

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rothstein have Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rothstein have returned from a three-months' trip to the West Coast. Recently returned from Miami are Edward Cohen, Orest Devany, George Regan, Victor Wein-berg, Jack Harris, David Brown and Max Miller. Among visitors to the club were Harry Krasnow, Jack Capria, D. D. Simmons, Morris Ba-talsky, Edward Rockefeller, Eli Gu-ralsky and Ben Hoff.

Letters were received from H. Col-lier, new member from South Wales,

lier, new member from South Wales. Great Britain; Lawrence Tamargo, of the Island Manor Shows; Jack Bir-mingham, of the Cole Bros.' Circus and George Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Finkel announce the marriage of their daughter, Flor-ence, to Leonard Levey, of Plainfield, N. J., May 9. The eligibility committee approved the following applicants: Abraham Rosenfield, Thomas Hirsch and Frank Carlton, proposed by David E. Brown; and James P. Connors, by Joe Prell. Frank Rappaport was the first to pledge generous contributions to both veterans and jamboree funds.

pledge generous contributions to both veterans and jamboree funds. A barn dance held in the club-rooms last Saturday (20) night was well attended, with the largest turn-out by members of the ladies' auxil-iary. The door prize was won by Mrs. Ross Manning. Among those on the entertainment program were Recca Rousseau, of the ladies' auxiliary, who sang several vocal numbers, and en-tertainers from the Bamboo Inn.

Dance Attended

Women's Hospital. Harry Shapiro and Art Hill are ill at their homes. Hymie Stone, Leonard Goldstein and "Which Side Am I On" Brown are new faces seen around the club. Ladies' Auxiliary
 The following were on the rostrum at the regular meeting: Bernice Stahl, president; Dot Miller, first vice-president; Peggy Cohen, second vice-president; Dorothy Gold, treasurer, and Belle Powers, secretary. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gross are recent parents.
 The raffle, held after the meeting, was won by Ann Borker and Marion Dickstein.
 Communications were read from Dorothy Gould and Johanna Rittley
 Dance Attended Among those attending the dance were Auxiliary President Queenie Van Vliet, Past-President Anna Hal-pin, Mr. and Mrs. Rothman, Dr. and Mrs. E Eichel, Margie Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lichter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stern and daughter, Myra; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Elkins, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wallerstein, Mr. and Mrs. Koss Manning, Mabel Schoonmaker, Morris Spitkoff, Sam Walker, Red Goldberg, Sid Rifkin, Charles Zucker, Edward Cohen, Magnolia Hamid, Babe Harris, Daniel Schmair, Willie Lish, Sidney Goodwalt, Jack Capria, Helen Zack, Mimi Hecker, Robert (See NSA on page 67)



Pacific Coast Showmen's Association 1235 S. Hope Street, Los Angeles 15

LOS ANGELES, March 27.—Vice-President Joe Krug conducted the Monday (22) session with Chaplain Jack Hughes, Secretary Ed Mann. Treasurer Al Weber and Robert K. Parker, a guest who spoke briefly, also on the rostrum. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Maurice (Doc) Cham-berlain, old-time showman, who died March 7. (Details in Final Curtain.) Chairman Krug discharged Chair-man Joe Mead and his Orange Show LOS ANGELES, March 27 .--- Vice-

man Joe Mead and his Orange Show entertainment committee from fur-ther duty. Committee was congratuther duty. Committee was congratu-lated for its fine work in making the outing a success. Orville N. Crafts, owner of Crafts 20 Big Shows, who played host to the club Tuesday (16) with an outing and lunch at the Orange Show midway, was given a rising vote of thanks. Ladies' Auxiliary invited the men

Ladies' Auxiliary invited the men to participate in an informal luncheon following the business meeting. It was announced that, effective April 1, the board of governors will meet only on the first and third Mondays of each month during the spring and summer. Drawing was won by Jack

Ladies' Auxiliary

President Madge Buckley presided at the Monday (22) meeting. Marie Bailey, president of the Regular Asso-ciated Troupers; Ruby Kirkendall, Vivian Horton and Vivian Gorman also sat on the restrum also sat on the rostrum.

also sat on the rostrum. Back after an absence due to illness was Maybelle Bennett. Jennie Regal also was welcomed. Introduced was Bernice Allton, a new member. President Buckley introduced her guest, Mrs. Zoe Wich. Letters were read from Betty G. Coe and Mrs. Etta Henderson

Henderson. Blossom Robinson, who is on the sick list, was reported coming along fine. Called on for short talks were Marie Bailey, Maybelle Bennett, Ruby Kirkendall, Vivian Horton and Vivian

Door prizes, donated by Harriett Door prizes, donated by Harriett Munger and Martha Reiley, were won by Minnie Fisher and Ethel Krug. The bank award went to Minnie Fisher, who donated \$3 to the sick and relief fund.

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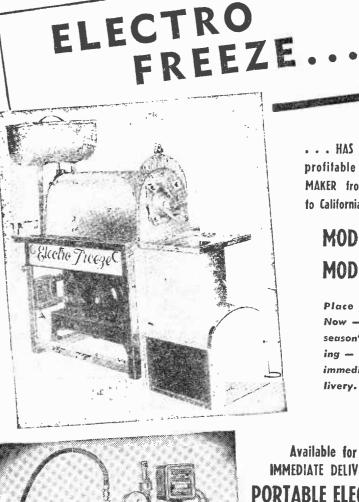
Ladies Auxiliary

President Louise Endy presided over the March 18 meeting, last of the season. Also on the rostrum were Vice-President Hilda Roman, who as-

Vice-President Hilda Roman, who as-sumed the secretarial duties of Lois Hanson, who was absent; Second Vice-President Martha Weiss and Treasurer Mae Levine. Doris Kimerer gave the invocation in the absence of Edna Lockhart, chaplain, and correspondence was read from Tangee Caserta, Harry Mattisoff, Merl Deemer, past presi-dent Raynell Golden and Lois Han-son

Dorothy Packtman Goldberg and Edna Lasures, past presidents of the National Showmen's Association aux-iliary, were guests on the dais. Each gave brief talks. Members attend-ing included Kate Bennett, Ann Staughton, Jessie Brady, Mary Sachs, Mrs. Weingard and Elizabeth Mur-phy. Mrs. Eleanor McGonigle, mother of Carin Glass, was a guest. Mem-bership applications have been re-ceived from Inez O'Mara, May Rosa, Margaret Hesch and Alfreda Phillips. Relief chairman Elsa Bryant re-Dorothy Packtman Goldberg and

Relief chairman Elsa Bryant re-ported Billy Palitz out of the hospital. Sue Walters remains confined in her home. Flowers were sent to Ruth Soules in Shreveport. Her father died last week. Francis Deemer thanked members for flowers sent her buchend who is in Jackson Memorial husband, who is in Jackson Memorial



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San Francisco SAN FRANCISCO, March 27 .--- The regular meeting was held Monday (15), with Vice-President Fred Weid-mann presiding. Past President Harry

Show Folks of America

G. Seber was invited to sit on the G. Seber was invited to sit on the rostrum. The St. Patrick's Day dinner and entertainment was held Monday (22). A corned beef and cabbage dinner was served. Following the dinner, Irish minstrels entertained. Harry Seber, reporting for the cemetery committee, said the club so far this year has paid out over \$1,000 for funerals.

for funerals.

Membership voted to award a gold honorary membership card to Sam Miller.

Miller. Guests and members introduced in-cluded Mrs. Margaret McCloskey, of the McCloskey Shows; Charles Wal-pert, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Butler, Glenn and Helen Artz, Eddie Harris, Betty Monette, Joe Hart, Polish and Rose Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Jani Ballan; Mr. and Mrs. John McKinnon, who do-nated \$10 to the cemetery fund; Joan Gordon, Mrs. Gertrude Kilgore, Mar-dell May, Louis Feuchter and Billie Dunn.

Dunn. Charles Fagin won the pot of gold, which amounted to \$20.

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LOS ANGELES, March 27 .- Presi-LOS ANGELES, March 27.—Presi-dent Marie Bailey presided at the Thursday (18) session. Lights were extinguished during a moment of silence in respect to the late Dr. Maurice F. Chamberlain. Letters were read from Emily Frei-denheim, en route to Chicago, and June Gilligan, of Visalia, Calif. Sunshine Jackson, chairman of the

Sunshine Jackson, chairman of the sick committee, reported that Martha Levine is much improved and that Harry Howard is still a patient in the sanitarium.

President Madge Buckley, of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Pacific Coast Show-men's Association, was a guest at the meeting.

Co-hostesses at the Easter party were Marie Bailey, Inez Allton and Helen B. Smith. Lucille King, chair-man of the house committee, assisted.

NSA

NSA (Continued from page 64) Devaney, Mary O'Neil, Sam and Irv-ing Berg, Charles Davenport, Justin Van Vliet and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Falk, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rosen, Joie Joseph, Fred Murray, Harry Kaplan, Charles Smith, Henry Kauf-man, Bibs Malang, Bucky Allen, Jack Alfred, John Cavanaugh, Jack Owens, Sam Stillman, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Weinberg and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Agule and family. Ladies' Auxiliary At Wednesday (24) night's meeting

Agule and family. Ladies' Auxiliary At Wednesday (24) night's meeting President Queenie Van Vliet wel-comed back Anna Halpin, Lillian El-kins and Dorothy Packtman on their return from Florida. The group brought back greetings from Irene Moore, Kate Benet, Louise Endy, Jessie Brady and Eva Daniels. Bess Hamid and Rae Gruberg were also greeted. New member, Recca Rous-seau, whose singing scored a hit at the NSA barn dance, and Ethel Wil-son Ortelli, proposed by Fay Gold-man, were introduced. Sidone Silver sends her love to all from California. Evelyn Buck wrote expressing regret at her inability to attend the recent secret pal party. Theresa Janpol turned in a tidy sum from the proceeds of this party to the Midge Cohen fund. Gladys Shelley Rosenthal, who was at the Lenox Hill Hospital, is now at home. Best wishes for a speedy recovery. Bess Hamid donated the bronze plaque in memory of our departed members. Plaque will be installed with fitting ceremony in the fall. Don't forget the past president's party, honoring Queenie Van Vliet, April 1, in the NSA clubrooms. Send news items to Fredi Coleman.



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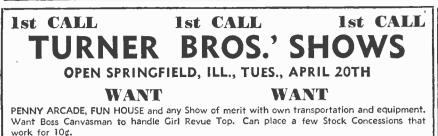


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ing for a suitable trailer. Recent visitors have included Leo Ctibor, Charles Carroll, Veterans United; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wolf, Wolf's Greater; Curly Walters and Lance Stipe and son. William Schma-lowski had concessions at the St. Paul Shrine Circus. Mrs. Happy Hooper, who has been

ill in Englewood, Fla., is up and around again. The Hoopers are ex-pected in quarters soon.—DOROTHY PICKERING.

Cunningham's Expo

NEW MATAMORAS, O., March 27. —Owner John F. Cunningham plans to open the shows the latter part of April. He is contacting committees April. He is contacting committees and making good-will tours in Ohio and West Virginia. Frank Burkett, scenic artist, is touching up equip-ment, and Reese Doan is getting roll-

ment, and Reese Doan is getting roll-ing equipment in shape. New canvas has been bought from the Anchor Supply Company. A new Octopus, Dodge tractor and semi were purchased recently. Org will have five rides, shows and a number of concessions. Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Lilly, Joe Humphrey and Paul Smith will return soon from a Florida vacation. —DOROTHY TILTON.

Bill's Rides

ADEL, Ga., March 27. — Work is moving at a fast pace. The Funhouse is getting a face-lifting and show fronts are getting a paint job and new banners.

new banners. Recent visitors included Mrs. B. M. Scott, Sam Housner, Taylor Trout, A. P. Hennant, K. G. Barkoot, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stevens, Earl Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stoffal, Danny Ryan, Jim McCall and W. E. Franks. Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Borup are on a booking trip in Kentucky. Recent arrivals are Mildred Wilkerson and Daisy Nabor. Opening is set for April 3.

George Clyde Smith

SOUTH CUMBERLAND, Md., March 27.—Clarence E. Seitz, elec-trician and *The Billboard* agent, has arrived to supervise the crew of painters and repairmen. Operator Smith has added two rides, making 30 the show will carry in addition to 20 concessions five shows and a free 30 the show will carry in addition to 30 concessions, five shows and a free act. Show will tour Western Penn-sylvania and Southern fairs. Jimmy Fay is getting the side show in shape. Clyde Starr is working on the Ferris Wheel and J. B. Hanley is preparing his concessions. — CLARENCE E. SEITZ.

Ohio Valley

FINDLAY, O., March 27. — Work in quarters has hit a fast tempo and everything will be ready for the org's opening April 24. Bob Harris, super-intendent of rides and equipment, returned with the Merry-Go-Round which was purchased by Owner Roxie Harris on a recent trip south. Trucks and trailers will be painted orange and blue.

I. K. Wallace

PHILADELPHIA, March 27. — Quarters on fairgrounds at Chester-field Court House, Va., will open about April 1, with Dick Palmateer in charge. Org will open April 24 near Richmond, Va., and play fairs and celebrations in that State, Penn-sylvania and New York. Rides will be painted and motors and trucks overhauled.

I. K. Wallace and Palmateer are framing a bingo. A new top has been ordered from Anchor Supply Com-

adged. Sassman and Zoe win nave the cookhouse; Mrs. Palmateer, candy apples and popcorn; W. J. Borland, 1 concession; Steve Miller, 3; S. Ran-ko, 2; Mrs. Wallace, 2, and the Mack-res, 8. The last named also rebuilt their cound system their sound system.

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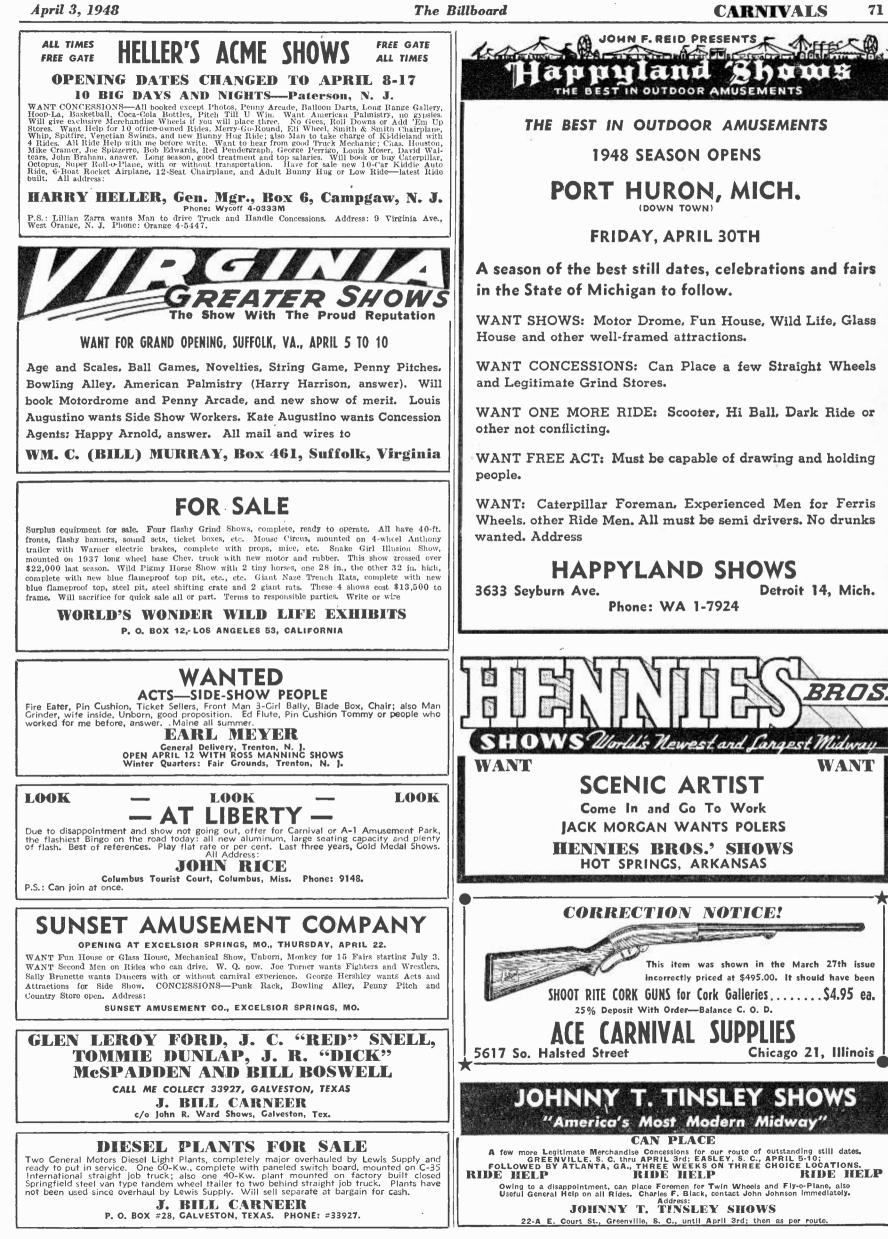
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Stotts Elected President

Of Indiana Old Settlers ODON, Ind., March 27. — C. J. Stotts, editor and publisher of The Odon Journal, has been named presi-dent of the 63d Annual Old Settlers' Celebration, scheduled here August 19-21. Roscoe Smith, Odon business man, is treasurer, and H. O. Marshall,

veteran fair secretary, again will have charge of concession privileges. Extensive repairs will be made on Old Settlers Park as soon as weather permits. These will include the painting of buildings and the laying out and surfacing of new parking areas. For the first time, free acts will be used this year. All rides and a number of concessions have been inked.

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Las Vegas Helldorado

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Caro, Mich., Legion Cele

CARO, Mich., March 27.—Caro American Legion will this year spon-sor a July 4 celebration. Plans call for a three-day event, July 3-5. The Tuscola County fair board has granted the Legion permission to use the Caro fairgrounds.

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(Continued from page 50) with the original John Robwere inson Circus, have been residents of Dover, Del., for the past 40 years. They are still interested in the circus and proud of their collection of oldtime programs.

Following a three-month engagement with the E. K. Fernandez Cir-cus in the Hawaiian Islands, the Flying LaForms returned to the States March 27. Troupe added a double trapeze and web act to its routine during the Hawaii dates.

Bev Kelley, public relations direc-tor for Dailey Bros., announces that he has associated himself with Bill Johnson, New York director and stage manager, and Robert Boda, manager of the Hartman Theater, Columbus, O., in the formation of a new company to present a season of famous plays, with an all-profes-sional company, in Columbus and other cities.

After appearing in vaude and night clubs for several years, Carmen Gon-zales returns to the circus with her partner-husband, Alfred Miller, as

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Carmen and Miller in a knockabout routine with Dailey Bros.' Circus. Miller had been in the armed forces.

An old town moron has found a way to tell if the annex dancers are wearing opera lengths-there are no mosquito bites on silk.

(Deacon) Albright again will E. handle the steam calliope on King Bros.' Circus in 1948 marking his 46th Bros. Circus in 1948 marking his 46th season on the road and his fifth with Floyd King. The Deacon will handle the steam calliope which he recently rebuilt, while Buddie Geiss will play the air calliope with the band.

Clarence L. (Doc) Rivers and wife, Blanche M. Palmer, who present a liquid air show, recently received a letter of appreciation from Pope Pius XII for their work with the blind, deaf-blind and mutes, according to an article in *The Hawaii Times* of March 10

Meens & Ward, New York animal dealers, and Mr. Mallory, of the Membeing respectively. The management of the Mem-phis Zoo and former wild animal trainer, were guests of Dick Clemens at the Hamid-Morton Circus per-formances in Memphis. Clemens also spent much time visiting the Memphis Zoo.

Penny Millette, currently touring Cuba with the Santos & Artigas Circus, will again do a high-pole free act during the coming U. S. season. She opens at Pontchartrain Beach, New Orleans, for a two-week date. Ira Millette will again be with the Ringling show.

There have been men who have saved more people from disaster than have many well-known herces, but they're called angels.

Among those attending the wed-Among those attending the wed-ding March 18 in Detroit, of Johanna Burkhardt Rittely and Charlie E. Webb, were Mr. and Mrs. Millard Haskins, Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Lewiston, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Karsh, Mrs. Sadie Schwartz. Mrs. Inez Miller; Harry Rittely, son of the bride; Eli Jaffe and H. F. Reves, of The Billbacard; Detroit offeo The Billboard's Detroit office.

Then there was the early-day, two-car circus that played the same towns year after year under different titles. However, the titles didn't fool the natives because they recognized the ponies in the parade and called them by their names.

LOS ANGELES NOTES: Recent dates of Bailey Bros.' Circus in this dates of Bailey Bros.' Circus in this area and the anticipated arrival of the Beatty show for an 11-night, 10-day stand at Washington and Hill streets, have local circus fans and showfolk busy, since two shows in the early spring are a novelty here. Among visitors at Bailey Bros,' Ingle-wood data ware Limmy and Puby wood date were Jimmy and Ruby Wood, Stella and Bill Hamilton, Walt Matthie, George Perkins, Phil Bailey, Hugh McGill, Allan Wood, Harry Quillen, Walter L. Main, Clyde Stew-art and Billy Hoffman. Main helped usher. Laura Anderson and Frank Ellis are doing a big concession bus-

Darling Heads SGA South Wales Branch

SYDNEY, March 27.—At the annual meeting of the Showman's Guild of Australia (SGA), New South Wales branch, Morrie Darling was re-elected president and W. Howard and Les Sherman vice-presidents.

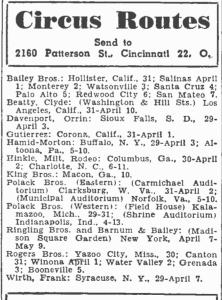
It was decided to support the move for a federal body to unite the guilds in all States. At present the SGA branches are separate entities in each of the States, working independently, and one of the peeves of showmen is that when they visit another State they are often called upon for an additional fee to the local Showman's Guild before they can do business.

Will Enlarge With Park Pool for "Follies"

MINNEAPOLIS, March 27.—Theo-dore Wirth Park Pool here will be enlarged this year to enable Aqua Follies, part of the Minneapolis Aquatennial Summer Festival, to have more stage space, the Aquatennial Association Board of Directors an-nounced. Aqua Follies is run by Al Sheehan and Lyle Wright, who pay the aquatennial association a percentage.

Board members also announced plans for two Sunday water shows at Lake Calhoun during the summer fete. Bert Baston, general festival chairman, named four division chair-men. They are Davis Silverman, *Minneapolis Star* managing editor, public relations; Carl Bremicker, ways and means division; Lyman Wake-field Jr., special events, and William G. MacPhail Jr., free events program G. MacPhail Jr., free events program.

iness. This is their third year with the Bailey org. Mrs. Anderson has sold her three elephants and six-horse Liberty act and other animals. Now all she has to do is pack the concession equipment away when the circus season closes and from now on she'll have no apprent to face of concession equipment away when the circus season closes and from now on she'll have no animals to feed all winter. Jimmy Wood has a long string of merchant dates to play around Los Angeles, the first being at Morningside Park. Jimmy sup-plies merchants with his big top, booths and ride equipment for midways on special sale days.



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Ice Capades: Chicago, Ill., 29-April 1; Kansas City, Mo., 2-9.
Pan-American Museum & Animal Exhibit: Columbus, Miss., 31-April 1; Aberdeen 2-3; Corinth 5-6; Henderson, Tenn., 7; Jackson 8-10.

Skating Vanities (Auditorium) Flint, Mich., 31-April 4.



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Midway of Mirth: Sparta, Ill.; Murphysboro 5-10.
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Prell's Broadway: Fayetteville, N. C.
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Raftery, James M.: Whiteville, N. C.; Goldsboro 5-10.
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Tassell, Sam: Lakewood, N. J., 5-10.
Tidwell, T. J.: Sweetwater, Tex.; Seminole 5-10.
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The Billboard

(Continued from page 45) "\$15 per week and pay your own," Gus booked himself into Midwest Gus variety houses for a period, after which he joined up with the Sells-Foley Circus, where he soon became treasurer and general manager, in adtreasurer and general manager, in ad-dition to his duties as featured juggler. After a season with Sells-Foley, Gus and his brothers organized the Sun Bros.' Great United Shows and Trained Animal Exhibition, which consisted of a 50-foot round top; a lean, sad-faced camel, and such equipment as could be bought for \$250, their pooled capital. With Gus and George featured in their juggling and George featured in their juggling and devise the sun Bros.⁴ circus prospered and grew until it could advertise itself as "The Largest Wagon Show on Earth!" and "The Largest, Richest and Best 25-Cent Show on Earth!"

"America's Greatest"

"America's Greatest" When the circus moved into the barn for the winter, Gus trouped the vaude houses and with med shows, billing himself under a variety of names as "America's Greatest Juggler and Equilibrist." In 1898 Gus sold his interest in the circus to his broth-ers, George and Pete, and organized the Gus Sun American Minstrels. It proved a highly profitable venture proved a highly profitable venture and might have continued on indefinitely hadn't Gus happened into Sac-ramento, Calif., and found a theater operator packing 'em in with dime vaudeville. Vaude, even then, was an established American institution, Ben-jamin Franklin Keith opening in Boston in 1883 the first modern vaude house, but in 1904 vaude was available only in the larger cities and us-ually at \$1 or more top, which put it out of reach of millions of potential customers.

customers. During his travels, Sun had fa-miliarized himself with what little there was then to know about pic-tures, and he determined to combine them with cheap vaudeville. In 1904, Sun chose Springfield, O., a city of 40,000, for his experiment. Thus, his Sun chose Springfield, O., a city of 40,000, for his experiment. Thus, his Orpheum Theater, opened in October, 44 years ago, was one of the first "family theaters" in the country. It was a theater in name only, for the experimenting Gus, unwilling to sink too much cash in so uncertain a ven-ture rested a small storeroom across ture, rented a small storeroom, across the back of which he nailed some boards on a carpenter's horses to form a stage. The red calico curtain was operated with a stout cord, and the seats were 114 kitchen chairs, rented, of course. Despite Gus's caution and apprehension, the venture panned out a huge success, and only five years later Gus Sun purchased for \$100,000 in cash the building in which his first "theater" had been located. A year later Sun opened a second house, and in reprid guegasion theaters in 10 in rapid succession theaters in 10 other cities, in all of which the combo **show at a quarter** tops packed them

in. But with his expansion, Sun soon

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found it impossible to secure enough acts. He had been picking them up from among his circus, minstrel and med show friends, but the supply soon became too limited. Then, too, other theater managers were becoming interested in the vaude-film combo idea, with the result that at a din-ner meeting in Hamilton, O., in 1906, ner meeting in Hamilton, O., in 1906, there was created the Gus Sun Book-ing Agency. More than 100 theater operators in smaller cities thruout the Midwest quickly signed agree-ments to play 25-cent vaudeville if the acts could be provided, and the business soon grew to a dominant position in the amusement field.

Sun Burns Biggies

It was not to be expected, of course, It was not to be expected, of course, that the big-time, vaude magnates would let Gus Sun walk away with profitable bookings without a battle, and a battle royal it was for nearly 20 years. A partial truce was staged for six years from 1914, when Keith and Sun had a working agreement, but this was terminated abruntly in but this was terminated abruptly the bitter post-war struggle to con-trol bookings into the huge new houses springing up in all the larger cities from coast to coast.

But the sagacious Gus had one im-portant advantage in this battle of giants. His small-time circuit was close-knit and compact, even tho it extended across the country. Jumps were short and inexpensive and other were short and inexpensive and other costs generally less in the smaller cities than in those where the big-time houses were operated. These factors, combined with possibilities for steady work, attracted many big names to the Sun Circuit, and this influx in talent in turn attracted scores of independent theater opera-tors to the Sun Circuit tors to the Sun Circuit.

It was during this period that Sun developed the split-week and the tab developed the split-week and the tab show idea, both of which soon became theatrical institutions. The tab show bookings soon became as flourishing as the vaude venture, and from 1918 to 1930 houses playing Sun tabs cov-ered the Midwest, East and part of South like a blanket. In 1926, 125 tab units were operating over the Sun line. As early as 1910, the Sun office was booking fairs and amuse-ment parks, and at the present time more than 200 parks and fairs in a score of States are on the Sun books. While Gus Sun continues as head

score of States are on the Sun books. While Gus Sun continues as head of the Gus Sun Booking Agency, the actual general managership is in the capable hands of the faithful and popular Bob Shaw, who has held the manager post since 1930. Assisting Shaw is Gus Sun Jr., who has gained a thoro schooling in the art of book-ing from Shaw since joining the Sun staff back in 1934. after putting in a staff back in 1934, after putting in a season on the Ringling-Barnum circus.

He Cookes, Too

Altho Gus Sun still remains active in the business, he has in recent years never permitted business to interfere with pleasure. At 80, Sun is still keen, alert and straight as an arrow on a six-foot-two frame, and he can on a six-foot-two frame, and he can still offer the younger blades tough competition with the gun or rod and reel, and much of his time is spent fishing in Florida and hunting in Canada. His extra-special hobby, however, is cheffing, and there's nothing he likes better than to invite nothing he likes better than to invite in a group of friends and then show off his culinary dexterity by whipping up a dish fit for a king. And as one who has partaken frequently of Gus's hospitality along those lines, let it be said that he's a terrific showman in that department, too.

That's the story, in brief, of Gus (The Great) Sun, a grand sport, an outstanding showman and a true friend.

STATE OF TAXABLE

Is Approved; **R-B Set for N.Y.**

(Continued from page 45) plate extending the ban to cover trains on oil-burning railroads. A tieup suffered by the Clyde Beatty show in Tucson, Ariz., was a result of a misinterpretation of the ban by a railroad rather than an ODT order, it was said.

Ringling Route Clear

Under present plans, R-B cars will be attached to a regular freight train as far as Washington, according to Melvin Hildreth, Washington representative for Ringling-Barnum. The rest of the trip to New York, he said, is over an electrified line where the ban does not apply. On the Sarasota-Washington portion of the journey, Ringling personnel will use the regular passenger trains. Ringling representatives said once the circus is in New York it will be free from effects of the coal walk-out for the next 90 days as the show's route for that time is over electrified railroad lines.

Hikes Cost

Ringling's plan involves a heavy additional expenditure, it was stated, since shipping the show as freight involves the usual fixed charges which are much higher than the expense of running a special train. However, Ringling legalists said failure of the circus to open in New York on schedule would "cost over \$1,000,000."

Prior to ODT's approval of the freight proposal, Senator Spessard L. Holland (D., Fla.) conferred with high-ranking ODT officials to work out some arrangement whereby the Ringling circus could get out of Florida. Holland's activities on be-half of the circus were a result of a telegraphed appeal early this week from John and Henry Ringling North, show owners.

The Norths pointed out that failure of the circus to open would mean the loss of some \$500,000 in taxes to the federal government. The wire said further that millions of young Ameri-cans would be bitterly disappointed if the circus remained stranded

Expect Early Action

Appointment by President Truman of a three-man board of inquiry into the coal walkout indicated that the chief executive intends to invoke the Taft-Hartley Act in an attempt to force the miners back to work. After the board has completed its investi-gation, the President is empowered to direct the attorney general to seek an injunction in a U. S. court against the walkout the walkout.

While the fact-finding board was given until April 5 to make a report, it is expected that the work may be completed much earlier.



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The Billboard

Roller Interest Calif. ARSA Meet Up in St. Louis; **Promotions Pay**

ST. LOUIS, March 27. - Carl Trippe, operator of Ideal Roller Rink here and rinks in near-by West Lake and Chain of Rocks parks, reports evidence of increased interest in roller skating in the St. Louis area.

This, Trippe believes, is due to heavy emphasis on skate dance class work and other promotions he has developed. One of these is his policy of giving special prices for 10 or 20 skating lessons to Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. Trippe now is attempt-ing to devise a plan by which scouts would receive a chevron for their uniforms after taking a certain num-ber of roller lessons, as they do after receiving 20 lessons in ice skating here.

Ideal has reverted to the policy of awarding attendance prizes and also time games as London Bridge. Last Thanksgiving Day the rink gave away a turkey, and a live rabbit is to be given away at tomorrow's Easter session.

Plans have been made to open Ideal's park rinks Sunday, May 2, Trippe reported. The Chain of Rocks Rink is getting a new front of alumi-num sheet, and a skating club locker room is being built.

2 West Coast Ops Join Ranks of URO

MONTEREY, Calif., March 27.--Two rink owners, Tom De Forest, op-erator of Harbour Roller Rink, Costa Mesa, Calif., and Bert Lobberegt Jr., operator of Rollerland, Renton, Wash., have become members of the United Rink Operators, according to Paul J. Gilbert, manager of Del Monte Rollerdrome here.

De Forest has made plans to attend the California championships of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association, to be held May 8 and 9 in the Roller Palladium, Po-mona, Gilbert said.

Gilberts Look Over Pomona

MONTEREY, Calif., March 27.-Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Gilbert, opera-Skating Association, and to make ho-tel reservations for Del Monte skat-

Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Gilbert, opera-tors of Del Monte Rollerdrome here, returned recently from a business trip to Bill Black's Roller Palladium, Pomona, Calif. The Gilberts made the trip to look over the rink, site of the May California championships of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association and to make hoers who will participate in the con-tests. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thayer, who were visitors at Del Monte Rol-lerdrome March 17, indicated that they would enter skaters in the forth-coming Pomona meet, Gilbert said.

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MONTEREY, Calif., March 27.-California championships of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association are slated to be held May 8 and 9 in the Roller Palladium, Pomona, it was announced this week by Paul J. Gilbert, manager of Del Monte Rollerdrome here.

Set for May 8-9

Scheduled to appear in the novice dance and pairs skating divisions of the contests are Frankie Manning and Joe Hottinger Jr., of the Del Monte Skating Club. Miss Manning, a member of the club since Gilbert took over the Rollerdrome management in November, 1947, was recently granted bronze dance and low-test figure judgeships by the USARSA. Hot-tinger has been State figure champ since 1945 and at one time held the association's national titles in juve-nile figure and pairs skating.

30% Biz Boost For Peru Spot

PERU, Ind., March 27 .--Recent business at Russo's Skating Rink here has shown a 30 per cent increase, ac-cording to John Poyser, new manager, who believes that program of contests, old-fashioned quadrilles, races, farmer nights and a recent Easter egg hunt are responsible for the gain. The staff includes Emerson Mc-Dougle, floor manager, and Ray War-

ren, professional, who teaches Mon-day, Tuesday and Thursday classes

day, Tuesday and Thursday classes in international-style skating. Poyser also manages the Circus City Trojans, amateur hockey team, which he reports holds decisions over many teams in the State. Poyser is making attempts to book additional games for the Trojans.

Plans are now being made to install a cooling system in the rink for summer skating. A redecorating program, including installation of new lighting facilities, is under way.

Competition Finals Wind Up **Deuback Dallas Observance**

DALLAS, March 27.-Deuback's DALLAS, March 27.—Deuback's Skating Rink here closed its 11-night, 11th anniversary celebration March 14 with finals of graceful skating, two-step and waltz competitions coupled with a rink sweetheart con-test, reports Victor L. Deuback, busi-

ness manager. Winners of the graceful skating Winners of the graceful skating contest were Warren Vaughn and Patsy Ryan: two-step, Ramon and Roy Ann Wright, and waltzing, Ro-land Nelson and Bobby Joyce Fryer. The sweetheart contest, begun March 4, was won by Faye Echols, who was presented. with a jacket and four months' free skating. Melta Corley, runner-up, received a month's free skating. Each ticket sold during the celebration was good for one vote in the contest. Prizes were awarded nightly for games and elimination contests held during the period.

2G Rollery Fire in Jersey

NORTH BERGEN, N. J., March 27. -A short circuit in the basement of the roller rink at Columbia Park here, started a before-dawn fire March 20 that did estimated damage of \$2,000. The rink is operated in conjunction with a sports arena.

Herb Nixon Dies in St. John ST. JOHN, N. B., March 27.—Her-bert Nixon, 61, Canadian skating of-ficial and former roller rink instructor, died March 15 here after a short illness. In his youth he was active as a speed skater. Two sons survive.

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Denver's Skateland Bucks Trend With 13[%] Biz Gain

DENVER, March 27.—In a period of slumping business, Carl C. John-son, operator of Skateland here, reports an encouraging dollar gain of 13 per cent for January and February over the corresponding period of 1947.

Probably two of the more important factors responsible for this increase is Skateland's intensive promotion of party bookings and recent inauguration of a plan to produce dance skaters on a mass-production basis (The Billboard, March 13).

According to Johnson, it's a poor week if Skateland is not host to four or five parties, some of them by nationally known firms with large per-sonnel in Denver. Each party is ad-vertised by a large electric sign across the back of the rink.

Skateland's development of dancers is in charge of Ray and Lyn Lenty, professionals. On the job but a few weeks, they have already graduated over 100 from the Wednesday night beginners' class to the Tuesday night bronze dance group, and Johnson reports that all classes have shown spontaneous increases in attendance and results.

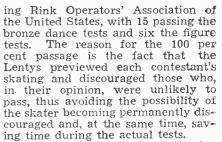
Sunday, March 14, 21 members of the Carl C. Johnson Roller Club took proficiency tests of the Roller Skat-

Benway & Callahan Form New Operation

WATSONVILLE, Calif., March 27. —Paul Benway, former amateur skater, has become the partner of Anthony Callahan in the operation of Maple Hall Rollér Rink, Irvington, Calif., and Park Pavillion Roller Rink, Irvington, Dos Palos, Calif., reports Paul J. Gil-bert, manager of Del Monte Rollerdrome, Monterey, Calif. Callahan, a member of the United

Rink Operators and operator of Civic Auditorium Rink here, has turned the management of the Auditorium rink over to his mother, Mrs. Cath-erine Callahan. He and Benway will direct the rinks at Irvington and Dos Palos.

St. John (N. B.) Figure Skating Association, revived in 1947, decided to promote roller skating during the spring, summer and fall at a rink converted from an army drill shed.



couraged and, at the same time, sav-ing time during the actual tests. Attendance at Sunday morning classes, from 10 to 1 p.m., have in-creased remarkably during the past month, said Johnson. The rink offers this class for 50 cents. It is open to a member of any skating club and offers a strenuous session, under the direction of the Lentys, of figure, free style and gold dance skating, broken up by only three 10-minute rest pe-riods. riods.



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in the contests, along with the racing team from Reading, Pa., said Ed-The latter has already chartered two buses in which to make the trip and is entering midget and juvenile skaters for the first time. A challenge trophy will be awarded the

team scoring the most points in the 10 open events. Entry fee for clubs is \$5. This money will be used to help pay for the team trophy and the gold, silver and bronze medals which will be and bronze medals which will be awarded first, second and third-place winners of each contest. The program is open to men and women skaters from midgets to seniors. More than 40 AOW skaters, all of whom will travel at their own expense, have already signed entry papers, said Edwards. The contests are expected to attract skaters from New

ELIZABETH, N. J., March 27.-Cherry Biossom Races, to be held April 17 by the America on Wheels

chain of rinks in its new National

Arena, Washington, are to be the first of annual competitions to be held by the AOW organization during blos-som time there, reports Jack Ed-

wards, AOW director of speed. All AOW clubs will be represented

Hawaiian Routine For Mineola Show

MINEOLA, L. I., N. Y., March 27.-Kea Loke, Hawaiian, who is affiliated with a dance studio in Hempstead, L. I., has been preparing a special Hawaiian number as a feature of the skating carnival to be presented April 5 and 6 by the Earl Van Horn Dance and Figure Skating Club of Mineola Roller Rink.

The number will spotlight Rita Lynch, accompanied by a Hawaiian musical trio, plus 30 girls of the club. In addition to two night performers club officials have decided to present a matinee performance for school children. All tickets for the after-noon show go for \$1, with no re-served seats.

served seats. Five bronze dance medalists have been added to the club roster. They are Ollie Belger, Jules Krasner, Au-drey Place, Ann Deaken and Ted Scholl. Judging was done by Bar-bara K. Gallagher, Willis Stuchel and Bill Brewer. Four Mineola skaters, June Hen-rich, Donald Mounce, Wilhelmina Stuchel and Charles Lowe, recently gave exhibitions at Rocky Springs Park, Lancaster, Pa. They were ac-companied by George Apdale, presi-dent of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association, who then continued on to Washington to be guest speaker at a meeting of the fig-ure skating club of National Arena. ure skating club of National Arena

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Norwood Sets Annual Show

NORWOOD, O., March 27.—Nor-wood Dance and Figure Club, of Ed J. Von Hagen's Norwood Roller Rink, will sponsor its annual show Wednesday (31) to raise funds to send con-testants to the national champion-ships of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association in National Arena, Washington, June 27-July 3. Last year the club sent 32 contestants out of its 370 members. Among those scheduled to take part in the show are Shirley Schneider and Ed Erd-man, roller hockey referee, who will demonstrate the Keats fox trot.

CINCINNATI, March 27.—"The main trouble with the operator who is crying about business is that he is sitting back on his oars and is doing nothing to counteract the slump that has been coming for the past several months, altho he still continues to scalp the meal tickets who keep his front door open," writes Harry J. Collins, of Collins Roller Rink, Imlay City, Mich.

eliminate these hazards by giving prizes at all our parties, and we are also advertising with a lot of posters and in newspapers," Collins con-tinues. "John and Lucy Shook are now teaching at our rink each Tues-day night from 9 to 11. Instead of the regular \$3 for this time, we charge \$1, thereby giving the skaters a break. We have also contacted schools, churches and lodges by letter and thru personal calls and have found that these contacts pay dividends.

"Another thing we would like to suggest is that rink owners get to-gether and do a little radio advertisgether and do a httle radio advertis-ing, as the average newspaper will not give much free space. On a re-cent visit to the offices of the Roller Rink Operators' Association of the United States we talked about this to Bob Martin against DEDA to Bob Martin, assistant RSROA sec-retary, who told us that the association is preparing a program along these lines for the future. However, we believe such a program is needed now.

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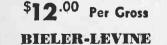
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JACK (BOTTLES) STOVER is currently looking 'em over in and around Charles Town, W. Va., home of the fast people and slow horses. Jack says the only type of sheet that can be peddled there is one that must contain something about horses. So, he's heading east.

We could never understand why little men resent suggestions while big men welcome them.

CHARLIE LYONS

worked egg dyes to good business at Kresge's downtown store in Milwau-kee during Easter Week.

BOB SCHUETTEN former pitcheroo and currently with Uncle Sam's navy, spent his Easter leave in Milwaukee.

Mental capacities aren't the only reason for success or failure in pitchdom. Mental attitudes play just as an important role.

BILL HOUGH .

and Goldie Goldberg have been working Price, Utah, to reported good business.

Now's the time to polish the tripes and keister for another season's outdoor grind. HOME SHOW

in the Auditorium, Milwaukee, proved a winner for all who made the event. Attendance was clocked at 100,000 for the eight-day run, which ended March 20, and spending was reported March 20, and spending was reported way above average for an affair of this type. Among the boys getting the geedus were the Vonn brothers, with their palm reading machine. They said it was a pleasant relief from some of the other shows they

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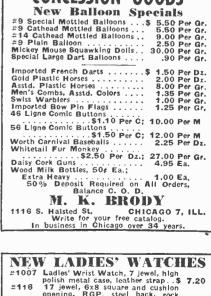
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Pipes for Pitchmen

did okay with their fudge counter on the main floor near the entrance to the Auditorium. Art Braver pitched fizz bottle caps. Jack Davis had his lice any for a state of the wishful thinkers. When time permits, I plan to write an article about the obstacles that confront demonstrators in chain slice-away food slicer going to big crowds each afternoon and night. Frank Gorman worked toys and novelties to the kiddie trade.

A pitchman can't be safely praised if he's not big enough to stand criticism.

Center.

KRUEGER

silhouette artist of Riverview Park, Chicago, worked to big crowds and good passouts at the recent Home Show in the Milwaukee Auditorium.

The lad who enters without knocking and leaves the same way has little difficulty playing repeat dates.

"I RECENTLY

read the article by my old friend, Sid Sidenberg, wherein he pointed out a few pertinent facts just why an organization for pitchmen can never be possible," scribes Tom Kennedy from South Bend, Ind. "Anyone who has been in the business for the past 10 years can understand and appreciate the facts Sid outlined. He cer-tainly minced no words and shattered

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confront demonstrators in chain stores and why a lot of these stores have been closed to pitchmen. I made my first pitch back in 1925 on a street corner in Boise, Idaho. For the past 12 years I have worked stores exclusively and could tell plenty about the mooches and some of the right mot they are the they are the they of the riff-raff that have crashed the stores in the past few years."

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BEN MEYERS ... the old horsebacker, comes thru with the following from Sheffield, Ala.: "Pitchmen of the road never worried about which State or city did not want them. What we pitchmen want to know is what is going on in all of the 48 States. Then we can be en-lightened as to the future intakes from the various spots reported on. There are the Johnny-Come-Latelys who are the Johnny-Come-Latelys who have the spirit of the future in their veins, and as people known as old-timers in the business don't live fortimers in the business don't live for-ever, who but these self-same JCL's will carry on the traditions of the pitch? We pitchmen of the road, when we have the gelt, pay the high license fees to show the city fathers and local merchants that we want recognition according to the Bill of Rights just the same as the bindle-stiff peddlers who own the depart-ment stores of today. Our only salva-tion is to stick together. We all want tion is to stick together. We all want to carry the spirit of big pay-offs with proper intakes so that we can be with proper intakes so that we can be recognized as real merchants who pay off. Keep posted with the Pipes column. We do not have time to ex-press beefs over the spots that don't welcome the pitchman. Sometimes even a bum steer leads to a good intake."

Some folks dream of being something, while the successful pitchman keeps awake and is somebody.

Fair Dates

(Continued from page 56) KENTUCKY

Irvine—Estill Co. Fair. Sept. 3-4. S. H. Rice. La Center—Ballard Co. Fair. June 21-25. R. F. Pace Jr. Lawrenceburg—American Legion Fair. July 20-24. Frank Martin. Lebanon—Marion Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 18-21.

Lebanon-Marion Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 10-21. R. L. Isaacs. Nicholasville-Jessamine Co. Lions Club Fair. Aug. 16-21. Harlan H. Veal. Russeli Springs-Russell Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 4-7 R. Felton Robertson. Scottsville-V. F. W. Allen Co. Fair Sept.

2-4. Warsaw-Gallatin Co. Farmers' Fair. Aug. 19-21. Audrey Spencer.

MARYLAND

La Plata-Charles Co. Fair. Sept. 29-Oct. 2. W. Mitchell Digges. Upper Marlboro-Southern Md. Fair. Oct. 11-16. John Win. Farrell, Fidelity Bldg., Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS Sterling-Sterling Farmers Club. Sept. 22. Chas. W. Wiles.

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Aurora-Hamilton Co. Fair. Aug. 30-Sept. 2.
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Central City-Merrick Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 23-25. Edward F. Feehan.
Crete-Saline Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 17-19. Morris C. Rhea.
Dunning-Blaine Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 9-11.
J. C. Glidden.

Minden-Kearney Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 26-28. Mervin Peterson. Nelson-Nuckolls Co. Fair. Aug. 31-Sept. 2. Wm. A. McHenry. NEW HAMPSHIRE

anaan-Mascoma Valley Fair Assn. Aug. 31-Sept. 2. Wm. A. Shepard.

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Dundee -Dundee Fair Assn. Sept. 21-24. Lewis

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H. B. Kelley.
Rhinebeck—Dutchess Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 31-Sept. 4. Lewis F. Winne.
Syracuse—New York State Fair. Sept. 13-18.

OKLAHOMA

Guthrie-Logan Co. Free Fair. Sept. 8-11. Herb Gallaway. Guthrie-Logan Co. Free Fair Assn. Sept. 20-22. Harold Casey.

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Jamestown—Pymatuning Community Fair Assn. Sept. 16-18. Joseph D. Ryburn.
Myerstown—Myerstown Community Fair Assn. Oct. 13-15. John R. Schermea.
Youngsville—Youngsville Community Fair Assn. Sept. 8-11. Russell F. Crippen.

RHODE ISLAND

Kingston-Rhode Island State Fair. Aug. 28-Sept. 6. James C. Muldowney.

TENNESSEE

Ashland City—Cheatham Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 30-Oct. 2. Brantley Smith. Carthage—Carthage Agrl. Assn. Aug. 11-14. Stanton Hunter.

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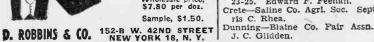
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MALCOLM OPTIMISTIC

MALCOLM OPTIMISTIC (Continued from page 46) will be Mac (Red) Carter, Smiley Daly, Roy Barrett, Whity Harris, George LaSalle and Jimmy Cogswell. Acts will include the Wallendas, high wire; the Ervings, teeterboard; Rietta-Vivian and Klonova, cloud swing and serpentine; Albert Oster-maier, high-school horses; Vallyetty Sisters, aerial anchor; 10 Karrells, unsupported ladders; Rietta Grote-fant, high sway pole; Three Knock-abouts, comedy tumblers; the Gun-thers, comedy acrobats; Kelly-Miller elephants, and Smiley Daly, comedy bicycle. bicycle.

PHILLY LOT HAZARD (Continued from page 46) I have no feeling against the circus. My only motive is the element of safety."

Application for a license was made Thursday (11). Altho aware that all circus tents

have been fireproofed, Gallagher pointed out that the lot would contain considerable inflammable animal fodder, such as hay and straw, which could easily be ignited by sparks from locomotives.

Waldo Tupper, the show's general agent, is due here next Monday (29). He has said that unless a site suitable to the fire marshal should be found, it might be necessary to skip Phil-adelphia. However, he added that he had a letter from a Philadelphian offering an alternative site. "He has

he had a letter from a Philadelphian offering an alternative site. "He has plenty of property and knows all about the trouble," Tupper said. The fire marshal's announcement was a particular blow to Sam Harris, of the Harris Novelty Company here. As an independent concessionaire, Harris said he had contracted for \$3,000 worth of space in the vicinity of the show grounds. The cash de-posits of half this amount were not returnable in the event that the cir-cus changed its stand, Harris said.

BUFFALO ADVANCE BIG (Continued from page 46) Evening News is sponsoring a contest to name the animal and has con-tributed space daily. The winner will be announced opening night.

Several acts, including Captain Clemens, who exhibited two lion cubs, attended the weekly Rotary Club luncheon. Rotarians enter-tained 50 crippled children at the event.

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JACK IN THE BARREL 5¢ Play, 2592 Hole	\$2.50 Net	WHOPPER WINNERS 200 Multi-6 Tickets. \$1.00 Play. Average Profit, \$81.44.	\$1.25 Net
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ICC Orders Rail Freight Shipments Cut 25 Per Cent

WASHINGTON, March 27. — A order to compensate for any delays new slash in railroad service was ordered Wednesday (24) by the In-terstate Commerce Commission (ICC) cerstate Commerce Commission (ICC) amounting to 25 per cent reduction in coal-burning freight service. The cut in freight shipments will be effective Tuesday (30) and continue thru April 30 unless the order is modified. Last week a similar railroad cut in pas-senger service was ordered by the Office of Defense Transportation (CDT) (ODT).

* How much this new reduction will affect coin machine shipments could not be determined immediately since some of the shipments are made by truck while still others travel via air freight. In all about 67 per cent of railroad freight shipments are carried by coal burners.

Coal Cars Exempt

According to the ICC order, the new cut in freight operations does not involve cars hauling coal and empty coal cars. Their movement will con-tinue without restriction. For other tinue without restriction. For other items a system of priorities will be set up with top rating going to the following: All foods necessary for human consumption, feed for animals and poultry, fuels, medicines and surgical supplies, printing ink, news-papers and nugazines and a few other covious essentials.

The nation was caught with only a The nation was caught with only a 29-day average supply above the ground when most of the miners walked out March 15. Since that time an unusual amount of freight has been shipped by firms presumably trying to get ahead on shipments in

City Council In Nashville **Eyes New Bill**

Covers All Coin Machines

NASHVILLE. March 27.—An ordi-nance to regulate amusement and vending machines here, backed by the city administration, passed first read-ing of the city council and was recom-mended to a seven-man committee.

The ordinance, drawn by the city's Lee ordinance, drawn by the city's legal department at direction of Mayor Tom Cummings, will establish a regulartory fee of \$2 annually for all amusement devices and conces-sions in which money is deposited, such as music machines, pinball games and cigarette and candy venders venders.

Local machine operators would not be quoted on their reaction to the proposed law, but admit it might have a strong effect on trade.

have a strong effect on trade. One member of the seven-man committee said he had asked for a copy of the bill and would study it thoroly before forming an opinion. He said he did not know if the bill would eventually pass. To become a law the bill must pass three read-ings of the city council. One phase of the bill would regu-late placing of machines, demanding

late placing of machines, demanding that they not be situated where peo-ple of "bad character patronize."

the railway express agency said cur-tailed operations were seriously af-fecting shipments to the West and Midwest.

Coin Taxes Drop

WASHINGTON, March 27.--February receipts from the coin machine tax were off \$45,798 from the previous February, Bureau of Internal Revenue reported this week. Collections amounted to \$274,461 as compared with \$320,260 in Febru-ary, 1947.

Oregon Ops Discuss Future Plans at Portland Meeting

PORTLAND, Ore., March 27 .---More than 60 operators from all parts of the State gathered here Tuesday (23) to attend a meeting of the Oregon Mechanical Amusement Associagon Mechanical Amusement Associa-tion, Inc. (OMAA) at the Heathman Hotel. The session was called to dis-cuss the course of action to be fol-lowed in the future by the associa-tion, and to heár Dudley Ruttenberg, director of the legal, taxation and public relations departments of the Coin Machine Industries, Inc. (CMI) speak on the legal problems confront-ing the industry today. Orin Campbell, head of the Tavern Owners' Association of Oregon, Inc.

(TOAO) also addressed the meeting, and outlined various ways in which the operators and the tavern owners could co-operate with one another. A dinner followed the business meet-

A dinner followed the business meet-ing. Officers of OMAA are: Curtis Fer-guson, Salem, president; Harry Arns-berg. Portland. vice-president, and Marshall McKey, Woodburn, secre-tary-treasurer. Association directors include Woody Morris. Medford: D. S. Whitman. Pendleton: George Dur-rand. Coos Bay, and William Goebel, Portland. Thomas Holman, Salem, is the full-time secretary, and Budge the full-time secretary, and Budge Wright, Portland, emseed the meeting and dinner.

Cleveland Ops Plan Campaign To Raise 25G For Cancer Fund

CLEVELAND, March 27.—A two-pronged drive, in which \$25,000 is ex-pected to be raised for the cancer fund, was unveiled here this week by Jack Cohen, president of the Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' Association (CPMA).

Association (CPMA). An all-star benefit show has been scheduled by the association for April 12-13 at the Music Hall, with the CPMA underwriting the cost. Sched-uled to appear are Carmen Caval-laro's orchestra; Dorothy Shay, Park Avenue Hillbilly, and Sugar Chile Robinson. Assisting Cohen on ar-rangements for the two-day show are Sanford Levine, chairman of the advertising committee, and Sam Abrams, CPMA's publicity director. Tickets for the benefit shows are being sold at \$1.80, \$2.40, \$3.60 and patron tickets at \$25. Entire proceeds

will be turned over to the cancer fund.

On April 14 the same performers will entertain music machine oper-ators at the annual Ohio State Phono-graph Owners' Association (OSPOA) convention which will be held at the Uselender Hotel here. Show will be Hollenden Hotel here. Show will be held as a part of the association's annual banquet, and, according to Cohen, who is chairman of the ban-quet committee, all funds raised from the affair will also be donated to the caucer fund

the attain will also be donated to the cancer fund. Reservations for the banquet are \$10 each, and, as in the past years, a convention year book will be pub-lished. With the proceeds from the affair, as well as the benefit shows on the two previous days, Cohen ex-pects to be able to turn over at least \$25,000 to the cancer fund \$25,000 to the cancer fund.

Foresee Heavy Tourist Play In Wisconsin

Celebrate Centennial

MILWAUKEE, March 27.—A major vacation area for Midwesterners in normal years, Wisconsin this year is expected to attract thousands of addiexpected to attract thousands of addi-tional tourists from the United States as a result of the State's 100th birth-day as a member of the Union. The celebrations will start May 29, the actual date of Wisconsin's admission to statehood, and will continue thru the summer, with a special 23-day exposition scheduled to start August 7 and continue thru August 20 Ap and continue thru August 29. Ap-proximately \$3,000,000 will be spent on the exposition, and more than 1,500,000 visitors are expected to attend. It will be held at State Fair Park, West Allis, which is a few miles from this city.

With operators of music, vending and amusement equipment in the State anticipating an excellent sum-mer due to the heavy promotion to be given the centennial celebration, those in specific tourist areas are certain to in specific tourist areas are certain to get heavier plays thruout the sum-mer. These areas include Door County, on Green Bay; the Indian Head Country in the northwest part of the State; the Heart o' Lakes region, which covers Eagle River, Rhine-lander, Lac Du Flambeau and Mani-towish; New Glarus, the Apostle Islands, Copper Falls, Rib Mountain, Durward's Glen and Kickapoo Valley.

Replacing the annual nine-day State fair, the Centennial Exposition will be represented by every section of the State and the various periods that it has passed thru in its 100 years of statebood Outdoor activities and that it has passed thru in its 100 years of statehood. Outdoor activities and industries will be exhibited by the Wisconsin Conservation Department. Various kinds of fish and wild game and a replica of one of Wisconsin's many logging camps also will be displayed. Professional entertainment, out out how were resided for acting car and harness racing, log rolling and canoe tipping contests will be among the events to be featured thru-out the 23-day period.

for both retailers and wholesalers to sell cigarettes at less than cost and makes them liable to fines of not more than \$500. Under this bill, the retailer is required to add 8 per cent to the inventory cigarette cost plus retailer is required to add 8 per cent to the inventory cigarette cost plus the wholesaler's mark-up, while the wholesaler must add $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent to the inventory cost of cigarettes plus cartage to the retail outlet which is held to three-fourths of one per cent of the basic cost to the wholesaler.

New Jersey Solons Likely To Propose Lower Cig Levy

TRENTON, N. J.. March 27.—It is now generally cenceded in local legis-lative circles that this State will have a two-cent per pack cigarette levy and possibly an unfair practices act within the next few weeks. Origin-ally, a three-cent tax was proposed but at a hearing of the New Jersey Tax Committee last week, it was pointed out that the higher levy would work an undue hardship on vending machine operators (*The Bill-board*, March 27). In commenting on the change in opinion among State solons regarding

opinion among State solons regarding the cigarette levy, New Jersey cig-arette jobbers said that they believed

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the interest shown by the State's cigarette vender operators during the special hearings on the proposed cigarette vender operators during the special hearings on the proposed three-cent tax in all probability had won many lawmakers over to the lower levy. At the same time, to-bacco men who have "checked the progress of the cigarette tax bill are convinced that the present New Jer-sey legislature will soon pass an unfair cigarette sales act, which would serve as a protection to re-tailers and wholesalers against loss leader and other so-called price war tactics. tactics.

Assembly Bill 33, also known as the Mehorter Bill, makes it illegal

Mayor of the Town

PORTLAND, Ore., March 27. -Dudley Ruttenberg, head of Coin Machine Industries (CMI) legal bureau, who was the fea-tured speaker at the meeting of the Oregon Mechanical Amusement Association, Inc., here this week, reported that during the get-together a new member had been signed for CMI. He is Royal B. Rands, an amusement machine operator in anusement machine operator in Boardman. Incidently, Rands, is also the mayor of his hometown.

The Billboard

VENDING MACHINES

IATD Show To Feature Venders

O. K. Bill That Might Raise Candy Prices

Could Curb Almond Output

WASHINGTON, March 27.-A bill to place walnuts, almonds, filberts and citrus fruits under federal mar-keting agreements is expected to pass the Senate in the next few weeks after being favorably reported by the Senate Agriculture Committee this week. Such

Such agreements, according to Agriculture Department experts, are almost certain to raise the price of the commodities to candynakers and other consumers. Marketing agree-ments provide for limitation of production and regulation of the grades of commodities affected.

DuGrenier Plant Bought Back by **Original Owners**

HAVERHILL, Mass., March 27.-Early re-entry of DuGrenier venders Early re-entry of DuGrenier venders into the automatic merchandising market on a sound financial basis was foreseen this week with the an-nouncement that the company's phy-sical assets have been purchased by Francis C. DuGrenier and Blanche Bouchard, closely associated with the firm until it was sold to AMI, Inc., in October, 1945. The firm has been in bankruptcy since January of this year (The Billboard, January 17), after proceedings for corporate re-organization failed. organization failed.

Production failed. Production in the company's plant here will not begin, the new owners stated, until a survey to determine the types of machines most in demand in the present market is completed. This may take several months.

This may take several months. It was learned that the policies and standards of production to be fol-lowed by DuGrenier and Miss Bouch-ard will closely parallel those in effect before the sale to AMI. A new cor-poration is being set up to operate (See DuGreiner Plant, page 100)

Cocoa Wholesale Price Increases As Imports Lag

WASHINGTON, March 27 .- With imports of cocoa falling off in Janu-ary to some 25,000 tons, the average wholesale price rose a fraction of a cent, Commerce Department reported this week.

Average January price on the New York Cocoa Exchange, said Com-merce, was 43.6 cents per pound as compared with an even 43 cents in December. The January price, how-ever, was still under the record 51

ever, was still under the record 51 cents rung up in November. Cocoa imports in January were 5,000 tons below December but about twice the approximately 12,000 tons imported in December, Commerce statistics showed.

Who's on First?

NEW YORK, March 27.—A British chocolate manufacturer, while on a flying trip to the U.S., engaged in a bit of double-talk regarding the high cocoa bean prices and his country's "corner" on the commodity. The choco-late-king said: "As a citizen of Great Britain the control of the cocoa bean market is wonder-ful, it gives England eagerly sought American dollars. But as a chocolate manufacturer, I do not approve ... not really."

Five Cigarette, Four Cigar **Machine Manufacturers** To Exhibit New Wares

Event Scheduled for Chicago's Palmer House April 12-17

NEW YORK, March 27 .- At least nine vending machine manufacturers will have displays at the annual con-vention of the National Association of Tobacco Distributors (NATD)

dustry, however, quality lines are

dustry, however, quality lines are still doing a zooming business. A spokesman for the industry described the situation this way: "We cannot begin to meet demand for quality candy bars. The feeling is that this is due in part to public resentment against the many unknown bars which were foisted on people during the war and the sugar scarcity period. The candy consuming public now sticks to brand names which have al-ways represented quality.

Plan Ahead

The candy industry here is looking far ahead and planning heavy adver-

far anead and planning heavy adver-tising campaigns to drive home the fact that candy products have perma-nently established their food values. They intend to stress the delectable qualities of taste and eye appeal in advertising and promotion

This long-range program on the part of the candy industry will have a beneficial effect for operators in making the public more candy con-

The scope of the industry and its importance in this section is being brought home to the public thru the efforts of the New England Manufac-turing Confectioners' Association.

Guild pointed out that altho candy

was an important industry before the (See N. E. Vender Ops, page 101)

advertising and promotion.

FTC Clears Cig Mfrs.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—A contemplated investigation by Federal Trade Commission (FTC) into alleged price discriminations made by eight of the leading cigarette manufacturers was dropped this week for "lack of sufficient evidence to warrant proceeding with the trials.'

FTC had been feeling out the situation for some months after

FTC had been feeling out the situation for some months after receiving charges that cigarette makers were selling their products cheaper to some wholesalers than to others. Complaints, whose source FTC refuses to identify, were made against P. Lorillard Company, Philip Morris & Company, Stephano Bros., Brown & Williamson Tobacco Company, Liggett & Meyers, American Tobacco Company, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company and Larus & Bros.

New Eng. Vender Ops Told **Buyers Demanding Top Bars**

BOSTON, March 27.—A warning to candy bar vending machine oper-ators that the cheap, unbranded bars that consumers grabbed for during the past few years are backing up and that quality bars are coming back into their own was sounded today by Walter R. Guild, managing direc-tor of the New England Manufactur-ing Confectioners' Association.

Guild said: "There is increasing re-Guild said: "There is increasing re-sentment among consumers against these 'cat and dog' bars, which has been growing for some time. Vending machine operators of candy bars are beginning to find these bars backing up, while quality bars are having a terrific sale."

Spotty Market

An across-the-board survey of candy manufacturers in Massachu-setts, national leader in the manufacture of fancy packaged candy and fourth in total candy production, shows that as in other parts of the country, spotty conditions are being experienced in the distribution of candy.

This is believed due to a tightening in money conditions. The distribu-tion of box chocolates has backed up somewhat, and even cheaper lines of candy are understood to be meeting some consumer resistance.

In the candy bar part of the in-

Cig, Cigar Sales Climb

WASHINGTON, March 27 .-- Cigarette consumption in January increased to 27,278,000,000 units—an increase of about 10 per cent over December, Commerce Department disclosed this week. The 461,398,000 cigars smoked that month represented an increase of about 15,000,000 over December, according to Commerce tabulations. Tho ahead of the previous month, consumption of both types of tobacco showed a decline from January, 1947, when 28,451,000,000 cigarette and 510,264,000 cigars were smoked.

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which opens at Chicago's Palmer House April 12. The confab, which will last all week, will feature a series of round table discussions probing every phase of tobacco distribution

tion. With a large percentage of the NATD membership engaged in the operation of vending machines, ad-vance interest is centering on the open discussion of "Broadening Our Horizon in Vending Machine Trends," scheduled for Thursday (15), accord-ing to Jerome Kaufman, NATD direc-tor of inductry and public affairs Ing to Jerome Kaufman, NATD direc-tor of industry and public affairs. This discussion will be led by H. D. Bracken Jr., of the Sterling Tobacco Company, Seattle, who will later re-port its conclusions to the member-ship at large.

Kaufman recalled that altho last year's convention did not schedule a session specifically devoted to venders, one was held after an unprecedented demand on the part of operators present.

In all, 35 topics will be covered during the round table clinic discus-sions in the 1948 convention. Vending machine manufacturers reported al-ready to have reserved space at the Palmer House for the NATD meet are Amity Manufacturing Corp., Perth Amboy, N. J.; Cigaromat Corporation of America, New York; Coin Manu-facturing Co., Madison, Wis.; Lehigh Foundries, Inc., Easton, Pa.; Malkin-Illion Co., Irvington, N. J.; National Vendors, Inc., St. Louis; Rowe Manu-facturing Co., New York; U-Need-A-Vendors, Inc., Newark, N. J., and J. H. Keeney & Co., Chicago.

Two New Firms To Manufacture Drink Machines

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 27.-Change in the ownership of two local bottle drink manufacturing firms has been announced here.

The Carton Cooler Company, de-velopers of a 30-bottle dispenser, plus 70 additional bottles in the pre-cool, has been absorbed by the Missouri National Company, also of Kansas City, makers of automotive dumping and elevating equipment. Second change involves the Auto Vend Company, which has sold full manufacturing and sales rights in its Big-4 vender to Crown Farm Implement Company, Chicago. Big-4, is a selec-tive four-flavor dispenser which vends 200 vari-sized bottled drinks, belds 100 in a pre-cool chamber holds 100 in a pre-cool chamber. Both venders are slated for early output by their new owners.

Brown & Williamson

Plans New Cigarette LOUISVILLE, March 27.—Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation plans soon to market a new brand of cigarettes, to be called Life. They will be of a new size and rolled in wet-proof paper.

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Chicago Distributor Starts Deliveries Voice Recorder Of

CHICAGO, March 27 .- Self Serv-CHICAGO, March 27.—Self Serv-ice Laundries, Inc., began making de-liveries on the Wilcox-Gay coin Re-cordio last week, Walter H. Graham, firm p r e s i d e n t, announced. Self Service is distributor of the coin-operated voice recorder in Northern Illinois and Northern Indiana.

Recordio is quarter operated. Mechanism of the recorder is visible so that the customer may watch the blank disk placed on the turntable. A cradle type telephone is mounted on the face of the machine thru which the recorder customer speaks. Upon completion of the recording, patron may hear a play back either privately, by use of the telephone, or thru the loud-speaker by returning the tele-phone to its cradle.

All directions as to how to use the recorder are clearly explained by an illuminated direction panel on the machine's front, which indicates when to speak and when the recording time is about to end. Total re-cording time for the customer is two minutes.

minutes. Wilcox-Gay recorder stands 29½ inches high by 21¼ inches wide by 28% inches deep. It is available with or without base which contains a separate delivery opening for en-velopes which are used for mailing disks. Envelopes are delivered after suptomer demoits a pickel in a separate customer deposits a nickel in a separate coin chute.

The Recordio has a six-tube amplifier and rectifier with separate re-cording and play back channels, individual volume controls and an au-tomatic gain feature to compensate for too strong or too weak speech level. Record placement and deliv-ery is completely automatic. Robert Soper, Self Service Laun-dries sales manager, said that his firm

had run several successful test runs on the voice recorder in different types of locations over the past few months.

At the end of 1947, Self Service moved to new and larger quarters at 816 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago. The new offices are well appointed, in-clude modern office facilities and spacious showrooms.

Brach Hikes Candy Output

2540 West Huntingdon St.

CHICAGO, March 27 .- E. J. Brach & Sons candy production is 18 per ing to officials. Firm's working force has likewise increased 9 per cent more than at this same time in 1947. Internal Mathing Mas In Was In Was In the Hod was in the layers separate. turers, it was stret method of production method m

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Fewer Workers

WASHINGTON, March 27 .---According to information re-leased this week by the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, the estimated number of workers employed in candy manufacturing during December 1947, was much higher than for same month in 1946.

Altho a slight drop was re-corded in December, 1947, when 79,100 workers were employed, over November, 1947, when 79,-500 were listed, the December, 1946 candy worker pay roll only totaled 64,900.

American Tobacco Ad Agency Resigns

NEW YORK, March 27.—American Tobacco Company, because of a "pol-icy rift" on advertising, was advised of the resignation of one of its ad-vertising agencies this week. Ad American's \$12,000,000 annual ac-count voluntarily, according to its president, Emerson Foote.

president, Emerson Foote. Foote said that "as advertising practitioners, we must do the kind of advertising we believe in or stop taking commissions for it." He added that the resignation March 19 of George W. Hill Jr., as vice-president and a director of American Tobacco had no connection with his firm's action. "But the same reasons which motivated Hill largely led to our de-cision." he said. cision," he said. American Tobacco announced that

the ad firm's resignation will have no effect on its current advertising schedules.

Gen. Foods Assigned Candy Bar Patent

NEW YORK, March 27.—General Foods Corporation has been named as the assignor of a patent which covers a method of successfully producing candy bars composed of two or more lavers of chocolate.

Benjamin M. LeVangie, who was granted patent No. 2,245,431 on the process, said the chief difficulty in perfecting such a multiple-layer method was in keeping the individual layers separate. Chocolate manufac-turers, it was stressed, have been attempting to discover a practical method of producing such bars for a

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Autocoin Readies Expansion Of Coin Laundries in Hawaii

HONOLULU, March 27.-Improved HONOLULU, March 27.—Improved Launderette and individually oper-ated Bendix washing service was an-nounced this week by Stanley Davis and Carl Vogelsang, owner of Auto-coin, Inc., and holders of the Ha-waiian franchise from Telecoin, as they revealed plans to have 500 Ben-diry units in comparison within the next dix units in operation within the next six months.

Plans for improved service will include a soap vending machine that will vend their Launderette soap in will vend their Launderette soap in 5-cent packages in three types—for undies, average wash and for extra dirty wash. A powdered bleach and powdered blueing for vending ma-chines is planned in addition to "Tele-Juice," which will allow the customers to select one of six iced fruit juices for 10 cents. fruit juices for 10 cents.

Maui Next

In announcing their plan for ex-pansion the men said they planned to provide Autocoin service to Maui, another island in the Hawaiian group. Both men are particularly interested in having ex-G.I.'s start Launderettes and operate them under Autocoin supervision.

Their nine-man service department will be at the disposal of the present Launderettes and independently op-erated Bendix Autocoin units as well as the units located on Hawaii and the new units to be set up on Maui.

Citing an instance of the problems encountered by their service depart-ment and their attempt to cope with ment and their attempt to cope with every situation, Davis told about the red soil characteristic of Hawaii. Some months ago they attended the Bendix convention on the mainland and took a pound of this soil with them to have it analyzed to see if a

soap could be developed that would remove the red stain from clothes

little Autocoin has experienced little trouble in the use of the coin boxes. However, what trouble they have en-countered stems from ingenious countered stems from ingenious minds. One young resident at a "Y" dormitory drilled a hole in his quar-tor tied the drive of the driver of the driver. dormitory drilled a hole in his quar-ter, tied a thread thru the hole and enjoyed the use of the Autocoin Bendix many, many times in this manner before the machine jammed and his ruse was discovered. The house mother tacked this evidence on the bulletin board as a warning to others. to others.

Siros Appoints Midwest Distrib

HOUSTON, March 27. - Siros Manufacturing Company here, manu-facturer of the Brush Up shoeshine machine, has appointed the Unique Company, La Crosse, Wis., distribu-Company, La Crosse, Wis., distribu-tor in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa, according to an announcement this week by Bill Siros, president. Dis-tributor firm is owned by A. M. Hem-leben and managed by Jim Papay. Siros states that the new model shoeshiner is being produced at the rate of 100 machines per week and will have its production schedule doubled within 30 days.

Rialto Has Popcorn Vender WILMINGTON, Del., March 27.-The C. & E. Vending Company, Wilmington, has installed a new popcorn machine in the Rialto Theater here, C. & E. officials have announced.



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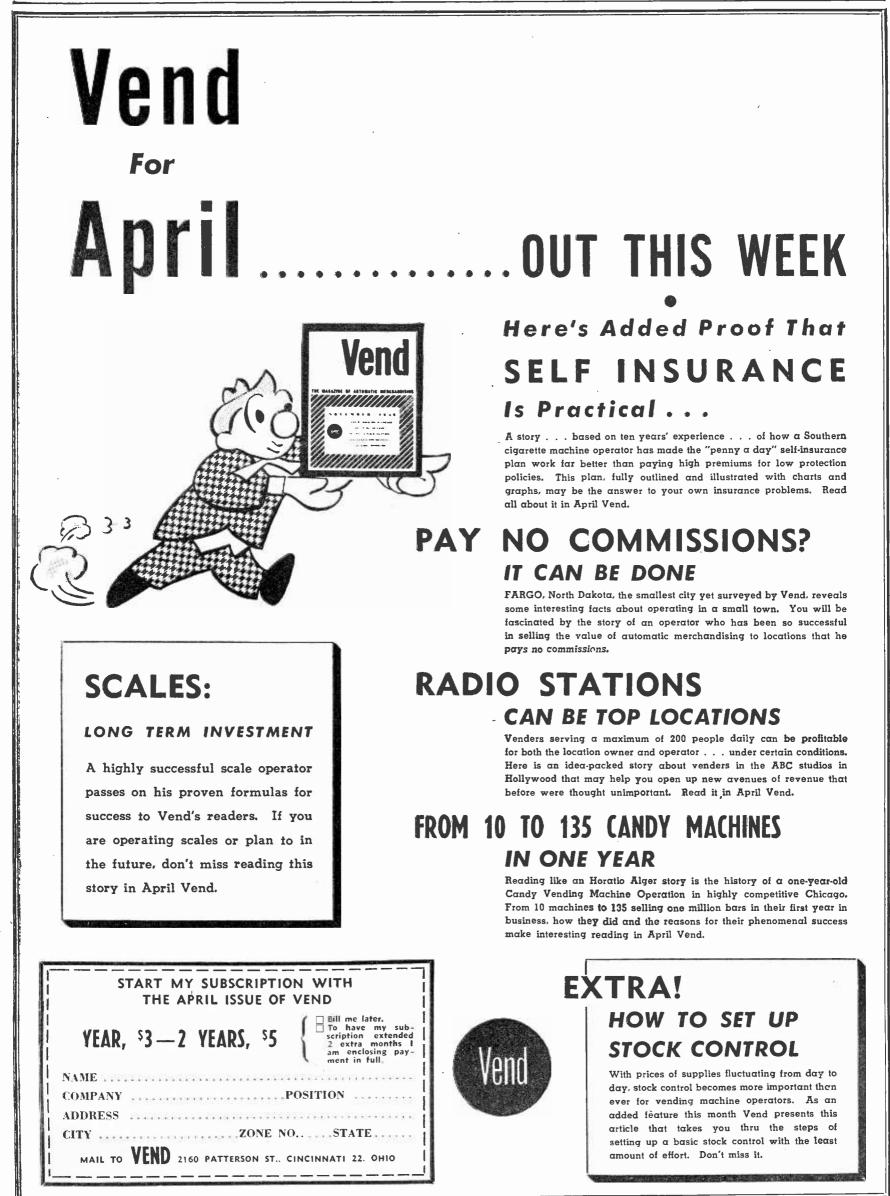
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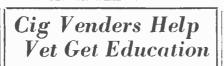
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BOSTON, March 27 .- A novel idea in cigarette vending operations is be-ing carried on by Mansfield B. Patterson, a young navy veteran, who has a route of cigarette vending machines concealed in end tables, which he services in Somerville, Medford and Arlington homes.

The cnd tables come in seven dif-ferent styles, all basically the same. Vending unit holds a carton and a half of cigarettes. Patterson, who is studying law at Boston University, is financing his education by operating the machines.

He said he first heard of the unique machines when a student at Bates College in Maine. Patterson pur-chased several of the machines in Maine and has them all out in homes. The end table has room for books, flowers, ash trays, etc. Patterson charges no fee for placing the tables and figures on replenishing the cigarette supply once a week at least.

First Launder - Ease Store Opens: Plan To Have 300 This Year

NEW YORK, March 27 .--Promotion by the Launder-Ease Sales Cor-poration, organized last December to establish self-service laundry stores establish self-service laundry stores using the F. L. Jacobs Launderall automatic washer, has resulted in the opening of five Launder-Ease stores to date, according to A. L. Hansen, president. Forty more are expected to be in operation by the middle of June. More than 350 inquiries have been received from prospective store operators.

When the firm was organized (The Billboard, December 13), it an-nounced as its goal the establishment of 300 stores in 1948. At present, Launder-Ease has rep-

resentatives covering the East with sales offices in New York, Boston, Detroit, St. Louis and Washington. An office in the South will be opened

Operators planning to open Launder-Ease stores are provided with complete store layouts, varying with the number of automatic washers to be used. The diagrams have been pretested and provide for recreational attractions and soft-drink vending fa-cilities. Elaborating on the services offered operators by the Launder-Ease Sales Corporation, Hansen stated:

stated: ' "The organization also acts as a purchasing agent for the Launderall automatic washing machine, gas or oil fired water heaters, extractors and dryers. In addition, we are in a position to supply detergent, paper bags, tickets and all equipment neces-sary for complete operation. This This sarv for complete operation. equipment, of course, is supplied at a discount from the retail price. A complete equipment service course, directed by factory trained personnel, is also offered.

Patron Injured by Vender

HARTFORD, Conn., March 27.—A local woman, Mrs. Rena Allen, has filed a suit for \$5,000 damages be-cause a cigarette machine allegedly toppled over and fell on her foot while she was simply standing in front of the vending device. A patron in a downtown restaurant, she claims, jolted the machine and caused it to strike her left ankle, inflicting in-juries that confined her to bed for five weeks. The woman's suit names the owner of the restaurant, as well as the machine's operator. She contends both are guilty of negligent location of the machine.

By Chase Candy Co. ST. LOUIS, March 27.—Chase Candy Company here has purchased the O'Brien of California, Inc., candy plant in San Jose, Calif., Chase presi-dent, W. A. Yantis, announced re-cently. Purchase raises to five the number of Chase plants.

Firm employs about 1,500 persons in its other four factories, the total sales volume of which is said to ex-ceed \$21,000,000 annually.

The San Jose plant was established in 1868 by Maurice O'Brien and has been producing candy under the O'Brien trade-mark. It employs about 150 persons and has maintained an average annual gross sale of \$2,-000,000 during the last three years. Chase Candy has purchased all of the issued common stock of O'Brien from the O'Brien family and associates.



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Survey Covers 10 Cities

NEW YORK, March 27.— Candy goods, by type, leading in sales in the nation's 10 major cities thru the week ending March 1 were reported last week. Of the 10 cities, only three listed bar goods in the "fair selling" category. They were Philadelphia, Seattle and San Francisco. Remain-der negged hars as beet cellers. They der pegged bars as best sellers. They were New York (also listed gum), Boston, Washington, Cleveland (also hard candy), Chicago, St. Louis (also hard candy), and Dallas (also bulk goods) goods).

Three cities not listing bar goods as leading items, came up with bulk candy and gum (Philadelphia); brittles and hard candy (San Francisco), and bulk candy (Seattle).

In the "slow moving" category sev-eral cities listed following: Hard candy (New York), mints (Dallas, Seattle), gum (San Francisco), fancy packages (Chicago, St. Louis, San Francisco).

Mull Spending Of Ind. 3 - Cent **Cig Tax Return**

INDIANAPOLIS, March 27.-Indiana's new 3-cent-a-pack cigarette tax has piled up \$8,500,000 for the State treasury, but so far the State doesn't know whether it can spend the money. Attorney General Cleon H. Foust

said last week he will rule soon on the question whether the 1947 Gen-eral Assembly appropriated the tax yield or must appropriate it in 1949. The law provides money from the

The law provides money from the tax must be used for "general edu-cation, general and mental health and other general welfare programs as the governor may direct." Governor Gates has asked Foust to determine whether the State budget and finance committees may allot the cigarette tax money. If it can be used without additional ac-tion by the General Assembly, it probably would be put to use at once for improvement and extension of for improvement and extension of State mental institutions.

DuGRENIER PLANT

(Continued from page 93) the plant under the name of Arthur H. DuGrenier, Inc. This was the original name of the business, since its organization in 1928 and until the sale to AMI. The sale to AMI did not involve control of cigarette and gum machine patents, which were re-tained by the original owners.

tained by the original owners. The purchase price involved in the negotiations completed Thursday (25), while not revealed, will be set aside to go toward satisfying the claims of creditors, it was learned. Under terms of the purchase the new owners are not responsible for any obligations incurred by AMI during its operation of the enterprise. Officers of the corporation are Fran-

cis DuGrenier, president; Blanche Bouchard, treasurer, and Huber C. Compton, secretary and director.

CHICAGO, March 27. - Cook Chocolate Company here recently in-troduced a new chocolate almond bar, Almond Prevue, in the 10-cent field. Bar is segmented into six squares, and packed in a box with a transpar-ent window in its face.

Candy Report Md. Drink-o-Mat Holds Showing

SALISBURY, Md., March 27. Maryland Drink-o-Mat Corporation, recently appointed franchise distributor of the Drink-o-Mat cup vender in Maryland and Delaware, introduced the drink machine to prospective operators at a two-day showing ending Saturday (27). Showing, the first in the area, was held at the Emerson Hotel, Baltimore.

Principals of the new distributing firm, located here, are Lee Insley, H. L. Purnell Jr. and N. R. Wooten.



The Billboard

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The Billboard VENDING MACHINES General Vending Producing **VICTOR'S** MODEL V Three New Bottle Venders The Operator's Cholce Is Model V, as it cor-rectly vends ALL BULK MDSE. Charms, Peanuts, Candy and Ball Gum. the conveyor plus one case in pre-cooling) and weighs 245 pounds. Like the other four General machines, the CHICAGO, March 27. -General CHICAGO, March 27. — General Vending Machine Corporation here, with the recent introduction of three "mass market" bottle venders, brings to five the number of models being manufactured, E. A. Terhune, firm official, stated this week. New venders are the Midget, Leader and the Chieftain, which is a two-flavor machine. Two other mod-els announced in August, 1947, are the single-flavor Master and the dual-flavor Jumbo machines. No additional parts necessary. Write us NOW for detailed information and prices. the other four General machines, the Midget features dry refrigeration and "elevator" action in dispensing bot-tles. This elevator conveyor rotates (automatically in the larger models and by means of a handle on the manual Midget unit) when a coin is deposited, until a bottle is in the de-livery position. Bottle then falls onto a hinged platform which is slightly depressed under the bottle's weight, which action opens a microswitch A Product of VICTOR VENDING CORP. 6711 Grand Ave. Chicago 39 dual-flavor Jumbo machines. ALL VICTOR PRODUCTS dual-flavor Jumbo machines. The Midget model, standing 49 inches high, 16¼ inches wide and 27½ inches deep, is mechanically operated and is aimed at "offices and other locations of light traffic." Vender holds a total of 2½ cases of seven-ounce bottles (1½ cases on which action opens a microswitch which breaks the vending cycle. All Recommended and financed on machines vend various sizes of bot-tles ranging from the 6 to the 12-ounce type. Fiberglass insulation is Torr Time Payment Plan 16 weekly payments - Write for details. ROY TORR Lansdowne, Pa. used in all machines. Smallest Vender Midget model, which is the small-est vender of its type on the market, Terhune claims, embodies a "safety clutch" in its delivery handle. This eliminates possibility of damage should the lever be forced without CIGARETTE MACHINES Uneeda Model E, 12 Cols., 300 Pack Cap. \$ 60.00 Uneeda Model E. 8 Cols., 240 Pack Cap. 57.50 should the lever be forced without insertion of a coin or if a bent coin becomes lodged in the chute. The clutch permits the handle to slip after a certain pressure is applied, thus leaving the mechanism unaf-fected. This machine is manufac-tured for General by the Firecraft Corporation, Chicago. Rowe President. 10 Cols., 475 Pack Cap. Rowe Royal, 10 Cols., 400 Pack Cap. Rowe. 6 Cols., 150 Pack Capacity 125 00 32.50 National 9-50, 350 Pack Capacity National 9-30, 270 Pack Capacity National 6-30, 6 Cols., 180 Pack Cap. 100.00 75.00 32.50 DuGrenier Champion, 9 Cols., 420 Pack Cap. DuGrenier Model W. 9 Cols., 309 Pack Cap. DuGrenier, 4 Cols., 100 Pack Capacity 75.00 55.00 New General Leader model, 651/2 inches high, 291/2 inches wide and 19 inches deep, weighs 370 pounds and 25.00 Stewart-McGuire, 8 Cols. 35.00 Lehigh PX, 10 Columns 150.00

holds five cases, ($3\frac{1}{2}$ in conveyor and holds five cases ($3\frac{1}{2}$ in conveyor and $1\frac{1}{2}$ in pre-cooler) of seven-ounce bottles. Chieftain model (dual fla-vor) is same height, $35\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and $28\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep. Total capacity, nine cases (seven cases in conveyor and the case in conveyor). and two in pre-cool). Machine weighs 580 pounds. It can be used as a large capacity single-flavor machine; when used as a two-flavor unit a different size bottle can be used in each of the two conveyors. These two models are produced for General by Stefco Steel Company, Michigan City, Ind.

One Moving Part

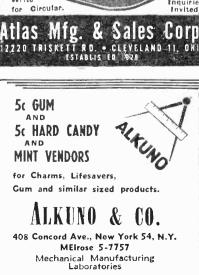
Terhune stated all models utilized only one moving part in the conveyor and feature waist-high delivery. In the dual-flavor Chieftain loading is the dual-flavor Chieftain loading is made by pulling out the conveyors, which are mounted on telescopic slides and can be drawn out like the drawer of a filing cabinet. This model, while having two flavor se-lection buttons, has only one coin machenism

lection buttons, has only one coin mechanism. Firm's Jumbo and Master ma-chines, produced by Benson Manu-facturing Company, Kansas City, Mo., are designed for larger locations of the industrial or similar installation. They also embody the type of "unit-ized" sub-assemblies used in the three smaller vender models. These sub-assemblies, in the event repair sub-assemblies, in the event repair is necessary, may be replaced with a new unit while the other unit is being checked,

New Eng. Tobacco Men Pick '48 Officers

BOSTON, March 27.-Members of BOSTON, March 27.—Members of the New England division of the Na-tional Association of Retail Tobacco Distributors (NARTD) elected of-ficers for the coming year as fol-lows: President, Richard C. Pinney. Worcester; Herbert Flashman, Quincy, secretary; Henry Sterling, Boston, treasurer, and Clarence D. Hunter, Boston, chairman of the hourd of di-Boston, chairman of the board of directors.







PAR

The Billboard

MUSIC MACHINES 103

Ops Eye Expanding Hotel Tele Unveil New Seeburg Music

System Next Week; Ops To See Select - o - Matic Units

Offers 14 Hours Continuous Music Without Repetition

(Continued from page 4)

other

selections without touching a record. | determined time schedule. Thus, for Both 10 and 12-inch disks can be handled in any sequence. The mech-anism plays both sides of the record without turning it. Tone-arm, which moves along a carriage rail, has a needle on both sides.

Two Models

Seeburg is now in production with two models of the Select-o-Matic, an all-metal cabinet model for industrial installations and a second model in a blond wood cabinet for hotels, clubs and better restaurants. Mechanism will also be sold without amplifying equipment so that plants which al-ready have wired nusic systems can hook the Select-o-Matic up to their present amplification and speaker system.

Complete industrial model, with metal cabinet, amplifier, mike for paging and built-in AM-FM radio

Atlas Music Company, Chi-cago distributor for Seeburg, will hold its showing of the new Select-o-Matic equipment in the North Ballroom, Stevens Hotel, Chicago, April 3-6. The ball-room will be open from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. daily.

will sell for approximately \$2,200. Select-o-Matic, without amplification and other equipment, will sell for approximately \$1,125. Both units contain a 24-hour timer for pre-selection and automatic play-

ing of musical programs. Each rec-ord rests vertically in its own com-partment, and compartments are filled by merely inserting the disk. Below the compartment for each rec-Below the compartment for each rec-ord is an individual control switch with four different positions — off, play "A" side only, play "B" side only or play both sides. Changing cycle from one "A" side to another "A" side is nine seconds.

Pre-Determine Schedule

By setting the record switches and timer in advance, locations can have any number of musical selections played automatically at any pre-

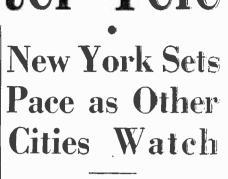
Add Nine More Tradio Distribs

ASBURY PARK, N. J., March 27.-Tradio, Inc., manufacturer of coin-operated radio and television equip-ment, has added nine distributors to its national sales network, according to Harry J. Rockafeller, sales manager.

ager. They are the Milshane Company, Ardmore, Okla.; Harvard Television Company, Cambridge, Mass.; R & M Sales, Cranbrook, B. C.; F. E. Downs, New Orleans; Tradio, of Philadel-phia; Frank P. Samieri, Phoenix, Ariz.; Angott Sales, Detroit; Brewer Sales Associates, Waterville, Me., and Tradio of Cuba, Havana.

Pocket-Size Juke COLUMBUS, O., March 27 .--

A novel scale model of the See-burg Symphonola, No. 148, acburg Symphonola, No. 148, ac-curate in every detail and scaled down to one inch for each foot, is being used by operators in this area to promote new loca-tions. The miniature juke box has been developed by the Shaf-for Music Component Scalar has been developed by the Shaf-fer Music Company, Seeburg distributors in Central and Southeastern Ohio, West Vir-ginia and Western Virginia. The pocket-size juke, a replica of the Seeburg machine even as to color and finish, is made of heavy material and can double as a unique paperweight.



Rental System Preferred

By Is Horowitz

NEW YORK, March 27.—Coin ma-chine operators here and in the Midwest are viewing with interest the steadily increasing number of local hotels which are installing television in specified number of rooms, and adding from \$1 to \$3 per day to the price of the room for the use of the sets. In a switch on coin-operated radio operations, Guest Radio & Tele-vision, Inc., an operating firm, is actually in control of the non-coin operated tele sets installed in the hotels, while the latter act as the agent for the operator, and collect a location commission. are viewing with interest the ily increasing number of local west

location commission. Latest installation to be set is the Latest installation to be set is the Taft Hotel here. According to Charles E. Rivolta, vice-president of the National Service Sales Corporation (which controls Guest). 132 rooms at the Taft will be wired for television, and between 85 and 100 portable tele-cate will be placed on location Mounted on wheels, the sets can be moved to any one of the 132 wired rooms where a patron has requested the set. Two types of receiving sets will be

used in the Taft. One features a 7-inch screen while the other has a (See New York on page 105)

Modified Teen-Age Curfew Plus Warm Weather Ups Juke Return

ecent modification of Chicago's teenage curfew, local juke box operators who experienced drop-offs in juvenile locations early last month (*The Billboard*, February 14), report play in such spots has increased. While this may be attributed in part to the warm weather, it is believed that the curfew ease-up has been responsible

example, an industrial plant can pre-set the installation to provide a 15-

minute musical program at 8 a.m., a

half-hour program at noon and an-15-minute program in the aft-

(See Seeburg's on page 107)

At the present time two of the

three commissioners here are opposed to permitting juke boxes in the loca-tions where beer is sold. While oper-ators and locations are in contact with

the commissioners, observers believe it will be weeks, or maybe never be-fore the present city administration changes its mind.

According to Charles L. Fox, of the Fox Amusement Company, one of the

largest music machine operators in the area, the 10-cent, three-for-a-quarter play has been in effect here for several years, with the play hold-ing up "wonderfully well" since its

inception. The 300 machines are on locations in Mobile and the county.

CHICAGO, March 27. - With the nights of the week and 11:00 p.m. on

nights of the week and 11:00 p.m. on Saturdays. An 11:30 p.m. curfew was asked for Saturdays, but this was overruled in favor of the earlier limit. Bob Gnarro, ABC Music Service, reports that "play in the usual teen-age location, such as drug, snack school-store and ice cream parlor stops, is back to normal." Routemen who had previously told of a 15, 20 warm weather, it is believed that the curfew ease-up has been responsible for a good share of the hypoed play. As originally enforced, city's cur-few called for 18-year-olds down to be off the streets by 10 p.m.; modified version lowers the age to 16 and ex-tends the curfew to 10:30 p.m. on five



based on a new principle of television projection. Utilizing a five-inch tube MOBILE, March 27.—While the city commission here has delayed issuing upon which the image is measured in millimeters, the light intensity is so permits which would allow juke boxes increased by the reduction and circuit in taverns, hotels or other spots where beer is sold, over 300 music machines are on non-beer locations and 95 per refinements that, with a series of lenses, the projected image is similar to a motion picture projection. cent of those machines are operating on a 10-cent, three-for-a-quarter

The demonstration of the public lo-cation receiver was held for a select audience of motion picture, hotel and radio representatives.

E. B. Stern, Hot Springs **Operator**, **Dies** in Dallas

DALLAS, March 27. - Edwin B. Stern, music machine operator, well known thruout the Southwest, died here Saturday night (20) while on a visit from his home in Hot Springs.

Stern had been in the music busi-ness in Shreveport, La., prior to be-coming associated with the J. P. See-burg Corporation in 1930. He was with the Seeburg firm until 1942.

Maestro '48 will include 30 record selector, ultra modern cabinet designing CHICAGO, March 27. — National Filben Corporation this week an-nounced its new entry in the music machine field, the Maestro '48, which will list at \$595. f.o.b. factory. Ma-estro, ultra-modern in design, with a

piano-finish walnut cabinet and polished aluminum trim, is scheduled to go into mass production the first week in April according to William A. Rab-kin, president of the Filben Corporation.

Including many new and other time-tested Filben features, the Maes-tro will have a plastic panel that includes animated rainbow-hued lights, and the Filben 30-record se-lector, with changing time of less than 6 seconds per record.

Adaptable Unit

New unit is adaptable with 20, 24 or 30 record wall boxes, and can be used with a two or three wire instal-lation in conjunction with an adapter unit. Too, five additional auxiliary

(See Filben to Intro on page 104)

Ops OK Mirrored Cabinets; New Look Is Instrumental **In Holding Many Locations**

West Coast Firms Now Building Vending, Music Units

By Sam Abbott

LOS ANGELES, March 27.—The mirrored music cabinet, a West Coast first, continues to be in demand and many operators have credited it with holding their locations as well as getting new ones. Practically every operator in this section is using them but few realize that mirrored jobs came about strictly by accident.

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The first user of them was Rodney Pantages, who in early 1942 had been forced by the lack of materials to switch from the manufacture of "Choice by Voice" equipment to op-erating them. A new spot, Sky Room, the cocktail lounge of Melody Lane, at Western and Wilshire Boul-evard, was then being built at a cost of \$100,000 Pantages was asked to of \$100,000. Pantages was asked to consult the architect and contractor consult the architect and contractor and advise how much space would be needed to house his music unit. When he saw the elaborate plans for the room, he didn't want to put in standard equipment. After studying the situation, he returned to his office and hod the sign pointer at the and had the sign painter at the Pantages Theater make rough sketches. The drawings were fol-lowed, with the result that music operators in the section began talking and praising the installation. The unit was permanent unit was permanent.

See Potential

See' Potential Operators saw the potentialities of the mirror set-up and began making them in portable units for their own spots. In a matter of months the demand had spread to proportions that made the manufacture of these units necessary. Today they are made in California from San Fran-cisco to Santa Ana and cost to Sac cisco to Santa Ana and east to Sac-ramento. The production lines not only include mirrors for juke boxes but those for cigarette machines with animated designs.

Among firms that are making the various units are Solotone Corpora-tion; Scotto Music Company, Sacra-mento; E. T. Mape Distributing Com-pany, here and San Francisco; Bard Music Company; Universal Music Company and Dick Gallagher, both in Santa Ana, and Audio Specialties in San Francisco. in Santa Ana, and in San Francisco.

Nelson, Pioneer

One of the first to use mirrors in this locality was Nels Nelson, now with M. S. Wolf Distributing Comcompany. Nelson employed the re-flectors to solve the problem of get-ting music into a spot that was designed in such a fashion that an or-dinary music box could not be used. Nelson put mirrors around a square post in the center of the floor. He later used mirrors to place a unit in a narrow hall at another location. Both units employed selectors in the cabinet and hideaway mechanisms.

Jack Dolan, who later had Coin Craft, made his first box in the shop of the Osborn Music Company on West Pico. He used a Wurlitzer accumulator. When he went into the business of making these cabinets, he equipped them merely with selector and speaker and speaker.

Another operator early in the swim Another operator early in the swim was Bob Bard. who made his first cabinet in 1943 and put it on his route. His work along this line was interrupted by the war. Upon his discharge from the army, Bard began the manufacture of these cabinets in lieu of returning to music operation. Early last year he began to experi-ment with mirrors for cigarette ma-chines and is now manufacturing them in quantity. However, at the present time production is slack, for his plant is converting to issue a self-contained unit that will slip right on

units. These include space for mech-anisms and the only factor the com-pany must know in supplying the cabinets is the number of selections the operator wants to use. Once this is known, the cabinet is on its way to the distributor or operator. D. B. Scotto, owner of the plant, is a former music operator and entered this field after seeing its potentialities. The sales are handled by Vic Periera. Scotto cabinets will accommodate any of the standard mechanisms that opof the standard mechanisms that op-erators may have.

Scotto has a number of mirror Scotto has a number of mirror designs but is equipped to turn out custom work. The designs are sand-blasted deep into the glass. Because an artist is on the staff, Scotto can turn out any design requested. Only recently an order was received along with the picture the purchaser wanted on the mirror. The firm ac-cepted the order and the challenge and went to work, turning out a mir-rored picture of the Lord. The job was not to be used on a music unit. was not to be used on a music unit. But it shows the range in designs that can be delivered by this and other firms.

Makes Mirror-Tone

Makes Mirror-Tone Solotone Corporation added mir-rors to its products and turned out the Mirror-Tone. Realizing this was a West Coast first, Solotone used the catch-phrase, "California Has Done It Again!" on its brochure covers. This company's machine has these features: Welded steel fireproof con-struction, serviced from the front, uses 5, 10 and 25-cent coins, 30-wire selector—24 button, rigid door for glass protection, can be used with any hideaway mechanism. installa-tion by plugging in, Glow-Lite cor-ners that will not break, shrink or burn. The unit size is 42 inches wide, 14 inches deep and 76 inches high. 14 inches deep and 76 inches high. Ray Powers, local manager of the E. T. Mape Distributing Company, said that the units are being manu-factured in San Francisco but a large number are being assembled here. As to popularity of mirror jobs generally Powers, nointed out that here. As to popularity of mirror jobs generally, Powers pointed out that it is rare for a jobber to get a unit for resale. Mape calls his cabinet Mirro-Matic. It features top speaker directional baffle, personalized loca-tion advertising, wide choice of mir-ror designs, chrome selection plate at finger tip level, single coin drop, nickel or dime play optional, new materials in smart design and front door accessibility. The specifications of the cabinet are 78 inches high, 42 inches wide and 18 inches deep. Mir-ro-Matic is available as a complete ro-Matic is available as a complete unit or the cabinet only.

Sawaya in S. F.

Joseph Sawaya has had his Audio Joseph Sawaya has had his Audio Specialties firm going in San Fran-cisco for well over a year now and is building cabinets also for wired music. A former operator, Sawaya does the work of building the units himself and his finished product vir-tually amounts to a custom-built offair affair.

Pantages' firm, Maestro Music, is featuring mirrors for wired music systems. The cabinets are 86 inches high, 36 inches wide and 10½ inches deep. An assortment of attractive mirrors is available, along with space for inserting the name of the spot. In addition to the cabinets, the firm is offering the studio control panel and electronic equipment.

The personal touch that mirrored jobs give spots has been given much credit for holding a location.

Park Meters for III, Suburb

MAYWOOD, Ill., March 27.-Parking meters will be placed in operation here April 5, according to municipal officials. Meters will be of the no-handle, coin actuated type. Accord-ing to town officials: "Experience in other cities thruout the United States his plant is converting to issue a self-contained unit that will slip right on a cigarette vender. Because of the simplicity of installation, Bard says the demand for these machines will be increased. In the Sacramento area, Scotto Music is most active in building these

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April 3, 1948

John Gabel Co. **Closes; Early** Juke Box Mfr.

Built First Unit in 1906

CHICAGO, March 27 .- The John Gabel Manufacturing Company, one of the pioneer firms in the coin-op-erated music machine field, having manufactured the equipment from 1906 until the start of the recent war, this week closed its plant have. In this week closed its plant here. In recent years the firm had confined itself to making parts, and continu-ous play mechanisms for telephone music systems.

The last juke box built by Gabel was the Kuro, which was turned out prior to the war, but was so modern in design that it still com-pared favorably with designs of machines introduced in the post-war pe-riod. During the war the plant was turned over completely to manufacturing for the armed forces.

Early this year Robert Gabel, presi-dent, said he had completed a survey of the coin phonograph field in order to get a clear picture on the needs of the industry as a whole. At that time (January 10) Gabel said that one of the prime needs of the industry was a phonograph that could be sold for between \$500 and \$600.

Filben To Intro \$595 Juke Mach.

(Continued on page 103) speakers can be used with the new machine.

Another feature of the Maestro is the amplification unit with a maximum 25-watt output, which assures high volume and tonal selection within a location. A high temperature crystal pick-up, with less than 1¼ ounce needle pressure, cuts down surface noises, and promises longer wear and more plays.

List of show dates for the new Maestro has not been completed it was reported.

Filben Corporation also manufactures the Mirrocle music machine, which features the 30-record selector and the chromed steel and mirrored cabinet, and the Filben Stow-a-Way unit

Modified Teen-Age **Curfew and Weather** Hikes Juke Play

(Continued on page 103) who also told of a 50 per cent play drop in kid locations as a result of the curfew, this week stated that with the age and hour changes he now finds play steadier and higher. "There are plenty of children about in the juvenile locations again," he said.

Vince Angeleri, A. A. Swing Time Music Company, came up with the statement that in several locations juke play has now risen to above that experienced before the curfew went into effect. He added that most juvenile spots also show a weekly play rate that hits a constant level. "In addition to the 15 per cent average increase over the last three weeks, play does not fluctuate as it did for-merly," Angeleri reported.

Other Chicago operators, who pre-viously told of less play in juvenile stops, also confirmed the statement that platter spinning in such spots was "back to normal" or "on the in-crease."

New York Is Setting Pace In Expanding Hotel Tele

(Continued from page 103) 10-inch screen. According to present plans the smaller screen set will rent for \$1 a day and the larger for \$2 a for \$1 a day and the larger for \$2 a day, the rental to be added to the room rental fee. Both sets have three receiving channels. When there are no television programs on the air, FM radio shows can be tuned in. The sets are manufactured by Industrial Tele-vision, Inc., of Clifton, N. J. Guest Radio & Television, Inc., also oper-ates approximately 1,500 coin radios in hotels. in hotels.

Radio Vs. Tele

Answering a question posed by Answering a question posed by many coin radio operators around the country as to whether television, on either a rental or eventually a coin-operated basis, would affect their operations, Lou Brown, Coradio ex-ecutive, this week told *The Billboard* that he does not event series or that he does not expect serious com-petition to the coin-operated radio from tele for some time to come. Pointing out that much of the coin radio business is done with ops who service hotels in small towns where a tokurision is now available on is service hotels in small towns where no television is now available or is expected in the near future, Brown reported that Coradio, nevertheless, is keeping an eye on the future, and has started experimenting with a coin-operated television set. Brown did not favor the rental plan, Tradio, a pioneer in the coin-oper-ated radio field, has, within the past few months, made definite inroads in the public location tele field, on both a coin and non-coin operated basis.

the public location tele held, on both a coin and non-coin operated basis. However the Tradio vision sets are not designed specifically for hotel room use. A console model, which also features radio and a phonograph, could be used, on a non-coin basis, in

hotel lobbies.

The Hotel Roosevelt in New York, which has television sets installed in 40 rooms at the present time, uses a 10-inch screen set, manufactured largely of RCA parts, and operated by Hotelvision, Inc. These sets are not portable, and are built to take 17 channels.

According to Harold Kraus, assist-ant to the general manager of the Roosevelt, the hotel does not plan to lower its daily rental fee of \$3. Claiming their sets are among the best, the hotel reported that despite what might appear to be an excessive rate, the demand for rooms with tele-vision sets is so high the management

vision sets is so high the management is planning to have more installed in the near future. Kraus reported this demand runs as high as 90 per cent on the average, and that the figure would be closer to 100 per cent except that some patrons who rent a room for several days may only want the television for part of their stay. When the Roosevelt first started renting television-installed rooms last December, said Kraus, only about 9 sets a night were in use. However, promotion by placards, etc., within the hotel, plus newspaper publicity and recommendations by satisfied customers have been responsible for boosting the demand to its present high level.

high level. The Roosevelt management has also noted that revenue in general has risen as a result of the tele sets as

tion shortly. The Park Central and the Waldorf-Astoria have under consideration plans to install television, while the Hotel Pennsylvania has had a number of sets in various rooms for some time.

Hotels in the Chicago area are still Hotels in the Chicago area are still watching developments in the tele-vision field, and, according to a sur-vey of the major ones in the area, few have plans to install sets in the im-mediate future. Main drawback at this time, according to the hotel man-agements, has been the fact that there was only one television station in operation in the city, and the selec-tion of programs was not large enough to warrant the installation of sets to warrant the installation of sets.

to warrant the installation of sets. In this regard, however, the hotels are awaiting developments as WGN-TV prepares to debut early in April. With program competition between WBKB and the new outlet expected to improve the video shows in this area considerably, the hotels may move sooner than is now planned. Typical of most managements was

move sooner than is now planned. Typical of most managements was the report from the Bismarck Hotel: "We are not presently planning to install television sets in the hotel." J. Weber, resident manager of the Edgewater Beach Hotel, reported that while the management was not plan-ping to install dots in the poor future ning to install sets in the near future, some of the permanent guests had purchased sets for their own use. This practice is acceptable to the hotel, but with several reservations, such as placement of the set within the room and the placement of the antennas.

Other Cities

With television starting to spread its wings across the entire country, reactions to use of sets in hotel rooms reactions to use of sets in hotel rooms is also expected to expand. The Statler chain (which operates the Pennsyl-vania Hotel in New York, a tele in-stallation) is also interested in the same move in its hotels in other cities, but just when they will expand tele to these other hotels is not known at this time.

PHILADELPHIA, March 27.monthly Click-Tune-of-the-Month parties staged at Frank Palumbo's Click nitery by the local music ma-chine operators' association in cochine operators' association in co-operation with Frank Palumbo, will be a program subject for the city's television audience. On the first Saturday morning of each month, school youngsters crowd into the Click to judge the coming record releases for the month as played on a music machine. Television Station WCAU - TV.

Television Station WCAU - TV. owned and operated by The Philadel-phia Bulletin, has completed arrange-ments with Palumbo to televise the platter parties, with the name band leaders appearing as guests. Por A platter parties, with the name Dathered parties, with the name <math>Dathered parties, appearing as guests. Roy A. Meredith, television producer, has arranged to screen the events and make it a full half-hour tele program. With the music machine the center of attention on the Click stage, the program means a major promotional breach for the industry.break for the industry.

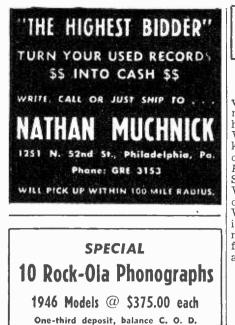
Lynch Firm Readies SanAntonio Showing

SAN ANTONIO, March 27.-J. P. Hiegel, assistant manager of the local S. H. Lynch & Company, 241 Broadway, will introduce the new Seeburg Select-o-Matic 200 capacity library machine to the public at a showing to be held in the east wing of the Municipal Auditorium April 1-4. Special showing and party for the press will be held March 31.



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Stripling on WWVA

Chuck Stripling, ex-WSM, Nashville, comedian and string instruville, comedian and string instru-mentalist, has joined Red Belcher and his Kentucky Ridge Runners on WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va. Jim Whita-ker, who works as Cactus Jim, emsee on the Saturday Night Jamboree Party on WWVA, has been named Sunday Night City Manager of Wheeling because of the plugging he does for the city on his show. The Wheeling station has also applied for its television station construction. its television station construction, meaning that plenty of the station's folk talent will soon be seen as well as heard.

A hillbilly jamboree will be started soon Saturday afternoons at WTNS, Coshocton, O., with the three-hour revue taking place at the local Eagle Hall. Talent will include the Zanes. Hall. ville Golden River Boys, Winn and the Cover Wagon Boys, the Roscoe Ramblers, Newcomerston Buckeye Four, the Oklahoma Ramblers, Herm and His

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Farm Boys and the Dixie Harmonaires. ... When WILE, Cambridge, O., goes on the air soon, it will start right off with a hillbilly and Western show. At the present time they have only Dallas Bond and the Musical Farmers, including Buttercup, comedy and banjo; Leonard Patterson, bass; Evelyn Miller, yodeler; Shorty Hackley, guitar; Steve Polasack, accordion; Joe Stillions, fiddle, and Flannels Miller, fiddle.

Folk Show in Akron

A giant folk show was held at the Armory, Akron, March 28, when Cliff Rodgers, WHKK's folk jockey, emseed a cast including Slim Bryant and His Georgia Wildcats, Lulu Belle and Scotty, Harry Smith and His Gang, Woody Woddell and His Ridin' Rang-ore and Coorgan Morgan ers, and George Morgan.

The Swan Silvertone Singers, the 11year-old group of veteran spiritual singers heard on the King label, will appear at the Turner Arena, Washingappear at the Turner Arena, Washing-ton April 18, and St. Phillip's Church, Pittsburgh, April 19. The group was organized by Claude Jeter, who is managing the singers. . . Uncle Ervin Victor, veteran folk diskery icclear, is heard on an evely moring jockey, is heard on an early morning show daily from WKBW, Buffalo.

The Novel-Aires, formerly known as the original Western-Aires, featur-ing Terry Tranell, have quit radio ing Terry Tranell, have quit radio and are now working night clubs. The act consists of Yodelin' Jerry Drake, bass; Fiddlin' Flo Dorsey; Gus Fiore on guitar, and features singing and yodeling of Terry Tranell. Act fea-tures novelty numbers from classics to corn. The unit spent.seven months in the Hawaiian Islands with the E. K. Fernandez Shows. At present they are at the Naughty Nineties, Omaha.

New King Branch

King Records, Inc., will soon open a branch in Washington at 2600 12th Street, N. E. Gene Allison, branch Street, N. E. Gene Allison, branch supervisor, attended the recent open-ing of the Detroit branch and will at-tend the opening of the Washington unit. Jack Pierce, office manager of the Los Angeles branch, has been given the office managership of the Atlantic branch, which will service a larger territory than any link in the King chain. District Sales Manager Al Sherman is supervising the Los An-geles branch, until a new office mangeles branch until a new office man-ager can be appointed. King has also increased its promotion depart-ment by appointing Jack Roseborough. a former King salesman, of San Mar-cus, Tex., as contact man between disk jockeys and supervising personal ap-pearances. Stan Barclay, former disk jockey of Washington, holds a similar position with the company.

Jack K. Gordon, general manager Jack K. Gordon, general manager of Gordon's Entertainment Bureau, Hartford, Conn., booked a stage show, featuring Pee Wee Menard and His Trail Herders, into the Lord Theater, Norwich, Conn., March 27. The agency has started sponsorship of the Menard unit on a weekly radio show, Saturdays, 6:30-7 a.m., over WCCC, Hartford Hartford.

West Coast

Texas Rangers, Western octet, inked by Columbia Pictures for a feature spot by Columbia Pictures for a feature spot in Texas Sandman, starring the Hoosier Hot Shots. Rangers, currently being seen in Gene Autry's first Columbia film, The Last Round-Up, have been featured on many radio web shows, including Gene Autry's Melody Ranch, Old Gold's Circle G Ranch and the Camel Caravan. Rangers platter for Columbia Records Columbia Records.

Chi. Parts Firm Changes Hands

CHICAGO, March 27 .-- Coin Machine Service, parts firm here, was purchased by new interests last week, with the new corporate set-up headed by Seymour Golden as president. Harold Pincus was the former owner.

Golden stated that the firm is ex-panding its parts line and adding a complete line of juke box repair parts, including plastic panels, edg-ings, etc. Current catalog of pin and bell items will be rounded out with a more comproheneitien calculation more comprehensive selection.

Firm will remain in its present quarters at 1547 North Fairfield Âvenue.

The disk, written by the group's pianist, Lee Roy Abernathy, to com-memorate the Atlanta hotel disaster, was originally issued early in 1947. Several national diskerics are angling for wights to record The Burning of for rights to record The Burning of the Winecoff, which has been com-mended by the National Fire Preven-tion Association for bringing the seriousness of hotel fires to the at-tention of the nation.

Smiling Bill Water is noting his 17th anniversary in radio. He's heard daily over WHEB. Portsmouth, N. H. He has been heard on three major networks and has written and had copyrighted 33 songs. He plays a bass guitar and harmonica as well as singing cowboy songs and hymns.

According to Nat Vincent, head of Ralph S. Peer's Western department, Ted Daffan has recovered from the accident that nearly cost his life, just before Christmas. The Western clef-fer-musician was experimenting with phosphorous lights for a Christmas tree when the chemicals exploded, couporing huming and have the tree when the chemicals exploded, severely burning and lacerating his eyes, face and hands. A long battle thru a series of operations followed in a hospital near his home town in Arlington, Tex. "Both eyes were completely burned over, and the eye specialist took out 37 pieces of glass," he wrote Vincent. "In spite of this, I have recovered completely have 20he wrote Vincent. "In spite of this, I have recovered completely, have 20-20 eyesight, and one of the finest hand surgeons in America is sure that after a couple of more opera-tions, my hand will be as good as new." The major factor that helped Ted win the battle, he said, was the receipt of 6,000 fan letters from all over the country while hospitalized. "I was really floored," he writes. "Why, that amount of mail would make a movie star envious." Daftan has penned such tunes as No Letter Today, Born To Lose, Worried Mind and I'm a Fool To Care.

Spade Cooley is continuing his one-Spade Cooley is continuing his one-nighter trek thruout the Northwest and West. Last week saw the Western swing crew at Mt. Vernon, Seattle, Olympia, Aberdeen and Spokane, Wash. Cooley is skedded to play Miramar Ballroom, Boise, Idaho, Tues-Miramar Ballroom, Boise, Idaho, Tues-day (23); Riverside Gardens, Rigby, Idaho (25); Y'Dell Ballroom, Burley, Idaho (26): Pocatello's (Idaho) Teleteo (27); Elko (Nev.) Commercial Hotel (28): Ogden (Utah) Berthana (29), and Grand Junction (Colo.) Wise Man's Club (31).

Tex Ritter recently presented his otherwise transcribed program, *The Tex Ritter Show*, live from the stage of the Worth Theater, Fort Worth, for a week. Show was aired daily at 1:45 p.m. over KFJZ (Fort Worth). ... Fully recovered from his appen-dectomy, Jimmy Wakely starts work in *Arizona Sunset*, his next starring Monogram Western. ... KMPC, 50,000-watt Hollywood indie, has started a Monday-thru-Friday remote Because of the increase in demand for records of the Homeland Harmony Quartet (WAGA, Atlanta), following the sales of the group's Gospel Boogie, the quartet's waxing of The Burning of the Winecoff has been re-issued.

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Seeburg's Select-o-Matics **Unveiling Plans Formed**

(Continued from page 103) ernoon without having any operator or attendant. Once timer and switches are set, the mechanism starts and stops, removes and replaces records from the vertical storage position automatically.

Industrial model contains two am-plifiers and an AM-FM radio, or the radio can be replaced with a third amplifier. When the radio is used with the system, either 20 or 70 watts of power output can be supplied; without the radio, 40, 90 or 140 watts of power can be obtained. The third amplifier, located at the center is a amplifier, located at the center, is a dual-line amplifier which permits two additional plants to be served by means of two outgoing telephone lines.

Remote Panel A remote control panel is provided with both models so that pre-selected records can be canceled or volume can be controlled from the manager's

office or from any other remote point such as a reception room. Microphone, for paging or making an-nouncements, can also be placed at a remote point and cut into the system at will. AM-FM radio can likewise be cut in for special programs.

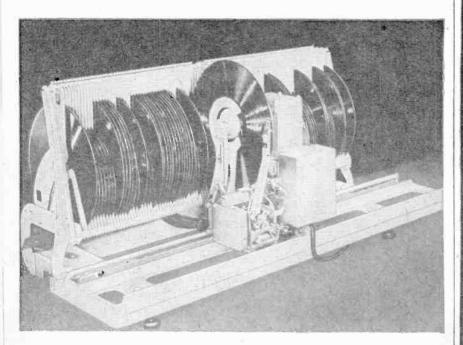
C. T. McKelvey, vice-president and director of sales for Seeburg, expects some music operators will buy the Select-o-Matic to rent or lease to better restaurants, clubs and other locations.

Advertising emphasis, however, will be directed first at the direct-sale market in industrial plants and similar locations. After the Post ad breaks, full pages are scheduled for Life, Fortune, Newsweek, Business Week, Nation's Business, Modern Industry and Factory.

To call attention to the showings scheduled for next week, distributors and the manufacturer are participat-(See Seeburg Unveils on page 114)



STANDARD BASIC unit of the Select-o-Matic for use in factories and industrial plants. The panel at the bottom contains amplifiers and an AM-FM radio. A dual-line amplifier located in the center of the unit provides two out-going telephone lines. This makes it possible to install the machine in a downtown office, furnish music, and provide a selective paging system for those in the office and in a plant on the outskirts of the city. in the office and in a plant on the outskirts of the city.



MECHANICAL BRAIN of the Select-o-Matic, this unit moves back and forth along a track running the length of the record library. When a selection is made, the carriage automatically goes to the record, the latter moves on to a vertical turntable, the pick-up arm shifts into position, and the record is played. By using the vertical turntable, both sides of the record can be played without turning. The pick-up arm, which has a double stylus, shifts from one side of the record to the other. record to the other.



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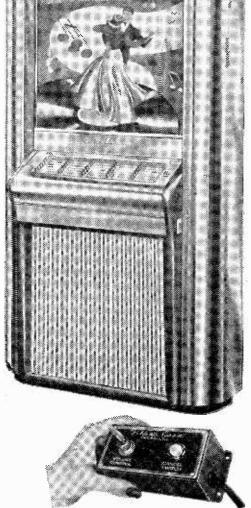
108 **MUSIC MACHINES** The Billboard April 3, 1948 presents the new estro maestro There's truth and beauty in that statement, because it's the sparkling new FILBEN MAESTRO '48 and we guarantee that it will never stop playing in your location. Who could resist the scintillating beauty of an artistic dream? No one, because it gives you an ultra modern-design, piano-finished true wal-

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- Amplification unit that has a maximum 25 watt output. That means high volume and tonal selection.
- A high temperature crystal pickup with less than 1¼ ounce needle pressure. That means noiseless surfaces, longer wear, and more plays.
- And only \$595.00, f.o.b. factory. That means the best money making and money saving buy for 1948. Available immediately. Contact your nearest distributor.

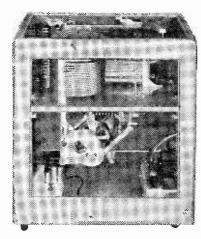
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- E. T. MAPE DISTRIBUTING CO. Houston, Texas
- E. T. MAPE DISTRIBUTING CO. Dallas, Texas

Nat Cohn, president of Modern Music Sales, continues to expand his business interests. Last week he announced the formation of the Click Publishing Company as a subsidiary of his manufacturing firm, Gem Rec-ords, Inc. First tunes off the presses are Sinbad the Samba and Manana Rhumba, two originals by Gem's Dolph Traymon. Cohn also said that his showroom on wheels is forwarding orders for equipment to Modern's coin row headquarters. The truck, stocked with coin machines distrib-uted by Modern, is visiting ops in up-State New York.

New York:

Lou Forman, Videograph exec, re-ports that the firm has started deliveries on its 15-inch bar model television unit. Final assembly of the lowpriced, direct-view set was held up by a cabinet shortage. But now, with a sufficient quantity of the cabinets on hand, Videograph can start filling its back orders. Set also is being plugged for home use.

Buffalo Pool, Edelman Amusement Devices' coin-operated pool - type game, is being viewed by New York ops at the newly opened showrooms of Blendow & Meyers, Inc. In to see ¹¹ Blendow last week was Isidor Buffalo Pool, Edelman Amusement Al Blendow last week was Isidor Edeleman, of the Detroit manufacturing firm. . . . Sol Tabb, of Hysol Music Company, is vacationing in Florida.

The Million Dollar Playland Arcade, on Seventh Avenue, is dismantling its penny pitch table. The game was judged a gambling device in the courts last week. . . Dorothy Wolk, secretarial assistant at the Automatic Music Operators' Association headquarters, is an expert bowler. With an average score of 170, she finds female competition too easy. She has proved a valuable member of her team, otherwise composed of men, in tournament play.

Mac Pollay and Nat Goros have given up their attempt to break into the manufacturing field and have returned to their individual busi-nesses. Their firm, Dynamic Devices, Inc., has been dissolved with a mar-hal's sale held last week to satisfy shal's sale held last week to satisfy creditors' claims. But the boys aren't too downhearted and chalk up the the whole venture to experience. Pollay is devoting full time to his repair tirm. United Phonograph Service, and Goros is concentrating on his music machine route.

A. L. Hansen, president of the Launder-Ease Sales Corporation, is stepping up his drive to attract new operators of self-service laundries using the Launderall automatic washer. The firm's campaign is being plugged by large display ads in daily news-papers. Meanwhile, the F. L. Jacobs Company, manufacturer of the Laun-derall, has announced the appoint-ment of T. A. O'Loughlin & Company as franchise distributor for the washer in Newark, N. J. The new outlet is at 33-90 Washington Street.

Earl Everett, Seattle Coin Machine Company, Seattle, in town looking after the interests of the Shine Dis-tributing Company, distributors of the Douglass shoeshine machine in Southern California. . . Recent visi-tors at Badger Sales Company include V. Peter Romeo, Glendale; Robert Boyd, San Diego; Bill Bradley, Co-vina; Clyde Denlinger, Balboa: Lloyd Dindinger, Carlsbad; Anton Jeppesen, Rivera; J. W. Nystrom, Bell Gardens. Ben Horowitz, of Albena Sales, continues to ring up those foreign orders. Horowitz, who has concen-trated a good part of his efforts on the export market, reports that his latest shipment, a sizable order of music machine parts and tubes, is now on the way to Japan.... Sam Sacks, Acme Sales prexy, is pleased at the reception the Ace shoeshine machine is getting. He has one on test A special meeting of the Auto-matic Phonograph Owners' Associa-tion (APOA) will take place Tuesday afternoon (30) when final plans on the method of voting will be made. The election will take place Tuesday evening, April 13. William Fitzpat-rick is chairman of the nominating committee. Benny Stevens has made application for membership in the association. His application will be approved March 30... Morris Klein-man has moved into his new home at 1810 Berkley Avenue, Roselawn. location.

As sure an indication of spring as As sure an indication of spring as last week's balmy weather in New York are the signs advertising the opening of the Ringling Circus at Madi-son Square Garden April 7. Many of son Square Garden April 7. Many of the posters are decorating windows on coin row. . . Ed Balin, of Model Vending, Philadelphia, was a visitor to the avenue last week and dropped in to see Marvin Heisman at his newly opened jobbing firm, King Amusement Company. (See New York on page 112)

COINMEN YOU KNOW

company founder. Company's offices,

formerly in the Dime Bank Building,

have been moved to the Northwest

section at 14540 Grand River Avenue.

Austin Chavis and George F. Taylor

are establishing the Chavis & Taylor Automatic Self Service Laundries at

3237 Harrison Avenue in the west side

suburb of Inkster. . . . Dr. Martin P. Freese has moved offices of the Con-tinental Vending Machine Company,

manufacturing a new type of confec-tion vender, to 6519 Grand River Ave-

nue. He reports sample production of the new models now under way, with

national distribution to follow shortly.

George Hellmuth, of Training De-vices, reports full-scale production on

the new quizzer being brought out by the company is set for late spring. ... John W. Drury is marketing the coin package filler, designed to solve

the coin-counting problems for oper-ators, thru his newly-established firm

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here. Product is the result of some 15 years of experimentation. . . Bert H. Schlain, Detroit manager for Uni-versal Match Company, has announced the engagement of his daughter who will be married in August.

Jean and Dolores Minthorne and Mike Hobart, all of Minthorne Music Company, are back from Chicago where they made a tour of inspection

of the Seeburg factory....C. C. Weid-man, of Weidman Vending Distribu-

tors, Detroit, visiting his friend Bill Happel, of Badger Sales Company. Also visiting Happel is Herman Pas-ter, head of Paster Distributing Com-

C. A. Robinson off on a business

jaunt to the northwestern part of the State visiting ops and looking after C. A. Robinson Company interests. . .

Among those also making up-State trips are Bob Stark, Ideal Weighing

Machine Company; Ray Powers, E. T. Mape Company, and Hal Smoot, Kwik-

Kafe of California. . . R. E. Smith, Automatic Enterprises, is calling on

ops in Riverside and San Bernardino areas. . . Walter Gerke, of Automatic Machines, is on the sick list.

Earl Everett, Seattle Coin Machine

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pany, Milwaukee.

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Albert A. Weidman and Reynolds Frank Bannister, head of Bannister & Bannister Distributing Company, was in Chicago several days buying St. Onge, of Detroit, and Otto Sachse, of Pontiac, are incorporating the Merparts and supplies for pinballs. Anna May Bannister is on the sick list. . . . chandise Vending Equipment Com-Peter Stone, Indiana Automatic Sales Company, visited operators in South-ern Indiana last week. . . . Fred Slough, Plymouth, Ind., operator, was on coin row last week buying new pany and the Merchandise Vending Service Company, with capitalizations of \$5,100 and \$60,000 respectively. Eldred Mudge has joined the U.S. Postage Stamp Machine Sales as a equipment. partner, according to Fred Mitchell,

Harry Heim, salesman for P. & J. Distributing, is meeting with success in selling the U.S. Candy Vendor, and reports good demand in all parts of the State. . . . Fred Miller, Rochester, Ind., operator, was another coin row buyer. . . . Approximately 25 operators attended the good fellowship dinner given by the Indiana Music Operators' Association, Chapter No. 1, Tuesday (23), held at the 40 & 8 Club quarters. Abe Fleig, newly elected president, presided, and Lloyd Anderson, of the Terre Haute chapter, was the guest of honor. Anderson operates the Auto-matic Distributing Company in Terre Haute. . . . William Bolles, advertising manager, Packard Manufacturing Company, spent last week in Boston.

Houston:

The Weaver & Williams Co., exclusive distributors of Jennings products in the States of Texas and Oklahoma, In the States of Texas and Oklahoma, recently opened sales offices at 3012 McKinney Avenue, Houston. C. M. (Harry) Weaver, of Dallas, and Bill Williams, of Houston, are owners. Williams was in the coin machine business in Houston before the war, carved in the army for the duration served in the army for the duration, and has been in the distributing line of the industry since V Day. Weaver is also well known to Texas coinmen, particular in the North Texas area

Jacques Hochman, Southern sales manager for Musicraft Records, spent a few days at Macy's Record Store, Houston, and reported excellent sales of his product from that firm. Hochman said he was calling on all Southern and Southwest Musicraft dealers on this particular business trip.

Bill Siros, president of Siros Manu-facturing Company, reports that Carl Honeyman, who represented the Siros firm in five States in the West Coast area last year, has retired from the vending trade. Honeyman is now in the telephone music business in the San Francisco Bay area. The Siros firm will soon be producing its Brush-Up shine machine at the rate of 200 per day, according to its president. Firm's newest distributor is the Unique Company, La Crosse, Wis., for the States of Minnesota, Iowa and Wisconsin.

Philadelphia:

Bill Rodstein, Penny Arcade opera Bill Rodstein, Penny Arcade opera-tor and former president of the Amusement Machine Operators' As-sociation who recently purchased the Copacabana night club in the center of town, will change the name of the room to Big Bill upon re-opening it. . . . Jordan Hoffman, assistant to Larry Goldmeier, head of Poppers Supply Company, popcorn vending concern, underwent an operation at Naval Hospital. He will be out for several weeks, during which time Miles Grace will fill in to handle his chores. chores.

lack Beresin, head of the Berlo Vending Company, is serving on the coming March 29 of the Allied Jewish Appeal drive for 1948.... Paul Magill succeeds Al Garfield for the servicing of the vending machines in theaters in Wilmington, Del., territory for the Berlo Vending Company, Garfield was promoted to a district managership for the vending concern in Youngstown, O.

Chicago:

Lindy Force, AMI general sales manager, spent the greater part of last week in Grand Rapids, Mich., where the firm produces its coin phonographs... John Chrest, vice-president of Exhibit Supply, states that requests for the concern's latest five-ball, Banjo, indicate that spring buying of amusement equipment will run high. run high.

Atlas Music Company will show the much heralded new Seeburg equip-ment at the North Ballroom of the Stevens Hotel here April 3-6, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. . . . Recent spot checks by local licensing officials indicate that some operators are lax in affixing their 1948 license stamps. . . . Despite the fact that play on music machines has been nothing to write home about during the winter, local operators are enthusiastic in their comments on how much business has picked up recent days.

Tom Hungerford, director of public Tom Hungerford, director of public relations for National Automatic Merchandising Association, reports that one of the big surprises at the New York regional meet at the Hotel Commodore was the fact that so many big-time candy supplier firms were more than anxious to show their wares, a drastic change in tactics from a few months are If this policy coma few months ago. If this policy con-tinues there is little doubt that vender operators will get some relief from that price vise they have been saddling for too many months.

William Rabin, president of Filben, spent a few days on the West Coast last week on business, after making a hurried trip to Detroit. . . . Genco is getting ready to deliver its latest five-ball game. . . . General Vending Machine Corporation has three new drink venders. They are the Chieftain, a dual flavor, nine-case capacity job; Leader, which dispenses a single flavor and holds five cases, and finally, Midget, one flavor, two and a half-case capacity. . . The Office of Defense Transportation (ODT) slapped a 25 per cent cut on freight mileage of non-essentials last week in order to conserve dwindling coal supplies.... Altho the coin industry would prefer to see the need for military training or the draft evaporate, coinmen in general believe that coin play will rise rapidly if either precautionary move take place.

Local music operators have some very definite ideas on what should and should not be done to hypo juke play. These range, on the "should" play. These range, on the "should" side, from weekly or bi-weekly machine clean-up on regular routeman's visits, to custom disk selection per individual location requirement. Some think the six-for-a-quarter play is think the six-for-a-quarter play is the thing, and are converting their equipment to handle such play. On the "should not" side, operators have stated that ignoring location owners' requests for records, letting the juke in a tele-equipped spot slip below top-notch condition, both mechanically and in exterior appearance, and per-mitting too-loud settings of volume mitting too-loud settings of volume. are all signs of a slipshod operation.

Oomens, heading Walter Andy Oomens Sons, says the abundance of disk labels these days is creating quite a chore for the op who tries to pick hits-to-be in their earliest stages. George Solar, James H. Martin & Company, wax distributor, takes a different tack, however, and contends that such label variety makes for keener competition, which in turn promakes for duces better material.

Adolph Raymond, who has the A & Adolph Raymond, who has the A & M Music Company, has gone in on a partnership purchase of a new speed-boat with Tom Viviano, of Forest Music Company. Raymond is cur-rently testing his p-r idea, which he hinted at several weeks back, on his own route, and promises an early report on its value. He says several local operators have contacted him on the type of promotion he is using. the type of promotion he is using.

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Detroit:

Raymond says he will retain the role of Sphinx until the test is complete.

Swing Time Music Company man-ager, Vince Angeleri, reports that in almost all instances when firm acguired new tayern locations during recent months the tap owner requested television equipment along with the juke box. 'Tavern owners appear to consider the video set a standard piece of bar equipment these days," Vince says. He goes on to say that as the company also operates a retail record and radio store, it supplies the tap with a tele outfit, via outright sale. "If we don't sell them the equipment, they'll get it from another source," Vince states.

Dave Simon, who heads Simon Sales, New York, was a visitor last week, and dropped in on Lyn Durant and Billy DeSelm at the United Manufacturing Company headquar-ters. Also seen at United this week were Wolf Soloman, Central Ohio Coin Machine Exchange, of Colum-bus, O., and Norwood Veatch, Central Distributors, St. Louis.

Clarence Bayne, United States Vend-ing Corporation (USVC), spent Thursday of last week traveling thru down-State Illinois on firm business. H. T. Roberts, USVC's vice-president and director of sales, says the firm's airconditioned candy vender is moving right along, and is opening up new types of locations for operators, mostly places where candy machines have never been able to operate because of the heat.

Fred Mann, Aireon regional man-ager, was in Pittsburgh last week at-tending the showing held by the Mulligan Distributing Company for the Coronet 400. Fred, who spends most of his time away from Chicago, ex-pected to be back home in time to see his family over the week-end before hitting the road again.

Adding to the tidings of improving business conditions, Wallace Finke, World Wide Distributors, Inc., states that over-all orders continue at an excellent pace with increased activity becomic noticeable in monorditioned becoming noticeable in reconditioned consoles. In the new console orders, Wallace says Keeney's Gold Nugget is stepping out ahead. World Wide's mellow-voiced custodian of the switchboard, Patricia Sale, is walking switchboard, Patricia Sale, is walking on clouds these days—she says the date is set for her "I Do" with Rich-ard Cooper May 31. Mary Lennon, secretary, timed her return from a Miami vacation by walking back into Chicago's first touch of spring weath-er. Newest addition to the World Wide staff is Harold Thompson, who halk from Suracuse N Y. He has He has hails from Syracuse, N. Y. He has a maroon convertible, which brings to four the number of convertible fans at the firm.

J. H. Keeney & Company, thru John S. Comroe, sales manager of firm's cigarette vender division, reports cigarette vender division, reports strong acceptance of the new electric cigarette vender. Comroe, touring the Pacific area, writes about the successful demonstrations of the machine be-fore operator groups in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Before his trip is over, Comroe says, demonstrations will have been made in every important metropolitan area.

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L. F. Ellison, national sales director of Holli-Ware Manufacturing Company, makers of the triple-type bulk pany, makers of the triple-type bulk vender, Sugar Bowl, reports "dis-tributors are hitting high and our factory has been working steadily, with overtime on Saturdays and Sun-days to keep orders current." Ellison adds that two of firm's distributors, Fred Schaefer and Carl Amman, are this month's "fair-haired boys"—they pulled in top orders. Holli-Ware is waiting for special dies and moulds for a new 5-cent candy bar vender that will be turned out this summer.

Bally Manufacturing Company greeted a number of visitors last week. Among them were Harry J. Miehle, Williamsport (Pa.) Amusement Company; Virgil Christopher, Chris Novelty Company, Baltimore; Herman Paster, Mayflower Distributing, St. Paul, and Ben Becker, of Ben Becker Sales Corporation, New York. . . . Jimmy Johnson, Glove Distributing, says the new electric coin counter, introduced a few weeks back, is going great.

Atlas Novelty Company should have its new look in office and showroom set-ups complete by end of this week, Harold Schwartz says. Alterations are extensive, and promise visitors a Atlas staffers agree. Harold reports spring buying for coin equipment for resort use has started: "If the first wave of buying continues, resort or-ders will surpass last year's," he states. Over-all business is on the increase, with the advent of springlike weather, and phones are ringing more frequently. Firm's Illinois roadtraveler, Joe Kline, is on another trip, with assurance of contacting all his friends now that the roads are more driveable.

Clayton Nemeroff, Monarch Coin Machine Company, is another to tell of a pick-up in business. Clayton thinks order path will rise now that the "hibernation" season is past. Says due to flood waters in this part of the country, coinmen are staying close to headquarters and turning in orders via phone and telegram. Carl Huppert, Monarch bell division head, promises the trade a new idea in coir equip-ment shortly. Carl is currently testing the unit on location and will break with all the details upon conclusion of test. The bell department, he says, is working at capacity.

Edward Levin, Chicago Coin Machine Company sales manager, says firm's new five-ball, high-score, flipper-action pin game, Trinidad, will be announced this week. . . Mike Spagnola, Automatic Distributing Company, says shipments of the new 40-selection AMI wall box are due, and first boxes received will be channeled to fill orders now on the books. Phil Weisman, firm head, left Saturday (20) for a one or two-week stay in Miami, where he joined his wife.

Bob Gnarro, ABC Music Service head, reports a casualty "in the line of duty" recently. One of firm's servicemen, reports a casualty in the line of aury recently. One of firm's servicemen, Leonard Christensen, managed to find one of few remaining spots of ice the other week and slipped on same after leaving a location. Spent a week re-cuperating, but due back to work this week... Edward Hanson, Groetchen Tool & Manufacturing Company vice-president, is still enthusing about the reception accorded the Camera Chief. reception accorded the Camera Chief.

Jim Gilmore, secretary-manager of the Coin Machine Industries, Inc. (CMI), and Mrs. Gilmore returned Thursday (25) from an 11-day cruise that included Panama, the Canal Zone and Guatemala. The Gilmores, who were accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. M. Schramack on the trip, toured the United Fruit port in Guatemala, and Jim, upon his return, reported that no matter where he travels outside the boundaries of the U.S., it always makes him happier to know that he lives in this country. His greatest interest during the cruise was captured by the Canal Zone.



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(Continued from page 110) (Continued from page 110) Albert I. Gorner, public relations director of the Coin Metered Wash-ing Machine Operators' Association (CMWMOA), says reservations al-ready received for CMWMOA's din-ner-dance at the Henry Hudson Hotel April 10 point to a record attendance. New firms recently elected to mem-bership in the association include the Stratton Corporation. Hercules An-Stratton Corporation, Hercules Ap-pliance Corporation and Metered Laundries, Inc.

Leo Knebel, formerly with Videograph, Inc., as chief engineer, and Tony (Rex) Di Renzo, who resigned as coin machine sales manager for Nat Cohn's Modern Music, have joined forces in a new business enterprise. The firm, still unnamed, occupies a store at 674 10th Avenue, and the pariners are already hard at work developing a device—to be announced soon—for which they predict a great demand among music ops. Meanwhile, Knebel is supplying to Videograph, on a contract basis, the "brain box" which controls the combination set's timer and change-over from juke to television.

Another sign that spring is here is the hustle and bustle on all three floors of the Mike Munves Building on 34th Street. Cabinet-making and spray departments are working full blast and machines are being rushed to arcades thruout the country in preparation for the outdoor season. Max Munves returned from Florida just in time to pitch in. Among the Max Munves returned from Florida just in time to pitch in. Among the recent visitors to Munves' place were Art Moskowitz, of Supreme Amuse-ment Company, Bridgeport, Conn.: Helen Fuller, arcade owner of Hamp-ton, Vt.; Sol Gottlieb, of D. Gottlieb & Company, Chicago; Steve Moroney, arcade owner of Glen Echo Park, Md., and Willie Gaynes and Pete and Milt Weisman, of the Steeplechase and Raven Hall arcades.

Al Meyers, partner of Al Blendow in the new firm of Blendow in Blendow in the new firm of Blendow & Meyers, opens his Rockaway Penny Arcade for the season Easter Sunday.... As this issue of The Billboard goes to press Ben Linn, of the Regal Music Company, was pacing hospital corri-dars graviting on hosi dors awaiting an heir.

Teddy Blatt, attorney for the Asso-Teddy Blatt, attorney for the Asso-ciated Amusement Machine Operators of New York (AAMONY), presided at a meeting of the group in the Manhattan Center Thursday (25), taking the place of Lou Rosenberg, AAMONY president, who was ill. With about 250 ops in attendance. discussion revolved around the cur-rent game situation in the city. rent game situation in the city.

Latest addition to the ranks of the coin machine jobbers and distributors' association is the Cameo Vending Servassociation is the cameo vending serv-ice.... Out-of-towners in to look over the equipment in the showrooms of Runyon Sales Company, local AMI distributor, last week included Johnny Fuller, of Universal Vendors, Albany, and Nick Gallo, of Local Music, Stam ford, Conn.

U.S. Treasury Cold

To Mehren Plan

WASHINGTON, March 27.—U. S. Treasury Department "has given a cold reception to the coining of a 7½ and a 12½ cent piece," according to spokesmen here. Idea originated with Edward Mehren, president of the Squirt Company.

Treasury spokesmen indicated that

they like its present coinage of nic-kels, dimes and quarters and do not desire to put out any new "in-between coins."

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Veeder-Root Presents Annual **Report; Reviews 20-Year Span**

HARTFORD, Conn., March 27.----Veeder-Root, Inc., manufacturer of counting devices for vending, music and amusement machines, last week issued its annual report and reviewed its 20 years of corporate existence which showed sweeping growth over the two decades since the company was formed.

The annual report, covering 1947, shows consolidated capital of \$8,672,-408, represented by 414,600 shares of outstanding common stock. Graham H. Anthony, chairman of the board, and John H. Chaplin, president, who issued the report, indicated that in-creases in the firm's business will continue this year. Earnings for 1947, according to the report, were \$1.971,102, an increase of \$256,220 over the 1946 total of \$1,714,882.

Two Old-Line Firms

The Veeder-Root firm-stemmed from a 1928 consolidation of two old-line Connecticut firms, the Root Company, of Bristol, which was established in 1866, and the Veeder Company, of Hartford, which was formed in 1895. Expansion over the past 20 years, starting from a factory here, includes the opening of plants in Montreal, Canada, and Croyden, England, in addition to the setting up of representatives in many other foreign countries.

In 1946 Veeder-Root, Inc., acquired the Holo-Krome Screw Corporation as a wholly-owned subsidiary operation.

In 1928, at the time the merger took place, plans area for the firm called for 115,000 square feet of floor space. Since that time, in order to meet the expanding demand for its products thruout the world, Veeder-Root has built four additions to its plant, and the plant capacity now stands at 295,000 square feet.

Employment has kept pace with

Pittsburgh Coronets Damaged in Transit: Use Photos for Show

PITTSBURGH, March 27.-For the Mulligan Distributing Company here bumped into trouble with its sched-uled showings of the new Aireon Coronet 400.

The two-day showing had finally been set for Monday and Tuesday (22-23) this week, but Monday morn-ing officials of the firm were advised that their shipment of machines had been smashed in a freight wreck.

With Fred Mann, Aireon regional manager, on hand, the operators who had been invited to the show, instead of seeing a working model, were shown photos of the Coronet.

Shown photos of the Coronet. On Thursday (25), Mulligan was advised that a second shipment of equipment had reached Pittsburgh, and would be delivered over the week-end. Telegrams have been sent out reporting that the units will be on display in the firm's showrooms by next Thursday (1).

Philip Morris Dividend

NEW YORK, March 27.-Philip NEW YORK, March 27.—Philip Morris & Company has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 37½ cents per share and an extra divi-dend of 25 cents per share on its com-mon stock. This was in addition to a 90 cents per share quarterly dividend on firm's \$3.60 preferred stock and a \$1 per share quarterly dividend on its \$4 preferred.

the firm's expansion. During the wartime peak Veeder-Root had 2,000 persons on its pay roll. Today the pay roll includes more than 1,500 persons.

On the financial side of the pic-ture, a comparison with the 1928 consolidated capital reveals the economic growth of the firm. The 1928 figure stood at \$2,287.55, represented by 75,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

Duotone Introducing New Sapphire Needle

NEW YORK, March 27.-Duotone Company, Inc., here, is now in production on a new bent-shank sapphire needle which will retail at 99 cents, according to William A. Boeger, sales manager.

Initial shipments were made last week. The new product will be known as Sapphire 99 and is the lowest priced needle of its type to be manufactured by the firm. The nat-ural sapphire tip and the bent shank is expected to considerably reduce surface poier surface noises.

Out Stealing

NASHVILLE, March 27.--The army gets its man—but in this case it was the Salvation Army.

Local police credit the sleuth-ing of Maj. Railton F. Spake, Salvation Army manager, with the arrest of two men who had been rifling coin machines in this section.

Major Spake agreed the men were suspicious, trailed them, stopped a break-in, held them until police arrived.

The arrest broke up a series of thefts which had police baffled coin machine operators worried.





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Jones Opens New Office in S. F. SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.-The Jones Distributing Company, more

prominently known as the "Jones boys" .in the territory comprised of the States of Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, New Mexico, Eastern Montana. Southern Idaho, and Nevada, with central offices in Denver, have opened an office and show room here at 1263 Mission Street.

Mission Street. Firm is exclusive factory repre-sentative in the additional territory of Northern California, north of San Luis Obispo: San Bernardino and Inyo counties and the State of Ne-vada, with the exception of Park County, for J. P. Seeburg Corporation and the Bally Manufacturing Com-pany. Company is not an operator but is engaged only in the distribu-tion of coin-operated equipment. B. F. Plana Marc

R. F. Plans Move

R. F. Jones, president of Jones Distributing, is planning to move here from Denver and will set up general headquarters in a building which is being remodeled with a view to establishing complete parts and service facilities service facilities.

C. M. McMurdie, formerly of the Denver office, is headquartered here as general manager and director of sales, with Max Peacock. formerly with the Electronic Engineering Com-pany, Oakland, Calif., as service man-ager. The present sales organization comprises Carl Lawson, of Salt Lake City, and Roger A. Tays and Myrl Park, of San Francisco, the two latter being well known to the trade in Northern California.

McMurdie announced that the sales staff will be expanded along with the firm's pending modernization program.

Diamond Match 1947 Sales Increased 40%

NEW YORK, March 27 .- In a recent report to stockholders of the Diamond Match Company, Robert G. Fairburn, firm president, announced total sales in 1947 were \$67,526,338, highest in Diamond's history and 40 per cent above the previous year. Net earnings for 1947 were \$8,323,421, or 87 per cent above 1946 earnings 87 per cent above 1946 earnings, or another all-time high.

Fairburn stated that during the first half of 1947 sales of matches "were greatly retarded by the possi-ble reduction of the federal excise tax. Wholesalers and retailers were reductant to place matches in inverreluctant to place matches in inven-tory and suffer later losses in values in the event of a downward revision of the tax. By July 1 it became clear that no reduction was imminent and sales for the last half of the year were unusually heavy.

New Assets

Current assets of Diamond were re-ported at the year end as \$27,553,-630.25, compared with \$23,068,868.44 for 1946. However, the ratio of cur-rent liabilities declined from 10.72 per cent at the close of 1946 to 4.52 per cent at the end of 1947, a decrease attributed largely to bank borrowings of \$4,000,000 Heavy demands were and the data of \$4,000,000. Heavy demands were made on the company's cash to fi-nance post-war rehabilitation as well as increases in inventories and accounts receivable incident to expansion sales.

Outstanding capital stock of the company at the close of 1947 was 600,000 shares of preferred stock and 856,000 of common stock. Common stock outstanding on July 1 was raised to 856,000 shares in connection with the B-F-D acquisition June 30, 1947. At December 31, 1947, there were 5,425 holders of preferred and 2006 holders of the componency of the 8.386 holders of the company's common stock.

Gold Star Music

LEBANON, Pa., March 27 .-With a juke box to provide the music, and a snack bar and dance floor to round out the set-up, teen-agers here are watching an abandoned church turn into their own recreation center. Making the conversion possible Making the conversion possible are a retired farm couple, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Harmon. The Harmons, who lost their 23-year-old son in the war, decided to use the war insurance pay-ments and the State veterans' bonus check they received to help out other young people in Lebanon, so they purchased the abandoned church, and are ar-ranging to have it painted. A heating plant will be installed to insure year-round usage. The insure year-round usage. The juke box and other retinements will turn the building into the town's major social center for high school boys and girls.

Cleveland Packaging Exposition To Debut New Ideas, Methods

CLEVELAND, March 27 .- American Management Association's (AMA) 17th annual packaging conference and exposition, to be held in Cleveland Auditorium, April 26-30, will stress new uses of packaging materials and include open session discussion of management aspects of packaging by over 2,000 executives and specialists.

Covering new uses of paper, paperboard, glass, metals and wood for packing and packaging, the conven-tion should prove of interest to vender supply firms, operators and manufacturers. Display space will cover 100,000 square feet occupied by 200 exhibitors.

Meet will also emphasize new warehousing methods, new package machinery, simplified packaging specifications and packing of perishables, according to Edward K. Moss, AMA public relations director.

Tampa Plans Installation of **370 More Parking Meters**

TAMPA, March 27.—Mayor Hixon has asked the city board of repre-sentatives to authorize the calling of bids for purchase of 370 additional parking meters. Present plans call for installation of the new meters in parts of Tampa and Ybor City. Meanwhile, Steve Edwards, Quin-cy, Fla., city manager, has announced that five firms have submitted pro-

that five firms have submitted pro-posals to the city commission for the installation of parking meters in Quincy. Edwards indicated that the first quantity of parking meters would be on order by April 1, with a total of 430 meters expected to be installed.

Prescott Preps Laundry

PRESCOTT, Ariz., March 27.-This city will soon have its first automatic laundry, according to equipment plans now being completed by Mrs. Grace B. Ritter, who will open the Prescott Bendix Automatic Laundry here. New building which is to house the laundry is of the Quonset type, measures 20 by 48 feet. Mrs. Ritter is the mother of Harold Ritter, manager of the local Station KYCA.

OCEAN CITY, N. J., March 27.---Residents of this nationally known resort city will vote April 20 on a proposed 3-cent cigarette sales tax. The levy was approved by the New Jersey State Legislature, subject to approval by the voters of Ocean City. A similar tax in neighboring Atlantic City has already resulted in a yield of over \$1,000,000.

Seeburg Unveils Select - o - Matics

(Continued from page 107) ing in a newspaper campaign which will spot a series of three display ads in a total of 80 metropolitan dailies. before and during the showings.

Preview Equipment

Seeburg distributors have known since last autumn that the factory intended to bring out the industrial-commercial system. They were given a preview of both models at a meeting held here in Chicago March 12-13. Earlier, each distributor had sent his service representatives to factory-sponsored training courses to ac-quaint service personnel with the mechanism.

Later-probably in May-Seeburg and its distributors will launch promotion for the firm's complete line of record changers. The record changers, which heretofore have been sold ers, which heretofore have been sold only to primary manufacturers of radio-phonograph combinations, will now be handled by Seeburg distribu-tors for replacement use or as inde-pendent changers to be played thru any radio set. Turning over the changer line to its distributors, like introducing the Select-o-Matic, will mark another phase of the music diversification program.

Two-Year-Old Lime Cola Co. Files for Reorganization

MONTGOMERY, March 27 .- Reorganization proceedings were filed here recently by the two-year-old Lime Cola, Inc., in Federal Court. Bernard Lobman and John F. Britton have been appointed trustees of the concern by Judge C. B. Kennamer. concern by Judge C. B. Kennamer. Lime Cola was incorporated in Ala-bama in October, 1945. Stock, which was introduced at \$1 per share, rose to as high as \$10 during the first year of operation and a 50 per cent divi-dend was declared by the company in 1946. Late that same year the firm hunghed an extensive advertising launched an extensive advertising campaign, and I. Berman was elected president to succeed J. W. Wells, who resigned because of pressure from his lumber holdings. Bob Hope and Bing Crosby were among the firm's stockholders.

Cig Stamp Sales Up in Ohio

COLUMBUS, O., March 27.—Ciga-rette stamp sales in Ohio last Feb-ruary totaled \$1,253,344, an increase of 11:56 per cent over sales of \$1,119,-503 for same month in 1947. Net cigarette stamp sales of \$2,519,471 for the first two months of this year com-pare with net sales of \$2,258,381 for same two months last year, an in-crease of \$261,070.



Brokerage Firm Lays High Price of Cocoa On British Control

CHICAGO, March 27.—Commodity division of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane, brokerage firm, stated last week that the "most important factor in the price of cocoa is Great Britain's virtual control over world supplies."

The British control of close to 60 per cent of the world's cocoa produc-tion, and Brazil's control of another 18 to 25 per cent, make for a price impasse that is pegged at a 34-cent increase per wholesale pound over the increase per wholesale pound over the pre-war level, the firm's report said. It added: "Britain has been paying Gold Coast and Nigerian farmers on Gold Coast and Nigerian farmers on the basis of about 12 cents per pound in production areas while in turn sell-ing it to the United States at about 42 cents per pound." "The difference of approximately 30 cents per pound covers cost of the selling operation and contributions to

a fund established for the benefit of farmers and to cushion prices when a downward trend in prices when a downward trend in price occurs," the report stated, and added that, "Brazil and the rest of the cocoa producing world have followed the British price example and are paying them (farmexample and are paying them (larm-ers) on the basis of going prices in the world markets. The United States, as the largest single consumer of cocoa, has borne the brunt of this pricing policy."

Report continued with the state-ment that consumer demand has not fallen off due to higher retail prices for cocoa, and that demand for cocoa beans by manufacturers "shows no tendency to weaken."

Altho cocoa shipments to the U.S. last year increased, it was not pos-sible to build up a reserve. Present stocks in licensed warehouses are declared to be dangerously low.

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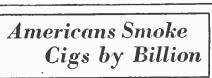
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LOngacre 5-0371 Al Bloom, President



WASHINGTON, March 27.—Ciga-rette consumption in the United States has increased to a point where Americans are now smoking an aver-age of more than a billion cigarettes per day, according to latest figures released by the Department of Commerce here. Reasons behind the all-time high

as advanced by government experts are the great impetus given during the war when teen-agers and women were employed in well-paying factory jobs and the fact that cigarette manu-facturers have aimed many of their latest advertising gimmicks at po-tential women smokers.

Whereas 35 years ago the factory-made cigarette was virtually shunned by the cigar smoking man and the legions of men who rolled their own, today few individuals would think of the handmade variety and the facdreamed of acceptance by both men and women in all walks of life. Of major importance to the federal government is the fact that ciga-

rettes now account for more than 77 per cent of all tobacco tax revenue, whereas in 1915 cigarettes were re-sponsible for but 10 per cent. One point of stability noted by Treasury Department experts is that people continue to spend money for ciga-rettes regardless of the fact that economic changes for individuals are constantly taking place. For surveys have proven that people have cut their clothing budgets and gasoline allowances before reducing customary purchases of cigarettes.

Diamond Match Cuts Domino-Sized Pack

NEW YORK, March 27.-The Diamond Match Company has announced the development of a new package for its production of Domino pocketsize matches.

New boxes are slimmer both for the convenience of smokers and also to save space in shipments and warehousing. Actually, the new match box occupies approximately three-fourths as much space as its predecessor, tho containing the same number of matches, as the matches also have been reduced in size. Diamond, how-ever, stresses the fact that the thinner matches are constructed of tougher

wood. One match

NCA Slack Packaging **Committee in Session** With Govt. Officials

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Mem-bers of the National Confectioners' Association (NCA) slack packaging committee and representatives of the packaging machine field held an im-portant meeting here with W. E. Braithwaite, of the National Bureau of Standards, and Sumner C. Rowe, of the Food and Drug Administration, at the Bureau of Standards offices to discuss confectionery, packaging discuss confectionery packaging to standards.

standards. During the meeting Braithwaite, who presided, outlined the functions of the simplified.practice division. Rowe emphasized the importance of strict compliance with Section 493 (D) of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, which states that a food shall be termed misbranded "if a container is so made, formed or filled to be mis-leading." He stated that candy manufacturers "had a responsibility leading." He stated that candy manufacturers "had a responsibility manufacturers "nad a responsionly to act immediately and that 'slack packaging' reforms should not be considered a part of a long-range program." Rowe then offered to confer with candymakers with re-spect to the design of their particular packages offering such suggestions packages, offering such suggestions as seemed appropriate, strictly from his own personal point of view.

Brock, Spokesman

Acting as spokesman for the candy and package machinery manufac-turers, during the meeting was Wil-liam E. Brock Jr., of Brock Candy Company, Chattanooga, who empha-sized points stressed in a memoransized points stressed in a memoran-dum previoulsy submitted by Charles Scully, chairman of NCA's slack packaging committee. He also dis-cussed changing costs of ingredients and the difficulties in securing pack-aging machine parts aging machine parts.

Conferees attending the meeting in-cluded Philip P. Gott, NCA president; Robert C. Hill, manager NCA Wash-ington office; Herman L. Heide, Henry Heide, Inc.; Theodore Stemp-fel, E. J. Brach & Sons; Charles F. Haug, Mason, Au & Magenheimer; Robert H. Reese, H. B. Reese Candy Company; Robert Schnering, Curtiss Candy Company; Edward Wester-velt, Packaging Machine Company; Cletus A. Wetli, Hudson Sharp Ma-chine Company; J. P. McCarthy, Lynch Corporation, and M. H. Pen-dergast, Lynch Corporation. Conferees attending the meeting in-

of the features of the new longer and eliminates the previous book is its new, virtually rough sandpaper effect.

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GRADUATION DAY for candymen in South Bend, Ind. J. C. Claeys Jr., of Claeys' Candy Company, extends thanks to Prof. Brooks Smeaton, Notre Dam marketing instructor, for serving as instructor at the South Bend "Balanced Selling" training classes.

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SLEEPY HOLLOW RANCH GANG					(Banner B-559) Conversation With a	68	70	70	64	With.					nounced beat.					
(Pete Newman) (Majestic 6028)		ļ			<i>Mule</i> Shepard philosophically tells tale of farmer talk-					(Columbia 38139) Look What Those Blue	74	73	71	79	MYRTA SILVA (Victor 23-0779) El Ole	73	74	71	73	
No Reason Left to Care Weak warbling, weaker backing.	44	42	40	49	ing to mule. Monolog with organ backing. A Deck of Cards	79	80	83	75	Eyes Did To Me Beer tavern-type duet on good hill sob tune.					(Hermanos Palau Ork) Silva gal strongly de- livers peppy-paced bo-					
I Feel Better Since I Got Your Letter	40	39	37	45	Current h ot monolog item due to T. Texas Tyler disking. Shepard					Kentucky Boys try here but their	57	59	53	60	lero. Palau ork beat aids disk in moving in bright style.					
Lifeless delivery on weepy Western tune. In- strumentation unsure.					version also has home- spun appeal Subdued					own penned ditty is poor effort.					Por Un Besito (Julio Gutierrez Ork)	74	72	76	74	
MERLE TRAVIS (Capitol Americana					organ effective under patter.					GENE AUTRY (Columbia 38148) Lone Star Moon	82	82	82	82	Wild guaracha offers thrush chance to display full, competent vocal		ļ			
40100) When My Baby Double-	85	84	82	89	JOHNNY TYLER (The Riders of the					Autry ambles thru nos- talgic Western tune, with restrained yet effective					technique. Ork again merits note.					
Talks to Me Personable piping. Live- ly Western ditty with					Rio Grande) (Victor 20-2774) Old McDonald's Boogie	77	78	74	78	group vocal and orking. Play Fair	77	78	75	77	PEDRO FLORES GRUPO					
elever vocal and swingy ork backing.				0.4	Bright hillbilly boogie treatment. Tyler tonsils lyric. Strong instru-					Cowboy warbles in re- laxed fashion. Ditty above average, backing					(Victor 23-0783) Botaron La Pelota (Chago Alvarado)	70	71	70	68	
Kentucky Means Paradise Relaxed thrushing on	01	80	79	.04	mental aid. Swamp Woman Blues Mournful harmonica	76	76	73	80	good.	1		Ì		Catchy up-tempo guarcha in capable stop- start mode.					
leisurely paced Western.					steals show. Tyler chants average folk blues					IOE LUTCHER'S JUMP		1	ļ		Ofrenda (Chago Alvarado-	71	73	71	69	
(Flint 1786) Signed, Sealed, and	40	39	37	45	ELTON BRITT (The					BAND (Capitol Americana 40101)					Riverita) Pretty L-A ballad in slow bolero-rumba style, with					
Delivered Third class treatment of first class "hot" folk					Skytoppers) (Victor 20-2772) Peace of Mind	81	82	79	83	Hit the Block (William Cooper) City race jukes should	72	72	70	75	vocal effort.	IONA				
pubitem, Lackluster vocal. Kentucky Waltz	66	67	62	69	Sincere, relaxed Britt warbling of pretty ditty.					go for the "sharp" lyrics. Rocks and rolls along with sax section out-					ENZO DI MOLA (Roland Fiore Ork)					
Tired vocal style suits oldie. Leisure pace				1	Skytoppers backing aids in framing proper dreamy mood.					standing. No-Name Boogie	74	74	71	78	(De Luxe 7001) Jumba, Jumba, Catari The old-concert standby	47	50	43	47	
packs nostalgic pull EDDIE McMULLEN-THE					Born To Lose Hillbilly standard taken slow and easy by Britt.		77			(Joe Lutcher) Joe's style is all there. Solid instrumentation					"Finiculi, Finicula!" Sung in Italian and Eng- lish. Inferior quality of					
RAINBOW MOUN- TAIN BOYS				ļ	with able instrumental assistance.					with minor harmony reminiscent of Liggins.					record makes it diffi- cult to identify either					
(Penguin R-503) Don't Wait for Me Quavering chirp on or-	37	37	32	42	JOE ST. CLAIR (Song Plugger 1)	65	64	66	65		49	49	45	52	language. Hallo, Mister John Another English-Italian	45	48	43	45	
dinary folk ballad. Weak string backing.			50		Red Long Fingernails Hillbilly ditty reminis- cent of Red Silk Stock- ings tune. Gay, twangy					Find My Baby Blues Stock treatment of un- exciting blues.					vocal with supposedly comic lyrics about "a push cart man" set to					
Whistling in the Canyon Novely western ditty has		54	50		St. Clair chanting, with asides thrown in.					Roberta, Get Out of That Bed Boys have fun with this	69	69	67	72	passages from the Wil- liam Tell overture.					
infectious beat but singer lacks strength to put it over. Strings swing	-		}		It Isn't Worth the Tears Average folk lament. St. Clair piping picks		50	46	50	one. Uninhibited chat- ter and racy lyrics hypo appeal of novelty blues					JEFFREY CLAY-DANA DANCE ORK-CARL					
LONZO AND OSCAR					up after dull first chorus effort.					ANDY KIRK-BEA					LADRA. COND. (Dana 2011) The Windshield Wiper	69	72	66	70	
(Victor 20-2765) Poppin' Bubble Gum	79	79	75	84	AND HIS CACTUS					BOOZE (Decca 48073)					Song Mickey mouse bounce ditty. When it comes to					
Peppy duo sells novelty with commercial appeal. Lum and Abner type					COWBOYS (MGM 10172) Tired Little Dogies	70	78	75	84	Alabama Bound Sloppy orking doesn't help weak material.	48	47	45	52	Polkas, label ranks with the best but this novelty disk (one of Dana's first					
patter clicks. Good hot fiddling. Ole Mother Nature		0.0	00		Folk jazz with tasty sax and guitar work. Vocal		10	17	07	Doggin' Man Blues Bea Booze blues chant	67	68	64	70	pop releases) is just fair. You're Mine	72	75	70	72	
Comedy team puts over entertaining bounce-		88	86		groove. Cowgirl Polka					appeals on tune which builds and tells a story.	ļ į	Ì	ĺ		Pretty ballad sung straight and sincerely. String ork's unpretenti- ous arrangements score.					
novelty with zip and showmanship. Should add up to yocks and protections of the inter-					Prairie Polka doings with Western lyrics set to Polka beat. Good muted		74	70	76	LATIN-AMERICAN					DANA SERENADERS-					
nickles at the jukes.		ļ	l L	1	HANK WILLIAMS AND					RAFAEL GONZALEZ PENA ORK					MICHEAL CHIMES (Dana 2015) Toolie Oolie Doolie (the	73	74	70	76	
Trailsmen) (Memo 3001)					HANK WILLIAMS AND HIS DRIFTING COWBOYS					(Seeco 641) El Gallo Tuerto L-A chanter's strong ton-	71	70	72	72	Yodel Polka) Late, but one of the best versions of current					
Smoky Moon Cowboy ditty with usual "plodding on horseback"		67	65	6	MGM 10171) I'll_Be a Bachelor 'Til I	70	70	68	77	sils render fair up-tempo guaracha. Pena ork-aid					rave items. Crisp choral work with harmonica backing.					
theme. Ökay Barrett piping. Bear in Mind	5				Die Droned folk blues with				1	flashy 88-ing.	61	63	60	61	(Walt Dana Ork) Light and airy instru-	70	70	68	72	
Twangy Barrett vocal of up-tempo hill lament Some good guitar licks		69	9 66	6	Honky Tonkin' Nasal-voiced chirp brays bouncy ditty in fine style	;	373	71	75	Romantic Lopez warbling features otherwise un- distinguished disking of					mental. Sure, danceable beat o melodic theme.		0 12	4)		
Some good guitar news here.	´				Deft ork beat.	I	1			bolero.		!			(Continued or	ı pag	e 12	¥)		



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April 3, 1948

OPA Ice Cream **Rules Dropped**

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The National Ice Cream Mix Association here disclosed this week that the requirement of keeping OPA records on ice cream production for three years after the date of ice cream devears after the date of the cream de-control has been rescinded. The association also released statistics governing total production for 1947 compared with output in 1946 and the 1941-'45 averages.

In pointing out that the require-ment for keeping output records until November 9, 1949 (three years after ice cream production was taken off ice cream production was taken off the decontrol list), the mix association listed three categories still required to retain their records. They are parties to pending court suits; recipi-ents or claimants of subsidy, prem-ium or other payments from the gov-ernment, and sellers of commodities or services to the government under adjustable price schedules.

Figures relating to comparative ice cream production totals were listed as 622,400,000 gallons, 1947; 708,913,000 gallons, 1946, and 437,363,000 gallons during the 1941-'45 span.

In another report released by the in another report released by the mix association, the following five States were listed as the leading ice cream producers: Pennsylvania, 73,-740,000 gallons; New York, 63,660,000; California, 47,810,000; Illinois, 38,820,-000, and Ohio, 37,780,000.

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Reviews Cocoa Situation

BOSTON, March 27 .- World cocoa production was a prime topic at the recent meeting of the New England Manufacturers' Association (NEMA). Speeches stressed that one way for the confectionery industry to over-come the present shortage and re-duce the "exorbitant price of this es-

sential ingredient" was a realistic effort to increase cocoa production. Robert H. W. Welch Jr., of James O. Welch Company, Cambridge, Mass., and chairman of the Washing-ton Committee of the National Comton Committee of the National Confectioners' Association (NCA), pre-sented a detailed picture of the cur-rent cocoa situation which he obtained during a recent visit to London and Paris. Another principal speaker at the meeting was John K. Kettle-well, director of NCA's Council on Candy, who described the council's activities. Welch declared the United States

Welch declared the United States weich declared the United States bought 335,000 tons of cocoa in 1939 at 4.2 cents, and that the present price of 41 cents per pound is a 1,000 per cent increase. "If this keeps up, candy will move out of the food class and back to the luxury class. People can stop eating candy if it gets too expensive," he said. Welch stated that in London he discovered that British industry feels the same way the confectionery trade in the U.S. does.

Real Shortage

There is an actual, honest-to-goodaffirmed. ", . . Our allotment is less than it was in 1939. We are allotted 254,000 tons, and we need consider-ably more than 275,000 tons. That means that we have been bidding on the New York Cocoa Exchange for a total which is bound to be short . . . the price is not a free market price, and the price for the whole world is set entirely fictitiously."

Continuing, Welch stated, "Another difficulty is the Marketing boards in England. The Nigerian Board and the Gold Coast Board have one chair-man, holding approximately 50 per

man, holding approximately 50 per cent of the world cocoa supply, which they can sell, or not sell." "They are paying 13½ cents **a** pound to producers for cocoa. This is four times the price paid in 1939. But even at this (price), they can land cocoa in New York at 20 cents, but the hearden are stating 20 c pound but the boards are taking 20 a pound off for payment of future subsidies to producers. They are taking \$4,000,-000 a month out of the American market alone."

market alone." Welch pointed to those experiments in cocoa growing under way in Li-beria, and the American chocolate industry's current research and in-vestigation in the Pacific Islands and South America. He said elimina-tion of the Marketing boards would help the prize situation or an alternation of the Marketing boards would help the price situation, or an alterna-tive requiring that boards be made to sell cocoa "immediately upon re-ceipt at whatever price it would bring." He added that paying growers more would act as an incentive to increase crops.

A major step in solving the cocoa turmoil would be to eliminate cocoa allocations under the International Economic Food Council (IEFC), Welch stated.

In addition to the price and short-age picture, he declared, another "dis-turbing factor is the use by the Brit-ish of thousands of pounds of cocoa butter for internal cooking, because they cannot get vegetable oils."





the poince introduced a set of burgian tools in evidence, Seddon objected. "I didn't use the tools on any of the jobs," he told Judge Louis E. Levin-thal in Quarter Sessions Court. "I used a key on every one of the ma-chines."

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Alabama April 10: Tobacco wholesalers' and ment due. jobbers' reports due.

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due (last day).

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Arkansas April 20: Gross receipts tax report and payment due.

April 15: Personal income tax re-

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April 30: Franchise tax payment

Arizona

California

turn and first installment due.



State Tax Calendar

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April 30: Sales tax report and pay-

Colorado

April 14: Sales tax report and payment due. April 15: Denver sales tax report and payment due. Income tax return and first installment due.

Connecticut

April 1: Income (franchise) tax re-turn and payment due. April 20: Sales and use tax return and payment due.

Delaware

April 30: Income tax return and first installment due. Information (annual) return due.

District of Columbia

April 15: Income (franchise) tax re-turn and first installment due. Income tax return and first installment due. Unincorporated business tax return and first installment due.

Florida

April 10: Agents' and wholesalers' cigarette tax report due. Georgia

April 10: Cigar and cigarette wholesale dealers' reports due.

Idaho

April 15: Cigarette wholesalers' drop shipment reports due.

Illinois

April 15: Cigarette tax return due. Sales tax report and payment due. Indiana

April 10: Cigarette distributors' interstate business reports due. April 15: Cigarette distributors' drop shipment reports due.

April 30: Gross income tax report and payment due.

Iowa

April 20: Sales tax report and payment due.

Kansas

April 15: Compensating tax report and payment due. Income tax return and first installment due. April 20: Sales tax report and pay-

ment due. Kentucky

April 15: Income tax return and first installment due. April 20: Cigarette wholesalers' re-

ports due.

Louisiana

April 1: Soft drinks tax report due. April 15: Soft drinks tax report due.

Tobacco tax report due. April 20: New Orleans sales and use tax report and payment due. Sales and use tax report and payment due.

Maryland

April 15: Income tax return and first insallment due. Sales and use tax report and payment due. Massachusetts

April 10: Excise (income) tax return and first installment due. April 20: Cigarette tax report and payment due.

Michigan

April 15: Sales tax report and payment due. April 20: Cigarette report and tax due.

Minnesota

April 20: Cigarette tax and report due.

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Mississippi

April 15: Manufacturers, distributors and wholesalers of tobacco re-ports due. Sales tax report and payment due.

Missouri

April 1: St. Louis personal property tax return due (last day).

April 15: Retail sales tax report and payment due.

April 30: Soft drinks manufacturers' report and payment due.

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Montana April 15: Personal income return and first installment due.

Nebraska

April 10: Cigarette distributors' reports due.

New Jersey April 15: Financial business tax and report due. Franchise tax and report due.

New Mexico

April 1: Income tax information return due. Merchants' license tax quarterly installment due.

April 15: Income tax report and first installment due. Occupational gross income tax report and payment due.

New York

April 15: Personal income tax re-turn and first installment due. Unincorporated businesses' tax return and payment due. April 20: New York City sales and

use tax return and payment due.

North Carolina April 15: Sales tax report and payment due.

North Dakota

April 10: Cigarette distributors' re-

port due. April 20: Sales tax report and payment due.

Ohio April 10: Cigarette wholesalers' re-

port due. April 15: Cigarette use tax and re-

April 30: Toledo employers' with-holding return and tax due.

Oklahoma

April 10: Cigarette wholesalers' re-tailers and vending machine owners' report due.

April 15: Sales tax report and pay-ment due. Tobacco wholesalers' job-bers' and warehousemen's reports due.

Oregon

April 15: Personal income tax return and first installment due. April 30: Withholding tax return and payment due.

Pennsylvania

April 10: Soft drinks tax report due.

April 15: Employers' return of tax withheld at the source under Phila-delphia income tax due. Income tax return and first installment due. Sec-ond installment of Scranton income tax due.

Rhode Island

April 20: Sales and use tax return and payment due. April 30: Corporations (employing

five or more persons) reports due.

South Dakota

April 15: Occupational retail sales tax quarterly return and payment due.

Tennessee

April 20: Sales and use tax report and payment due. Washington

April 15: Wholesalers' cigarette drop shipment report due.

West Virginia

April 15: Cigarette use tax report and payment due. Sales tax report and payment due. April 30: Occupational gross in-

come tax quarterly report and payment due. Wisconsin

April 10: Cigarette wholesalers' and manufacturers' report due.

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., March 27.--Coca-Cola Company here was granted a special zoning exception last week to permit construction of a \$600,000 plant. City's Common Council and board of adjustment okayed the out-of-bounds industrial construction.

Coca-Cola To Build Plant

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WORCESTER, Mass., March 27.— Coin-operated washing machines will be available to operators for setting up routes in apartment buildings, tourist camps, hotels and other locations under a plan announced here.

Walker Electric Company, Launderall distributors, announced the plan simultaneously with a newspaper advertising campaign introducing home installations of coin-operated machines. Both plans revolve around the 25-cent kimeter, coin mechanism for the Launderall, manufactured here by the Product Service Corporation and distributed nationally to all Launderall agencies by the Walker company.

Explaining the set-up for operators to *The Billboard*, Irving R. Walker, company manager, said: "Kimeterequipped Launderalls will be available to operators at the usual discount. We feel that they represent a good investment, particularly if the operator works on our recommended 30-70 percentage basis with the location owner."

Walker also listed other locations where surveys have shown Launderalls could be profitably installed. They are barber shops, beauty parlors, trailer camps, bowling alleys and factories.

"Factories," he said, "would seem to offer the most attractive locations of all. Here the husband or the working wife could get the washing done while at work and bring it home again at night. Large office buildings, too, are good bets. Next to the home, the place where a person earns his daily bread is the most convenient place to bring the laundry."

Walker thought such locations, particularly the larger establishments, would pay off enough to allow the operator to keep a full-time employee on duty at the machines all day. He also pointed out that barber shops, beauty salons and bowling alleys use a large number of towels. With these people, laundry bills represent a sizable expense. "A coin-operated Launderall would be economical for the location owner and would pay off for the operator," he added.

"Our surveys have shown," Walker declared, "that installation in private homes even would be profitable for operators. But we don't recommend installation in homes where there are less than two adults and two children."

The company's plan for putting coin-operated Launderalls into homes is principally for dealers. It is a program beamed at making sales thru product exposure. Once installed, the argument for outright purchase becomes easier for the dealer and the contract contains a clause which permits the installation costs and coins collected by the kimeter to be applied to the down payment.

Both plans for coin-operated Launderalls were announced in a newspaper advertising campaign which broke this week in newspapers in Worcester, Springfield, Holyoke and Pittsfield. The ad plays up the home installation angle, but contains a panel on the proposition for setting up Launderall routes in apartments and other locations.

Launderall distributors in other parts of the country are conducting or plan to conduct similar advertising programs, Walker said. The campaign here was preceded by a series of feeler ads to test the public reaction to the coin-operated machines in private homes.





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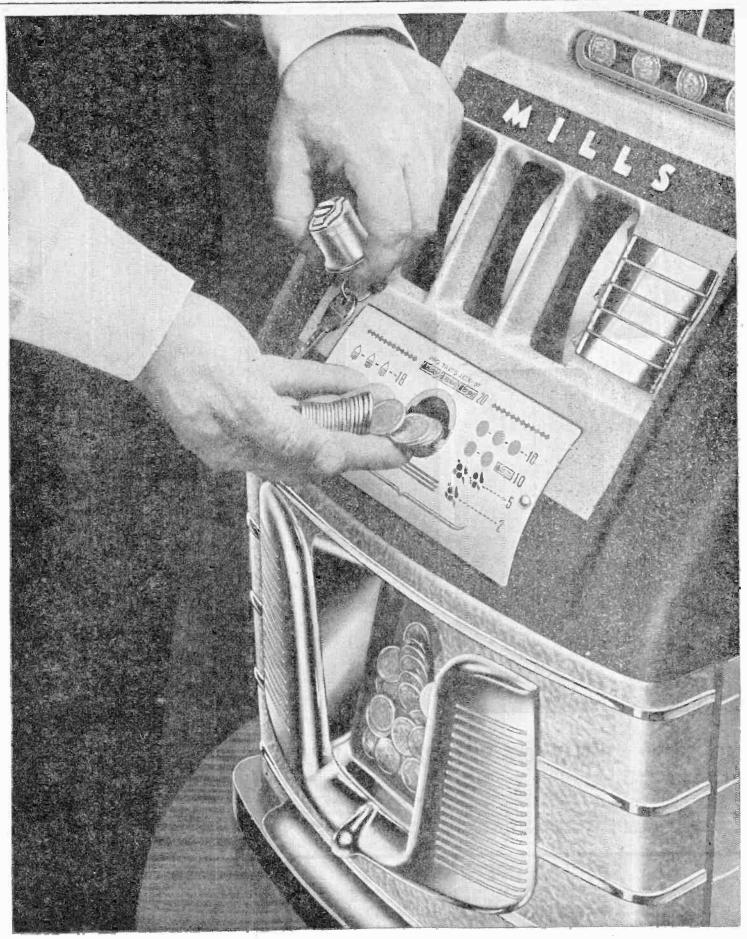
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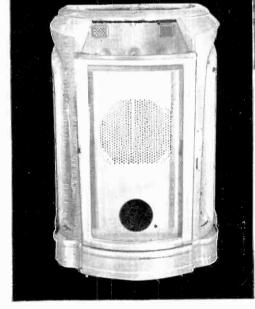
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