

Andy Russell and his charming wife and partner, Della, judiciously study a copy of "Chicken Foot, 'Sparagrass and Hominy 'n' Butter," which is the team's latest Capitol disking and which wowed the crowds at Hollywood's famed Mocambo nitery during the pair's recent engagement there. The husband-wife act, which started in business only a year ago, is adding still another feather to its quill-crowded cap with a successful run at El Rancho Vegas, Las Vegas, Nev. The couple is personally managed by George (Bullets) Durgom.

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# PLUGGERS WAR ON PAYOLA MCA's Slip Showing With

# Sale of Waldorf; Rivals May Book Acts There Now

### Sitch Particularly Keen on Name Bands

the Waldorf-Astoria to the Hilton | who headquarters out of the Chicago chain this week will throw the book- Palmer House. While Miss Abbott ing situation at the Waldorf into a hasn't committed herself one way or mad scramble, with Music Corpora- another, her policies in the post called tion of America (MCA) out of its for open submissions of acts, buying No. 1 spot.

The Hilton Hotels, those that use available properties,



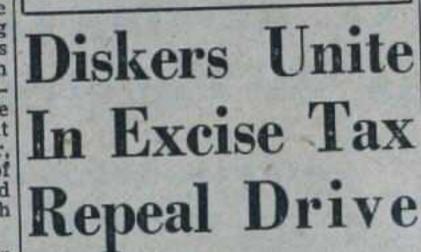
NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- A bonus of approximately 20 per cent of unduplicated families is being exposed to the commercials of three clients of the Dancer - Fitzgerald - Sample (DFS) agency as the result of a new system of cross-plugs worked out this season with three different agencies and clients. The DFS plan, if it continues to prove successful, might well set the pattern for a general introduction of the scheme into radio and TV by other clients and agencies. It was the DFS predecessor, Blackett, Sample & Hummert, which several years ago introduced two other techniques which from Music Corporation of America since have become standard practice: (MCA) to the William Morris Agency the hitch-hike and the cow-catcher. this week, inking a pact for full The three DFS clients share the radio-tele-music representation, same time period on alternate days (See D-F-S New Cross-Plug page 5) managerial wing of Nat Goldstone.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The sale of I talent, are booked by Merriel Abbott, them from whatever source had

MCA, on the other hand, has used the Waldorf as its No. 1 bait to get acts to sign with the office. The office has frequently denied booking the Waldorf exclusively and has pointed to the non-MCA acts which have been used in the hotel. Waldorf officials, on the other hand, have flatly said that MCA serves as talent consultants. The fact is, however, that the agency, in its romancing of non-MCA performers, has promised them the Waldorf if they'd sign with the office.

### Score-One Homer

DENVER, Oct. 22 .- Bill Reed, sports announcer for KMYR here, couldn't get hold of his regular baseball scorekeeper last month, so he took station receptionist Annie Maloney in his place. Annie, who likes her baseball, liked it still better when Deo Grose, handsome first baseman for the Denver Bears, chased a foul ball near the broadcasting booth, spotted her, and gave her a king-size wink. Annie went back to the rest of the games after that, and 'eo was prodigal with his winks. They'll 1 arry in a few days and go to Raleigh, N. C., where Deo is scheduled to play next season in the Corolina League.



# **MPCE** Acting As Old Curse **Hits New High**

**3-Point Cure Set Forth** 

By Jerry Wexler and Hal Webman

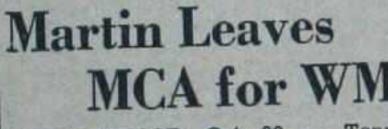
NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The specter of payola is haunting the music business as never before, and the song pluggers, one of the jeopardized groups, are determined to exorcize the evil.

At a council meeting of the Music Publishers' Contact Employees (MPCE) Thursday (20) the payola situation got a thoro going over and a plan of combat was outlined. The plan will be put before the membership for approval next Thursday (27). The following moves are projected:

(1) To set a deadline date, after which any member apprehended in a pay-off would be punished as provided for in the union by-laws-a fine or expulsion.

(2) To impress on the membership

The trade feels that with Hilton (See Who'll Get the Waldorf page 50)



HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Tony Martin switched booking allegiance

**Doob Calls Secret Huddle** 

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The disk industry is making its first unified effort to fight for the elimination of the 5 per cent excise tax which is levied on all wax. The waxers are said to be readying active support of legislation which is aimed at killing the tax.

It was learned this week that representatives of both small and large diskeries, including the six majors, Martin will continue under the recently held a secret meeting which (See DISKERS DRIVE on page 14)

Sesq. 'Preview

Wash. Niteries Go All-Out

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22. - Local

niteries are lining up the biggest

array of talent since the lush war

years in anticipation of new and big-

ger business sparked by hiked pay

envelopes to be received by govern-

Congress recently approved wage

increases to many classes of perma-

nent federal workers and already more

of them are beginning to get around

to the late spots. The town, however,

when the huge Sesquicentennial starts

lure millions of potential customers

the urgency of reporting violators.

(3) To attempt to enlist the cooperation of publishers. This will involve asking pubbers to stop paying and to yield control of the accurate sheet to the pluggers. The latter move would enable the union to bar offending orksters from all the sheets.

Old Broadway hands, cognizant of (See PLUGGERS WAR on page 13)

# **RCA Asks FCC** Sesqui Nut May Soar to 30 Mil <sup>2-Month</sup> Delay On Color Video

improvements in Radio Corporation of America's (RCA) color TV system clearly observable in the first two weeks' testing since its official unveiling to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), RCA is hoping to clinch its argument for its system if the FCC grants a request made by RCA this week, Thursday (20), for a two-month delay in the comparative color demonstrations sets for November 14.

RCA expects its rapid improvements will pep up its system within a few months to remove any doubts about RCA's method and shut out the (See RCA Asks FCC on page 6)

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**Disc Jockey Firm** '50 D. C. Expo **Pushes Song Via** Deejay Contest Brings a Rush Likely To Run

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—The newest rinkle in song promotion is the For Name Acts Even Into '52 wrinkle in song promotion is the contest being held by Disc Jockey Records, in which the deejay who shows the most listener requests for one of four tunes on the label wins the prize of a half-cent royalty per side.

Disc Jockey Records is a publisherowned label, started by songwriters Henry Grey and Fredrick Zenk, owners of Popular Tunes, a Broadcast Music. Inc. (BMI) affiliate in Sheboygan, Wis. Admittedly unable to secure commercial recordings of their tunes on their own, the tunesmiths decided to beam their efforts exclusively at the spinners, recording really expects to hit it big next year the tunes on a label designed to woo spinner atten on. Grey and Zenk building. The expo is expected to report 53 jockeys co-operating in the competition-attracted by the unprec-

## Exhibit Space \$30 a Foot

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22. - The amount of money to be poured into the gigantic Freedom Fair celebrating Washington's sesquicentennial next year may soar as high as \$30,000,000, it developed this week as harried sponsors worked feverishly to get plans completed and construction started. Talk also began circulating that the fair's duration might extend to three years if attendance held up.

Total outlay for the resqui was first estimated at \$17,000,000, jumped to \$22,000,000 this week, and is figured to climb higher as work progresses. Duration of the celebration (See Sesqui Nut May Soar page 60) edented bait of a regular royalty.

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ment employees.

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ILO Drafting Canned Music Pact School Video

GENERAL NEWS

Geneva Meet To Lift Scales Outside U.S.

### AM, TV and Disks Involved

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- An international treaty governing the rights of performers in the fields of radio and TV sound tracks and disks and other types of canned music is in the works, with the preliminary steps to be taken next week in Geneva under the auspices of the International Labor Organization (ILO), Labor Department officials told The Billboard yesterday (21).

Officials expressed the belief that outcome of the proposed pact would be to raise the standards of performer rights in the rest of the world rather than to lift U. S. standards, which are considered high.

#### Delegates on Scene

Delegates from most of ILO's 60 member nations are assembled in the Swiss city for the first session of the ILO advisory committee on salaried employees and professional workers, which meets October 24-29. Purpose of the meeting is to pave the way for conventions regarding the rights of performers in the stated fields.

According to the Labor Department, this will be the first meeting of the committee since 1938 when performer treaties were first suggested. Such work was dropped during the war and is only now being resumed. The current meeting will be devoted to discussion of provisions that might be included in an international pact. One item on the agenda will be a discussion of the royalty fund of the American Federation of Musiclans (AFM) and the possibility of (See ILO Drafting on page 15)

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  - I DON'T SEE ME IN YOUR EYES ANYMORE

Leading albums, classical disks, English and Canadian sheet sellers and full score on all music-disk popularity in Music Popularity Charts, pages 22 to 46.



### Action Skedded Early in January Sessions

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.-Legis-| The new Social Security bill, which trations going up, it now appears as lation of widespread importance to will bring into the old-age and sur- if only educational entities to get

# In the Future

Stations Far

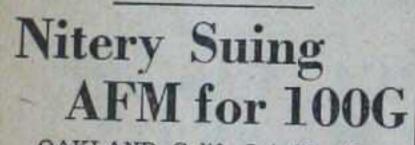
#### **High Costs the Stumper**

CHICAGO, Oct. 22. - Television might be the most powerful educational medium ever devised, but its going to be years before schools have their own stations. The first to get them will be universities, and it is extremely doubtful if city educational systems ever will have their own TV operations, as they now have their own AM and FM radio operations. This was the consensus of prominent educational broadcasters present at the 13th annual School Broadcast Conference (SBC) here this week.

The one big hurdle that most city educational systems will never be able to leap is cost. Chicago's plans are indicative. George Jennings, head of the Chi Board of Education's radio station said he planned a closed circuit TV experimentation some time after the first of the year. But if he were to buy one set for each of 500 schools, it would cost him at least \$50,000. And this would take care of just one classroom in each school.

To get around this, Jennings will try two things. He will try to get manufacturers to donate sets and, after a period of closed circuit experimentation, he will ask commercial stations to open up morning hours for programs intended for in-school educational use.

With other city school systems facing similar monetary problems, and with general cost of school administhe entertainment industry was left vivors insurance program all show into TV will be colleges and universities. In this category the land-grant In Washington last week Dr. I. Keith Tyler, head of radio for Ohio State University and one of the most prominent educational broad-(See School Video Stations page 12)



OAKLAND, Calif., Oct. 22 .- James C. Petrillo, head of the American Federation of Musicians (AFM), and the top officers of Local 6, AFM, are being sued for \$100,560 in Alameda County Superior Court on charges of extortion.

The suit was filed Wednesday (20) by Joseph D. Martin, owner of the Theater Club. It charges that last August Local 6 demanded \$450 from him which he claimed was owed to the union by a previous owner. When Martin refused to pay the dough the musicians were pulled off the job by the local. Martin said he paid the \$450 the next day under written protest.

An AFM spokesman said that under union rules all obligations are continuing ones; if a place folds without paying off musicians, the new owner is obligated to make the payment before he can be allowed to have music.

#### Jolson 1st for Hall of Fame

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- Al Jolson, the first showbiz "personality of the year" selected by the local Variety Club, this week wired his thanks to the club and called his selection "the biggest thrill in many a day." Jolson's bust in bronze is to go into the club's hall of fame.

Jolson was chosen by a committee composed of the present and former Variety Club chief barkers over Kate pet. Smith and Eddie Cantor, who were also nominated.

dangling in mid-air as a weary Congress wound up its 1949 term Wednesday (19). Left to the second session of the 81st Congress, which starts in January, is the task of completing action on such major pieces of legislation as Social Security for showfolk, reorganization of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the revision of excise taxes. In the instances of Social Security and FCC reorg, action was completed by one chamber. Legislation to cut excise taxes failed to get out of committee, but congressional leaders are pledged to put this on the early part of next year's calendar.

Along with these bills, a number of other matters affecting show business will be up for consideration. Included are the continuing probe of the communications industry by the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, the Inter-American Copyright double income taxes on a national of Convention, a bill to ban air plugs for liquor, a measure to force radio stations to appoint a representative in every State to be responsible for libel suits, and a bill to ban priceraising for political talks. There is also an outside chance that the bill Sam. The same formula holds good to force juke operators to pay roy- for French entertainers working in alties on disks will be revived.

people still outside, is slated for early action. Before Congress adjourned schools are expected to take the lead. this week. Senate Finance Committee Chairman Walter George (D., Ga.) announced that his group will start hearings January 20 and will report (See SHOWBIZ BILLS on page 47)

### France-U. S. Pact **Bars Double Taxes**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- A renewal of the treaty for avoidance of double taxation between the U.S. and France is now in effect following the exchange of ratification documents this week by Secretary of State Dean Acheson and French Ambassador Henri Bonnet.

With minor modifications, the new pact continues the agreement barring one country working in the other country. In the case of entertainers, those working in France over six months pay the French tax. If they work there less than six months their income abroad is taxed by Uncle this country.



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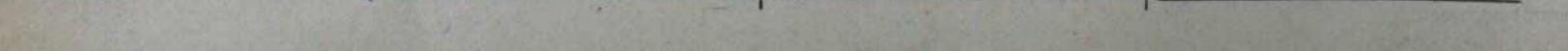
"Howdy Doody" Products To Get **Big Promosh for Xmas Sales** 

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- In anticipa- | season, including Howdy Doody dolls, tion of a record take this Christmas, the Martin Stone Agency is readying extensive promotion plans this month to push the Howdy Doody line of kiddie merchandise in department stores across the country. The firm is also negotiating for the national syndication of a daily comic strip, a 16 millimeter film for home movie sales and a series of regular flicker shorts for Bob Smith and his profitable TV pup-

More than 30 Howdy Doody products will vie for sales honors this (See "Howdy Doody" Kid on page 12)

children's clothing and accessories, Main Advertising, Circulation & Printing Offices handpuppets and marionettes, watches, comic and story books, toy toiletries, mechanical toys, games, toy furniture, wall decorations, ceramics, RCA Victor record albums, and, the latest addition, a "Howdy Doody stereoscope, available with black and white or color film.

Last Christmas Bob Smith chalked up an impressive sales mark for the initial Howdy Doody product, a doll via a series of store p. a.'s and plugs.



### **WFDR** in Drive **To Sell Unions** News Programs CBS Plans Columnist Levenson TV

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- FM station WFDR here, owned by the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union (ILGWU), is now offering its daily news program (6:15-6:30 p.m.) to trade unions for sponsorship. Three of the broadcasts have alredy been bought by the Seafarer's International Union (Tuesday), the Retail Clerks' International Association (Sunday). and the International Association of Machinists (Wednesday). The building service employees are negotiating for one of the remaining days.

According to a WFDR spokesman, the organizations' decision to take this initial flier into radio publicity was largely influenced by three factors: The comparatively low time cost (\$50), the station's double-check-for-accuracy system on all union news items and the success of ILGWU's own public relations campaign.

In the past the ILGWU has utilized radio to foster good will for its own membership via WFDR and the ILGWU-owned stations in Chattanooga (WVUN-FM) and Los Angeles (KFMV-FM and KWIK-AM), but this is the first time it's carried paid plugs for other unions. If the experiment works out the ILGWU will introduce the idea on its other outlets, which may inspire union-owned stations in other cities to follow suit. The latter include WDET-FM in Detroit and CUO-FM in Cleveland, owned by the United Oil Workers, and WFL-AM in Chicago, the Chicago Federation of Labor station.

### **Brief and Important** Last-Minute Digest of AM-TV News

RADIO-TELEVISION

**D-F-S' NEW CROSS-PLUG PLAN** 

Communications to 1564 Broadway New York 19, N. Y.

The Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS)-TV programing execs last week were planning a video package to star Sam Levenson, newspaper columnist. Levenson writes for The New York Daily Compass, The newspaperman clicked so well in his guest shot on "This Is Show Business," a CBS-TV Sunday night offering, that the web feels he has potentialities in a show of his own.

#### Paris Variety TV Package

John Nasht Associates last week announced plans to market a 13-week TV series, featuring Parisian variety acts. The half-hour shows may be done both on film and alive, with Air France scheduled to fly the talent to the U.S. A sample revue program, which was filmed in Paris in four weeks and is being shown to prospective sponsors here, features a 16-gal line of cancan dancers; French movie queen Jacqueline Cadet: the Chesterfields, a comic team; Walton's Puppets; Fedi-Fedi's midgets, a Chevalier-type crooner, the Monseigneur Violin (18) Orchestra and another band. The film also includes a tour of famous Parisian landmarks including Montmartre and la Place Pigalle.

### Sinclair Nixes Sponsor of "Escape"

The Sinclair Oil Company, which was considering sponsorship of Escape on the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), last week decided to cut its advertising appropriation, thus ending the chance of bankrolling the mystery. This is the second such deal which did not pan out for CBS in several weeks, Standard Oil having recently turned thumbs down on the expensive Andre Kostelanetz musical show which the web offered. The devaluation of the pound resulted in the Esso decision. However, Sinclair, it is felt, based its refusal more on uncertain economic conditions present in the country.

### Walter Preston Quits WGN Post

Confirming long-standing trade rumors, Walter Preston, program director of WGN, Chicago, resigned last week. Frank Schreiber, station manager, a few weeks ago denied there would be any change in program management at WGN. Bruce Dennis, assistant to the manager, has been named to replace Preston. Preston, a Chi radio vet, says he plans to get into station management or ownership. Dennis was given title of acting program director, and it is reliably reported that station is looking for a nationally known program exec to take the post permanently. It is known, too, that Dennis prefers administrative work.

# Inter - Sponsor **Co** - Operation ToHypoShows

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#### 20% Audience Bonus

(Continued from page 3) with an advertiser from another agency. Each bankroller winds up his show 20 seconds early and the sponsor who fills the time the following day takes over for a plug for his show and product. This enables each bankroller to get in virtually a full week of commercials. The DFS sponsors are Sterling Drug, Derby Foods and General Mills for Cheerioats.

#### How It Works

Sterling bankrolls My True Story on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 to 10:25 a.m., on the American Broadcasting Company (ABC). The other three days the show is sponsored by Libby, McNeill & Libby thru J. Walter Thompson's Chicago office. On days when Sterling is on it winds up early to permit Libby a 20-second plug. Libby reciprocates, of course.

The same situation exists for the 5:30 to 6 p.m. time each weekday, also on ABC. There DFS's Derby Foods account bankrolls the monoet serial Sky King, and General Mills, for Wheaties, sponsors Jack Armstrong thru the Knox-Reeves agency. There is a weekly schedule switch here, Derby getting three days one week to General Mills's two, and the reverse holding the following week. Here, too, each sponsor winds up early to permit the other a gratis plug.

### **KMYR** Caught In Middle on **Giveaway Ban**

DENVER, Oct. 22 .- KMYR was slapped with a \$300,000 suit here Saturday (15) as a direct aftermath of the Federal Communications Commission's proposed ban on giveaway shows. The action was brought in District Court by the Businessmen's Advertising Association, Inc., a group of 150 merchants which had sponsored a 15-minute program at 7:45 p.m. Thursdays called Go for the Car.

The station, the complaint alleged. signed a contract September 13 selling the Thursday night time for 13 weeks. It notified the association September 28, the day before the third giveaway show was to be aired, that the program was to be discontinued.

KMYR officials had no comment on the case other than the terse remark that "the FCC ban was set for October 1."

### **Black Ink at WBKB** By Jan. 1 -- Mitchell

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- WBKB, CBS-TV affiliate here, will be in the black before the first of the year, John Mitchell station manager, said. Miton part of advertisers, and said that spot advertisers have been added to the station's schedule in the past month.

Station now has 106 clients in- and signed. cluding 35 national program and spot advertisers and 71 local program and spot time buyers.

### **Carlos Franco Joining Kudner Agency October 31**

Carlos Franco, for years time buyer for Young & Rubicam, is joining the Kudner Agency October 31. He resigned from Y. & R. about a month ago. Duties with Kudner aren't being specified, Kudner stating he's to serve as a "general executive."

### Corham Hunts 1/2-Hour Drama for TV

Gorham Silver last week was looking for a half-hour TV show. The sponsor would like a quality program, preferably in the dramatic category. Kenyon & Eckhart is the agency.

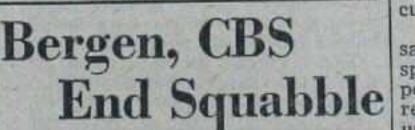
Additional "Brief and Important" Items Appear on Pages 6, 7 and 8.



NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- So scarce is variety talent for TV shows that raiding of personnel has commenced. A budding feud was in progress this week between Paul Whiteman, who starts a new TV revue on the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) and Ken Murray, whose Blackouts package is being peddled by the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) Whiteman has snared from the Murray show the latter's feminine lead. Darla Hood, along with a vocal quartet, the Enchanters, which was to back her.

Miss Hood and the Enchanters were featured on the kine sample of Blackouts which CBS is offering potential sponsors, and had appeared in the abortive legit run of Blackouts. Wednesday (19), the day before the Murray troupe was skedded to enchell pointed to a new TV interest train back for Hollywood, Whiteman learned from Henderson, producer of 53 new local program and national ABC's Stop the Music TV show, that no contract existed between Murray and the pirated acts. Less than two hours later they had been auditioned

> quartet was that with no sponsor yet show, sponsored by Goodyear, starts in tow for the TV Blackouts, the trip November 6.



HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22 .- Compromise has been reached in the squabble between Edgar Bergen and Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) Hollywood programing Veepee Harry Ackerman. Comic and the web exec tiffed over the Coke show format, Ackerman holding out for continuity and story line a la Jack Benny, while Bergen insisted on retaining his straight gag style. Bergen told The Billboard that he and Ackerman have agreed to try out format styles. Each the 10:30-11 p.m. Thursday slot by week's show will serve as a test for a particular program style, until both for its Skippy's Hollywood Theater Ackerman and the voice thrower see eye to eye.

Said Bergen, in defending his stand: 'CBS wants me to follow the same format as Jack Benny, Fibber McGee and Molly and others. I tried continuity with The Bickersons and it I have to borrow format from others. used. After all, a ventriloguist on radio is a freak, therefore my act is fundamentally different and should re-main so."

The feeling of Miss Hood and the back West was too risky. Whiteman's

#### Lone Ranger

In the 7:30 to 8 p.m. slot, also on ABC, DFS holds the Monday, Wednesday and Friday periods for Lone Ranger, sponsored by General Mills for Cheerioats. The Tuesday and Thursday segs are filled by Counterspy, thru the Biow agency. Lone Ranger winds up early on Mondays and Wednesdays in exchange for two plugs on the two days occupied by Counterspy.

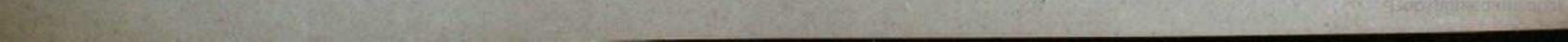
It is considered possible that the same system could be adopted by two sponsors not filling the identical time periods. However, its effectiveness is regarded as considerably greater this way, since each sponsor gets & sustained plug on the same time period daily.

### **Skippy Buys CBS** Thurs. 10:30 Slot

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22 .- The Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) this week regained some of its lost sales ground with the purchase of the Skippy Peanut Butter Company program. The transcribed series, now heard in over 55 markets, starts December 1 on CBS.

The program will use about 65 CBS outiets initially but later may go full network. Tho the first few shows will be transcribed, the intenwas an unhappy choice. After 10 tion is also to produce it live after years with a top Hooper I don't think the programs cut in the series are

> Les Mitchell, the program's director, goes to London next week to cut shows which will use British and Irish acting names. Among those thesps being considered are Margaret Lockwood, Jean Simmons, Clive Brook, Bebe Daniels, Robert Donat, Ben Lyon and the Abbey Players. Young & Rubicam is the agency.



### RADIO-TELEVISION 6 The Billboard FCC To Mull G. A. Richards Bid To Sell KMPC to NBC

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- The al-| would first decide whether the liready muddled situation involving the censes of the stations should be rethree radio stations of G. A. Richards newed and then pass on the transwill reach its most complicated point fer applications. Announcement of when the bid of Richards to sell the commission's decision on renewal KMPC, Los Angeles, to the National and on transfers probably will come Broadcasting Company (NBC) comes in a package, however. before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). legalists say that when the bid is re- early this week when Richards' counceived it will be tossed into the pot sel, Burton K. Wheeler, petitioned the of issues already scheduled for hear- FCC for longer time in which to move ing-charges of ordering news-slant- to change the issues designated for ing on the part of Richards, license hearing by the FCC. Wheeler said renewals of KMPC and WGAR, that he had just heard of the transac-Cleveland, and WJR, Detroit, and ap- tion and that more time would be plications to transfer the stations to needed in view of the new situation. a board of three trustees.

At the commission, it was anticipated that the bid to sell KMPC would be accompanied by a petition to dismiss the proposed transfers to the trustees, as far as KMPC is concerned.

#### **Package Decision**

Tho all the issues are certain to be aired at the same hearing, FCC lawyers said that the commission, in its deliberations following the hearing,

### **RCA Asks FCC** 2-Month Delay **On Color Video**

(Continued from page 3) rival color systems of the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) and Color Television, Inc. (CTI). CBS is readying to protest vigorously against the RCA petition which was tossed before the commission as a surprise to most observers even tho RCA had previously promised substantial improvements in its system before the FCC next sees it (The Billboard, October 22). In asking for the comparative color demonstration's delay to January 14, RCA pounded significantly at two points. That the demonstration of CTI's system scheduled by FCC for November 28 would be of little value to the FCC without a subsequent comparative showing with the rivals. And, therefore, the demonstrations might as well be lumped into one. RCA also contended that the deferment of a comparative showing is essential inasmuch as RCA's color system is still in ,a "shakedown" period and in accordance with good engineering practice should be subjected to a second phase of testing to refine the apparatus and techniques. The delay, it is argued, would not stall the FCC's findings, since the allocations hearings will immediately follow the color phase of the proceedings, which precludes possibility in any event of a (See RCA Asks FCC on page 11)

First official announcement of the Commission proposed sale of KMPC to NBC came

#### Seventh Outlet for NBC

In the event that Richards gets out from under the news-slanting charges and is allowed to peddle KMPC to NBC, the web will have a second coveted station on the Coast and the seventh in its chain of owned-and-operated stations. Acquisition of a seventh station by NBC is not expected to cause complications, inasmuch as Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) and Fort Industries also control seven stations apiece.

Tho there are no FCC rules regarding the number of AM stations that may be owned by one licensee, the commission's policy is to allow a maximum of seven. In its proposed rules announced in August of 1948, FCC wrote in the seven-maximum, but has since made no move to adopt the rules.

Present stations owned and operated by NBC are WRC, Washington; WNBC, New York; WTAM, Cleveland; KOA, Denver; KNBC, San Francisco, and WMAQ, Chicago.

### **Brief and Important**

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### SESAC Wins KOTA License Fee Suit

SESAC's suit against Station KOTA, Rapid City, S. D., filed by thatperformance rights firm to recover contractual license fees for use of its musical repertory on the air, was settled last week in SESAC's favor. The decision was handed down after SESAC produced air checks of KOTA musical shows, which disproved the station's counterclaim that the contract was null and void since they neither used nor needed the company's material and had been coerced into signing the license. KOTA has since paid up and entered into a new long-term license agreement with SESAC.

### New Barry-Ehrenreich Package Firm

Jack Barry and Dan Ehrenreich set up a radio-TV packaging firm last week, tagged Jack Barry Productions, Inc., with offices on East 40th Street. The new firm's production accounts include General Foods' "Juvenile Jury" on Mutual; M. and M. Limited's "The Joe DiMaggio Show" on CBS, and "Life Begins at Eighty." Barry heads the outfit with Ehrenreich, formerly WOR's program operations manager, as vice-president.

### Murphy Named to Crosley TV Exec Post

John T. Murphy, formerly manager of Station WLW-D in Davion, O., last week was appointed director of television operations for Crosley Broadcasting. Murphy will supervise Crosley stations in Cincinnati and Columbus. H. P. Lasker, formerly WLW-D's sales manager, takes over Murphy's post at Dayton, and Donovan Faust, WLW-D's program director, assumes the new title of assistant manager and will retain his programing tag as well.

### NLRB Skeds WGBS Case

A National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) hearing will be held in \_ Miami October 25 to try the American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) case against WGBS, Miami, for firing two union announcers, Paul Kingsley and William Murphy, prexy and treasurer respectively, of the AFRA local there.

### Zimmer To Head Midwest FM Net

Graeme Zimmer, radio director of Syndicate Theaters, Inc., which operates Indiana stations WCSI, Columbus, and WWNI, Wabash, has been appointed president of the Midwest network. The network, which was founded by Zimmer in July, 1948, is made up of seven Midwest FM stations, with programing predominantly devoted to sports and news broadcasts.

#### East, Dumke Make Million in U. S. Tax Refunds for Outlets **TV Bow Over KNBH** Tax credits to broadcasters totaling about \$1,000,000 were announced by the Treasury Department in Washington last week. The HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Radio credits resulted from over-payments of taxes for the 1949 fiscal year veterans Ed East and Ralph Dumke on excess profits taxes collected during the war years. Top credit of (Sisters of the Skillet) will make \$408,033 went to A. H. Belo Corporation, Dallas, operator of WFAA their video bow over KNBH, local and publisher of The Dallas News. KIRO, Seattle, was credited with National Broadcasting Company \$112,247, while other stations were granted credits of from \$200 to (NBC) outlet, heading a new weekly \$100,000.

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### Nets To Give RWG **Counter-Proposals**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- On Wednesday (26) the networks plan to give the Radio Writers' Guild. (RWG) their counter-proposals to the demands made by the union for upping of the free-lance scripters minimum fees. The RWG, at a Tuesday (19) confab in the recently begun negotiations, handed the webs its list of demands.

Meanwhile, the meeting scheduled for Wednesday (19) with the federal mediator to settle differences over a new past for staff writers at the webs was postponed. The confab will be held Tuesday (25) or Wednesday (26).

The basic RWG demands here are for more job security for scripters and a commercial fee formula. There are more than 80 staff news and continuity writers involved.

audience participation-comedy stanza. Show kicks off Thursday (27) and will feature discussion and solution of domestic situations, with home lookers invited as studio guests to pose ticklers.

Stanza is packaged by Ben Pearson, of Stempel-Olnick Agency. Airer is being given a trial run as a sustainer before placement on the sales block. Show marks the first time in 10 years the lads have worked as a team.

### WHAS Sale Plans Dormant—Atlass

Despite trade reports that a syndicate including Les Atlass, Gene Autry, and Phillip Wrigley were ready to buy WHAS, Louisville, Atlass said last week that negotiations had not proceeded any farther than a year ago. He said he had not talked to WHAS owners recently and that, to date, there was no specific discussion of price. Group is reported to be willing to pay \$1,500,000, but Atlass would neither confirm nor deny the figure. Meanwhile, reports that he was interested in trying to buy WHAS were denied by Gene Dyer, owner of WAIT, Chicago.

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# **Ted Hill Blasts Shouse** For Super Power Pitch

proposal advanced recently by James that the only way such rural service D. Shouse, president of Crosley Broadcasting Corporation (WLW, Cincinnati), that some stations be granted super power to improve their chances to compete against television was bitterly attacked here this week by E. E. (Ted) Hill, vice-president of WTAG. Hill did not identify Shouse by name, but his strong reply was unmistakably directed toward the Crosley president.

Tracing the history of clear channel stations, Hill pointed out that originally such stations were established to furnish radio service to rural areas, but that now, with 2,700 U.S. stations, such high wattage was no longer necessary. In many instances, he pointed out, the 50 kw. outlets were located in urban areas where they could not deliver a quality signal into rural areas.

Noting that urban markets were the only ones which could support high channel group.

WORCESTER, Mass., Oct. 22 .- The powered stations, Hill also declared could be furnished would be by booster stations, but it is significant'that Chrysler car company and an unno station is doing this. The reason, he charged, is that clear channel stations "are not interested in rural areas."

> Hill attacked the maintononna of a lobby by clear channel operators, charging that were they to have their way in securing super poyer, many local and regional stations would be forced out of business. One clear channel spokesman, he said, "recently had the effrontery to suggest that the smaller stations support their efforts to obtain higher power on the theory that television may put radio out of power stations to provide wide coverage, low cost radio to the public."

Hill also praised the Broadcasters Protective League for its work in combatting the efforts of the clear other show celebs written in for

### **CBS Gets 2 Bidders** For Murray Hr. TV

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) this week had two prospective sponsors on the hook for its expensive hourlong Ken Murray video show. The package has been presented to the named Philadelphia department store chain,

Lucky Strike Cigarettes recently turned down the show, but CBS is now peddling the program with a kine.

### Stillman Gets Pic **Rights to "Queen"**

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Papers were inked Friday (21) between indie film maker Robert Stillman and business unless there are strong, high- the Raymond R. Morgan agency for pic rights to the Mutual radio show Queen for a Day. Stillman will film a story built around the air show. with Queen emsee Jack Bailey and prominent roles.

#### The Billboard

TV CRACKS BIG N. Y. STORES

# **ABC Stages TV Cut-Back; Drops Sustainers; Pares Programing; Trims Shop**

### Short 1949 Budget Delays New Shows

cut-back slated to affect its opera- drained a considerable outlay of cash, tions at least until the end of the will wind up its career next Wednesyear, the American Broadcasting day (26). Also already on the exit Company (ABC) video department list is Mr. Black, a mystery drama this week canceled out some of its originating in Chicago. Other shows sustaining shows, including its top slated to go are not yet fingered dramatic show, Actors' Studio The web also has postponed the debut of several other tele shows which had been slated for early debuts, cut down on its programing on two nights of the week and dismissed some of its shop carpenters. The cause is the high cost of TV operations, which already has forced ABC to run thru its 1949 budget.

Actors' Studio a World video package, has been reported on the verge of sale several times, but ABC has been unable to get a sponsor to the at about 6:30 p.m. Mondays and 6

Jones Stresses **AM Value Over** TV to Clients

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- In a video | pact stage. The show, which has

Among the postponements are Pibby Houlihan and That Wonderful Guy. Both were slater, to bow this fall but have been put off until after January 1, when new allocations will be available. The Kate Smith TV show, which was planned for October, will likely get its initial outing later this year, possibly before the end of December.

Monday and Tuesday night skeds now will kick off at 9 p.m. Hitherto, WIZ-TV has commenced operations p.m. Tuesdays. Because of the deletion of dramatic shows ABC has been able to cut down some of its maintenance force, including shop carpenters who had been working on sets. Another TV show which has been postponed is the forthcoming Buddy Rogers opus, which has been switched from a November 2 starting date to January 4. This, however, is supposed to be apart from financial con- to tele is Disney's desire to protect began bankrolling Voice of the People siderations. Rogers is known to have run into great difficulty in locating good variety acts which have not already had numerous TV outings. The additional time will be used to hold extra auditions in other Eastern cities, including Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore and Washington. Rogers, meanwhile, is to run thru another cycle of multiple TV guest shots to thus assuring a top price when and keep him hot.

### Stick to the Script

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Orders is orders, so some stations which are airing Pertussin cough medicine spot announcements have been confronted with a weird problem. On the one hand they have specific notice from the Erwin Wasey Ad Agency that station and broadcaster will be held responsible for any deviation in copy. On the other hand, some of the announcements mistakenly read: "One of the greatest advantages of Pertussin is that it positively contains harmful drugs of any kind."

Who's that coughing up there?

### **Disney Rejects** Heavy TV Sugar For Pix Rights

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Walt Disney has turned a deaf ear to tele bids for his vast store of cartoons, nixing a "considerable number" of propositions in recent weeks. According to informed studio sources. the film cartoon maker has been ofmillion dollars" fered "well over for tele rights to his film fare, including Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Silly Symphonies and other Disney flicker fare.

# Gimbel's In, **Can Macy's Be Far Behind?**

RADIO-THEREVISION

### Saks 34th Plunge Deepest

NEW YORK, Oct. 22. - Entry of three New York department stores into TV sponsorship within a single week seems to indicate that the medium finally has broken thru to the advertiser who have been the major source of advertising revenue for newspapers. With initial resistance coming down TV broadcasters here are hoping that competing department stores will be forced to consider tele in their 1950 plans. After all, it is reasoned, if Gimbel's makes the jump, can Macy's be far behind?

Biggest splash came from Saks's 34th Street store, which last week decided to buy five 30-minute periods weekly on WABD, local DuMont outlet. The time purchased was the 11-to-11:30 a.m. portion of the Kathy Norris Television Shopper program. Other new participants in Shopper include Revere Cooper. Aborn's Coffee and Goodman's Macaroni,

#### "Truex" for Gimbel's

Gimbel's bowed into TV Thursday night (13) with sponsorship of The Truex Family on WPIX Another TV department store debuted Saturday Primary reason for rerusing to sell (16) when the Sachs Quality Stores

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- In a firm stand for the superior value of radio advertising, as compared to TV Reggie Scheubel, director of radio and television for the Duane Jones Agency, stated this week that the firm is definitely steering its accounts away from buying time on TV for the present.

Pointing out that an agency "keeps a client only as long as it keeps sales rolling in," Miss Scheubel said that the firm's past experience with TV as an advertising medium convinced them that television has vet to reach the stage where its sales results justify its expense, especially on daytime video.

Miss Scheubel said that Missus Goes A-Shopping had pulled a favorable rating two years ago when Duane Jones bought the show on a rotating-sponsor basis for Sweetheart Soap, Bab-O Cleanser and Mueller's Macaroni, but that subsequent audience checks during a six-month period had revealed an alarming drop. Some of this she admitted might have been due to a slight change in the show's format, but the major reason, she contended, was that set owners no longer considered television a novelty.

### "Helpfully Yours" **Peddled by KFI-TV**

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22.-KFI-TV. the Coast's only daytime tele outlet, sold its, first hour-long live airer this week, peddling a new twiceweekly stanza tagged Helpfully Yours to the Broadway department store chain. Stanza will headline disk jockey Bill Leyden and Norma Gilchrist as co-emsees, with vocalist Artie Wayne and the Bachelors' musical group as featured talent.

Show is first big league move for the indie tele outlet and will be given top production and exploitation buildup. Stanza was bought thru Mc-Cann-Erickson Agency, and marks first time a Los Angeles department store has gone from participation spot plugs to full-scale programing.

exhibitors. Unlike major studio pix Disney re-releases at least six cartoon featurettes yearly to theaters Thus old film fare is never outdated To offer pix for video would incite keeping a wary eye on the situation. theater exhibs and kill off potential pic house profits. Disney is also understood anxious to play a waiting game until the tele market increases. if the pix are peddled to tele.

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**Carroll Marts New MBS Chi Boss** Carroll Marts, general manager of MBS, Chicago, will become No. 1 man in the office when Ade Hult goes to New York this week to become vice-president in charge of sales for the web. Marts will not be named a v.-p., as was Hult, however. Marts has been Hult's right hand and, altho he does not get a v.-p. title, he will be Chi boss. Hult, however, is expecting to make frequent trips here to keep his hand in sales in this area, one of the most important client territories for the web.

### **Churches Ask CBS Censorship Cease**

The American Council of Christian Churches October 21 filed a petition with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) asking the agency to force the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) "to discontinue its practice of censorship and control of the subject matter of religious programs broadcast on a sustaining basis" over WCBS, New York. The council claimed WCBS practices "have resulted in only certain viewpoints being presented and others excluded" and in "discriminations against significant minority denominations."

### Blind Date" May Shift to Another Net

"Blind Date," a sustainer on the American Broadcasting Company's (ABC)-TV network Friday night 8:30-9, may shift to another video web. The program has already been on as a sustainer for several months, and Arlene Francis, its star, is said to be unhappy over the fact that the show hasn't been sold. She wanted to leave the program several weeks ago, but was persuaded to give the net's sales staff some more time to come up with a client. Bernie Schubert handles the show.

### **4BC-TV** To Bid for Faye Emerson

The American Broadcasting Company (ABC) last week decided to offer a new half-hour comedy-drama, starring Faye Emerson, to TV viewers in the near future. The program will be packaged by Mildred Fenton and scripted by Shelley Reynolds. The new show will not interfere with Miss Emerson's duties on her new video program for Ansonia Shoes over WCBS-TV Monday nights.

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from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on WPIX. The Saks participations in Shopper are slated to start soon.

Several other department stores are Macy's in particular is believed concerned about the formation of a bandwagon rush headed by two stores virtually cheek by jowl with its building. When Victor Ratner moves into Macy's top public relations spot from the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) November 1, it is considered probable that the store will map TV plans for next year or perhaps for as soon as the Christmas shopping season.

#### Lord and **Faylor**

Lord & Taylor is another TVminded store. This outfit participated (See TV in N. Y. Stores on page 11)



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# Chevvy Meshing Gears for TV **Dealers** Hot For Medium; 5 Shows Set

RADIO-TELEVISION

### **Top Spender in Field?**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- A policy of experimentation with novel and fresh TV shows is paying off for the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut dealers' group of Chevrolet Motors. Together with a heavy schedule of video spots, the group now is bankrolling four local tele shows, with a fifth series coming up in January, when Chevvy dealers will air the Golden Gloves amateur boxing tourney over WPIX. It is expected that the current spot schedule also will be boosted around the first of the year, when the new models will be announced. In all, Chevrolet's central office and dealer groups are spending close to \$2,500,000 annually on TV now.

So important has television become to Chevrolet that its agency, Campbell-Ewald (C-E), sent Executive Veepee Win Case to New York from the Detroit home office a little over a year ago. In the period since that time, the C-E branch in New York, dedicated largely to TV, has grown to occupy two full floors with a staff of about 30 people. In addition. commercials for Chevrolet's central office and dealer TV advertising are being filmed in Hollywood and Detroit as well as in New York. It was tele commercials, that four major film powers did their first video work: Universal, 20th Century-Fox, RKO and Hal Roach Sr. Until their bow in TV, in the spring of 1948, the local dealer group was a very loose organization which did no large-scale advertising of any kind. Now the group's five contracted shows, plus spots, mean a heavy ad budget, with just about all of it earmarked for TV. The group is firmly sold on tele, and members would just about as soon give up their franchises as quit the medium. How important TV could be was solidly rammed home last January when spots were used to announce the new models, with 65 announcements aired over 10 days. When unveiling day came many dealers could not get into their own showrooms because of the crowds. Dealers in other sections where no TV was used got good receptions, but nothing like this. New York: 'The dealers' group here bowed into TV with sponsorship of Belmont, Jamaica and Aqueduct stake races on teacher of public speaking, public relations and advertising at University WCBS-TV in spring and summer of of Cincinnati Evening College, has resigned the latter position to devote 1948. First real programing effort full time to radio. Upon resigning, he set up a \$1,000 Robert M. Fleming (See Chevvy Meshes Gears page 12) scholarship to provide a \$40 annual award for the male high school grad

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### 200 To Testify on D. C. Bus Radio

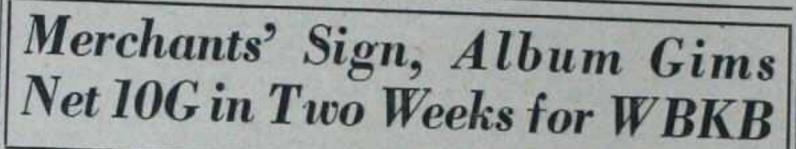
With more than 200 persons expected to attend a hearing Thursday (27) on transit radio in Washington, the Public Utilities Commission has assigned the hearing to the largest room in the District Building. Reps of a dozen citizens' and veterans' groups are slated to testify, along with reps of WWDC, which pipes the radio into streetcars and busses, and the Capital Transit Company. A novel twist was added when Jerome Schoenfeld, a business mag correspondent, petitioned the Federal Communications Commission to force WWDC to give him time on the air to protest transit radio. He claimed that the station was urging people to support the system and that he should have a

### N. Y. To See CBS Color TV Test October 23

Smith, Klein & French will demonstrate Columbia Broadcasting System's color TV to the New York public for the first time at the Hotel Biltmore October 29. The demonstration will be in co-operation with the American Cancer Society. CBS color has already been seen in Atlantic City, Washington, Denver and Chicago.

### Faye Emerson in Barrymore TV Slot

Beginning October 24 Faye Emerson replaces Diana Barrymore on the TV program which Ansonia Shoes is to sponsor over WCBS-TV, New York. The series was scheduled to begin October 17 but Miss Barrymore had an accident and was unable to appear. Hardie Friedberg packaged the program.



TALK OF THE TRADE

Robert M. Fleming, exec of WCKY, Cincinnati, and for 25 years a

Glen A. Davis, chief engineer of WCPO, Cincinnati, and its FM and TV

affiliates, has resigned his position effective November 1 to return to his

home in Unionville, Mo., where he and two brothers will open an auto

transmitter supervisor, succeeds Davis, while Paul Adams will become as-

Kenneth G. Bartlett, Syracuse University's famed exponent of educa-

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Two sources | tically every city of over 5,000 popuof revenue, ancient history in radio lation in the country. but new in TV, have been uncovered by WBKB, local CBS affiliate. The at the behest of C-E, which ordered new sources, album and sign deals bought by merchants who also get free multiscope video and audio announcements, have netted the station about \$10,000 in the past two weeks. With TV stations everywhere crying for additional revenue to get them out of the red, WBKB execs believe comparable deals, if they are run properly, should be generally helpful to the industry. Chicago is the first city in which either of the promotions has been run in conjunction with a TV station. The album deal is being promoted by National Radio Personalities, Inc., a Peoria, Ill., company controlled by Edgar Bill, former WMBD owner, and Merle Watson. This outfit has been running similar promotions in radio for the past 10 years in prac-

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### NP Sells 450 Merchants

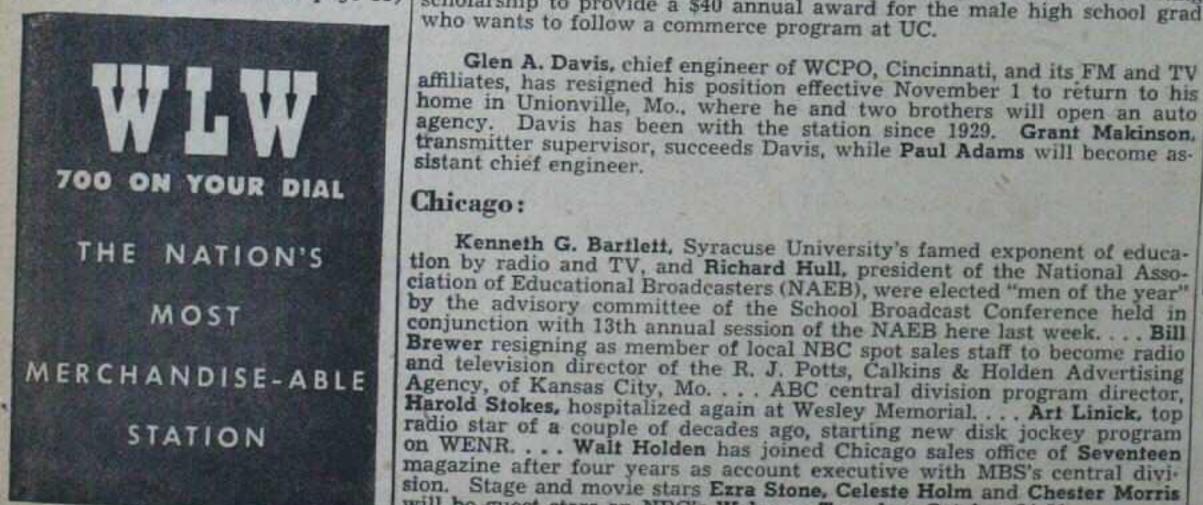
### 2 Philadelphia **Video Stations Smack Jackpot**

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22 .- WFIL-TV and WCAU-TV, two of the city's three television stations, are reaping a bumper crop of TV business. A record-breaking 2,007 one-mmute and 20-second new commercial participations, plus the sale of six live commercial programs, highlighted the early fall business, according to WCAU-TV commercial manager Alex Rosenman. A quarter-hour baseball gabfest and a five-minute film for brewing companies during the World Series are not counted in Rosenman's summary.

Rosenman revealed that a review of the WCAU-TV sales picture from mid-September to October 1 showed nearly 40 new clients on the sponsor list, with additional accounts ready to be closed. Particularly heartening is the commercial interest in daytime television. The station's across-theboard quiz show, Cinderella Week-End, from 2 to 2:30 p.m., completely sold out its four daily participations. The American Stores' Marian Kemp's Kitchen show twice weekly for a halfhour, following The Quizzer, carries on for 52 weeks, and several advertisers are taking participations in the TV-10 Ranch, children's program in the 6 p. m. period.

#### Six New Local Commercials

Program-side, WCAU-TV's commercial log shows six new local commercial shows set since September 15. Includes Court Is in Session, weekly sponsored by the Pennsylvania Company, local bank; Bonafide Construction Company, for home reconditioning, using People and Things twice a week; Erlanger beer presenting the Fame and Fortune talent hunt; two sports shows sponsored weekly by National Personalities has sold the Chevrolet and Chrysler dealers; and



album deal to about 450 small mer-100 albums depicting WBKB personalities and four 15-second multiscope announcements for \$79.50.

dled by Morris Murray, former railroad union official who has run a few similar radio deals in small Midwestern markets recently. Murray's WBKB deal is his first TV venture. Merchants get a WBKB sign which states they "are on television," five announcements for \$150. Announcements renewals are at lower rate. Fifty-five of these deals have already been made.

WBKB managements admits that some brokerage deals of this type (See WBKB Nets 10G on page 12)

The sign-promotion is being han-

a quiz show sponsored twice weekly chants in this area. Merchants get by Weatherguard Corporation for its storm windows and screens.

### **101 WFIL-TV Sponsors**

The sponsor list of WFIL-TV shows 101 names-93 more than the original listing of eight advertisers when the station first went on the air in September, 1947. Because of the growing number of advertisers being attracted to TV, Roger W. Clipp, general manager of the station, predicts that TV gross income will exceed radio returns within the next year or 18 months. "By that time," he says, "television will have taken the lead as an income factor in spite of radio's continued greater circulation."

However, Clipp emphasizes that amortization of video's enormous costs will be a long-term project and that much of the money spent by TV advertisers will have to go toward further development of video. With the station's basic hourly rate going up to \$700 November 15, Clipp foresees a \$2,000 rate for the station within two or three years.



Top-notch quality. Extremely low prices. Satisfied customers coast to coast. Our 14th year of honorable, courteous, quality service. We make reproductions as good or better than your original. Send today for full price lists, samples, etc.

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will be guest stars on NBC's Welcome Travelers October 24-31.

### A Date With Judy

Reviewed Thursday (13) 8:30-9 p.m. EST. Sustaining via the American Broadcasting Company, Hollywood, Producer-Director, Helen Mack, Writer, Aileen Leslie, Cast, Louise Erickson, John Brown, Myra Marsh, others,

Sparked with plenty of sox-appeal for teen-oge audiences, A Date With Judy teed off in "snazzy" style Thursday night with its puppy love



format intact and its regular cast in fine form.

Superior scripting and warmly human thesping made the initial show one of the best situation-comedy series preamed this season. Janet Waldo's ingratiat-

ing portrayal of Judy took top honors, with John Brown's slyly humorous father running a close second.

The folksy plot followed the usual boy-meets-girl formula, with Judy setting up a trial separation with her boy friend Oogie to "test" their love. (Mother had used a similar technique to get father). The scheme boomeranged, tho, when Oogie acted delighted at the prospect of not seeing her for a week, and her father confessed that he had spent that old "vacation" chasing a blonde. Oogie, of course, turned up at the end of the week and staged a touching reunion scene with a grateful Judy.

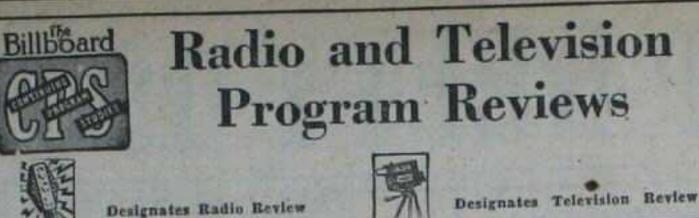
The infectious background music and catchy opening number, with the vocal by the gravel-voiced Oogie, sustained the over-all bright pacing.

Sponsor-wise, Judy has nothing to worry about since the Revere Camera Company of Chicago takes over November 10. The adolescent airer should be a natural for snap-shotsfor-your-photo-album plugs

June Bundy.

### Hank McCune Show

Reviewed Sunday (16), 6-6:30 p.m.



### Chandu the Magician

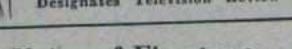
Reviewed Saturday (15) 8-8:30 p.m. EST. Sustaining via the American Broadcasting Company, Producer-Director, Cyril Armbrister, Writer, Vera Oldham, Cast, Tom Collins, Gertrude Warner, Peter Griffith, Susan Thorne, Luis Van Rooten, Carl Emory, Roger De Koven.

Magic-wise there've been a lot of changes in radio since the salad days of Chandu the Magician, but there's

boy yet, as evidenced by the boy yet, as current revi tery series. current revival of the kid mys-

Chandu was the Superman of the early 1930's, albeit smoother and less incredible. His crystal ball didos may seem a bit elementary to youngsters of the atomic age, but his general knowhow and unshakable poise in the face of danger should still attract a substantial following for the 1949 version.

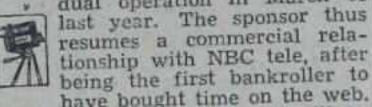
the initial episode first briefed the kids on Chandu's past. ("An American called Chandler, endowed with strange gifts.") Then the script picked him up in the back hills of India, where a Yogi pal persuaded him to "go out into the world again" to track down a mad man with globeruling ambitions. The crystal ball tossed in additional bait with the news that the gang planned to steal a secret formula from Chandu's widowed sister. Since "time and space are only an illusion" to Chandu, he promptly "willed" himself from sic to himself. The cameras skip props have not combined to produce Cairo to Sis' Beverly Hills home. The villain was wise, tho, so Chandu teleported right back to Egypt after him. Events reached a swift climax in the tomb of an obscure sphinx, when Chandu sold the bum a bill of goods This local comedy effort is just on reincarnation. ("You sold your soul lightweight stuff. Hank McCune, a to the Prince of Darkness 6,000 years radio vet, has been set up in his own ago on this very spot!") After some show after some guesting on low grade hokus-pokus, the "lost one" TV, including a spell of filling "literally went up in smoke and the in for Bob Smith on the formula was destroyed forever. How-Howdy Doody show. However, ever, before the fireworks started he this is a rambling and disor- carefully planted the fact that the ganized type of stanza, which real "boss" was still at large and due has a pretty high percentage of gags to give Chandu a bad time in future episodes. The show caught dealt with a movie Played straight by a competent limply before her bosom, offered too movie. In line at the movie house he duggery was well-paced and quite had a tendency to shift her eyes ran into assorted characters and a convincing. The oriental-styled musiwas next to nothing of a visual nature. effective out-of-the-world atmosthe show, when guest Hoot Gibson Music and a blatant pitch for local sponsors to back the co-op show kept the listening audience earth-bound. June Bundy.



#### Voice of Firestone

Reviewed Monday (17), 8:30-9 p.m. EST. Sponsored by Firestone Tire & Rubber Company over the National Broadcasting Company TV network, thru the Sweeney & James Agency, Producer, Clark Jones; director, Edwin Dunham; announcer, Hugh James; music conducted by Howard Barlow; soloist this program, Eleanor Steber.

Firestone this season is simulcastplenty of life left in the old ing regularly its Voice of Firestone musical program, after a trial of the dual operation in March of



resumes a commercial relationship with NBC tele, after being the first bankroller to have bought time on the web. The program, basically, is still an aural one, and all the sight ideas

used to dress it up cannot change that essential fact. Good music remains the basic offering, and since there are no production numbers ar-Teeing off with a flossy narration, tifically concocted on the video side, the cameras can do little more than show the performers at work.

#### Can't Hold 'Em

This much is done, and usually quite well, However, it is not the kind of show which will keep the customers glued to their receivers, inasmuch as if a guy wanders over to the refrigerator for a beer he is not likely stage director, interrupts to set the to miss seeing something essential. Maestro Howard Barlow is a fit subject for video, with his aristocratic appearance somewhat humanized by his obvious tendency to sing the mu- actors and only the most rudimentary adroitly from one section of the ork to another with the arrangment, althout some of the tootlers seemed very much aware that they were being more so than would more elaborate lensed. The program did not seem especially selected with a view to using numbers with any visual appeal, with the single exception of Delibes's Pizzicota Polka, which supplied some good shots of fingers plucking strings. Eleanor Steber, guest vocalist on the show caught, was in good voice, but the cameras were not great friends of hers. Too often the close-ups came when her mouth was at its widest gape, never too flattering a shot. Her one set position, with hands held up little contrast, and a few times she rapidly, as tho the lights bothered her. But none of this disguised the fact that she is really an attractive female and worthy video timber. Commercials, via film, illustrated However, a brisk plug for Stop the the safety quality of the sponsor's product by comparing non-skid ability on ice with another tire. Also plugged was sale of tissues at a nickel per pack at dealers, along with free offer of a 30-cent holder. This may have been in the nature of a check on'the show's pull. Sam Chase.

#### Crisis

Reviewed Wednesday (19), 7-7:30 p.m. Presented sustaining on the National Broadcasting Company TV web. Originated by WNBQ, Chicago, Produced by Ted Mills; directed by Norman Felton. Editorial supervisors, Adrian Spies, Norman Felton, Cast: Arthur Peterson, Edith Dexter, Paul Ford, William C. Moore and Adrian Spies.

In view of tele's present trend where few shows are based on original thinking, when most are video adaptations of basic radio,



stage or movie formats, it is encouraging to witness a production that uses ideas and techniques tried in no other modern medium. But it is

disappointing when the commendable use of production innovations results in a show that is not good entertainment. For TV production pioneering, Crisis deserves an "E" for effort, but for entertainment content it rates no more than credit for a good try.

Basically, the production technique dates back to the ancient Chinese theater and Italian Commedia Dell-Arte. Real life stories are told by persons who supposedly have lived the circumstances discussed. Then actors, working unrehearsed and without scripts, portray highlightsor crisis-in the life under consideration. Their job is to use related information, to try to work out the crisis as it actually happened.

Settings are simple and barren. As Adrian Spies interviews person telling story, close-ups of storyteller are used often in an attempt to have distinctive facial characteristics project dramatic mood. At various points Arthur Peterson, who performs a role comparable to that of a legit scene for the actors, give them instructions and call for various basic, unadorned props.

To date the use of unrehearsed dramatic intensity, but only confusion. Bare settings have given a distracting, barn-like atmosphere, even sets designed to assist dramatic content. Show's lesson seems to be this: Use of television cameras do not give producers a license to forget about the essentials of good drama and the condition of modern tastes. Excellent, professionally written stories must still be used. Actors, even the best, must be given sock lines. Assisting props and sets are necessary. The modern dramatic taste, influenced by elaborate movie and stage productions, calls for more than that which satisfied the ancient Chinese. Cy Wagner.

EST. Sustaining over WNBT, New York. Producer, Al Capstaff; director, Harold Schuster; writers, Bill Demling, Stan Locke, Cast: Hank McCune, Arthur Q. Bryan, Sara Berner, Larry Keating, Frank Nelson and Tammy Kiper. Guest this show, Hoot Gibson,



which don't come off.

theme, McCune being headed for a troupe of thesps, this sinister skulcashier, with the foolery more of a cal score (via an eerie organ and radio script nature than TV. There crashing cymbals) created a highly Inside he had troubles from a couple phere. seated behind. Not until midway in came onto the scene, did things pick up.

Gibson was used in a mildly amusing sketch about how a Texas cowboy would act if he were President. The humor here was broad and somewhat obvious, but at least there were some funny moments. McCune and the rest of the cast are fair; the material is not even that good. Production was the best thing about the Sam Chase. show.



#### The Clock

Reviewed Wednesday (12), 8:30-9 p.m. EST. Sponsored by Lever Bros. over the National Broadcasting Company (NBC), thru the J. Walter Thompson Agency, Producer, Ernest Walling, Director, Laurence Schwab Jr. TV adaptation, Bill Berns, Cast: Edgar Stehli, Eva Marie Saint, Bernard Lenrow, Jow Downing, Dort Clark, John Boraff and Frank Daren.

Under the Lever Bros. banner, The Clock continues as one of video's okay suspenseful sagas. The stanza this week detailed the doings of a trio of jailbreakers who stumbled onto the home of a scientist, who convinced them they were victims of the bubonic plague and only he could save them. Of course, the injections he administered doped them

so he could holler for the cops. All this was set against the usual disorganized.

background of the ever-turning clock, altho the time element in this yarn was a bit hazy and could better have been eliminated if the format didn't require it. Sets were adequate, and thesping, generally convincing. The script, moreover, made each of the three cons a real character in himself, something unusual and gratifying.

Of the three film plugs used, only one was really effective, that being a cartoon showing Pepsodent toothpaste kicking decay out of a set of bridgework. One showing three cooks in blackface dancing on a can of Spry and going thru a "yassuh" type of song-and-dance routine was in poor taste. The other, an endorsement pitch by Yvonne de Carlo for Lux soap, was overlong and seemed Sam Chase.

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# PREDICT HEFTY 1950 TRADE Post - Holiday Rectangular Tube New RCA TV Video Output Set Opportunities To Stay High NEW YORK, Oct. 22.-A great deal of interest but little action was created

### Strikes Could Jam Works

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Despite past radio-TV trade trends, which have seen sales drop-offs after the fall and Christmas buying rush, local TV manufacturers are convinced, in the main, that sales will continue strong with 1950. Manufa urers seem to be divided into two camps. In one are those who say there will be a slight drop; in the other are those who say present demand will continue without any drops. About the over-all picture, however, both groups are optimistic.

One of those who sees no decrease in demand is R. A. Graver, vicepresident in charge of radio and TV for Admiral. Graver said: "We are now producing sets at an all-time peak-between 50,000 and 60,000 per month. We expect this rate to continue for the rest of this year and into 1950."

H. C. Bonfig, vice-president in charge of sales for Zenith, said: "We have never been so pressed to fill orders. The demand is greater than we can handle. Our distributors and dealers can not get enough sets. Our orders indicate that thru October. November and December we shall be running at capacity." Bonfig would not make predictions as to what would happen after the first of the year, stating that he would make predictions only about periods for which Zenith had orders.

Stirs Interest in

among video manufacturers by the American Structural Products Company (Owens-Illinois) announcement that it had developed an all-glass blank for a rectangular TV tube. The tube and receiver manufacturers last week saw a model of a rectangular tube which approximates the 16-inch standard size The price for the blank is said to be \$11.50, slightly cheaper than the ordinary glass tube with the same picture size.

Primary interest in the rectangular shape is in the opportunity to design more compact cabinets. The price factor is said to be of minor importance. Reports that several receiver and tube makers have already placed orders for the blanks are not borne out by further investigation.

Both DuMont and Garod, reported to be ready customers, say that they are interested in this new development but only as part of their general interest in technological advances. A DuMont spokesman stated that his company had seen the 16-inch tube B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc., disand had heard that molds were being completed for 121/2-inch and 19-inch tubes. No one, it appears, has seen the latter two sizes and none of the rectangular tubes are yet in production.

### **Tube Aid to Cabinet Style**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- RCA's tube department this week announced the development of a new, shorter 16inch metal television tube, "specifically evolved to permit greater flexibility in chassis designs and cabinet styling." The tube (RCA-16GP4), which will be available in limited quantities to consumers in December and is slated for mass distribution early next year, "will result in more compact TV models and permit bigger economies in tube stocking, packing and shipping," according to L. S. Fees, general sales manager of RCA's tube department.

Measuring 181/s inches in length as compared to the 221/2 inches of present 16-inchers and the 18-inch length of 10-inch models, the tube utilizes RCA's new "filterglass" face plate for greater picture contrast. The "filterglass" contains a special material which is said to reduce picture reflections from room light and the face plate itself.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The Allen closed this week that the company probably would start producing the RCA-licensed 16-inch, short-necked cathode ray tube.

SYRACUSE, Oct. 22. - General Electric announced this week that

### Brand New TV

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The latest private brand video set to make its bow is a 19-inch tube consolette, with 31 tube chassis, to retail at \$379. The tube is said to be the all-glass tube introduced by Eureka last week.

The producer of the new receiver is reported to be the B. & B. Appliance and Equipment Company, Teaneck, N. J.

### **FM Band Tax Signposts Other TV Parts Bite?**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- The FM Association (FMA) said this week that the Bureau of Internal Revenue's move to collect a 10 per cent factory excise tax on FM tuning bands installed in TV sets "appears to be the first step by the federal government to tax other component parts of TV receivers whether radio equipped or not."

The FMA said it arrived at the conclusion after a confab between the FMA and Bureau officials this week. According to the FM-ers, they were informed there is nothing they can do about getting the bite on the FM bands rescinded.

The excise tax has been one of the Revenue Bureau's top headaches since the rapid development of TV. The tax law slaps a 10 per cent tax on radio sets and component parts, but makes no mention of TV. After a series of rulings by the Bureau, its tax policy now runs like this; All parts used in TV rets which are also component parts of radio receivers are taxed at 10 per cent TV chassis and cabinets are considered to have a different design from such radio parts and are not taxed There is no tax on the TV set as a whole. TV receivers incorporating AM, FM and phonos are subject to the 10 per cent tax on those portions of the entire set.

#### Sees Slight Drop-Off

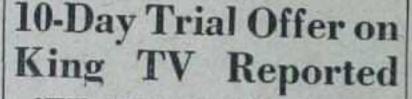
An executive of the local Motorola distributor admitted there would be a slight drop-off after the first of the year, but said business would continue good. His opinion is that the present condition, which finds manufacturers unable to fill all orders, would be changed and that sets will be available generally. He said already the industry was noticing a slackening of demand in some areas and this slack could be expected to spread until it was a general condition. However, he stated that orders will continue strong enough to keep factories operating at peak or near-peak capacity.

Those contacted admitted that if the present wave of strikes continued. all predictions could be wrong and in a general economic slump TV sales would fall But if the general economic condition is healthy, they said. TV business would be excellent.

The executives found nothing to worry about in ending of the fall rush, filling of Christmas sales or retention of the allocation freeze About the latter, they said that merkets with TV stations were still far from saturated with TV sets, and sales from only these cities could keep the industry busy. It was pointed out by one exec that whereas the Chicago area has only about 200,000 sets, its potential is 1,500,000. Thus, demand should continue strong for a long time, especially since the public now believes color is years away and is not worrying any more about UHF conversion.

#### **Boom Expected To Continue**

NEW YORK, Oct. '22 .- Despite the fact that the drawn-out color TV hearings before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in-



NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- It is reported that dealers in the New York | area are being offered the Tele King line of video receivers on a 10-day trial basis. Discounts are said to be "more than adequate."

Tele King officials, denying the report, say that with a large backlog of orders, the company would have no reason for making such an offer.

dicate that the lifting of the channel allocation freeze is a long way off, manufacturers and distributors alike are confident that the present sales boom in video receivers will continue indefinitely. Tho new TV markets will be slow in opening next year, unless the freeze is lifted quickly, there is little or no concern over the future of video sales.

Most tradesters point to the fact that New York City, the first TV market to open, has only about 800,000 sets in operation with a population of close to 8,000,000. There need be little worry they say, that the market here or anywhere else is even remotely "saturated."

It is generally felt, however, that next year will call for much more aggressive selling tactics than those now being used. While TV retailing at the moment consists of order-taking and appeasing customers who have to wait for delivery, it will probably be completely reversed within the next | chandising appeals. six months. Door-to-door selling. home demonstrations and free trials will once more be the order of the day. according to the trade opinions along the East Coast.

Starrett Vice - President Mitchell Fein made the point that when, if ever, the time comes that selling video sets becomes difficult the mdustry will have found new ways to make better sets. Technological advancements, he pointed out, will enable manufacturers to reduce set prices further and also to offer the consumer better values.

production on an RCA-licensed, 16inch short-necked tube would begin immediately. Execs said the new tubes would be available by December.

### **Raise Averts** Strike at RCA

CAMDEN, N. J., Oct. 22 .- With a strike call averted, union leaders at the RCA Victor plant here voted to urge 6,000 members to accept a package contract offer made by the corporation last Monday (17) in New York. The negotiating committee of Local 103, United Electrical Workers (UEW), approved the deal offered by the Radio Corporation of America to 12,000 workers at the RCA Victor plants both here and those in Lancaster, Pa.; Pulaski, Va., and Hollywood.

Based on the Presidential Steel panel's recommendations, the RCA offer amounts to a 14.6-cent hourly (See Raise Averts Strike on page 14)

### **Philly TV Dealers Buy Ads**

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22 .- Television ads continue to dominate the newspaper pages, with dealers buying generous space on co-op deals to attract the new buyers. But, instead of depending on pictorial displays of fems with low-cut dresses, local dealers are eschewing the sex form and depending on more practical mer-

United Home Furnishers, Motorola dealers offering the meter plan for payments, introduced two football characters in their eye-catching ads

as "Max the meter-quarterback" and "Moe Motorola-All-American for of either buying it or returning it. 1950." Company, handling General Electric, is also offered by Bob Wasserman. also introduced an advertising charget over the "new low cost" idea.

his offer of installing a Philco set in special of a full one-year guarantee their homes on a "no risk-no cost" on the picture tube.

### Sell LP Players At Loss---Investment

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- Super Music Stores, local three-outlet chain, launched a heavy ad campaign this week to sell LP players at what was described as a net loss of \$2 each in order to build a wide market for LP disks. According to Manager Irving. Feld, the players were bought at \$8.95 wholesale and unloaded at \$6.95 retail.

The name and address of each customer was taken, and Super plans to follow up with periodic mailings announcing new LP records. Feld said it was worth taking the loss on the player in order to get the names of live prospects for LF disks.

Full-page ads were taken in two consecutive issues of The Evening Star. The first featured a cut of the player followed by a list of all Decca. LP's; the second ad carried a listing of Columbia, Mercury and London LP's.

basis for several days with the option Gilmar Home Equipment A 10-day free trial for Motorola sets

While most dealers are offering the acter as a stereotyped Scotchman to "meter-matic" plan for set payments. Carson Bros, offer a free "TV bank" Vic Hendler took a full page to with the purchase of a Philco, while "dare" 1,000 Philadelphians to accept the Globe Store throws in an extra

# GE To Unveil 7 TV Dealers Cash in on Celebs New TV Models TV Dealers Cash in on Celebs In Next 10 Days

SYRACUSE, Oct. 22 .- Altho company officials would not comment, it was learned this week that the General Electric Company will introduce a new line of video sets within 10 days. Seven new models will be announced, and all sets will feature built-in antennas.

It is expected that the top feature in the new line will be the addition of the "glare-free" black tube combined with General Electric's illuminized "daylight" tube. Whether all sets would have this feature could not be learned. The receivers will be 10-inch and 121/2-inch only, and prices are said to range from \$199.95 for a 10-inch table model to \$495 for a 121/2-inch console.

Deliveries on the new line are expected to be made immediately following the announcement.

### **RCA Asks FCC** 2-Month Delay **On Color Video**

(Continued from page 6) wind-up of proceedings before next February.

That RCA actually is making progress in whipping its color into shape was clearly shown in the second week of demonstrations here, Rosy overtones which were annoyingly perceptible on the screen picture at the inaugural demonstration witnessed by the FCC October 10 were much less intense at showings the latter part of this week. The variations on the different screens picking up the picture were less marked, altho the definition and registration were far from being optically good. Dr. E. W. Engstrom, vice-president in charge of research at RCA, declared here that he was "thoroly pleased with the progress" shown in demonstrations of the system and that he had no doubt that most of the obvious "bugs" would be removed merely by technicians becoming accustomed to handling the equipment. In addition, he said, RCA is making steady progress in research and these findings deserve a chance for application. Delay of comparative demonstrations even beyond the time sought by RCA was asked by the Television Manufacturing Association (TMA) in a telegram to FCC Chairman Wayne Coy. TMA President Michael Kaplan, head of the Sight Master Corporation, wired that "at this early stage of the art of color, development and experiments have not gone far enough." He urged the FCC "to take no action in designating any specific color system now before you." Coy's reply was the customary one of thanks for the interest and assurance that the wire would be "associated with the color television docket."

# Personnel, Products and Prices Stage & Sports

RADIO-PHONO-TV MERCHANDISING

Tele-Tone resigned its membership in the Radio Manufacturers' Association (RMA) last week, but neither the company nor RMA officials are willing to talk about it. The only comment thus far is, "It's just one of those things." . . . A report on the progress of the TV color hearings will highlight the November 14-16 confab of the RMA in New York. Also on the agenda are meetings of committees on set advertising, service, parts and TV. . . . RMA President R. C. Cosgrove will attend the San Francisco color demonstrations by Color Television, Inc.

Al Bloom's Speedway Products Company, manufacturers of the combination video set and juke box, the Telejuke, is reported to be entering the custom-built video field with a 16-inch consolette to be priced at \$299. ... Sentinel's new 10-inch table model will retail at \$190. ... The Association of Television Service Companies will hold its first open membership meeting at the Hotel Warwick, New York, November 2. The organization, composed of a group of New York's largest video service contractors, has invited Dr. Allen B. DuMont and New York State Attorney General Nathaniel L. Goldstein to speak at the session. . . . Samuel Insull Jr. has resigned as vice-president of the Stewart-Warner Corporation. . . . Robert G. Kramer was re-elected president of the Remington Radio Corporation; Maurice Kay, treasurer; John Burger was elected vice-president, and Anton Chmela, secretary. . . . When the 81st Congress called it quits last week, it left undone several measures of importance to radio-phono-TV dealers. Still to be legislated are proposals to make LIFO retroactive, renew consumer credit controls, reduce excise taxes and the possible raise of business taxes. . . . RA-Tone Electronics Company, Phoenix, Ariz., has been named Tele-Tone distributor in that State.

Henry O. Berman Company, Baltimore, has been named DuMont distributor for Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. ... Alan Denberg has been appointed material and production control manager for Air King Products. . . . Frederic T. Sterrift has resigned his post as advertising and sales promotion manager of the broadcast receiver and television division of the Bendix Aviation Corporation. No replacement has been named. . . . The Capehart-Farnsworth Corporation reported that dollar sales of Capehart TV sets were up 314 per cent in September over September of last year. . . . The Magnavox Company named Stewart Roberts as merchandise director and assistant sales manager and Lauren K. Hagaman as director of advertising and publicity. Both are newly created positions. . . . Robert Eade has joined the Grand Rapids branch of the RCA Victor Distributing Company. He was formerly assistant radio-phono-TV buyer at J. L. Hudson Company, Detroit. . . . Major Appliance Corporation, Boston, and the S. S. Fretz Jr. Company, Philadelphia, have been named Stewart-Warner distributors. . . . Stromberg-Carlson reports that the company has reverted to the allocation system of distribution. . . . Philadelphia dealers making news last week were Wili Brothers, whose three stores are now handling the Andrea line; Bob Wasserman, who recently opened new and larger showrooms at 1310 Walnut Street; Frankford Radio & Furniture Company, who garnered the DuMont franchise for the "greater northwest" section of the city, and J. Richard Shryock, and Raymond Shryock, who are now listed as sole owners of the Shryock Radio & Television Company in the center-city zone. Trans-Vue Corporation, Chicago manufacturer of commercial and home television receivers, has introduced a new model, the Aristocrat 400, 121/2inch console to retail at \$289.50. . . . Stewart Roberts has been named director of merchandising and assistant sales manager, and Lauren K. Hagaman has been appointed director of advertising and public relations for Magnavox. . . . John Meck Industries, Inc., Plymouth, Ind., has introduced a new 100-inch TV receiver retailing at \$139.90. Meck also announced last week that its TV receivers, priced from \$179 (10-inch table model) to \$299 (16-inch console), henceforth will be equipped with built-in antennae. Buyers of lower priced Meck sets will get built-in antennae for an additional \$10. . . . During his speech at the opening of new quarters of Herbert Horn, Los Angeles Admiral distributor, Ross Siragusa, Admiral's president, said the company was now turning out over 50,000 TV receivers per month. He also stated that TV would not "sound the death knell of motion pictures," but, instead, would help the picture industry grow.

# Names Pay Off In P. A. Stints

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### **Jackie Robinson Latest**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Television dealers are becoming increasingly aware of extra sales possible by making use of theatrical and sports world names in promoting video lines. Personal appearances and special promotions have paid off in more than one instance for show-wise retailers, while distributors and manufacturers have also caught on to the selling angle in using their video stars for extra curricular promotions.

Typical of this new approach is the operation of New York's Sunset Appliance Stores. Headed by Joe Rudnick, the small but aggressive chain has signed Brooklyn Dodger Jackie Robinson as a TV salesman in its Times Square store. The baseball star was on hand at the recent opening of the new shop and signed autographs for set buyers. Following his present barnstorming tour, Robinson will assume full-time sales duties at the store, which carries only RCA Victor products.

"Mr. America" Did It

### TV IN N. Y. STORES

(Continued from page 7) in the sponsorship of the defunct Fashions on Parade show which aired over WABD some time ago, and is regarded as likely to return to the dinner meeting. medium when the proper vehicle shows itself. Alexander's also dabbled with TV last year and is likely to take the plunge again in 1950. While there are no specific plans reported either at Wanamaker's or Stern Bros., neither store is averse to TV and may be expected to follow the trend as it develops.

Stores reporting little or no interest in tele at this time, however, include Bloomingdale's, Lane Bryant and Ludwig Baum.

# Video Called Boon

BALTIMORE, Oct. 22 .- Television has launched the furniture industry on a boom era, the Maryland Furniture and Carpet Association was told Tuesday (11) by Jack Levin, local advertising counselor.

Video, by keeping more people at home than ever before, is concentrating attention upon home furnishings and is thereby providing furniture dealers with a golden opportunity to persuade families to replace oldfashioned furniture, the association was informed at its Park Plaza Hotel

### TV in Home Builders' Show

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- One of the big attractions at the Home Builders' Show, which wound up a one-week run at the National Armory here Sunday (16), was "Television City," a space of several hundred square feet devoted to TV sets. Par- packet of promotional material, plus Philco, Capehart, Admiral, Zenith, the others contented themselves with store on the air and helped increase and RCA sets. Philco handed out a demonstrations of their sets.

### COSGROVE QUITS AVCO

CINCINNATI, Oct. 22. - Victor To Furniture Biz Emanuel, president of Avco Manufacturing Corporation, has announced the resignation of R. C. Cosgrove, executive vice-president of the corporation. Cosgrove will remain as a member of the board of directors and act as consultant to management. He also will continue to represent the Crosley division of Avco in the Radio Manufacturers' Association, of which he is president. Cosgrove, formerly with the Westinghouse Electric & Company, joined Manufacturing Crosley in 1940 when it was headed by Powel Crosley Jr. When the Crosley organization was taken over by Avco, he remained and was promoted to executive vice-president, taking over supervision of all Avco manufacturing divisions. Other positions he held in the Avco set-up included president of The Nashville Corporation and a director of the decorated a group of rooms centered Crosley Broadcasting Corporation.

for needle sharpeners and matches, while

Only a few weeks ago Sunset made a deal with wrestler Gene Stanlee ("Mr. America") to make a personal appearance at every bar or restaurant that purchased a receiver from Sunset. The matman also appeared at the chain's Rego Park store and drew nearly 1,500 curious video viewers after an extensive ballyhoo campaign on video station WPIX.

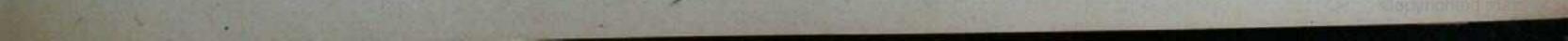
On the manufactuing side of the picture, DuMont, which sponsors the Morey Amsterdam Show on its own TV network, has utilized the comedian to build good will for both the telecasting and video receiver branches of the company. Amsterdam has been "hitting the road" for DuMont to make appearances at local DuMont dealers, officiate at station openings, sign autographs and generally glad-hand every segment of the TV business.

DuMont, of course, has benefited greatly from this double-barreled use of their video star, who even sees to it that DuMont dealers visiting New York get a look at the TV show and even take a bow on the stage. As DuMont puts it, Amsterdam has done more than just sell sets via a show-he has also sold good will.

#### New Development

While many dealers have got the show business slant into their ad campaigns, the use of actual theatrical or sports names 'in promoting sales has been a recent development. Victor Mature's name, in itself, has created additional sales in his Los Angeles retail operation. That Bob Hope and football star Sid Luckman are video distributors has also meant more or easier sales for their individual sales crews.

One of the most successful such promotions was that set up by Abraham & Strauss, Brooklyn department store. The television department around a specific video set and each one dedicated to a well-known video star. The stars, in tura made appearances at the store, plugged the



## **Chevvy Meshes Gears for TV; Dealers Hot for Medium**

(Continued from page 8) also took place that fall, when for air completely contrasting shows 13 weeks the group sponsored the aimed at different levels and groups Chevrolet Tele-Theater (then called of people at different times all over Chevrolet on Broadway), with seven other Eastern dealer groups kicking In to the National Broadcasting Company (NBC). After the first cycle the central office of Chevvy took over sponsorship.

It was the feeling of C-E that the dealers would do better not to invest heavily in a single big show, but rather to spread their resources around a number of unique lowercost programs which could obtain comparatively high ratings. This is the philosophy which has been fol-

### School Video **Stations Far** In the Future

(Continued from page 4) easters in the country, chairmaned a meeting attended by representatives of the Office of Education, the NAEB, the land-grant colleges and the National Educational Association first top quiz show to TV (Winner). (NEA). It was agreed that hope of educators in TV was in future development of UHF and therefore it was decided to consolidate forces to fight for frequencies in the new band. Hearing on the joint application is expected to be held by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) late in December.

Whether educators will get UHF finally solved by the FCC. It might be years therefore until university stations start operating in the higher frequencies. And there are still some powerful groups in educational as well as the hockey games. circles that say TV will be too expensive, even for State-supported universities. In the meantime one land-grant school, the State College of Iowa at Ames, will start test operation of its Channel 4 VHF station shortly after the first of the year. Dick Hull, head of radio and TV for the college and president of the NAEB. believes TV will be the dominant educational force within five years. He applied for a VHF license while other educators were still arguing about merits of the medium. Hull's station will be supported by State money, deriving support from part of the budget of the farm extension bureaus. His will be a "how-to-doit" station and will be programed for the general public as well as students.

lowed since, enabling the group to the dial.

Currently airing are the Roller Derby on WJZ-TV, Monday nights; Pantomime Quiz on WCBS-TV, Tuesday nights; Famous Jury Trials on

WABD, Wednesdays, and Winner Take All on WCBS-TV, Saturdays. These are bolstered by three central office web shows: Teletheater on NBC, Mondays; Inside USA on the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), alternate Thursdays, and the Notre Dame football games on Du-Mont, Saturday afternoons. The grid series is supplemented by three Midwest grid tussles aired here on WABD by the local group on weeks when Notre Dame games are not available.

Besides the shows the dealer group here airs 15 spots weekly on WPIX, WABD, WNBT and WJZ-TV. Heaviest use is on Thursdays and Fridays, when the dealers have no local show on the air. Chevvy proved innovations could pay off by bankrolling the Roller Derby, which hits 20 ratings often. It signed the first pact to bring a Coast kine show here (Pantomime Quiz). It brought the In previous times it aired the first bona fide newsreel on TV (Telenews) and sponsored the first 60minute TV show (Western films on WABD). Chevrolet was the first automobile sponsor on TV, the central office sponsoring four shows on ABC over DuMont facilities in 1946.

Dealer groups in other parts of the country also are heavy users of TV. bands will not be decided, of course, In Chicago four football games are until the over-all UHF problem is being aired. In Columbus, O., five grid tilts are sponsored. In Miami eight games are sponsored. In Boston the dealers sponsor the telecasts of all local big league baseball games

#### The Bigelow Show

Reviewed Wednesday (12), 9-9:30 p.m. EST, Sponsored by the Bigelow-Sanford Company over the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) thru the Young G Rubicam Agency, Producer, Frank Telford, Director, Preston Wood, Announcer, Dan Seymour. Cast: Dunninger, Paul Winchell, Guest, U. E. Baughman, chief of U. S. Secret Service.

The unorthodox pairing of ventriloquist Paul Winchell and mentalist Dunninger is back on the air for

Bigelow-Sanford carpets, but this season on the Columbia 一門 Broadcasting System (CBS). Altho the show lags in spots, it remains basically a good combination of humor and the unusual, with Winchell supplying the

gags and Dunninger the mystic mental feats.

The material on the show caught was not up to that used by Winchell at other times. The first bit had dummy Jerry Mahoney putting Winchell thru the three tests which had to be done without twitching a lip. The routine was gagged up to the extent of losing its points without being really funny. Later in the show, Winchell raced thru a slapstick skit involving an elevator chase with a couple of crooks. This had some good moments, but was far too overdone.

Dunninger gave his usual startling, if pompous and stuffy performance. After his usual stint of telling studio audience members their names, addresses and birthdates, he used a guest from the Secret Service as a stooge. The mentalist then selected the one envelope of 50 which held a bill, then attempted to name the denomination and serial number. He her swing, and her murderer, a failed on the size, saying he thought it was wrong at the time, but got the serial number exactly except for omitting one digit.

segments and put together again to he'd inherit the fortune. form another design, with Dan Seymour pitching effectively. Sam Chase.

#### The Case Book of Gregory Hood

Reviewed Saturday (15) 8:30-9 p.m. EST. Sustaining via the American Broadcasting Company. Style: Mystery. Producer, Frank Cooper. Director, Martin Andrews, Writer, Jerome B. Ross, Cast, Jackson Beck, John McGovern, Art Carney, Kathleen Cordell, John Griggs, Florence Robinson,

Gregory Hood is the poor man's Sam Spade. The show has the same brisk, hard pace and Hood (Jackson Beck) talks a tough but color-

ful lingo and has a way with lethal ladies. Unlike Spade, however, he isn't a professional Private Eye. With him, murder's a hobby. By day he runs an export business.

Hood also differs from Spade in more important ways. He doesn't have the flair for flamboyant wordage and his detecting methods are strictly below par. Last Saturday's (15) transparent crime plot Carnival of Death, telegraphed its solution from the very beginning. Nevertheless, in spite of its flimsy construction, the show rolled right along; most of the actors were able and the dialog. while far from brilliant, was brashly bright and quite entertaining in spots.

An old flame of Hood's, "a hot blonde due to inherit a cold million," set the stage by calling him in on a shakedown case. The trail led to Pacific Playland, and the amateur sleuth's midway probe, played against an effective background of carnival sounds, was the best part of the show. In the course of events a trapeze trollop was murdered via a fall from crooked drummer tagged "Hot Licks," was also silenced via a bullet in his back. The latter's body was hidden in the wax museum. Hood finally Bigelow's commercials featured a trapped the killer on a concession and demonstration of its "lock-weave" unmasked him as the blonde's huscarpet, which can be taken apart in band. He'd planned to kill her so

**Off the Record!** 

CINCINNATI, Oct. 22.-WKRC's news chief, Tom Mc-Carthy, pulled a nifty Wednesday (19) on the sharp lads who operate the gambling casinos in Newport, Ky., across the river from here.

After one of the usual periodic orders went out to the Newport Police Department, Wednesday, instructing the vice squad to clamp down on all gambling spots and keep them closed, McCarthy called five casinos and asked: "Are you going to have gambling tonight or is the lid really on?"

He didn't identify himself and employees of all five spots unhesitatingly told him that the tables would be operating. Mc-Carthy re-orded his question and their answers and played them on his 6 p.m. broadcast.

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22.-KLAC-TV this week peddled its first musical strip show since taking to the air. selling a 15-minute five-a-week layout starring Decca Records vocalist Joe Graydon. Stanza, to be bank- Newell-Emmett Agency. Producer, Bob rolled by Central Chevrolet, will fea- Moss; director, Joseph Cavaliere; music, ture a guest layout with thrush Anita Gordon and the Crew Chiefs Fontane Sisters; announcer, Martin Block; spotted several times weekly. Show had only a two-week sustaining run as a weekly half-hour stanza before being grabbed.

Show will inherit the 8:30-8:45 time slot, thus competing with top kine fare beamed by network outlets. The indie station recognizes the audience pull of the Milton Berle Texaco show and will skip Tuesday night airings rather than buck the Berle layout.

#### WBKB NETS 10G

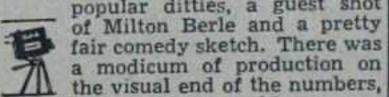
(Continued from page 8) have been looked upon with disfavor in radio, but they claim thoro investigations cleared both orgs before contract signing and that so far they've had no complaints from merchants or public. They claim, too, that a straight brokerage deal is not as good as the one they have, an unrevealed split of the gross. All WBKB has to do is air about an hour a day of multiscope as its part of the deal.

E. V. Kennedy, manager of the National Radio Personalities operation here, said that the next TV station finally emerged garbed in a Texaco to participate in their album plan is WFIL-TV, Philadelphia. About 23 men are making phone sales for National here. It is expected that of being built up into a really funny this market will be saturated in about a year, and the crew will move on, not to return for at least another five years. Kennedy also stated that National was planning to put more accent on TV promotions. Radio deals will continue in smaller markets, but TV will be promoted practically ex- an old hand and an experienced one was enough to hold anyone's attenclusively in large cities.

### Supper Club

Reviewed Sunday (16), 8-8:30 p.m. EST. Sponsored by Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company on the National Broadcasting Company tele network thru the Mitchell Ayres' ork, Cast: Perry Como, guest this show, Milton Berle,

Perry Como's Supper Club show, in its TV bow for this season, offered the warbler's usual good voicing of popular ditties, a guest shot



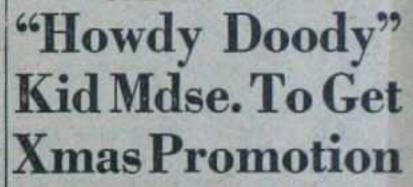
the visual end of the numbers, but the show could use considerably more. Como did virtually all of his solos as straight tunes, without aid of costume or other para-

piano, The major exception was Como's flowers on a city street-newsstand set, before wrapping things up with Nearer My God to Thee. This number seemed completely out of character with the rest of the show or its setting, a nitery. The Fontane Sisters also utilized Gay '90s apparel to sing Get Out and Get Under, while a pair of legs squirmed under a prop version of an ancient car. The legs belonged to guest Milton Berle, who service station outfit, to exchange quips with Como.

A good number with possibilities segment is that showing one Barney. Biskin, song plugger, trying to sell Como on some of his numbers, which endorsement by Claudette Colbert and then were done in costume by an- the fact that Chesterfields spends well nouncer Martin Block the Fontanes over \$1,000,000 a day on tobacco and Mitchell Ayres.

at the plugs. These made use of an tion.

The treacherous spouse was badly overdrawn-a fact which took away most of the surprise element. The actor was partly to blame, but some of his lines sounded like tongue-in-cheek scripting, especially when he turned on his frau and sneered; "You once told me you'd die for me. Now's your chance!" June Bundy.



(Continued from page 4) of Milton Berle and a pretty on his TV show. This year he plans to hypo sales on the entire merchandising line with a more ambitious version of same, in co-operation with 30-odd Howdy Doody manufacturers. In line with this campaign, the Frederick Loeser store in Brooklyn and the Gilchrist Company in phernalia, with the exception of a Boston have agreed to build their entire Christmas toy merchandising programs around the Howdy Doody finale, which was built up by having line, and the puppet is slated to fig-Como chat with an old gal selling ure prominently in holiday parade plans for Macy's in New York, Gimbel's in Philadelphia and Bambergers in Newark. Smith's roster of store p. a. engagements covers several States and already extends into 1950.

In direct contrast to Howdy Doody's all-out commercial activities, the bossman of TV's Kukla, Fran, and Ollie flatly refuses to okay a similar merchandising scheme for his own puppet line-up. It's possible that he might come around on some gimmicks, such as games and like objects. but he's adamant against dolls, claiming mass duplication spoils the illusion.

taxes alone. A certified check for Commercials were pitched by Block, \$1,063,000-plus flashed on the screen Sam Chase.

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PLUGGERS WAR ON PAYOLA

**On 45 R.P.M.** It's Here To Stay

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Frank M. Folsom, president of the Radio Corporation of America (RCA), yesterday (21) issued a strongly worded statement that "the 45 as a system of recorded music is here to stay-and let there be no doubt about it."

The Folsom statement, which was intended to clear the air of "rumors and false reports circulated by those who may have an axe to grind," followed oy one day an item in Walter Winchell's column to the effect that in February RCA would announce a switch to 331/3. There has, of course, been widespread trade talk that Victor would eventually go 331/3 for its classical catalog (The Billboard, October 22), but what aroused the ire of the Victor brass was the use of the word "switch" in the Winchell item. The usage, it was felt, implied that Victor would drop 45. Victor, of course, is now in the midst of a promotional and advertising push on the 45 system.

The Folsom statement said: "By no means will the '45' be abandoned. It is here to stay." Folsom added that 45 sales have jumped 260 per cent in 90 days; that production facilities have been strained to keep up with demands in both disks and players.

# Folsom Rebuts Mills "Skirt" Sells Sensationally MPCE Acting Winchell Item Despite Lack of Big Radio Drive

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- One of the sold close to 500,000. Guy Lombardo's most interesting phenomena in the Decca disk has sold approximately music business today is the sales performance of Mills Music's Blue Skirt been recorded on 19 other labels, and Waltz, which has done sensationally while these don't measure up to the well in disk and sheet music sales aforementioned sales figures, they despite the lack of a strong radio will measurably add to the expected drive. According to all present indications Skirt will wind up the year with 1,000,000 records and 250,000 sheet music sales.

The Columbia record of Skirt, etched by Frank Yankovic, started the ball rolling. This disk has already



as fixed under the regulations of the Feld-Crawford Fair Trade Act, are

100,000. In addition, the tune has grand total of 1,000,000 by the end of 1949.

#### Sheet Music High

With regard to sheet music, Skirt is still selling between 1,000 and 1,500 copies weekly, and is easily expected to hit the 250,000 figure by the end of the year.

Skirt has been on The Billboard's most played juke box charts for more tedly worthy intentions. than six months. It has also shown up on the folk charts. In addition it has received strong plugging on jockey programs. But major radio plugs have been few. Lombardo has been plugging the tune, but few other they can get a plug now by dispatchmajor artists. One of the explanations for the success of the tune is the fact, fire the contact man and use the that it appeals to the Midwest, which contains perhaps the greatest segment of the music buying public. Yankovic, too, is a Slovenian band, and lovers of this type of music flourish in that area.

The tune, of Czechoslovakian origin, was published in England. Jack Mills, head of the Mills firm, acquired it two pluggers and not replacing them, figyears ago when he bought the D'Vorsky catalog. Mitchell Parish wrote an English lyric for the tune.



As Old Curse **Hits New High** 

### **3-Point Cure Set Forth**

(Continued from page 3) the long history of payola and the many abortive crusades against it, take a dim view of the pluggers' chances. They predict the publishers will be less than unanimous in cooperating, and the pluggers themselves will lapse into the old rut instead of carrying thru their admit-

The contact men feei impelled to make the move now out of desperation \_ Payola is sapping plugger employment and lowering plugger wages. Publishers, well aware that ing a messenger with a \$50 bill, can \$7,500 they may have been spending on his salary for orkster pay-offs. Or the pubber may in part deduct the cost of plugs from his contact man's salary. More and more music firms -and top-drawer outfits are included -are paying off the band leaders. Many of these firms have been firing uring that it's cheaper to bribe for plugs. Even big fem No. 1 plugs have to be bought.

Further pressure on the plugger



NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Bregman, Vocco & Conn (BVC), a major Yankee publisher affiliated with the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), has entered the Latin-American field with a flourish, acquiring 20 Latin tunes within the last few weeks.

The pubbery's new department, which is handled by Jack Bregman and business manager Ira S. Wegard, will put out material for the rumbamambo market, but will also endeavor to push certain Latin numbers into the American pop field. To date, nine of the songs are the work of Eliseo Grenet, one of the top Latin cleffers, and an ASCAP member. Six more are by Pepito Arvelo, maestrovocalist at the St. Regis Hotel, a Victor recording artist. Three of the Grenet tunes are getting new English lyrics prior to the pubbery's initial exploitation drive. Those set for bilingual plugging are Toda La Vida it's wonderfu'! This sentiment was Pensando En Ti, Ni Me Quieres Ni Te Quiero and Constantemente. The latter tune has been cut by Pedro Vargas for Victor.

### **Poll Slip-Ups**

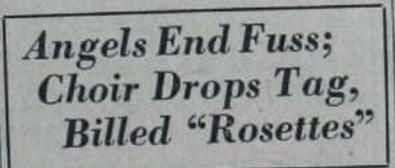
NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- In The Billboard's Third Annual Disk Jockey Poll, October 22, Ezio Pinza, winner of first place as favorite classical singing artist, is erroneously listed as a Victor artist. The South Pacific star, of course, rose to his high record position via the Columbia label.

In another section of the poll, the Modernaires are listed as fifth in the favorite small singing group category. They should correctly be listed as fourth.

the distribber's special concern here.

Sam Goody and the Chesterfield Music Shop have been running large cut-price ads in The New York Sunday Times and other weekly publications. Altho most of the ads have not mentioned labels by name, prominent disk artists, whose affiliations are well known, have been listed. Last Sunday (16) however, Chesterfield's ad offered one LP platter free with every three at regular price.

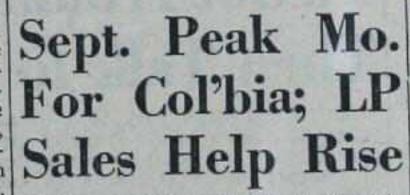
Goody ran into a similar hassle with London several weeks back as the result of another Times ad .(The Billboard, September 10), but had his franchise reinstated immediately when he agreed to abide by the fixed prices.



PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22 .- Peace, heartily endorsed this week by the Angelic Gospel Singers and the Angelic Choir, who have amicably settled their differences arising from the latter group's use of the "angelic" tag. The choir which has been associated with Sister Rosetta Tharpe and is handled by the Taps Agency, has agreed to drop the name, and is billed on its forthcoming Decca disks as "The Rosettes."

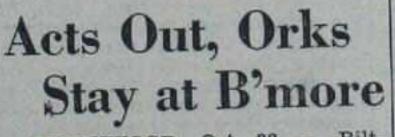
According to Ivan Ballen, whose Gotham Attractions office handles the Angelic Gospel Singers, the Angelic Choir had also sought to identify itself with Touch Me, Lord Jesus, a big number waxed by the Gospel group for Ballen's Gotham label.

leave Friday (28) on a one-nighter tour of the South, accompanied by May Gooch and the Gospel Stars of Detroit, who record for DC label.



NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Ted Wallerstein, president of Columbia Records, stated this week that Columbia enjoyed its biggest business month of the past two years during the month of September. A goodly portion of the rise in business was accredited to the Columbia LP line but also was due in part to an increase in the sales of the diskery's pop line, according to the exec.

Wallerstein is highly optimistic about Columbia's Christmas season sales potential. He believes that the LP line will boom business in view of the fact that the coming Christmas will be the first in which longplaying disks will be offered to a large-scale market,



HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Biltmore Rendezvous, Los Angeles' only Class A daytime nitery, will abandon its long-standing act-band policy and move to a straight ork operation immediately. Joe Faber, operator of the Biltmore Hotel spot, booked the Vel-Tones ork and Henry Alpert trio to launch the new policy, effective this week. Room will offer continuous dancing between 1-7 p.m.

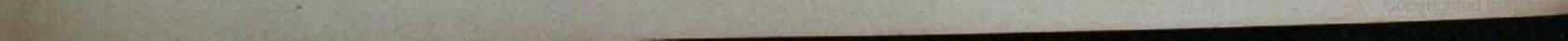
Dropping of act policy also meant the exit of Al Gayle, whose ork has held the Rendezvous spot for five con-The incumbent Angels, incidentally, tinuous years. Faber hopes the continuous terp policy will draw more afternoon biz than a talent layout and looks for a hike in revenue as well as a saving in the talent budget.

has come from the devaluation of the live plug in favor of the recorded plug. The practice of firing the contact man and hiring a record promotion specialist is on the upgrade among publishers. The value of the live plug has been narrowing to one thing: Piling up ASCAP credits toward the annual performance payment. For this reason, and to make the Peatman and his sheets, the live plug is still vital to the publishers. A good showing on the sheets means that the song will be attractive to the radio producers who program shows using music. This means more air performances and again a better showing in ASCAP. Hence the vicious circle, with payola the grease that keeps the wheels moving.

#### Prices

As to the prevalence of payola, every music man approached on the question agreed that it has never been worse. From all indications during the last two months an average of only two orchestras in New York City were not on the take. The price ranges from a piddling \$15 for an alleged "transposition" (the stock arrangement in an altered keytechnically a legal procedure) to \$90 for an orchestration. A noted society band leader in one of New York's best known hotels regularly charges the \$90 fee. Bands, small groups, trios, etc., on locations in hotels, grillrooms, ballrooms, saloons and anywhere else that has a radio wire, have their price. Many a leader takes a band into a spot for union scale, figuring to make up the difference from the publishers-and usually does quite nicely.

There appears to be no honor at all among these chiselers, according to astute observers. Some of them fill their books to bursting with songs paid for in advance and then are unable to get them all on the air. What they do then is explain their difficulty to the pluggers, offering to put the songs on the air at so much a plug. One publisher is angry . (See Pluggers War On on page 47)



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**United Front** Against 5 P. C. **Bite on Wax** 

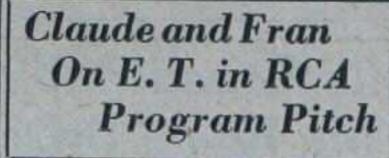
### **Doob Calls Secret Huddle**

(Continued from page 3) was called by Oscar Doob, excutive in the Loew organization, parent firm of MGM Records.

It is understood that the legislation now on the congressional calendar involving elimination of excise taxes was the chief subject of the conclave. These bills were stirred up by other industrial groups, but several of the bills include phonograph records as one of the items which should be relieved of the burden of the excise tax, particularly in view of the fact that business conditions in these industries are at low levels.

One of the objectives of the meeting was to analyze the various bills and to select the one which is best applicable to the cause of the record industry. When the selection is made, It is believed that the diskers, as a body, will actively support the bill.

The several excise tax bills are being studied by the diskers' legal eagles, and a second meeting will be held once the lawyers have prepared their recommendations.



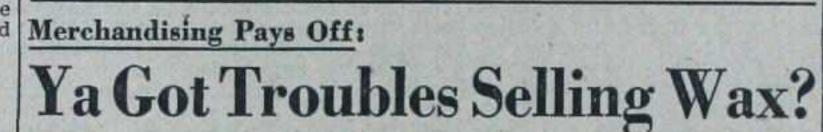
NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Thesaurus, Radio Corporation of America's library service, plans to add extensive name programing to its list of transcribed features. Donald J. Mercer, manager of RCA Recorded Program Services, this week announced that subscribing stations would receive a show built around Claude Thornhill's orchestra and another featuring vocalist Fran Warren. Both are RCA Victor artists.

Use of RCA Victor artists on Thesaurus programs to an increasing degree has been indicated under the new set-up, which divorces Thesaurus from the NBC radio-recording division.

Thornhill's show, titled Win a Holiday, involved a tune-titling contest idea in addition to the maestro's music. Winners get a week-end in New York at Thesaurus's expense. System of awards also includes Thornhill RCA Victor albums.

The Fran Warren show, with Allen Roth providing musical direction, includes current and standard tunes and specially composed theme music. The warbler is heard on opening and closing voice tracks.

Both shows are scheduled for November release, together with regular rate per selection on disks priced at Thesaurus output.



# Col'bia Fixing "Back Home" Program Pitch Classical LP Wax Royalties

### **Need Pubbers Okay**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22. - Columbia Records has virtually completed an entire schedule of publisher royalty rates to be paid in the future on its long-playing records. In addition to the 1½-cent and 2-cent rates previously fixed for pop material, the diskery, with the approval of pubbers! and agent Harry Fox, has fixed a rate on long works of a classical type which are not in the public domain. The rate to be paid will be half of the established rates paid on an equivalent number of regular 78 r.p.m. etchings of the work involved. The established shellac rate is 2 cents per side.

The rate schedule, which will set the precedent for payment of LP royalties by all firms using the longplaying medium, includes the 11/2cent rate per selection for 10-inch back as a top secret project since items priced at \$2.85 and a 2-cent \$3.85 and \$4.85.

# Diskers Drive for Tax Repeal Decca Going All-Out on

#### **Crosby-Waring Disk**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Decca Records is undertaking the greatest allout single disk promotion in the history of the company on its forthcoming Bing Crosby and Fred Waring recording of a 15-year-old tune called 'Way Back Home. The campaign will be capped with a nationwide, 'roundthe-clock disk jockey drive set for October 25.

The campaign actually started Monday (17) when the Decca distributors and salesmen were notified of the release of the disking and were instructed to begin selling the waxing without samples. According to Decca execs, the initial orders, piled up mainly in the 24-hour period following the notification of the distributors, were the greatest in the history of the diskery.

#### Heavy Ad Bally

The Oclober 25 jockey campaign will mark the initial date of public sale on the disking. The spinner drive will be complemented by heavy trade paper advertising, posters and window streamers.

The Crosby-Waring disking was sliced last June and has been held then. The only previous wax which this pair has made for the diskery was The Whiffenpoof Song, a platter which has sold over 1,000,000 copies.

The pairing for the 'Way Back Home oldie, which was written by Tom Waring and Al Lewis and is published by Bregman, Vocco & Conn, is a new

### **Raise Averts Strike at RCA**

(Continued from page 10) wage increase, altho most of the increment will come in welfare benefits, the union said. Negotiations for the new contract began last May under a wage reopening clause. The old agreement was to have expired next June. The union demanded management accept a formula that would provide for a \$500 annual increase for each employee, made up of insurance and pension benefits as well as a general increase. Earlier in the month, the employees at each of the four plants had voted the union authorization to call a strike. It is expected that the employees will accept the company's package offer.

Altho neither management nor the union will discuss the terms of the contract, it was reliably learned that of the 14.6-cents-an-hour across-theboard raise, 3½ cents will be a cash increase and the rest will cover hospital and surgical fees for the employee and insurance to be paid for by the company. Under the old contract, the insurance was paid for jointly by the company and the employee.

The contract also includes the addition of one paid holiday to be selected by the union, the accumulation of seniority during lay-off periods, increased vacation benefits in the fiveto-10-year service brackets, and plant seniority within the occupation.

It was said that the company also agreed to wipe out two pending arbitration cases. One concerned the matter of computing vacation pay and the other concerns transfers within the plant by seniority from section to section. Several other small contract benefits also were included in the package offer, which has been upped from the 5 cents an hour increase originally offered the union by the company.

# Then Talk to Felix in Philly

tailers belonging to the order of the crying towel can pursue their hobby of weeping about the state of the record business until doomsday as far as Felix Valdera is concerned, for his two Paramount Record Shops at 1519 South Street and 1801-03 Ridge Avenue continue to show an upswing regardless of the so-called trends in the retail business.

According to 33-year-old Valdera, the people still like their music on records as much as ever, and will continue to buy the product so long as the best of the biscuits are brought to their attention. A firm believer in the adage, "Advertising is the life of business," he has demonstrated thru his successful operation that it pays to advertise.

#### **Radio Gimmick**

Thru his radio show, Jumping at the Record Shop, a full hour starting at midnight on WIBG, with Bob Knox for the past four years spinning the disks, Valdera has hammered away at listeners the idea that "when you think of records, think of Paramount." And when they call, write or phone Paramount, customers discover that it is true that you can find any type of record at either of these two shops.

Located in the heart of Philadelphia's most densely populated Negro area, the Paramount shops have been able to develop a white following which accounts for 50 per cent.

Boasting the largest stock of spirituals, hot jazz, bebop and swing recordings, Paramount also has an astonishing collection of pops, classics he started in 1939 with a small shop and children's recordings.

Valdera injects new life into his record business by adding innovations and offering new services for his cus- He got back behind the counter with the trouble to ask Felix Valdera how tomers. To build added sales, he only a few hundred records on the business is will receive an optimistic

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22. - Re- customers which has now branched out all over the world. Today, cus-Hawaii, Japan, Alaska and even Ethiopia purchase records from his stores.

#### Heavy Ad Budget

To build up his mailing list, which gets his own catalog listing every month, Valdera has been using such media as the national editions of The Pittsburgh Courier, a weekly, and Grit, a farm circulator reaching half a million residents of small towns. Starting in November, Valdera will begin a schedule in American Weekly, largest of the Sunday newspaper supplements. While record manufacturers have used American Weekly in the past, this will be the first time that a local record retailer has done such national advertising.

Another factor in the development of the Paramount shops is the fullscale modern merchandising program to develop sales in the area. For example, while all other local record dealers were finding a lukewarm response to cut-price stock clearance sales, Valdera smashed into the market with a sensational and dramatic "10 pounds of records for \$1.98" sale that took the town by storm. And with the steady stream of artist personal appearances, the better-thanaverage chance of running into a celebrity has brought many a new customer into one of the Paramount shops.

#### No War Baby

The business is no war baby, altho and a handful of records. While the store. Always bristling with new ideas, stores carried on, Valdera served in the army, and didn't pick up his nation weep and wail over the sorry business until his discharge in 1946. started a mail-order service for his rack. Today he has one of the larg- reply.

Meredith Willson piece, The Iowa Indian Song, which is published by Leeds Music.

### **MGM To Bypass DJ** tomers as far away as the Mariannas, Xmas Disk Services, **Except for Requests**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.-MGM Records, whose disk jockey service has consistently won the plaudits of the spinners, has this year adopted a new approach regarding Christmas disks, No deejay pressings on the seasonal material will be sent out. Trial shipments have indicated to the diskery that such material isn't played until two or three days before Christmas, if at all. Most Christmas disks are bought, however, at least a week before the holiday.

MGM intimates, however, that deejays who request specific Christmas items will be supplied immediately, and assures its various distribs that material ordinarily allotted the jocks will be put to good advantage on the general releases.

est stock inventories in the industry. Where normal record business turns stock over four times a year on the average, Valdera's turnover is almost 10 times annually. He employs 29 persons in both stores and is planning to open two more stores.

As an adjunct to his record business and also to help promote interest in records, Valdera also operates the Paramount Entertainment Service, a juke box operation with some 80 machines on location At present he is also preparing to introduce his own record label, having installed a recording studio in his South Street

So, while record dealers thruout the plight of the business, anyone taking

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### **ILO** Drafting **Canned Music Rights** Treaty

(Continued from page 4) providing a similar system in other countries. Labor Department spokesmen say that a proposal to outlaw TV may be brought up, but that it is certain to be brushed off.

will include employment and wage conditions and general rights of performers in radio, TV, and canned music; technological changes and their effect on employment conditions; the position of the salaried inventor, and problems of salaried and professional workers and white collar workers.

Other meetings of the committee are to be held later, Labor Department officials said, with the possibility that a confab to draft a treaty may be called late next year. An ILO treaty will be treated as any other international pact and will be subject to ratification by all countries.

A possible stumbling block to this country's adherence to a performer pact is the general reluctance of the Senate to ratify ILO treaties. Labor Department spokesmen said that of 99 labor treaties drafted by ILO, the Senate has so far ratified only 5. All of those ratified dealt with working conditions for maritime workers.

#### Three Nations Out

Countries that would be asked to ratify a performer treaty include all of the larger nations except Germany, Japan and Soviet Russia, none of which is a member of ILO.

U. S. delegates to next week's meeting are Edward Persons, Labor Department, and Robert Meyers, Economic Co-Operative Administration (ECA), representing the government; Richard Doherty, National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), and Frank Rowland, Life Office Management Association (LOMA), representing employers; and Paul R. Hutchings, Office Employees International Union (OEIU), and Herman Kenin, AFM, representing employees. Government delegates were chosen by the Labor Department; employer delegates by the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) and the Chamber of Commerce, and employee delegates by the American Federation of Labor (AFL).



CHICAGO, Oct. 22,-Following the success of the Frankie Laine disk jockey contest, which Mercury execs feel was largely instrumental in putthe use of canned music in radio and ting over Lucky Old Sun, Art Talmadge, the diskery's flack chief, unveiled plans for a second such pro-Other discussions at the meeting motion. Working with another airline, Eastern, Mercury is staging a d.j. contest in connection with Vic Damone's Why Was I Born?

Talmadge has selected 250 wax whirlers across the country to conduct the contest, in which all entrants will be asked to send their local d.j.'s their names and addresses and their exact place and time of birth. In return, all contestants will receive an individual horoscope to be sent by a nationally known supplier of astrological material. The person selected to have the luckiest and most interesting reading, together with the disk jockey to whom the entry was originally mailed, will receive a free round-trip vacation by air to the Caribe Hilton, San Juan, Puerto Rico, where the winner will spend a week in traveling.

Eastern Airlines is supplying demonstration scale models of the various types of ships in their air fleet to be utilized by record retailers, together with pictures and promotional material about the local d.j.'s who are co-operating.



# Mercury Prepping ASCAP Net License Awaits Jockey Promotion For Damone Ditty Members' Okay; Per Program **Talks Still On; Kine Defined**

stations and the American Society of delegated to ASCAP from "your pub-Composers, Authors and Publishers lisher-members and writer-members (ASCAP) are scheduled to resume who in the aggregate received at least discussions this week relative to the 85 per cent of your aggregate total per program license. Meanwhile it distribution of domestic royalties durwas learned that the final acceptance of the ASCAP-network blanket license, which was signed Monday (17) by ASCAP and the National Broadcasting Company (NBC), the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) and the American Broadcasting Company (ABC), would be contingent upon the okay of the ASCAP membership. An ASCAP spokesman stated that the Society would probably wait for the conclusion of the per program discussions before sending out ballots to poll the membership on the blanket license deal. Polling the membership, it was stated, would probably require between 15 and 20 days.

For the blanket contract to become effective it is necessary that ASCAP deliver to the telecasters written notice that it has received the requisite rights from its members. The clause



NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Reps of TV specifies that these rights must be ing the calendar year 1948 . . . "

#### Kine Clarification

The agreement also specifies that ASCAP secure from its publisher members permission to allow the licensees to use kinescope recordings for the purpose of completing a network.

This section of the contract, titled Exhibit A, and which will be sent to publishers for signing, states in part:

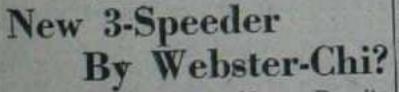
"We both recognize that delayed and repeat broadcasts (i.e., broadcasts over certain affiliated stations subsequent to the original broadcast) of network television programs are often necessitated by time differentials and other circumstances such as unavailability of facilities, conflicting program schedules, etc. Also, the coaxial cables connecting television stations are still in the early stages of development, and it is not now-and may not be for several years-possible to connect by cable all of the television stations affiliated with the several networks." Those publishers signing this kine clause would grant the licensee the following:

Permission to make kine recordings, without any special fee, for limited boardcast use, such as completing a network, or for file and private audition purposes. Use of such a kine recording for a delayed or repeat broadcast is okayed providing such broadcast is made within 60 days after the date of the original broadcast.

### **7 SPA Council Men Re-Elected**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Seven incumbents on the council of the Songwriters' Protective Association (SPA) were re-elected this week. They are Fred Ahlert, Abel Baer, Paul Cunningham, Milton Drake, Ferde Grofe, Joseph Meyer and Sam Stept. There are 21 members on the council, and each year elections are held for seven of the positions for a three-year term.

Next Friday (28) the election of officers will be held for council voting. Incumbents are Sigmund Romberg, president; Charles Tobias, veepee; Jesse Greer, second veepee; Abel Baer, treasurer, and Peter DeRose, secretary. Edgar Leslie is chairman of the council.



company denials, trade talk persists LP record of Hawaiian music, obthat Webster-Chicago is tooling up tained from Dave Bender of Chrome for a new three-speed record changer Seal, local label catering to industo supersede its Model 356. The trial music users. It's expected that present changer is an adaptation of Rondo will acquire a series of Vince previous Webster-Chicago Models DiMaggio sides from Bill Putnam, of 156 and 256.

It is generally understood that the new changer will be ready early in 1950 and that it will be a completely redesigned and simplified unit.

the parade of Chi location spots upping the talent nut (The Billboard, September 24) when Eddy Howard's ork opens a seven-weeker there January 4. According to a rep of the Blackhawk, the Howard ork will be presented as part of a package show, such as the current Whiffenpoof Revue, in which Buddy Moreno and his band play an important part in a Sherman Marx-Hotel Sherman type revue. Signing of Howard marks the first time since before the war that the Blackhawk has used a highbudgeted ork.

Howard's date is an experimental move, with op Don Roth taking a "wait-and-see" attitude before booking in a band to follow.

### **New Headquarters** For Rondo, Bard

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Rondo Records here moves into its own building at 220 W. Locust Street April 1 next year. The building will house the home office of Rondo, as well as the J. F. Bard Company, which handles Rondo disks for the Chicago territory. In recent distrib switches, Glenn Allen, Memphis, and Record Sales Company, Birmingham, have joined the Rondo fold.

Nick Lany, of Rondo, said that the firm has inked Bernie Roberts, Wisconsin polka crew, who first scored on Pfau, a Milwaukee label. Roberts will be out on Rondo in a week, with four sides. In addition, Rondo will start releasing a series of masters of German and Swiss music, acquired NEW YORK, Oct. 22. - Despite from a foreign source, as well as an Universal.

Lany said that Rondo, which now has four LP records in its catlog, will release and additional four before November 15.

utilizes a semi-name ork policy, joins little more than a year on the market, the line has been sold thru book salesmen and toy jobbers, or direct to large chains and department stores.

According to Sales Manager Robert Bernstein, the low margin of profit available to distribs made it doubtful whether a strong sales-promotion effort by distribs was possible. The diskery relies on a volume business. However, in the six-month period from March 15 to September 15 an experiment was made with three disk distribs in different sections of the country, and highly satisfactory results led to the present pitch.

According to Bernstein, all distributorships are non-exclusive because toy, disk and book jobbers hit different segments of the mass market which S&S aims at with both its Little Golden Books and Records. The low-margin profit schedule is unique in the record business, but Bernstein points out that this is compensated for by the company's 100 per cent return policy and by the extravagant display features of the line.

MGM Pic-Wax Tie-Up With "Nancy" Album

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22 .- MGM Records will continue its film-record tieups with a special album release tagged Nancy Goes to Rio, with Jane Powell, Ann Southern and Carmen Miranda, all of whom are featured in pic of the same name.

Book will include six sides taken from the film sound track, with release date unsettled, pending word on film distribution.

### **Bard's Org Inks Mitchell**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22. - Orkster Freddie Mitchell, currently riding high via his Derby disking of Doby's Boogie, has been signed to a booking pact by Ben Bard's Universal Attractions. The group, six men and a girl, embarks on a Midwestern road tour under the guidance of Universal's tour director, Dick Boone, November 22.

### **Capitol Office** For Cleveland

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Capitol Records will expand its national distribution chain by opening a fifth regional office in Cleveland to cover the Eastern Central area. Max Callison, of Cap's Cincinnati outlet, will head the Cleveland operations. New office will take in the fringe territory heretofore covered by its Eastern regional office in New York and the Midwestern regional branch in Chicago.

Other regional offices are Eastern, Midwestern, Pacific Coast and Southern.

### **Ray Robbins Signed By Capitol Diskery**

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Capitol Records this week added to its band roster the commercially styled Ray Robbins ork. This gives Cap its fifth band on the sweet side. Others are Ray Anthony, Jan Garber, Skitch Henderson and recently acquired Benny Strong.

Robbins is currently sharing the Aragon (Ocean Park) podium with Harry Owens.

### **Ray Noble Cuts Two** Disks for Columbia

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Ray Noble, long absent from the record market, waxed his first brace of sides in many months this week-end for Columbia Records. Bob Graham held the vocal spot on four sides, titles of which are being kept quiet by diskery.

Date is only Noble's second disking session since lifting of recording ban.



## **Clique Fights ASCAP Trend To Yield on Leibell Decision**

Hollywood songwriters and screen (SCA), addressed SCA in Hollywood composers may soon petition the this week, raising the appeal issue. American Society of Composers, Au- At the meeting the following points thors and Publishers (ASCAP) to were raised: press the appeal against the Leibell decision to the limit of legal recourse. at the District Court level. There Grapevine reports have ASCAP are still the Circuit Court of Appeals ready, at the instance of the Department of Justice, to drop the appeal of the decision-which has in the Alden-Rochelle litigation. The suspended movie theater licensing- Justice Department, consequently, in order to facilitate formation of a revised consent decree (The Billboard, October 8).

### Valando Starts Second Pubbery

NEW YORK, Oct. 22. - Tommy Valando, who recently became sole owner of Laurel Music when he bought out crooner Perry Como's half-interest in the firm, this week made a move toward expanding his publishing activities by starting a second pubbery, the Valando Music Corporation. The new firm will onerate as a separate entity and will employ a full plugger staff in the key cities. Valando Music will be chartered by the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP). Laurel also is an ASCAP firm.

The new Valando cet-up will go to work on two new Benny Benjamin and George Weiss tunes, Wedding Bells and Echoes. Laurel's staff will continue to work on The Meadows of Heaven and Give Me Your Hand.

The Valando contact staff will not be selected until the beginning of next week. Laurel is manned by Artie Valando in Hollywood, Benny Miller in Chicago and Vic Pelle, Gene Piller, Pat Collier and Valando in New York.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- A clique of | Screen Composers' Association

1. The Leibell decision was made and the Supreme Court.

2. The government is not a party should be expected to permit ASCAP to carry the theater licensing fight as far as the law allows. The con-Leonard Zissu, counsel to the sent decree could be formulated insofar as all other fields are concerned, leaving the theater question open until a final court verdict is made.

3. Above all, ASCAP should not yield so valuable a field as film licensing without carrying the appeal to the limit,

Present at the SCA meeting were some top songwriters, who agreed to convey the impressions of the meeting to a working committee of the Coast's high-bracket tunesmiths. If this group agrees, then both the pop tunesmiths and the sound-track composers will make a pitch to ASCAP to carry on the appeal to regain picture house licensing.

### Dessa Label Dropped, **Idessa Malone Will** Market as "Staff"

DETROIT, Oct. 22 .- The Dessa Record label, launched last summer by Idessa Malone, has been dropped and the Staff label, which she formerly headed, will be used on future releases. Miss Malone withdrew from Staff last spring as the result of a disagreement with various associates involved in the company, but confirms that she has now taken over sole ownership of Staff from her former partners in the venture.

### **Mills** Abroad

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Jack Mills, head of Mills Music, has gone abroad for a six-week combined business and pleasure trip. The Mills topper, who will scout material in England, France and Italy, checks into London as his first stop. He'll be guest of honor at the forthcoming Tin Pan Alley Ball in that city.

### **Record Fund To** Disburse 100C

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.-Samuel R. Rosenbaum, trustee of the recording fund, announced this week that of the \$300,000 allocated for expenditure before December 31, \$100,000 has now been earmarked. The money will be disbursed in 100 of the 654 areas marked off in the trust agreement. The funds will be used to give musicians employment in free public concerts, dances, chamber music and symphony performances and entertainment of hospitalized veterans.

### **Cap** Promotion **Staff Shuffled**

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Capitol Records realigned its sales promotion department, appointing Hal Cook, Ned Hetzman and Adrian Roberts to handle sales promotion under Floyd Bittaker, diskery's sales veepee. Art Duncan will head the advertising department under Bittaker's supervision,

While there has been no replacement for recently resigned Bob Stabler, group will absorb some of Stabler's duties. Men will also lend a hand in firm's publicity operations.

### London Signs Brito, Massey, **Eddie Heywood**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- London Records this week signed three American artists, vocalists Phil Brito and Curt Massey, and pianist Eddie Heywood. Brito formerly cut for Musicraft (whose masters will now be issued by MGM). Massey previously cut pops and Westerns for several West Coast indies, and Heywood has fronted small groups on Decca.

Last week the diskery cut several gimmicked sides with disk jockey Frann Wiegle, of WAIT, Chicago, who superimposed his own voice eight times to affect an eight-voice choir, singing full harmony arrangements.

The London Gramophone Corporation of Canada, a branch of the local outfit, has obtained its own recording license from the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) and cut its first sides in Montreal last week. Dates were supervised by Tawny Neilson and consisted entirely of French-Canadian material. Previously the diskery cut its French-Canadian sides in England.

London has also closed a deal with Lew Chudd, of Imperial Records, to distribute Imperial thru the London branches in New York, San Francisco, Pittsburgh and Cleveland. The indie line consists mainly of folk (including square dances) and Latin-American material,

Before the end of the year the British-owned diskery plans to move to larger quarters in New York to consolidate all offices and warehouse space.

**Keys Gets Rights** To "Howdy Doody"

### **BMI & Peer Intl.** File Suit Against **Totem Lodge Club**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.-Injunction and accounting action was filed in New York Federal Court this week by Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), and the Peer International Corporation, against the Totem Lodge and Country Club, Inc., of Rensselaer County, New York, for alleged infringement of four tunes. The tunes, according to the complaint, were used without consent of proper license during the past summer and other times. Tunes allegedly infringed are It's a Big, Wide, Wonderful World; Recuerden la Ola Marina, Lo Utima Noche and Un Poquito de Tu Amor.

In addition to the injunction, the action asks for damages of not less than \$250 for each alleged infringement.

### **Michaels To Handle GAC** Negro Talent

NEW YORK, Oct. 22. - Jay Michaels, General Artists' Corporation (GAC) flack, will move into the agency's New York office one-night department to handle the sales of the booking firm's Negro attractions. This will mark the initial move on the part of the agency to create a specialized department for booking of Negro talent.

Michaels, who will retain his post as flack for GAC while selling, will concentrate his efforts initially on the orks of Count Basie and Lucky Millinder, who went with GAC this week after eight years with the Gale stantial box-office attraction. He royalties has been tied up at RCA Agency.

Objections to the use of the Dessa label were voiced by Decca because of the similarity of names.

Parallel with the Staff change, the associated distributing firm, Midwest Distributors, Inc., has been taken over by Miss Malone and switched back to its former name of Idessa Malone Distributors.

Maurice King has been named musical director of Staff. The line will switch chiefly to the gospel spirituals and blues fields, rather than to ballads and pop tunes. The Religious Recordings label, distributed nationally by Miss Malone during the Dessa period, has been entirely dissociated from the present operation and remains under the control of John W. Gilbert, who is understood to be planning to dispose of the Wilcox & Follett affiliation for kiddle present masters.

W&F Spring Combo Kidisk - Book Deal

CHICAGO, Oct. 22. - Wilcox & Follett, local book publishing firm. joined the ranks of standard publishers entering the supplementary disk field last week, with the announcement of the first of a series of kidisk-pook packages. First item, which contains a moppet's book with a seven-inch unbreakable disk in its cover, is a Christmas story, narrated by Dick Keyes. Perry Winston. of American Recording here, worked out the record side of the deal for the publishing firm. Package, which will be distributed in both record stores and book shops, will retail at \$1.39.

Winston said his firm is eyeing the possibility of entering the pop record field as a deal independent of the platters.

# Fadiman & Garner Dispute **1st Piano Quartet Ownership**

agreement between Manager Edwin Fadiman and pianist Adam Garner over the ownership and management of the First Piano Quartet erupted in an exchange of summonses beweek.

Fadiman, thru Fadiman Associates, Ltd., is asking an injunction and \$100,000 in damages from Garner, who served him with a notice of States in 1940 as a radio package of the group. and has since built it up into a subplans to replace the "striking" musi- Victor pending a decision.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The dis- | clans with others as the authentic First Piano\_Quartet.

Garner, claiming that the contract is "unconscionable" and "completely one-sided," is suing for a judgment Starr. to void the contract and damages for income allegedly lost as a result of tween the contending parties this Fadiman's preventing him and the rest of the quartet from working by warning off bookers and operators. He plans to enjoin any attempt by Fadiman to use other musicians under the quartet name and sue for damtermination of contract early this ages. Garner claims that the terms year. According to Fadiman, he of the contract brought Fadiman more launched the guartet in the United than three-guarters of the income

Meanwhile a sizable sum in record

### **Piano Book Sales**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Nat Tannen's Keys Music has acquired the national selling rights to the Howdy Doody Folio, a simplified piano book produced by the Martin Stone packaging organization, which also produces the popular kiddie TV show. The booit was written by Bob Smith and Eddie Kean, edited and arranged by Leopold Rovenger.

The Stone outfit has formed a new firm, Children's Songs, Inc., to handle the enterprise.

Tannen, who returned last week from a three-week trip to the Coast, leaves next Friday (28) for another three-week expedition thru the Midwest.

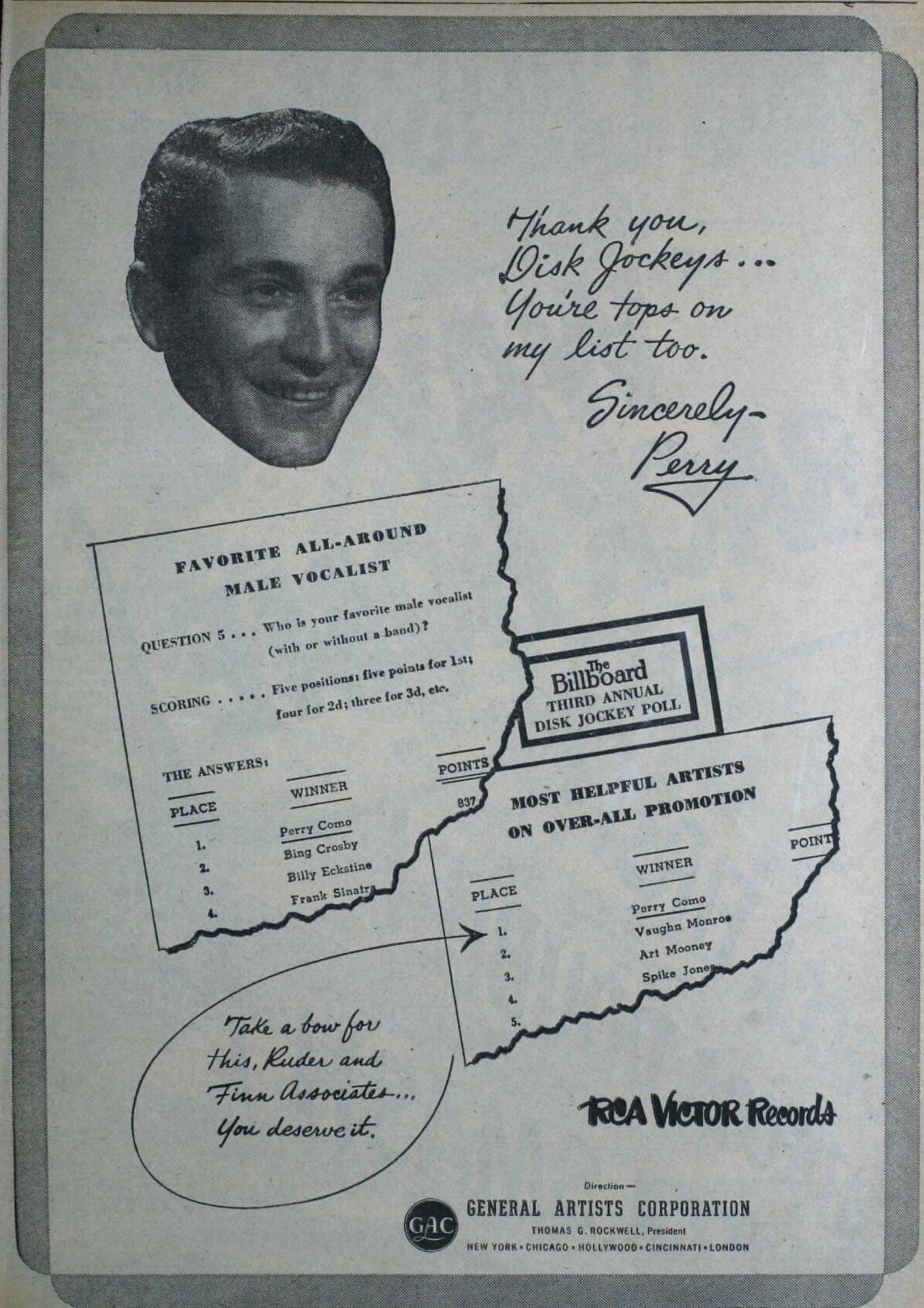
### **Vera Fanning Wins Exam Before Trial**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- State Supreme Court Justice Bernard Botine last week granted the right of examination before trial to Vera C. Fanning in her suit against Kay Starr. Miss Fanning is plaintif. in the suit originally brought by Berle Adams against the thrush for alleged breach of a management contract. The designation of another party to act as a proxy plaintiff is a common procedure, used for jurisdictional purposes when the original plaintiff and defendant reside in different States. Lee Eastman represents Miss Fanning, Jack Katz is counsel for Miss

The action asks \$100,000, with plaintiff claiming that the thrush, in March of this year, broke a threeyear exclusive management pact made in 1947.

Judge Botine's niotion gives Miss Fanning the right to examine Miss Starr's books and records,

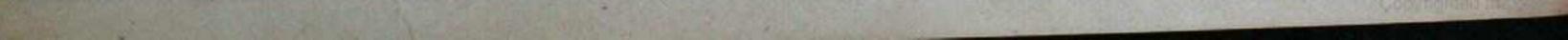
HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Capitol Songs acquired its first plug since Manana when Mickey Goldsen this week took on Save a Little Sunshine, penned by Irving Gordon. Tune will become No. 1 plug January 1.













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**Columbia Records** 

#### 4. SLIPPING AROUND

#### By Floyd Tillman Pullished by Peer, Intl. (BMI)

Records available: W. Carter, Macy's 100; J. Dale, Vocalion 55022; F. Tillman, Col(78)20581, (33)2-216; E. Tubb, Dec 46173; T. Wallace, ABC-Eagle 148; M. Whiting-J. Wakely, Cap 57-40224.

Electrical transcription libraries: Texas Jim Lewis, Standard.

5. JEALOUS HEART

By Jennie Lou Carson Fublished by Acuff-Rose Publications (BMI)

Records available: C. Bailey, Bullet 1083; J. L. Carson Dec 46176, E. Duchin, Harmony 1060, D. Palligant, MGM 10521 8 Lawrence, V(7a)20-3539, (45) 47-5029. A Morgan Ork, London 500. J Owens, Dec 24711 H Winterhalter Ork, Col 18593; Ivory Joe Hunter, King 4314; L. Nobel, Vocalion 55030; T Ritter Cap 15256; H. Perryman, Col 20128; K Roberts, Coral 64021; R. Turner, Varnity 213; L Noble Ork, Vocalion 55030; R. Turner, Varsity 213; J. Garber, Cap 57-759.

Electrical transcription libraries: Bob Crossy, Standard,

#### 6. ROOM FULL OF ROSES

By Tim Spencer Published by Hill & Range Songs (BMI)

- Records available: P Brito, Harmony 1051; Cass County Boys Dec 46174, C. Foster, Vocalion 55013; D. Haymes, Dec 24632, E. Howard, Mer 5296; S. Kaye-D Cornell, V 20-3441 G Morgan, Col(78)20594, (LP)2-272; P. Reed, Dancetone 355; S. Sims, Coral 60067, The Starlighters-P. Weston Ork, Cap 57-517, Sons of the Pioneers, V 21-0065; P. Terry-R. Arthur Quartet, Hi-Tone 145; J Scarle Ork, Bluebird 31-0012; J. Wayne, Col(78)38525, (LP)1-278; Cousin Abner, Talent 747, M Hogan, ABC-Eagle 197; T. Manners, Varsity 155,
- Electrical transcription libraries: George Wright, Thesaurus; Jan Garber, Capitol, Eddy Howard World; Eddle Skrivanes, MacGregor, George Towne, Associated, Al Trace, Lang-Worth Foy Willing, Lang-Worth; George Wright, Thesaurus; Dave Terry Muzak

#### 7. DON'T CRY, JOE

#### By Joe Marsala Published by Harms, Inc. (ASCAP)

Records available: J. Desmond, MGM 10518; J. Hall, V 78:20-3557 (45:47-2050; J. Jenkins Ork, Dec 24720; F. Binatra, Col 38555; C. Spivak, London 513; R. Flanagan Ork, Bluebird 30-007; B. Harrington, Vocalion 55058.

Electrical transcription library: Bob Crosby, Standard.

### 8. I CAN DREAM, CAN'T I!

By Irving Kahn and Sammy Fain 0 Published by Chappell (ASUAP)

Records available: Andrews Sisters-G. Jenkins Ork, Dec 24705: 1 Arden H. Winterhalter Ork, Col 38612; T Beneke Ork, V(78)20-3553, (45)47-3046; G. Gray Ork, Coral 60106; J. Saunders Mandolin Ork, Rainbow 10038

(No information on electrical transcription libraries available as The Billooard goes to press.)

### 9. MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE

By Harry Ruby and Johnny Scott Published by Bregman-Vorco-Conn (ASCAP)

Records available: H - Babbitt-The Veltones Vocalion 55014, Bob Crosby-M Morgan, Col 18504, D. Haymes-G Jenkins Ork. Dec 24650; E Howard Ork. Mer 5314. A & D Russell-B. Cole Ork. Cap 57-559; C. Thornhill Ork-R. Mclotyre, V 20-3456. Connie Haines-The Highilters, Coral 60070; P Reed. Dance-Tone 163; L. Armstrong, Dec 24751

Electrical transcription libraries: Sob Croaby, Standard, Eddy Howard Ora World; The Manhattan Nighthaway, Thesaurus

10. A DREAMER'S HOLIDAY

By Kim Gannon and Mabel Wayne Published by Shapiro-Bernstein (ASCAP)

Records available: R. Anthony, Cap 57-761; B. Clark, Col 38599; P. Comp. V(78)20-3543, (45)47-3036; E. Wilson-G. Jenkins, Dec 24738. Electrical transcription libraries: Michael Douglas-The Skylarks, Standard,

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10	3		SOMEDAY (YOU'LL WANT ME TO WANT YOU) (5) Duchess
3	10	4.	DON'T CRY, JOE (R) Harms, Inc.
8	4	5.	JEALOUS HEART (R) Acuff-Rose
18	2	6.	ROOM FULL OF ROSES (R)
3	8	7,	I CAN DREAM, CAN'T IT (R) Chappell
13	6		MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE (R)Bregman-Vocco-Conn
3	10	9.	SLIPPING AROUND (R) Peer, Int.
2	12	10.	A DREAMER'S HOLIDAY (R)
6	9	11.	HOP SCOTCH POLKA (R) Cromwell
27	7	12.	SOME ENCHANTED EVENING (M) (R)
4	-	13.	NOW THAT I NEED YOU (R) Famous
3	14		I NEVER SEE MAGGIE ALONE (R)Bourne
7	-		TWENTY-FOUR HOURS OF SUNSHINE (R) Advanced

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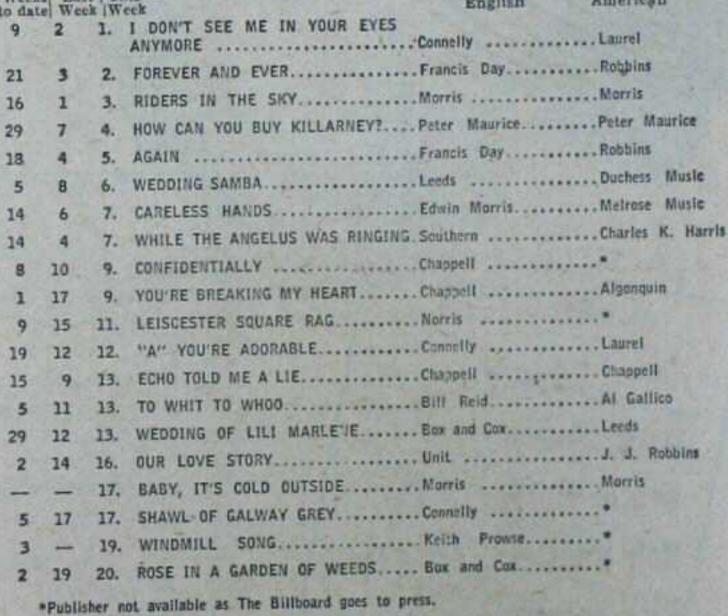
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ever the greatest number of record shows. List is based on replies from weekly survey among disk jockeys thruout the country. Uniess shown in this chart, other available records of tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of Hits. Music Popularity Chart, Part L. +F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legit musical.

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6	4	3.	SLIPPING AROUNDJ. Wakely and M. Whiting Cap 57-40224-BMI
11	3	4.	SOMEDAY
			(45)47-2986—BMI
11	3	5.	YOU'RE BREAKING MY B. Clark HEART Col(78)38546; (LP)1-296-BMI
3	10	6.	DON'T CRY, JOE G. Jenkins Ork D 24720-ASCAP
3	11	7.	I CAN DREAM, CAN'T 1?. Andrews Sisters-G. Jenkins OrkD 24705-ASCAP
,	7	B.	JEALOUS HEARTA. Morgan Ork
10	9	9.	WHISPERING HOPEJ. Stafford-G. MacRae-P. Weston Ork Cap 57-690-ASCAP

### October 21, 8 s.m.)

Tunes listed have the greatest audiences on programs heard on network stations in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. List is based upon John G. Peatman's Audience Coverage index. The index is projected upon radio logs made available to Peatman's ACI by the Accurate Reporting Service in New York, Radio Checking Service in Chicago, Radio Checking Service in Los Angeles Listed are the top 30 (more in the case of ties; tunes alphabetically. The music checked is eponderantly (over 60 per cent) alive.

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#### The Top 30 Tunes (plus ties)

57-40224-BM1	A Dreamer's Holiday (R)Shapiro-Bernstein-ASCAP
Ork	A Thousand Violins (R)ASCAP
3510,	Ain't She Sweet? (R)Advanced-ASCAP
147-2986-BMI	Dime a Dozen (R)
1	Don't Cry, Joe (R) ASCAP
	Downhearted (R)Orten Music
3546;	Fiddle Dee Dee (F) (R) Harms, Inc ASCAP
LP)1-296-BMI	Georgia on My Mind (R) BMI
Ork	1 Can Dream, Can't I? (R) Chappell-ASCAP
24720-ASCAP	I Never See Maggie Alone (R)Bourne-ASCAP
ters-G. Jenkins	It's a Great Feeling (F) (R) Remick-ASCAP
24705-ASCAP	Jealous Heart (R)
Ork	Just One Way To Say I Love You (M) (R) Berlin-ASCAP
ondon 500-BMI	Let's Take an Old-Fashioned Walk (M) (R) Berlin-ASCAP
Man Strand	Love Is a Beautiful Thing (R)Borgie-BMI
G. MacRae-P.	Make Believe (You Are Glad When You're Sorry) (R)
57-690-ASCAP	Maybe It's Because (R)Bregman-Vocco-Conn-ASCAP

### Vox Jox

GOTHAM GAB ... WMGM's Leonard Feather renews his Tuesday night jam sessions at Cafe Society beginning October 25. . . . Rosalie Allen, WOV, did a week at the Adams Theater, Newark, N. J., last week. . . . In conjunction with the premiere of Red, Hot and Blue here, WINS deejays Charlie Starke, Jack Lacy and Geoff Davis did their shows from the lobby of the Paramount Theater October 19, with giveaway gimmicks for the theatergoers and listening audience. . . . Joe Given, WOV, has started a nightly 10-minute feature titled Then and Now, in which an old and a new platter version of the same song are contrasted.

STRICTLY FROM DIXIE . . . Dick Richmond moved from WLBR, Lebanon, Pa., to WJBR, New Orleans, where he handles two disk shows and acts as chief announcer and special events director. . . . Art Marcus, WFEC, Miami, keeps busy as musical director and platter spinner on three shows a day. . . . Program Director Len Benson, KDET, Center, Tex., reports that Tommy Richards, new to the stall, is going great and that Program Director Jack Bell has a new hillbilly airer every morning called You Name It Roundup. . . . Bryant Arbuckle, WAIR, Winston-Salem, N. C., now has his own five-piece combo, the Headliners, in additionl to his deejay chores. ... Jim Burke, Philadelphia, has joined the WIRK, West Palm Beach, Fla., staff as deejay and announcer. . . . Jim Anderson, at that station, has been upped to music librarian, and Rome Hartman has left to join WWPG, Palm Beach. . . . Steve Starwick, KGRH, Fayetteville, Ark., has added two new shows-the alternoon Matinee with Starwick and the nightly Platter Party. . . . Dug (Digger) Digdale, KVOL, Lalayette, La., reports that being in the heart of the Cajun country has its little problems: Perry Como is spelled Perry Comeaux in fan mail.

CHICAGO CHATTER ... Gil Newsome, the St. Louis disk jockey, and wife, Carol, spend most of their week-ends commuting to various Midwest cities to catch disk talent in person in one of the two Newsome private planes. Newsome then describes the new shows to his audience. . . . Ed McElroy has taken over Bob Tunison's flack post with Eddie Hubbard, WIND. . . . Linn Burton dickering with several waxeries about making narration disks. . . . Fran Weigle, of WAIT, has a novelty vocal disk, which may be out soon on both London and Universal. . . . Jim Lounsbury, of The Nite Watch, WIND, based three hours of his October 19 show on The Billboard's disk jockey supplement. . . . Rush Hughes, WCFL, and formerly of St. Louis, is using a "Command Performance" gimmick, permitting a listener to select all music for his hour-long morning show.... Sam Honigberg, local flack, has started mailing out a newsletter to 250 Midwest d.j.'s weekly. GIMMIX . . . Dave Mohr, WTWN, St. Johnsbury. Vt., has been working out a co-op deal with local record shops on a "name-it-and-you-can-have-It" scheme which involves spinning an unnamed instrumental disking and giving a copy of the record to the first five people naming it in the sponsoring record shop. . . . Mort Robinson, KCMJ, Palm Springs, Calif., has a three-way program scheme involving a jockey to-sponsor to-listener gimmick. Robinson runs a request show and gets his requests by having request blanks and collection boxes placed prominently on the premises of his local sponsors' establishments. Daily collections of the requests are made, thus giving the spinner a program for the night and bringing into the circle a good number of extra friends for both sponsor and whirler. . . . New whirler, Hal Golden, WJTN, Jamestown, N. Y., employs a feature. Music by Chance. Golden programs his show on the air by having a guest whirl a wheel which selects the type of music to be played next. If the wheel stops at a marker calling for "Hal," Golden pulls out a uke and serves up a live song. PHILLY PHADDLE . . . LeRoy Miller, WFIL's early morning deejay, was featured at the recent opening ceremonies of the Baltimore Markets' newest supermarket in suburban Roxborough, handing out orchids to the first 1,000 lady shoppers at the store. . . . Bon Bon (George Tunnell), who conducts the daily Bon Bon Show on WDAS, is doing a string of personals as a solo singer, his original occupation. Taking in three nights at Lou's Moravian Bar and one night at Spider Kelly's, he has a full week coming up at Seimon's Teen-Age Club, . . . Stan Friedman launched a daily Dixieland jazz disk show on WJMJ. . . . Show promoters Jolly Joyce and Harry Steinman presented a silver loving cup to the Philadelphia Disk Jockey Association at their Larry Steel's Smart Affairs show promotion at Town Hall Wednesday (12) with WPEN's Eddie Newman, association prexy, accepting the honors. . . . Bosh Pritchard, star back with the Philadelphia Eagles, champ pro football team, was grabbed up by WDAS to handle (See VOX JOX on page 30)

	•	10.	THAT OLD LUCKY SUN. V. Monroe Ork V(78)20-3531; (45)47-3018—ASCAP	NA
21	8	11.	ROOM FULL OF ROSES. S. Kaye Ork-D. Cornell- The Kaydets	RS
1	18	12.	A DREAMER'S HOLIDAYP. Comp	SSTT
7	24	13.	MAYBE IT'S BECAUSED. Haymes-G. Jenkins Ork	TTT
2	20	14.	ENVYF. Warren V(78)20-3551; (45)47-3044-BMI	TTY
5	13	15.	MAYBE IT'S BECAUSEE. Howard Ork Mercury 5314-ASCAP	Y
1	1	16.	THAT LUCKY OLD SUNF. Sinatra Col 38608-ASCAP	P
3	16		THE LAST MILE HOMEJ. Stafford Cap 57-710-ASCAP	H C 2
•	28	18,	SOMEDAY	II V E
7	17	19.	I NEVER SEE MAGGIE K. Roberts ALONE	IT
7	14	19.	RAGTIME COWBOY JOE. J. Stafford Cap 57-710-ASCAP	A
13	12	21.	ROOM FULL OF ROSESE. Howard	ADD
1	-	22.	THAT LUCKY OLD SUN. L. Armstrong-G. Jenkins OrkD 24752-ASCAP	FGG
	19	23.	YOU'RE BREAKING MY R. Flanagan Ork HEART	ILI
	26	23.	JEALOUS HEARTB. Lawrence V(78)20-3539; (45)47-3029-BM1	ようしい
	-	25.	MAYBE IT'S BECAUSEB. Crosby-M. Morgan Col 38504-ASCAP	M
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•	1	27.	Col(78)38507; (LP)1-251-ASCAP	SSTIT
4	22		DON'T CRY, JOE F. Sinatra Col 38555-ASCAP	TI
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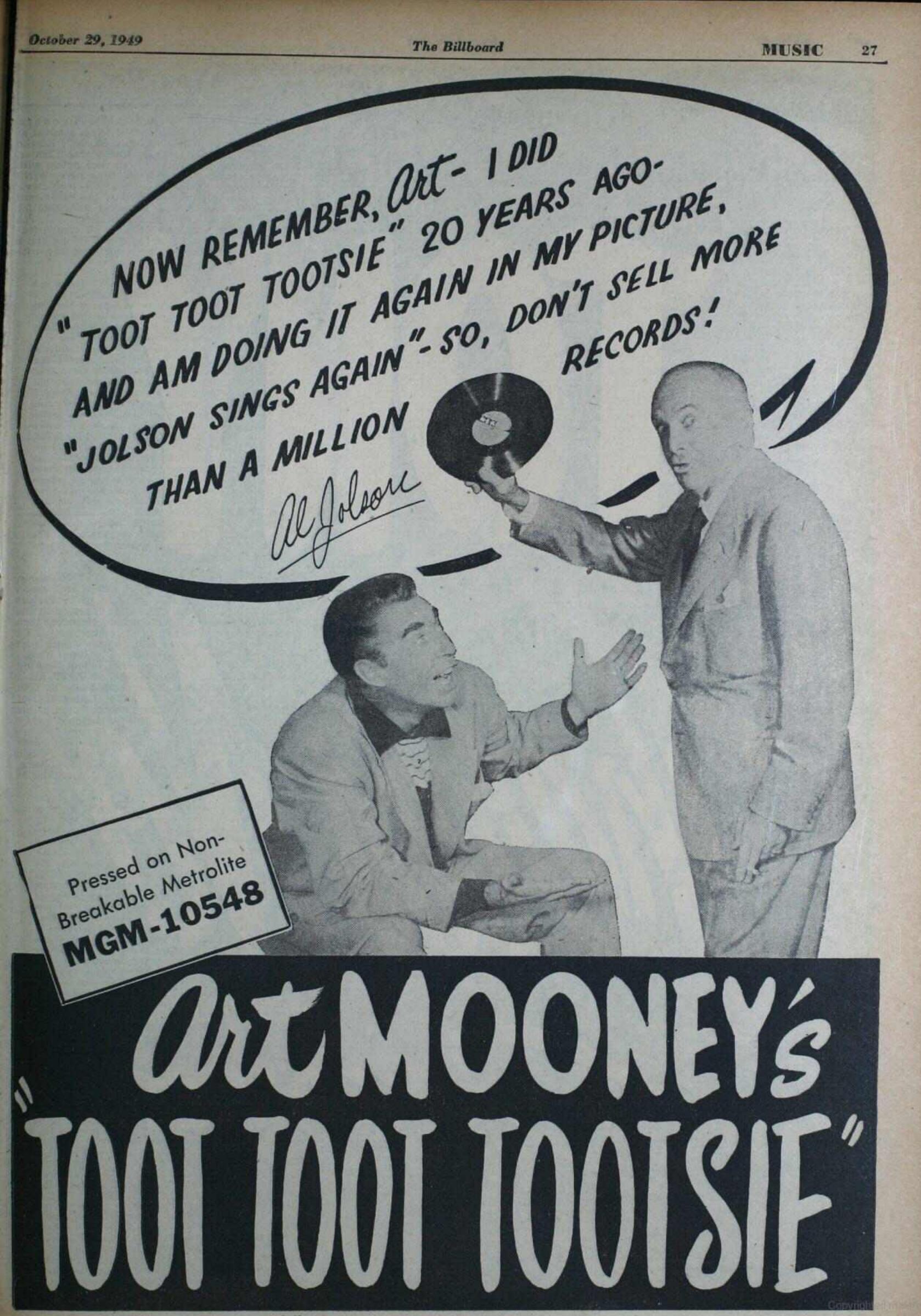
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My Bolero (R)ASCAP
Nothing Less Than Beautiful (R) Henry Spitzer-ASCAP
Now That I Need You (F) (R) Famous-ASCAP
Room Full of Roses (R)
She Wore a Yellow Ribbon (F) (R)Regent-BMI
Some Enchanted Evening (M) (R)Williamson-ASCAP
Someday (You'll Want Me To Want You) (R)Duchess-BMI
That Lucky Old Sun (R)Robbins-ASCAP
The Four Winds and the Seven Seas (R) Lombardo-ASCAP
The Last Mile Home (R) ASCAP
There's Yes, Yes In Your Eyes (R) Witmark-ASCAP
Through a Long and Sleepless Night (F) (R) Miller-ASCAP
Toot, Toot, Tootsie, Goodbye TF) (R) Feist-ASCAP
Twenty-Four Hours of Sunshine (R)Advanced-ASCAP Younger Than Springtime (M) (R)Williamson-ASCAP You're Breaking My Heart (R)Algonquin-BMI

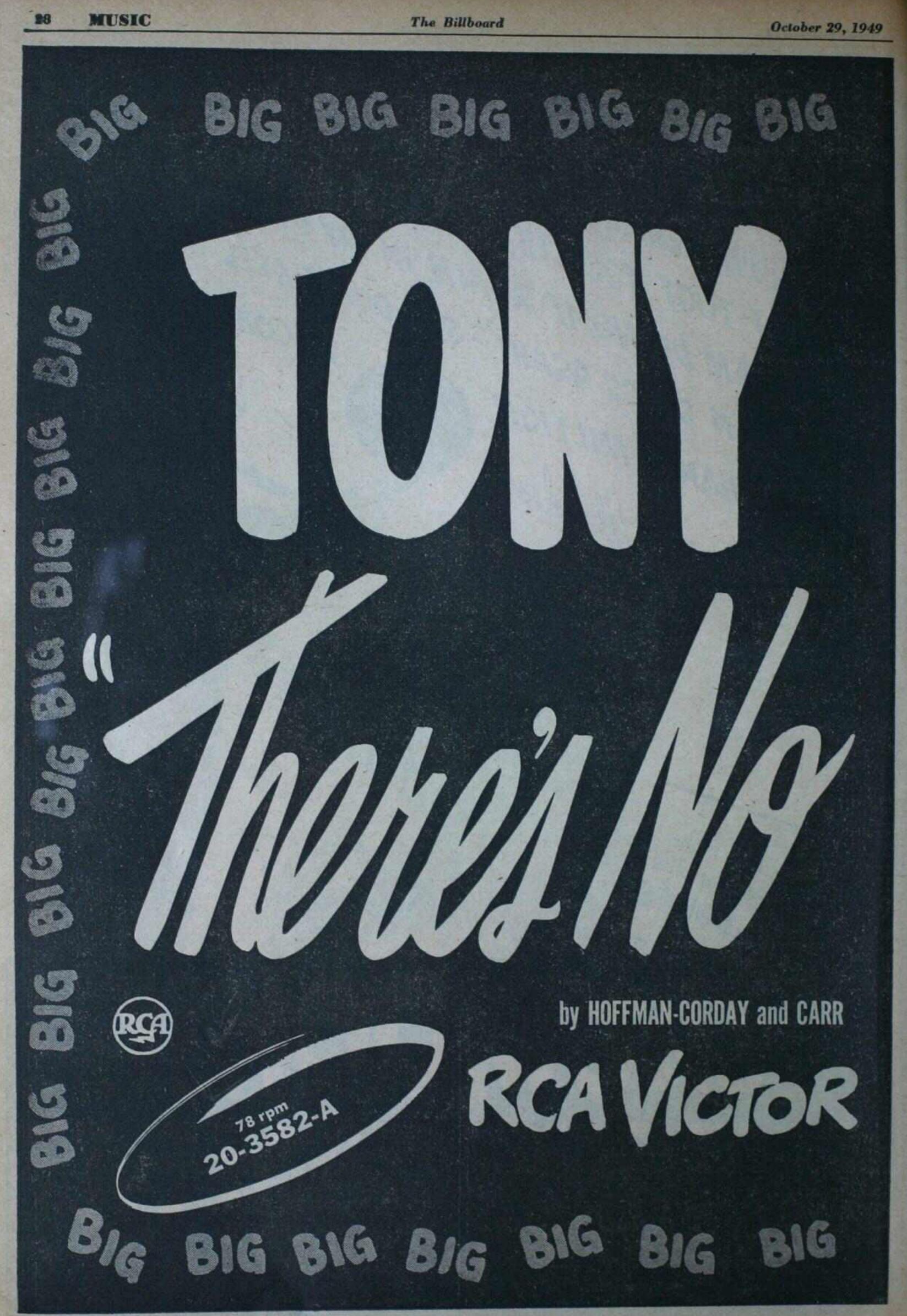
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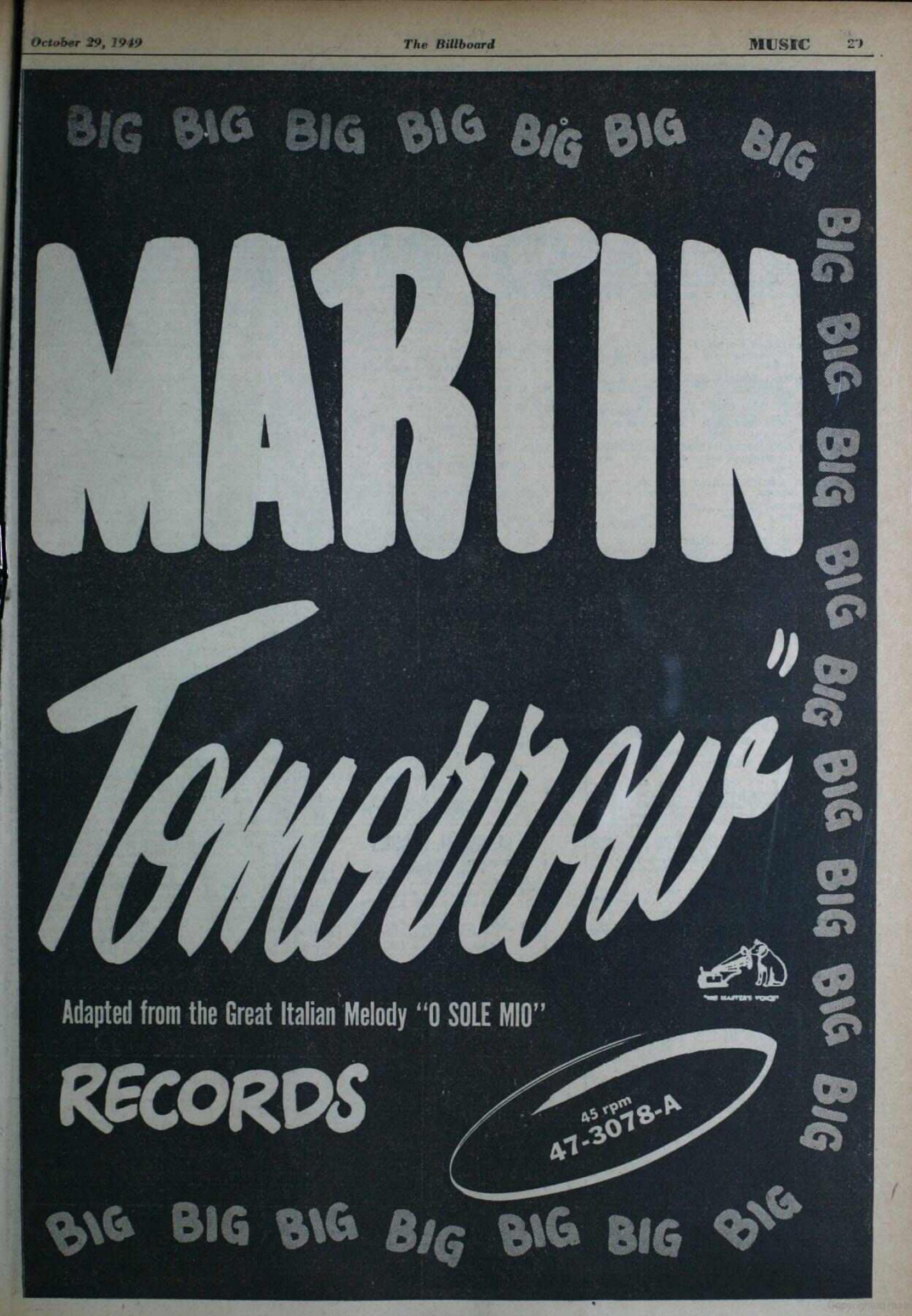
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	Dime a Dozen	
	Don't Cry, Joe	
1	Fiddle Deg Dee (F)	Harms, Inc
	Georgia On My Mind	Melody Lane 74
1	Give Me a Song With a Beautiful Melody (F)	Witmark 53
1	I Can Dream, Can't 17	chappell
1	I Can't Believe It	laremont 64
1	It's a Great Feeling (R)	Remick 93
I	Jealous Heart	Acuff-Rose 54
I	Just One Way To Say I Love You (M) E	Serlin
ł	Let's Take an Old-Fashioned Walk (M) E	
1	Make Believe You Are Glad When You're Sorry 7	
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I	Some Enchanted Evening	
I	Someday (You'll Want Me To Want You)D	
1	That Lucky Old Sun	
I	The Last Mile HomeL	
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1	Through a Long and Sleepless Night (F)	124
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### **Dealer Doings**

GRIPE DEPT.... Charles M. Wood, manager of the W. N. C. Bookstore, Canton, N. C., says that his pet gripe is with "the distributors who think we dealers are supposed to buy everything on faith." He reports that several distributors in that territory do co-operate whenever possible and make regular calls, but that some never get around to Canton. "They expect me and the other dealers in this territory to buy a 'pig in a poke,'—I like to hear the records I'm asked to buy."

### MERCHANDISING ALL . . . Willard

H. Young, general sales manager of Jimmy Oliver's, Elkhart, Ind., has some sage advice for all record retailers. "We are going all-out at present to merchandise records, regardless of speed or length of playing time. We are explaining to our customers that there is no record war, but are promoting the sale of the new players that play all three speeds. Any dealer today that doesn't see a bigger market in the 'so called' war is missing a good thing. Play all three, sell all three and take advantage of the extra deals offered by the major companies to promote their individual systems."

IS IT FAIR? ... Joel S. Hays, who has the record shop in Fuller's Jewelry, Poplar Bluff, Mo., wonders whether many other dealers think that distribs are shoving out the hot platters over the counter "to local dealers and operators while ignoring the disk shops 200 miles from a distribuery." Hays believes that this condition is the rule rather than the exception, and reports that he has complained about the situation to no avail. Any comments?

BRIEF BEEFS . . . Record department Manager Mrs. Lewis, of Davidson Furniture Company, Kansas City, Mo., reports that sales of kidisks are exceptionally slow of late. She would like to know how to convince the store management that advertising would hypo sales. . . The Dutha Music house in Chicago agrees with dealor Jos Little's complaint about excise tax listings on the various speeds. Dutka would also like to see a system set up whereby distributors and manufacturers would refuse to ship to any franchited dealers who supply dealers who don't have franchises.

ALLITERATION . . . Vance Music, Mason City, Ia., makes excellent combined use of the

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•	16	16.	THAT LUCKY OLD SUNV. Monroe Ork Make Believe V(78)20-3531; (45)47-3018-ASCAP	-
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1	-	23.	I'VE GOT A LOVELY BUNCH OF COCONUTSF. Martin Ork Bluebird on Your V(78)20-3554; Windowsill (45)47-3047—ASCAP	110
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1	-	25.	DON'T CRY, JOE F. Sinatra The Wedding of LillCol 38555-ASCAP Marlene	
1	-	25.	JEALOUS HEARTJ. Owens. D 24117-BMI Dime a Dozen	
7	24	28.	NOW THAT I NEED YOU. Mellomen-Doris Day Blame My Absent Col(78)38507; Minded Heart(LP)1-251-ASCAP	
3	23	29.	JEALOUS HEARTB. Lawrence If You Ever Fall In V(78)20-3539; Love Again (45)47-3029-BMI	-
	30	30.	CANADIAN CAPERS Dorls Day	
	30		Blueberry Hill OrkD 24752-ASCAP	
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### CLASSICAL SINGLES

- B. Sayao.....Col 71760-D J. Chopin's Polonaise
- Boston Pops Ork, Arthur Fiedler, conductor. V 12160 5. Warsaw Concerto

### CLASSICAL ALBUMS

- Salome (Two Records)

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   Welltsch, Metropolitan Opera Ork, F. Reiner, director
   Col(78)MX316; (LPIML2048)
- 2. Verdi: Traviata (Three Records) A. Guerrini, M. Huder, L. Infantino...... Col(78)MOP25; (LP)SL-3
- Bellini: Norma (Three Records)
   G. Cigna, A. Stignani and Others.... Chetra (33)1204
- - 5. Puccini: Tourandot (Three Records) Italian Opera Co.....Chetra (33)1206

### **POP ALBUMS**

1. SOUTH PACIFIC (Seven Records) Mary Martin-Ezlo Pinza..... Col(78)MM850, (LP)ML4180 JOLSON SINGS AGAIN (Four Records) MISS LIBERTY (Six Records) M. McCarty-E. Albert-A. McLerle. ...... KISS ME KATE (Six Records) A. Drake-P. Morison-L. Kirk-H. Lang-A. Hill-H. Clark-J. Diamond.....Coll78)C-200; (LP)ML-4140 5. SILVER LINING (Four Records) STARLIGHT SERENADE (Three Records) G. Miller Ork-R. Eberle ...... Y P-255 SQUARE DANCES (Four Records) C. Stone and His Square Dance Band .... Cap BD-44 THAT MIDNIGHT KISS (Three Records) YOU'RE MY THRILL (Four Records) Doris Day ..... Col(78)C-190; (LP)CL-6071 OKLAHOMA (Six Records) Roberts-A. Drake-H. DiSilva-C. Holm-L. Dixon With Okiahoma Ork and Chorus, J. Blackton, 

store name and the RCA Victor name. Vance has a series of rubber stamps with such phrases as "When You Think of RCA Victor, Think of Vance's" and "RCA Victor From Vance's." Eye appealing use is made of a large letter "V" in both names. All mail, stuffers and supplements are stamped with the various slogans.

SPECIAL ORDERS ... Going out of the way to take special orders for customers is paying off in the Grinnell Bros.' store at Hamtramck, Mich., according to Lillian Kaluza, manager of the record department. When a customer requests something not in stock, the record department procedure is to suggest a special order, taking down his name, address and phone number. This is done in the album, classical, international and pop field alike. Most such requests are made by shoppers in the store, but a smaller percentage also comes in by phone. Experience indicates that any customer who really wants a record is usually willing to wait a couple of weeks to get it on special order, rather than take a substitute. A card is sent out when the record comes in, and that means a second trip to the store, with the usual purchase of two or more other records as well at the same time. It's a neat way of doubling store traffic and peaking sales.

**ON THE MAP** ... Amelia C. Gornick, Modern Music Company, Ely, Minn., reports that her boss has garnered extra disk business and made his local Chamber of Commerce happy by imprinting the back of the store stationery with a map which tells disk buyers exactly how to get to Ely. The envelopes also carry a smaller version of the map on the flap. She says it's amazing to see the amount of business brought in via direct mail promotions based on the road map.

#### **VOX JOX**

(Continued from page 26) deejay chores in a daily slot tagged You Asked for It, from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. . . . KYW's program chief, Jim Begley, auditioned girl disk jockeys, which will bring the first fem to the local disking field. . . Spinners Ray Walton and Fred Knight are filling in while WIBG's Doug. Arthur is vacationing. . . . Joe McCauley, who pilots the allnight Dawn Patrol on WIP, is back at the turntable after a month's vacation. . . . RCA Victor's Juanita Hall will be to town October 25 for a membership tea in behalf of the Philadelphia Fellowship Commission. She'll take time out to say hello to the town's spinners. . . . J. Parker Prescott, Eastern rep for the Exclusive label, called on disk jockeys in behalf of the label. . . .



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> > > > > > The Greatest Mistake Of My Life Afraid

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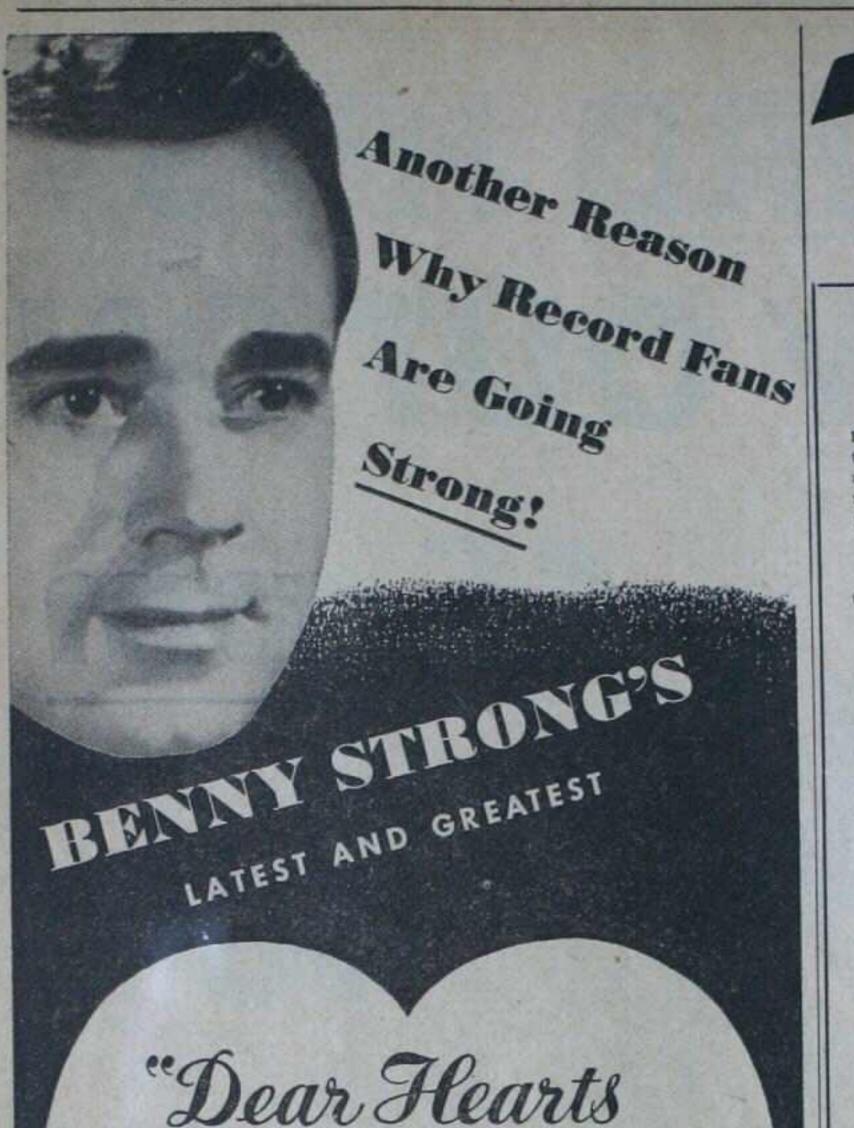
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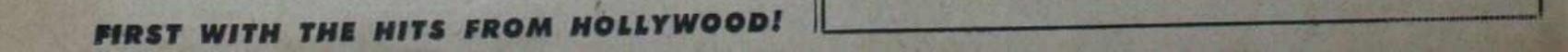


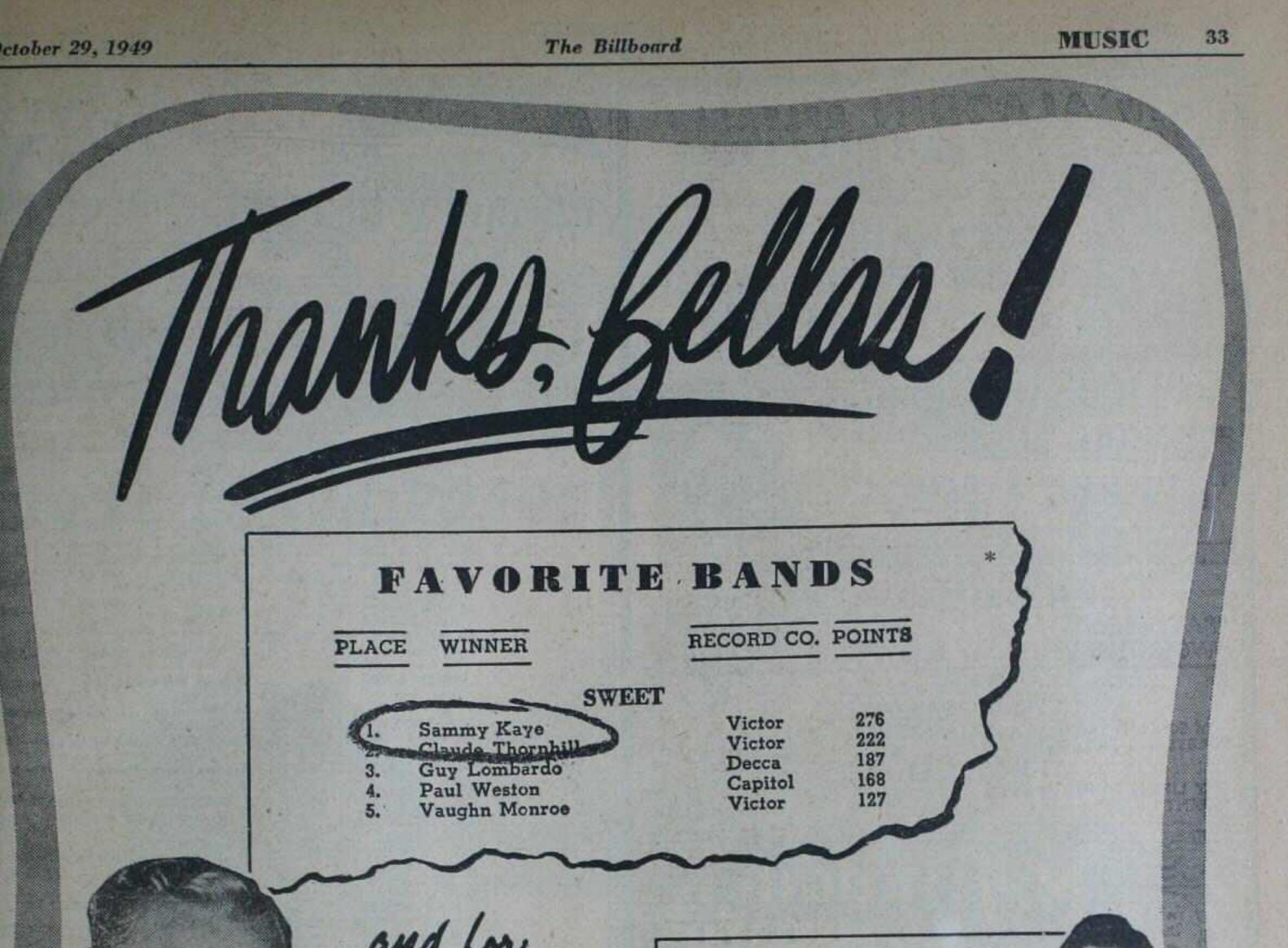
### **MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RECORDS**

Records listed are those receiving the greatest play in the nation's juke boxes. List is based on The Billboard's weekly survey among 3.556 operators in all sections of the country. Listed under the title of each of the most played records are other available recordings of the same tune. Unless shown in this chart, other available records of tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of Hits Music Popularity Chart, Part L

#### POSITION

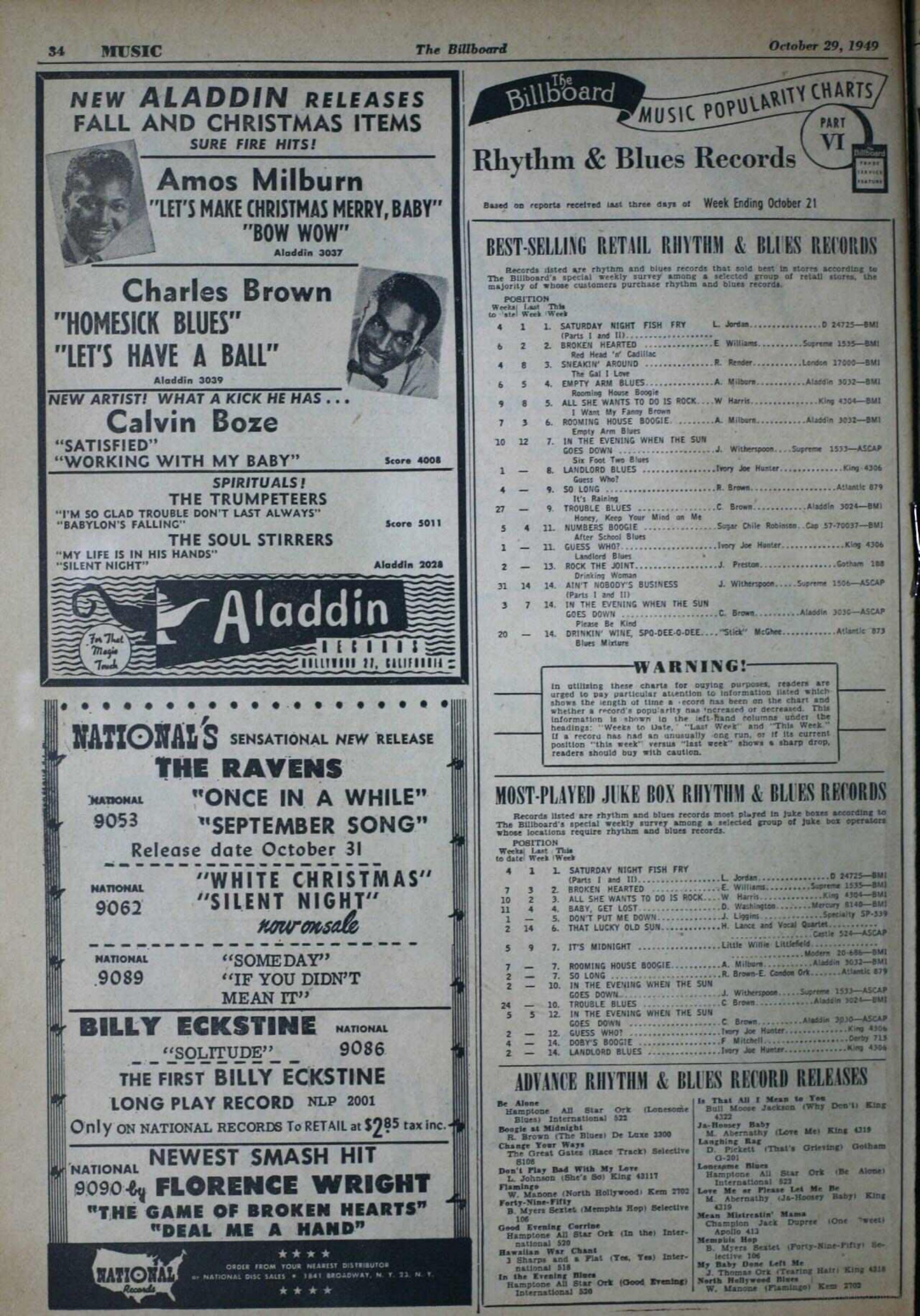
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-ATES		5	16		I CAN DREAM, CAN'T I?G. Jenkins and Andrews Sisters
TREAS OF GREAT		10	8		YOU'RE BREAKING MY HEART Ink Spots
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BENNY STREATES LATEST AND GREATES		11	19	11.	MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE
		-	11		I NEVER SEE MAGGIE ALONE K. Roberts
		1	10	16.	(B. Hannon-J. Ryan, Dec 24739; E Lee & His Southerners,
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Capitol No. 57-757 7	78 rpm				(T. Fletcher, Vocalion 55063; L. Foline Ork, Dec 24778; Bull Moose Jackson, King 4322; Maddon Bros. & Rose, 4-Star 1369;
A great tune, perfectly tailored to					B. Atcher, Col 20611; T. Clayton, Varalty 214; M. Shine, Dec 46178; K. Marvin, Can 57-4023; B. Hall, Talent 745; B.
that incomparable Strong st		5	23	23	Nettles & His Dixle Blue Boys, Mer 6209; P. Pyle, Bullet 6009
Melodic-rhythmic-with haunting		-	-	-	Andrews Sisters with V. Schoen Ork Dec 24717: T. Taylor-The
homespun lyrics superbly					Radio Ranch Hands, Mer 61661
handled by Benny.		18	18	24.	HUCKLEBUCK
					(P. Balley-Hot Lips Page, Harmony 1049, C. Calloway & His Cab Jivers, Hi-Tone 135; B. Goodman, Cap 57-576; A. Kirk,
					Vocation 55009, P. Sinatra Col 18486; L. Hampton Ork, Dec 24652 B Marshall-Cozy Cole Ork, Dec 48099; R. Milton & His
				S.	Solid Senders Specialty SP 328; The Pig Footers, Mer 8130; Big Sis Andrews & Her Huckle-Busters, Cap 57-70000;
		2	27	25.	SATURDAY NIGHT FISH FRY (Parts L. Jordan
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A COMPANY OF A COM		1	-	25.	TELL ME WHY
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	Capitol No.				Gold Medal GM 941; J. Mathis, Talent 738; E. Wilson-G. Jenkins, Dec 24738)
"I Never See Maggie Alone" and "When My Sugar Walks Down the Street"	57-750 78 rpm	2	20	28.	NOW THAT I NEED YOU
	Capitol No.				(K. Thompson, Dec 24695; E. Duchin Ork, Harmony 1058; B. Hutton, Cap 57-620; V. Lynn-B Parnon Ork, London 459; J.
"Stumbling" and "The Sheik of Araby"	57-732 78 rpm				Garber, Cap 57-719; J. Harvey, MGM 10453; T. Manners, Varsity 191; P. Reed, Dance-Tone 371; F. Warren, V(78)20-3482,
"Five Foot Two, Eyes of Blue"	Copitol No.	2	24	20	145)47-2941; B. Harrington, Vocalior 55059)
and "That Certain Party"	57-729 78 rpm		24	27.	,V(78)20-3532; (45)47-3010-A36AP
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and "Button Up Your Overcoat"	57-718 78 rpm				Cap 57-709; K. Smith, Happiness 102; L. Weik & Ork, Mer 5312)
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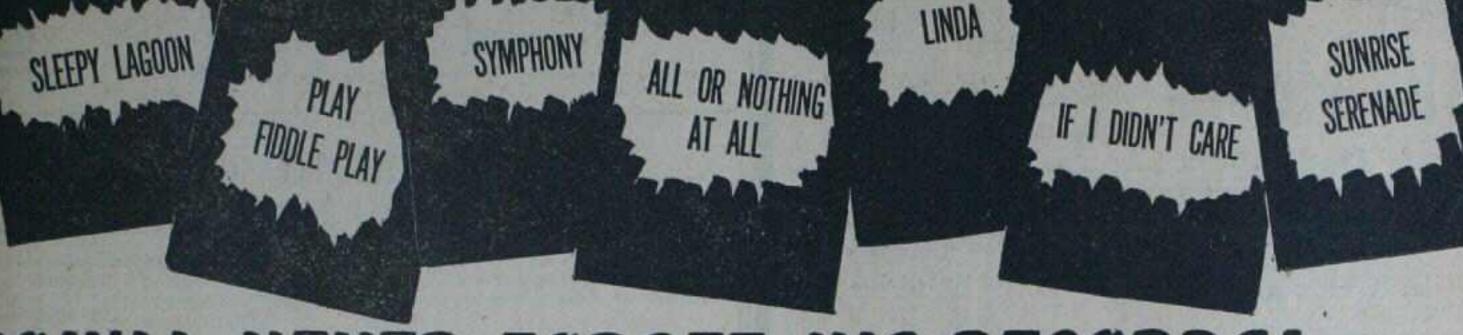
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# YOU'LL ALWAYS REMEMBER HIS SONGS ...



# OU'LL NEVER FORGET HIS RECORDS! "THE GREATEST MISTAKE OF MY LIFE"



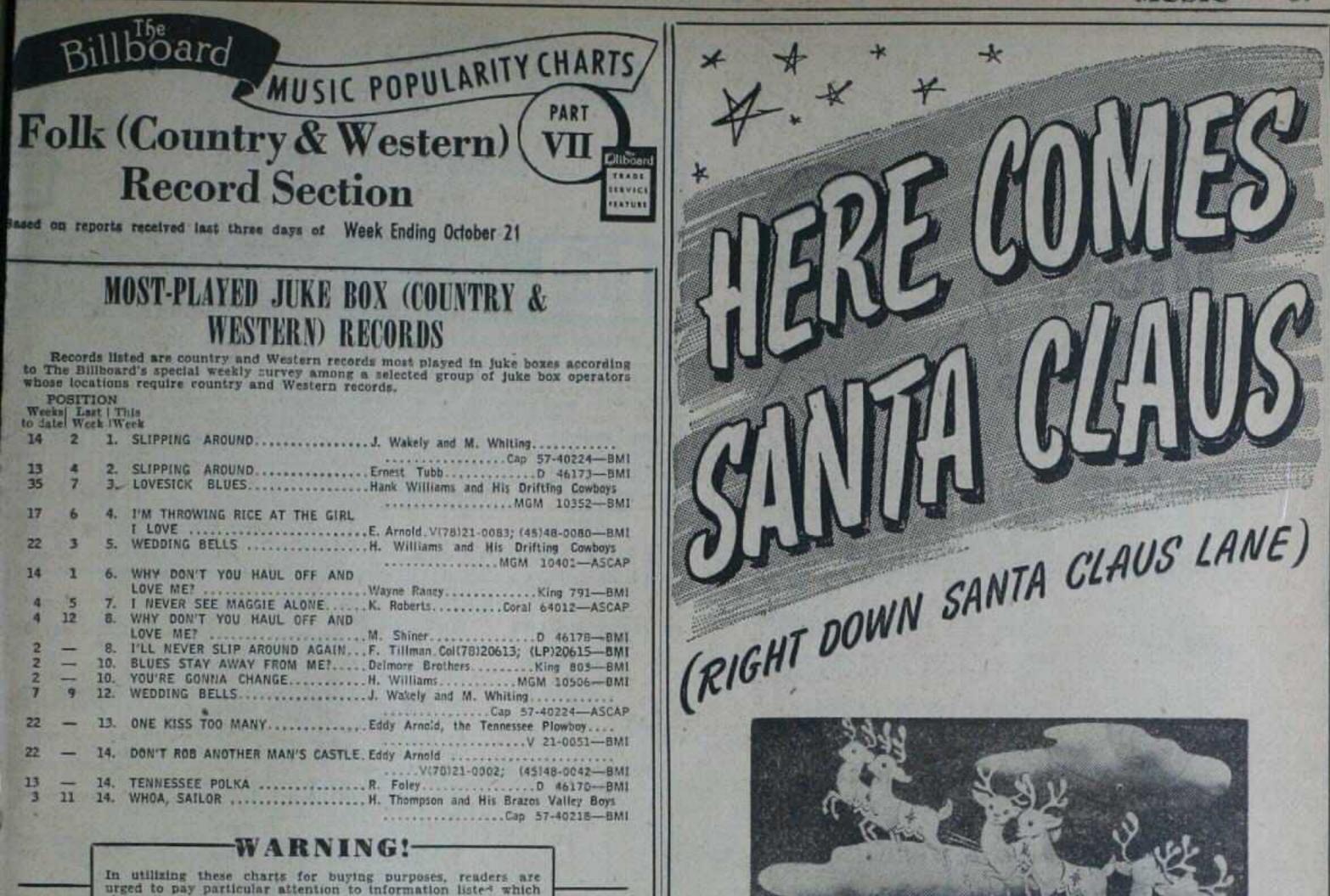
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# FOLK TALENT AND TUNES

#### By Johnny Sippel

Western Wax Wampum: For the third week of the October polling of the nation's h. b. disk jockeys, 79 wax spinners named Wayne Raney's "Why Don't You Haul Off and Love Me" (King) as their top request. Following were Jimmy Wakely and Margaret Whiting's "Slipping Around" (Capitol), second; Hank Williams's "Lovesick Blues" (MGM), third; Ernest Tubb's "Slipping Around" (Decca), fourth; Kenny Roberts's "I Never See Maggie Alone" (Coral), fifth; Floyd Tillman's "Slipping Around" (Columbia), sixth; Floyd Tillman's "I'll Never Slip Around Again" (Columbia), seventh; Leon Payne's "I Love You Because" (Capitol) and the Delmore Bros.' "Blues Stay Way From Me" (King), eight, and Eddie Crosby's "Blues Stay Way From Me" (Decca) and Jimmy Wakely and Margaret Whiting's "Wedding Bells" (Capitol), ninth.

The Western platter spinners predicted the brightest disk future for Floyd Tillman's "I'll Never Slip Around Again" (Columbia), Following in order were: Jimmy Wakely and Margaret Whiting's "TIl Never Slip Around Again" (Capitol), George Morgan's "I Love Everything About You" (Columbia) and the Delmore Bros.' "Blues Stay Away From Me" (King), Dolph Hewitt's "I Wish I Knew" (Victor) and George Morgan's "Cry Baby Heart" (Columbia), Loon McAuliffe's "Panhandle Waltz" (Columbia) and Hank Thompson's "Swing Wide Your Gates of Love" (Capitol), Floyd Tillman's "Gotta Have My Baby Back" (Columbia) and Skeets Yaney's "Alone Again" (Columbia), PeeWee King's "Waltz of Regret" (Victor), Bob Flannery's "Revenge" (Capitol) and Bob Wills's "Little Rock Candy Baby" (MGM).

Homer and Jethro, who cut Victor disks in Chicago October 12-13, together with the Carter Sisters and Mother Maybelle and Chet Atkins, are being booked by Arena Stars, Inc., the Ralph Wonders-Spike Jones firm. The duo will work with the Jones ork, but will also be booked as an independent act. . . Gene Dudley, manager of Peanut Faircloth, reports that Faircloth and his Georgia Hoedown Party Gang, WNEX, Macon, Ga., are doing a daily sustaining shot over the Mutual web. Personnel includes T. A. Calhoun, guitar; PeeWee Clark, steel; Hal Casey, fiddle, and Smiley Adams, bass. . . . Cowboy Copas (King) has split with Manager Les Hutchins. Music Corporation of America is temporarily booking his tour, in connection with his flicker, "Square Dance Jubilee," due to start around November 1. Fiddlin' Red Herron (King) has left Copas for Wichita Falls, Tex., where he is working on a local radio station.

Slim Carter (MGM) and the Homefolks are installing remote equipment to do two d. j shots daily from the Homefolks' record shop in Warren, O. Stanzas will be aired over WPIC, Sharon, Pa., and WHHH, Warren. Carter's group has his wife, Browneyes; Jackie

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Recorded by ...

GENE AUTRY	Columbia 37942
DORIS DAY	Columbia 38584
BING CROSBY ANDREWS SISTERS	Decca 24658
RED FOLEY	
JAN GARBER	Capitol 90012
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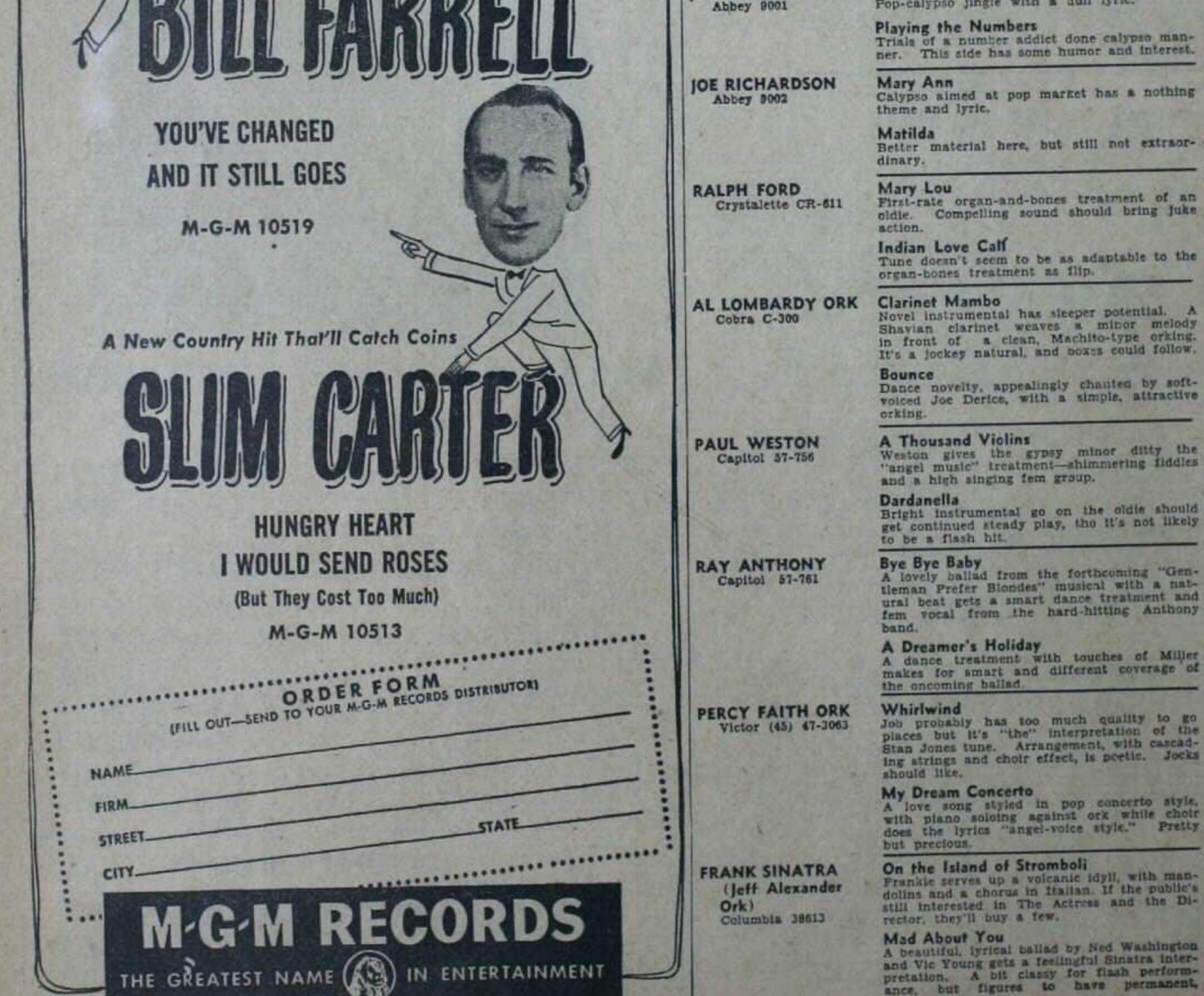
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IOE RICHARDSON

Grin and Beart It Pop-calypso jingle with a dull lyric.

but appeal is too specialized.

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63--63--63--63

82--81--80--85

71--70--74

85--87--82--85

73--76--72--70

73--77--70--71

82--85--80--80

Novel instrumental has sleeper potential. A Shavian clarinet weaves a minor melody 73--73--73--73

Dance novelty, appealingly chanted by soft-voiced Joe Derice, with a simple, attractive

Weston gives the gypsy minor ditty the "angel music" treatment-shimmering fiddles

Bright instrumental go on the oldie should get continued steady play, the it's not likely

A lovely ballad from the forthcoming "Gentleman Prefer Blondes" musical with a nat-ural beat gets a smart dance treatment and fem votal from the hard-hitting Anthony

Job probably has too much quality to go places but it's "the" interpretation of the Stan Jones tune. Arrangement, with cascad-ing strings and choir effect, is poetic. Jocks

My Dream Concerto A love song styled in pop concerto style, with plano soloing against ork while choir does the lyrics "angel-voice style." Pretty

A beautiful, lyrical ballad by Ned Washington and Vic Young gets a feelingful Sinatra inter-pretation. A bit classy for flash perform-ance, but figures to have permanent, standard character.

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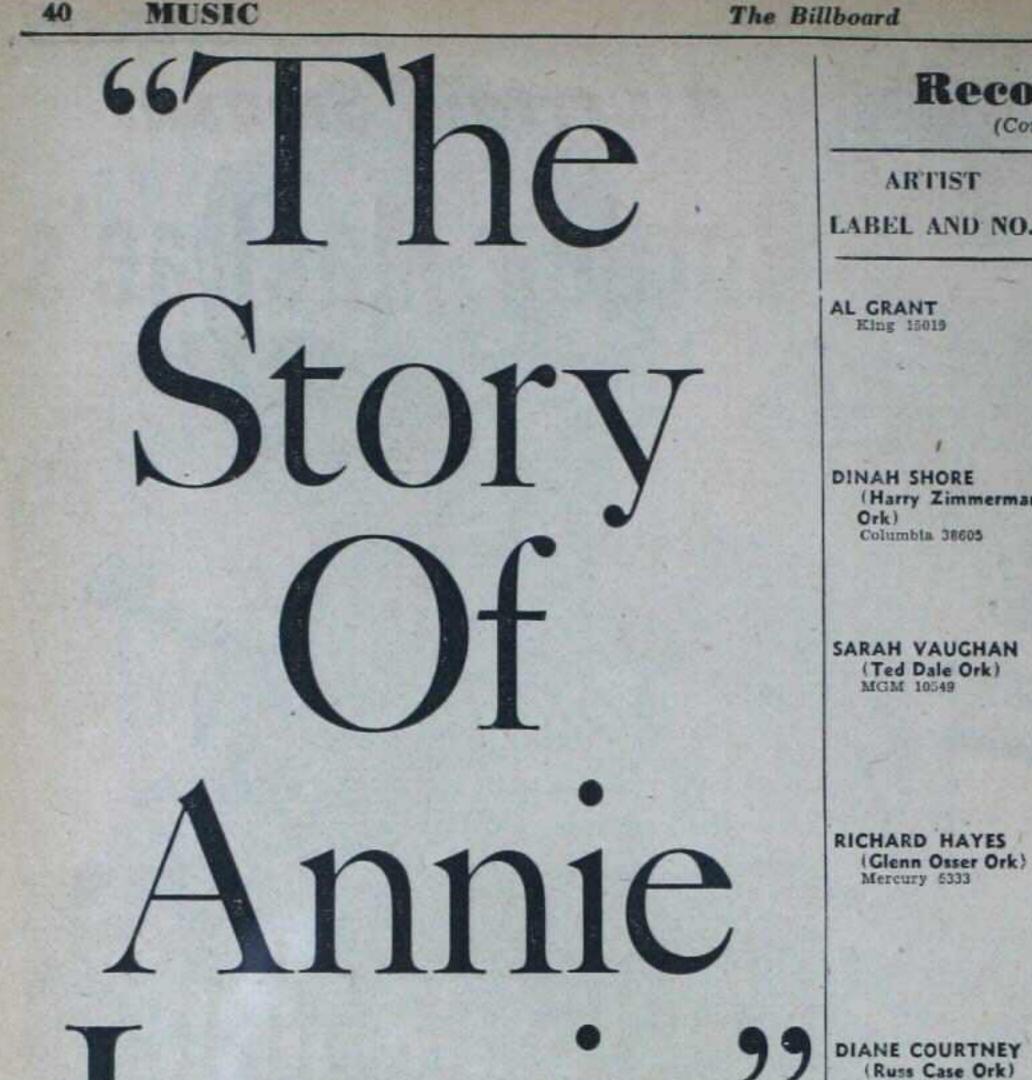
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L GRANT Eing 15019	Grant does a nostalgic torcher in walts time with resonance and feeling.	72	72	72	Call Street
	Lovebirds Al Grant and Barbara Cameron Grant and thrush in a close-harmony duct with organ and plano backing. Pleasant job, and tune's a likely enough hunk of schmaltz.	74	74	74	AL LUNCON
INAH SHORE (Harry Zimmerman Ork)	Speak a Word of Love Dinah's usually proficient singing style han lies this lovely Saxun-Wells song in okay fashion.		81	82	1000
Columbia 38605	Dear Hearts and Gentle People The thrush should have her biggest disting since "Buttons and Bows" in this siry rhythm item which is handled perfectly from start to finish by Dinah, vocal group and small ork.	92	93	91	NED
ARAH VAUGHAN (Ted Dale Ork) MGM 10549	The Man I Love Sarah of her Musicraft days was best r on wax than she has been of late. This disting of the Gershwin standard could stand an		76	7	3.
	proof. Once in a While She's even better on this side with another pretty standard. Her many followers will want this one for her vocal gymnastics in the tag ending.		284	I8	2
ICHARD HAYES (Glenn Osser Ork) Mercury 5333	Will You Remember? Since Tony Martin's disking of the "There's No Tomorrow" adaptation hit first, this other version of "O Sole Mio" will have a tough time, despite a vibrant bit of warbling by Hayes.		870	)6	8
	Mabuhay Spelled backwards, this one's "Yahubam," and it's a Latin-tinged bit of exotica that gets full-bodied virtuosic treatment from Hayes.		27	57	1

MGM 10545

**Everything They Said Came True** 

Competent, but undistinctive rendition of the promising tune has stiff competition from several earlier diskings.

A Song for My Mother Minor melody has a Hebraic sound, and the

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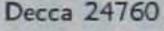
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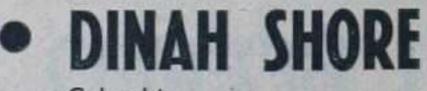
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classy sounding thrush does it with feeling. May have trouble finding its market.

There's a Flame in My Heart

I'm Cooked, Boiled and Toasted

More of the same.

JOHNNY KAYE I Couldn't Do Without You Here's a first-rate job: tune is an attractive (Freddie Sateriale slow ballad, Jonny Kaye sounds so much like Ork) Como, and the ork has a big-league sound. Norfolk 1303

**JUDY VALENTINE** (Sid Ramin Ork) MGM 10546

VIC DAMONE Mercury 5326

BILL DARNEL (Alvy West Ork) Coral 60108

FLORENCE WRIGHT National 9090

ZIGGY ELMAN MCM 10543

**IO STAFFORD-GORDON MacRAE** (Paul Weston Ork) Capitol 79-90032 (12") nocuous. Please Take Me Home This Moment More of the same, with a slightly suggestive turn. Why Was I Born?

Baby-voiced chirp essays a contribed hunk of

material that isn't even irksome, just in-

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Looks like Da Moan's next olg one. Great tune by Kern and Hammerstein dates back some, and Vic should have it pretty much to himself by virtue of his virtualic performance.

Lonely Night Melody in "Berceuse" by Jarnefeit. Lyrics are by Alec Wilder. Pretty, but fancy for pop. consumption.

#### Sleepin'

The virile-sounding bari's distinctive style. with its inherent beat, could register in the blues-rhythm market too. Fine blues-linged side.

Everybody Loves My Baby (But My Baby Don't Love Nobody but Mc) Darnel sings a lotta choruses here, but then he does a lot with 'em. Top-grade rynthm warbling, the unlikely to revive the oldie in pop field.

The Game of Broken Hearts Bluesy thrush and star jazz men do a pleasing turn on the sleeper ballad that first showed signs as a hillbilly.

Deal Me a Hand It's game time at National. Gal's sfyle is a cross between D. Washington and S. Vaughan. Middlin' stuff.

Irresistible You The golden tones of Elman's legato trumpet show to beautiful advantage in his instrumental version of a pretty tune. " Good tempo.

Me and My Shadow Ziggy and lads take the oldie at a moderate bounce tempo. Nothing special here.

Songs of Christmas, Parts I & II The "Whispering Hope" duo is perfectly cast in this Christmas medley. Organ, ork and mixed chorus assist, and the mixed chorus takes an occasional chorus in tusty fashion. Includes "Hark the Herald Angels." "The First Noel," "O Come, All Ye Faithful." Deck the Halls," "O Come, O Come Emmanuel." "Joy to the World," "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," "O Little Town of Bethiehem." "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen." "Blient Night." Should be a big one.

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TTY KALLEN (Mitch Miller Ork)	Rich "philosophical" song is chirped with a	81838179	
Mercury 5327	warm intensity. Could take hold gradually.	70727068	
(Karen Ford- Bill Snary) Rondo 206	The fine Griffin walts beat may attract some customers but aside from that there's not much luster in this Christmas offering.	65646270	11
	Star of the East Typical Griffin organ solo-clearly delineated melody and perfect time. Perfect Griffin fan fodder.	71677075	The second
Rondo 198	Souvenir Walts A lilting original waits in the old-fashioned vein is handled in the usual proficient and perfect-tempoed Griffin manner.	80808080	1
	Ti Pi Tin Griffin treats this oldie tastefully albeit a bit jazzy at an upped tempo.	63626265	100
LIVE MASON Reade 300	Mason's Boogie Proficient boogle plano with tinges of Milt Buckner, Errol Garner and polite society planists showing at different times.	63636066	
	On the Sunny Side of the Street The standard is handled neatly and cleanly tho in rather routine small instrumental group fashion.		1
RT MOONEY ORK	Toot, Toot, Tootsie Goodbye Rousing, spirited waxing of the oldie brought back in the new Jolson flick. Should be one of Mooney's biggest.	90918990	
	I Never See Maggie Alone Since the vaude-type oldis kicked up a storm as a folk effort, there are country touches to the Mooney production in the person of Tex Fletcher, who does the solo honors.		
HIL BRITO (Walter Gross Ork) MGM 10550	Vieni Su Brito, in a disking he sliced for Musicraft, sings the current plug in its original Italian. Should draw brisk biz in Italian nabes.	707070	
	Mattinata This is the Italian ballad which fostered "You're Breaking My Heart," the current smash. Brito does it in the Italian original and should draw at least strong Italian nabe business.	73767370	
ACK FINA ORK	Down Home Rag Fina's funky-styled 88-ing highlights an otherwise ordinary sort of band disking of an oldie.	6665656	
and in the	Waltz in C Sharp Minor Fina tackles the Chopin favorite and plays it rather faithfully in dance time. Pleasant wax.	6770666	1000
SARAH VAUCHN (Hugo Winter- halter Ork) Columbia 38617	Fool's Paradise Sarah, in a superb Winterhaiter ork-chorus setting, turns in one of her best singing jobs on a new plug ballad.	8084797	
	Loncly Girl She's even better in this light swing con- ception of another plug ditty. Fine ork support.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
JIMMY COLLETT Metropolitan 20-01	Just an Old-Fashioned Christmas Inoffensive Christmas ballad treated almost in a country vein and pleasantly at that. But the competition's rough this year.	5150505	
	Can't Forget The this ballad treats of most of the heli- days, the waxing, the it isn't hard to take, lacks a solid punch.		
DAVID ALLEN (Johnny Richards Ork) Discovery 510	Wrong Ex-Raeburn warbler does a pleasing Eck- styling on a pretty ballad. Modern, fancy orking in back.	6872686	
	When Love Comes A sophisticated, slow-moving ballad.	7273707	
EDDIE CANTOR Bluebird 30-0010	Cantor plus some old-fashioned orking equals a charming vaude-tinged rendition of the hill revival. The Old Piano Roll Blues	7577747	74
	Both song and disking are new but the etching has an old-fashioned all-round flavor which should evoke memories of yesteryear.		70
EDDIE FISHER Bluebird 30-0011	My Bolero New and young warbler debuts impressively in a pash conception of a tune which was off to a fast start vis a Damone disking. Foolish Tears	818480	1
PALDU PLANE	Young Fisher sounds like Como here, Damon there and does a thoroly competent chor on the "Jealous Heart" sequel.	e	22.2
RALPH FLANAGAN ORK Bluebird 30-0006	The folk ballad loses all of its effect an charm at a bright dance tempo. Harr Prime's weak vocal doesn't help this emula tion of the Miller orchestra.	d	and and
	Penthouse Serenade Handled instrumentally, the standard make a fine fox-trot effort for Flansgan. He get a chance to throw in most of the Mille sounds.	ta la	
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# A Certain Smash! Gordon MacRae's Best Yet! "THE PRAIRIE IS STILL"

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flip: "The Sunshine of Your Smile" 78 rpm Capitol No. 57-755

Gordon MacRae's magnificent performance of this thrilling song, with a superb Paul Weston orchestral and choral background, marks it for all-time greatness. It can't miss!



### Other Recent MacRae Hits:

"I Want You to Want Me (to Want You)" and "Wonderful One" "The Wedding of Lilli Marlene" and "Twenty-Four Hours of Sunshine" "A Kiss in the Dark" and "Body and Soul" "Whispering Hope" and "A Thought in My Heart"

Capitol No. 57-723 78 rpm Capitol No. 87-711 78 rpm Capitol No. 57-704 78 rpm Capitol No. 57-690 78 rpm

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## THE BILLBOARD PICKS FOR CHRISTMAS:

Out of a large number of 1949's Christmas recordings, certain records, in the opinion of The Billboard music staff, warrant special mention. This group selection is in lieu of selecting the sides individually in the weekly "Record Possibilities" section.

MERRY CHRISTMAS POLKA
OLD ST. NICHOLAS
THE MISTLETOE KISS Art Mooney (MGM), Russ Morgan (Decca)
JINGLE BELLS, Art Moonry (MGM)
BLUE CHRISTMAS
HERE COMES SANTA CLAUS
YOU'RE ALL I WART FOR CHRISTMAS Bing Crosby (Decca), Gone Aulry (Columbia-reissue)
RUDOLPH THE RED NUSED REINDEER
C-H-R-I-S-T-M-A-S
ALL I WANT FOR CURISTMAS IS MY TWO FROMT TEETH
AVE MARIA
THE LORD'S PRAYER Perry Come (Victor)

THE LURD'S PRATER	······································
CHRISTMAS ROSES	
CHRISTMAS CAROLS.	
CHRISTMAS GREETING	ALBU.A

# Wagner Joins Heidt; Term Troubles Nix Philly 'Parade' Show

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Martin Wagner, veteran agent, has joined the Horace Heidt Agency, and will open a Los Angeles office for the impresario-maestro within the next few weeks. Wagner, who recently handled the tours of Bob Hope, Jose Iturbi and Sigmund Romberg, had been previously associated with the William Morris office since 1912.

Heidt's Parade of Philip Mcrris Stars troupe, which was scheduled to open at the Shubert Theater, Philadelphia, November 23 (The Billboard, September 10) has cancelled that booking due to an inability to agree on terms with the theater. According to John Leer, general manager of the Heidt office, the New York theater engagement, projected for late December, is still hanging

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Prelude to Pearl Harbor, an unusually long nonmusical set, is being released this week by London Records. The documentary, including actual voices of modern historic figures and stual on-the-spot reporting of world-shaking events, in the manner of Columbia's I Can Hear It Now package, will cover 16 12-inch records for 78 r.p.m. players, or four 12-inch long-playing dis'ts.

Most of the material was collected from the British Broadcasting Company (BBC) archives in 1940 and 1941 by Dick O'Connor, an American journalist who also edited the set. O'Connor was killed in a train accident in 1941. The commentator is Kent Stevenson, a Canadian an-

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### THE BILLBOARD PICKS:

In the opinion of The Billboard music staff, records listed below are most likely to achieve popularity as determined by entry into best selling, most played or most heard features of the Chart.

The follow-up effort to this team's "Slipping Around" has the same faciling and proper spirit; should do a lively business on its own.

"WAY BACK HOME.......Bing Crosby and Fred Waring's Ork .....Decca 24880 A Tom Waring-Al Lewis oldie revived wonderfully by Der Bingle with feelingful support from the Waring Pennsylvanians and choir. Subject of a glant Decca promotion which should stir added sales.

I'VE GOT A LOVELY BUNCH OF COCONUTS ..... Danny Kaye ..... Decca 24784

Kaye's version of the Freddy Martin hit disking has plenty of the vim and vinegar which draws the nickels. Kaye's cocliney dialect and a thumping bass drain are the attractions.

The "Peg of My Heart" guys come back to wax with a fresh-sounding instrumental based on an excerpt from Kabalevsky's ballet, "The Comedians," which previously was recorded by Gene Krupa's ork. It's a catchy tune and a "different" sound, which certainly should stir up plenty jockey play.

### **THE DISK JOCKEYS PICK:**

 PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive weeks or three times

 ithin a.six-week prind are not repeated below. Based on a weekly survey

 among them on what tune "sk fockeys think, tomorrow's hits will be:

 1. WHY WAS I BORN?
 Vic Damone

 2. I'VE GOT A LOVELY BULICH OF COCONUTS.
 Freddy Martin

 3. ENVY
 Buddy Clark

 4. CANADIAN CAPERS
 Doris Day.

 5. CROCODILE TEARS
 Eddy Howard

 6. A DREAMER'S HOLIDAY
 Buddy Clark

### THE RETAILERS PICK:

PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive r in or three times within a six-week period are not repeated below. Fased on a weekly survey

in air, pending negotiations with a nouncer, who was killed in an air legit house.



Also Coming Up: "BABY, I'D KNOW IT WAS YOU"; "I SENT YOU AN S.O.S. WITH FLOWERS"; "MY RUNAWAY HEART," "SADDLE CREEK CANYON"

> "Lorry's great-" Ed McKenzie JACK THE BELLBOY, WJBK, Detroit

### SERENADE RECORDS

Disk Jockey Exploitation and Public Relations by

#### TIM GAYLE\*

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"And, of course, Miss Raine's personal manager-publicist and co-writer "It's Too Late Now," introduced by Lorry, and on records by Evelyn Knight, Mel Torme, Chuck Foster, etc.

1.	THERE'S NO TOMORROW	.Tony Martin
2	MY GEE GEE FROM THE FIJI ISLES	. Chuck Thomas
3.	CROCODILE TEARS	.Eddy Howard
4.	VIENI SU	Vaughn Monroe
5.	LET'S HARMONIZE	.Sammy KayeVictor 20-3555

# THE OPERATORS PICK:

within a six-week period are not repeated among them on what the juke bo operated	ators think, tomorrow's hits will be:
1. TOOT, TOOT, TOOTSIE. 2. CROCODILE TEARS 3. I'VE GOT A LOVELY BUNCH OF COCONUTS 4. WHY WAS 1 BORN? 5. THERE'S NO TOMORROW.	Art MooneyMGM 10548 Eddy Howard

# FOLK TALENT AND TUNES

#### (Continued from page 37)

Jsborne. formerly at WRVA, Richmond, Va.; Little Art Haggerty and Bob Rutledge. . . . Casey Clark, once with Ernie Lee and Jerry Byrd, has a two-hour disk show over WVLK, Versailles, Ky. He is also reorganizing his band, the Lazy Ranch Boys. with Dick Chaffin, vocals; Buddy Ratcliffe. bass and his own fiddle. Clark's group is working the "Kentucky Mountain Barn Dance," along with Molly O'Day and Lynn Davis and others over WVLK. . . . Charles Petzold. Chicago chief of Capitol records, is setting up a series of h. b. shows for vets' hospitals in the area. On his first junket, Bob Flannery and Jenny Lou Carson were starred.

Arleen Wright and her Maids of the Prairie are working at the Turf Club, Linden, N. J., and are doing a Sunday shot over WAAT, Newark, N. J. ... Jimmy Browne and Al Parker, of WJJD, Chicago, are using The Billboard's h. b. and Western pop charts as basis for their three-hour morning show every Saturday. . . . Bob Wills (MGM) and the Texas Playboys are working at KYBE, Oklahoma City, where they air over five stations. Wills works an hour per day from the stage of the local Criterion Theater. In addition, the band plays Friday and Saturday dances at the Trianon Ballroom there, with a date at Cain's Dancing Academy, Tulsa, every Tuesday. . . . John Lee Wills cut his first sides for Bullet October 16. His band will play two weeks of one-nighters thru Kansas and Texas and New Mexico, starting November 1. . . . Slim Luse, once fiddler with Pee Wee King, is heading the Swingin' Rangers at WICA, Ashtabula, O. Personnel includes: Gene Mason, accordion; Dan Shannon, guitar; Donald Dickenson, rhythm guitar; Red Alderman, bass; and Hazel Scoutin, vocals, with the leader's fiddle and vocals. . . . Jack Kennedy, pianoman with Ben Christian's band (4 Star) reports that Moon Mullican (King) has reorganized his band at KPBX, Beaumont, Tex. Sidemen include: Cotton Thompson, fiddle; Mutt Collins, guitar; Cotton Erwin, sax; Ray Kennedy, bass, and Jimmie Harper, drums, with Moon's piano. Mullian enlarged from a trio.

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# No. 524 **TEDDY PHILLIPS** "CHARLEY MY BOY"

ARE YOU KISSIN' SOMEONE ELSE Teddy Phillips and His Orchestra, vocal Lynn Hoyt and the Phillipaires

# No. 501 **JACK TETER TRIO** "JOHNSON RAG"

BACK OF THE YARDS Jack Teter Trio, vocal by Jack Teter **Advance Information** 

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ADVANGE RECORD RELEASES

Records listed are generally approximately two weeks in advance of actual release date. List is based on information supplied in advance by record companies. Only records of those manufacturers voluntarily supplying information are listed.

#### POPULAR

A Dreamer's Holiday Thanksgiving R. Anthony (Bye Bye) Cap 57-761 A Thousand Violins P. Weston (Dardanella) Cap 57-756 At Dawn J. Murad's Harmonicats (Gallop of) Mer 5331 Bounce A. Lombardy (Clarinet Mambo) Cobra 10559 The Lord's Prayer 300 Bye Bye Baby The Man I Love R. Anthony (A Dreamer's) Cap 57-761 Christmas Music Album Rutgers University Club (1-10") Key (33) 10 24770 Clarinet Mambo A. Lombardy (Bounce) Cobra 300 Cross My Heart B. Scott (Twilight) Metro M-8005 Cole (3-12") Danse Arabe Cap CC-9002 X. Cugat Ork (When I) Col 38615 Dardanella C. Foster (Oh! You) Mer 5334 Dardanella 57+90009 P. Weston (A Thousand) Cap 57-756 Don't Spoil a Memory? The Pastels (The Game) London 519 Down Home Rag 90010 P. Daily (O Katharina) Cap 57-760 Egg Head B. Goodman (Why Don't) Cap 57-758 57-90010 The Prairie Is Still Festival of Roses D. Day (The Three) Col 38614 For Me and My Gal P. Reed (If Tears) Dance-Tone 1139 The Three Rivers Gallop of the Comedians J. Murad's Harmonicats (At Dawn) Mer 5331 Etna ET-1505 The following abbreviations are being used thruout the list of Advance Record Releases: Cap-Capitol 55058 Col-Columbia Dec-Decca Mer-Mercury ture 233 V-Victor All other labels will continue to be spelled out. Where 78, 45 and 33 1/2 (LP) r.p.m. numbers are listed, the speed is in-Broadway dicated in parantheses preceding the record number. For example: V (78) 20-1941; (45) 47-2354, etc. I Got Rhythm (45)47-3078 Pee Wee Hunt Ork (The Preacher) Regent 164 I Never Had a Worry in the World M. Lou Harp (Satisfied) Autograph #11 If Tears Could Bring You Back Again P. Reed (For Me) Dance-Tone 1139 20032 Indian Love Call Twilight. R. Ford (Mary Lou) Crystalette 611 Italian Folk Songs Album-D. Contino (3-10") Horace Heidt 503 M-8003 Carnivals of Venice MM 70 Two Timer Funiculi-Funicula MM 69 Neapolitan Nights MM 71 Sicilian Tarantella MM 72 Ork (3-10") The Flight of Angels MM 73 Cab CC-9003 Toselli's Serenade MM 70. Jealous Heart J. Garber (The Hop) Cap 57-759 Little Pink Toes M. Lou Harp (Sentimental Me) Autograph 813 57-90013 Major Alteration Don Q. (Thanksgiving) Bullet 317 Mary Ann Vieni Su J: Richardson (Matilda) Abbey 9002 Mary Lou R. Ford (Indian Love) Crystalette 611 Matilda J. Richardson (Mary Ann) Abbey 2002 My Love Loves Me Wedding Bells R. Hayes (My Miracle) Mer 5328 My Miracle R, Hayes (My Love) Mer 5328 Nina C. Barl Cana Seville Ork (Two Lips) Metro M-8003 O Katharina P. Daily (Down Home) Cap 57-760 38615 Oh! You Beautiful Doll C. Foster (Dardanella) Mer 5334 **Our** Christmas Waltz K. Griffin (Star of) Rondo R-206 Part-Time Sweetheart Whispering Hope E. Miller Ork (She Wore) Rainbow 80033 Regardless D. Hudson Ork (Why Fall) Bullet 1085 White Christmas Satisfied M. Lou Harp (I Never) Autograph 811 30-0009 Sentimental Me White Christmas M. Lou Harp (Little Pink) Autograph 811 MS 1010 (Round Her Neck) She Wore a Yellow Who Are You? Ribbon E. Miller Ork (Part-Time) Rainbow 80033 (45)47-3081 Silent Night H. Paar (White Christmas) Horace Heidt Why Was I Born? MS 1010 Songs of Christmas J. Stafford-G. MacRae (Parts 1 & 2) Cap 79-90032 Star of the East K. Griffin (Our Christmas) Rondo R-206

Don Q (Major Alteration) Bullet 317 The Game of Broken Hearts The Pastels (Don't Spoil) London 519 The Hop-Scotch Palka J. Garber (Jealous Heart) Cap 57-759 The Jolly Coachman C. Ravazza (Princess Poo-Poo-Ly) MGM P. Como (Ave Maria) V(45)52-0071 S. Vaughan (Once in) MGM 10549 The Merry Christmas Waltz G. Lombardo (An Old-Fashioned) Dec The Old Plane Roll Blues E. Cantor (I Never) Bluebird 30-0010 The Organ Plays at Christmas Alhum-B. Away in a Manger . . . 57-90009 Cantique de Noel . . . 57-90008 God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen . . Joy to the World ... 57-90009 O Come All Ye Faithful ... 57-80010 O Little Town of Bethlehem . . . 57-Silent Night . . . 57-90008 We Three King's of the Orient Are . . . G. Macafrae (The Sunshine) Cap 57-757 The Preacher and the Bear Pee Wee Hunt Ork (I Got) Regent 164 D. Day (Festival of) Col 38514 The Saviour Is Born N. Paone-A. M. Glisci (Merry Christmas) The Sunshine of Your Smile G. Macafrae (The Prairie) Cap 57-757 The Story of Annie Laurie B. Harrington (Don't Cry) Vocalion The Wedding of Lill Marlene J. Leonard-The Riddlers (It All) Signa-The Whole Year Around F. Craig Ork (My Tears) MGM 10558 There's a Broken Beart for Every Light on R. Clooney (Chicago) Harmony 1074 There's a Flame in My Heart J. Kaye (I Couldn't) Norfolk 1303 There's No Tomorrow T. Martin (A Thousand) V(78)20-3582; This Cold War With You J. Day (I'll Never) Vocalion 55061 Through a Long and Sleepless Night The Stardusters (Wouldn't It) Dec 24781 Toot, Toot, Tootsie, Goo'bye Hootler Hot Shots (You're Driving) Col A. Albert Ork (Cross My) Metro M-8005 Two Lips Are My Favorite Flower C. Bari Casa Seville Ork (Nina) Metro A Holmes (Be Sure) Metro 8004 Under the Christmas Tree Album-J. Garber Deck the Halls . . . 57-90013 Here Comes Santa Claus (Right Down Santa Claus Lane) . . . 57-90012 Jingle Bells . . . 57-90011 Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town . The Christmas Waltz . . . 57-90011 Winter Wonderland . . . 57-50013 P. Briot (Mattinata) MGM 10550 Waltz of the Fairies B, Smeage (Cute Young) Prudentia P-103 Waltz in C Sharp Minor J. Pins O'k (Down Home) MGM 10544 P. Hall (When He's) London 518 Wedding Bells Will Soon Be Ringin" L. Foting Ork (Why Don't) Dec 24778 When He's All Dolled Up F. Hall (Wedding Bells) London 518 When I Write My Song X. Cugat-B. Clark (Danse Arabe) Col When Love Comes D. Allen-J. Richards Ork (Wrong) Dis-covery 510 Where Are You L. Brown Ork (Tenderly) Col 38616 R. Flanagan Ork (Penthouse Serenade) Bluebird 30-0008 R. Planagan Ork (She Wore) Bluebird H. Parr (Ellent Night) Horace Heidt E Hawkins (Miss Eva) V(78)20-3585; Why Don't You Haul Off and Love Me? L. Fotine Ork (Wedding Bella) Dec 24778 V. Damone (Lonely Night) Mer 5326 Why Don't We Do This More Often? B. Goodman (Egg Head) Cap 57-756 Why Fall in Love With a Stranger D. Hudson Ork (Regardless) Bullet 1085 (Continued on page 112) L. Brown Ork (Where Are) Col 38616

# No. 508 **AL MORGAN** "FOOLISH TEARS"

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I WISH I HAD A SWEETHEART (Like That Old Sweetheart Of Mine) Al Margan Vocal and Piano with Orchestra

# No. 519 THE PASTELS "THE GAME OF BROKEN HEARTS"

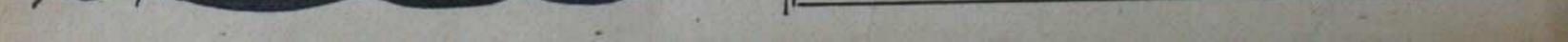
DON'T SPOIL & MEMORY The Pastels Orchestra under the direction of Billy Moore, Jr.

# No. 513 CHARLIE SPIVAK "DON'T CRY JOE" (Let Her Go, Let Her Go, Let Her Go)

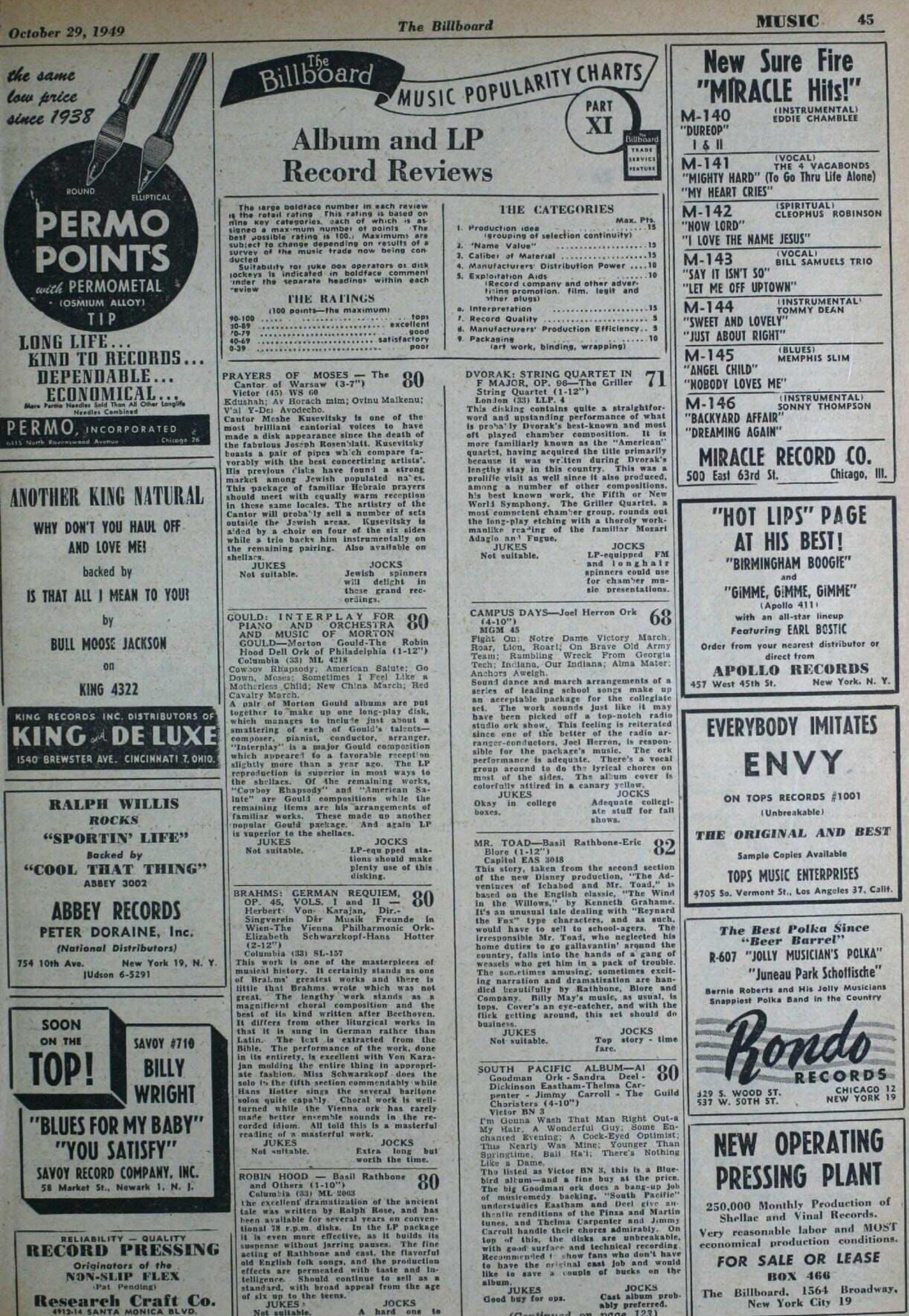
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ably preferred. (Continued on page 123)





# NO. 42-COLE PORTER

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Hollywood by way of Peru, Ind.; Paris and Park Avenue, New York. That's the road Cole Porter traveled before theatrical producers and firstnight audiences alike greeted him with "You're the top," an encomium that later served as the title for one of his many outstanding songs.

In following such a round-about route to fame, Cole Porter also observed the detour signs along the way provided they led to the ski trails of Switzerland, the canals of Venice and the big game hunting grounds of Africa. All of which makes Cole Porter's life far more spectacular than the three-ring circus that wintered at Peru, Ind., where June 9, 1892, this playboy-composer was born with an 18-karat gold spoon in his mouth.

Porter's father was a prosperous fruit grower with a 750-acre farm. His maternal grandfather, J. O. Cole, had recently acquired a fortune in the coal fields and timberlands of West Virginia. And all his grandson had to do to inherit one-sixth of \$7,000,000 was to study for the bar.

ery was carted to Cain's theatrical 1919, which was soon to go into re- relented before he died in 1923 and By mastering the violin when he was six years old and the piano two storehouse; Lawrason Riggs, who had hearsal. Porter, fearing that his given the couple his golden blessing. years later, Cole Porter gave the old written the libretto, entered the grandfather might not listen to rea- Cole Porter also inherited from his man more than a few anxious mo- priesthood, and the composer-lyricist son and refuse to advance him a part maternal grandfather a preference ments, and when he composed The joined the French Foreign Legion, of his inheritance as a wedding for white cotton socks, which he still Bobolink Waltz at the age of 11, the determined to drown his shame and dowry, accepted the offer. dons for daytime wear. It is well that he did. The conheir-apparent to the tidy sum of sorrow in absinthe. (To be continued next week)

To the acclaim of Broadway and |\$1,666,666 was sent off to Worcester Academy with the stern warning he would end up in the poorhouse if he continued with his fiddling and piano playing.

After finishing preparatory school, Cole Porter made Yale the next stop on his itinerary. Here, forgetting his grandfather's admonition, he wrote Bingo and Bulldog, which probably will send the sons of Eli out on the gridiron to do or die as long as A. G. Spalding makes pigskins. His skill at the Steinway also gained him admission to the gilded undergraduate clique of New Haven and made him a welcome week-end guest at Southampton, East Hampton and Newport house parties.

Graduating from Yale in 1913, Cole Porter moved on to Cambridge, Mass., where he completed his first year at Harvard Law School and then Music at the suggestion of the dean but without acquainting Grandfather Cole of the change. In his final year a two-week Broadway run, the scen-

#### PERTINENT DATA ON SONGS AND SONGWRITERS

Songs used in this series are listed according to the date of their original copyright; stage musical songs, according to the year the musicals were produced, and film songs, according to the year of public release.

Songs which have attained a sheet music sale of one million or more are marked with an asterisk (\*).

In the publisher listing, the name of the present publisher, and not the original publisher, is given, and songs now in public domain (titles first copyrighted in 1892 or before) have no publisher credit.

In listing of recordings, no so-called collector's items are given. The record listing is representative, not necessarily complete.

Instead, Cole Porter marched thru | ference with Grandfather Cole was embattled France and Alsace- short and futile, ending with a Lorraine with a portable piano brusque "No law, no money." But strapped on his back and entertained Hitchy-Koo of 1919 ran for two years his comrades-in-arms with front-line on Broadway and the road, and its recitals on this musical knapsack, being awarded the Croix de Guerre clouds that hung over Cole Porter's for camaraderie and composing his romance. For with \$12,000 in royalfirst song hit. An Old-Fashioned Garden, while German guns thundered lyricist in 1921 returned to France across No Man's Land.

In 1917, when the United States entered the war, Legionnaire Porter was transferred to the French artillery school at Fountainbleu where he schooled Yankee doughboys in the intricate mechanism of the French 75's. While on leave in Paris, he suffered a major heart wound when introduced to Linda Lee Thomas, a former Louisville belle, a ravishing beauty and the rich widow of the man who gave his name to the Thomas Flyer automobile.

With the signing of the Armistice, other, while summering in Venice, Cole Porter caught the first boat to they engaged 50 gondoliers to serve America for a heart-to-heart contransferred to the Department of ference regarding affairs of the heart high-rope walkers to perform aloft in with his grandfather. Raymond a blaze of colored lights. The Plaza Hitchcock was a fellow passenger, and after listening to some of Cole at Harvard, Porter wrote his first Porter's tunes, he asked the composer rental, but "the lira was cheap then" musical, See America First, but after of An Old-Fashioned Garden to (the quotes are Cole Porter's), and write the music for Hitchy-Koo of in addition, Grandfather Cole had

success was the silver lining to the ties in his pocket, the composerwhere he married Mrs. Thomas and became the leader of a Paris postwar social set.

#### **Rendezvous** of Royalty

Cole Porter's home on the Rue Monsieur, where the walls were papered with platinum wallpaper and the chairs upholstered in zebra skins, became the rendezvous of European royalty and wealthy Americans.

On one occasion the Cole Porters hired the Monte Carlo Ballet to entertain their house guests. -On anas footmen and employed a troupe of Rezzonico, where they spent four summers, cost them \$4,000 a month

#### COLE PORTER'S BEST KNOWN SONGS AND RECORDINGS AVAILABLE

#### 1916-SEE AMERICA FIRST -

Book by T. Lawrason Riggs, and presented by a cast headed by Clifton Webb, Red Eagle, Jeanne Cartier, Leo Gordon and Felix Adler. G. Schirmer. BUY HER A BOX AT THE OPERA EVER AND EVER YOURS I'VE A SHOOTING BOX IN SCOTLAND I'VE AN AWFUL LOT TO LEARN THE LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS LIMA OH BRIGHT FAIR DREAM PITY ME PLEASE PRITHEE COME SEE AMERICA FIRST SLOW SINKS THE SUN SOMETHING'S GOT TO BE DONE WHEN I USED TO LEAD THE BALLET 1919-HITCHY-KOO OF 1919

#### Book by Raymond Hitchcock, who starred in this revue that had a cast that included Charles Howard, Florence

O'Denishawn and Joe Cook. Harms, Inc. PACLIACCI WHEN BLACK SALLIE SINCS PAGLIACCI INTRODUCED-HITCHY'S GARDEN OF ROSES WHEN I HAD A UNIFORM ON I'VE GOT SOMEBODY WAITING PETER PIPER THE SEA IS CALLING I'M AN ANESTHETIC DANCER MY COZY LITTLE CORNER IN THE RITZ AN OLD-FASHIONED GARDEN BRING ME BACK MY BUTTERFLY A LITTLE BEAR By Sally J. Farnum and Neysa McMein.

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#### 1924-GREENWICH VILLAGE FOLLIES OF

1924 Book by Irving Caesar and John Murray Anderson, and presented by a cast headed by the Dolly Sisters, Moran and Mack, Bobbe Arnst and Vincent Lopez, SYNCOPATED PIPES OF PAN I'M IN LOVE AGAIN LIEBESTRAUM LET EVERY DAY BE A HOL! DAY BOM-BOM-BEEDLE-UM-BO By Owen Murphy and Jay Gorney, WHEN EVENING SHADOWS FALL By Owen Murphy and Jay Gorney. ZULU LOU By Owen Murphy and Jay Gorney. THE CARDEN OF USED TO BE By Owen Murnhy and Jay Gorney. DO A LITTLE THIS, DO A LITTLE THAT By Benton Ley and Lee David. 1928-PARIS With E. Ray Gostz. Book by Martin Brown, and presented by a cast headed by Irene Bordoni, Margetson, Louise Closser Hale and Irving Aaronson's Commanders. Harms, Inc. LET'S MISBEHAVE BABES IN THE WOOD DON'T LOOK AT ME THAT WAY VIVIENNE HEAVEN HOP LET'S DO IT (LET'S FALL IN LOVE) (Available on the following Decca records: Decca 21045 in A-1928, Basil Fomeen orchestra; Decca 23148 in A-123, Mary Martin with orchestra.) THE LAND OF GOING TO BE By E. Ray Goetz and Walter Kollo ... PARIS By E. Ray Goetz and Louis Alter.

1922-FIFTY MILLION FRENCHMEN Book by Herbert Fields, and presented by cast headed by William Gaston, Genevieve Tobin, Jack Thompson, Betty Compton and Helen Broderick. Harms, Inc. A TOAST TO VOLSTEAD YOU DO SOMETHING TO ME (Available on the following records: Columbia 35745 in C-105, Eddy Duchin, plano with rhythm section; Capitol 20095 in BD-43, Eddle LeMar orchestra; Decca 23139 in A-115, Marlene Dietrich WITH OTCHESTRA.) THE AMERICAN EXPRESS YOU'VE GOT THAT THING FIND ME A PRIMITIVE MAN WHERE WOULD YOU GET YOUR COAT? DO YOU WANT TO SEE PARIS? AT LONGCHAMPS TODAY THE HEAVEN OF HARLEM WHY SHOULDN'T I HAVE YOU? IT ISN'T DONE TALE OF THE OYSTER PAREE, WHAT DID YOU DO TO MEP YOU DON'T KNOW PARIS I'M UNLUCKY IN GAMBLING

#### I WORSHIP YOU (Available on Decca Record 23218 in Album A-352, Hildegarde.) 1929-WAKE UP AND DREAM Book by J. H. Turner, and starring Jack Buchanan in a cast that included Tilly Losch and Jessie Mathews, Harms, Inc WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED LOVE? (Available on the following records: RCA Victor 27782, Tommy Dorsey and Connie Haines; RCA Victor 20-1942, Betty Rhodes with orchestra; RCA Vic-tor P(27629) in P-88, Leo Reisman orchestra; RCA Victor P(27820) in P-118, Lena Horne with orchestra; Capitol 20011 in BD-8. King Cole Trio; Decca 23565, Billie Holiday with orchestra; Decca 23501 in A-421, Phil Baker, ac-cordion; Decca 24053 in A-1930, Ted Stracter orchestra: Decca 23150 in A-123 Mary Martin; Decca 23699 in A-499. Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians; Colum-bia 36543 in C-87, Eddy Duchin, piano solo; Columbia 7555-M, Morton Gould orchestra; Columbia 7548-M, Rise Stevens with orchestra; Columbia 37517, Eddy Duchin, plano and orchestra.) SHE'S SUCH A COMFORT TO ME By Douglas Furber, Donovan Parsons and Arthur Schwartz. FANCY OUR MEETING By Douglas Furber, Phil Charig and Joe Mever. WHICH IS THE RIGHT LIFE? I'M A CIGOLO 1930-THE NEW YORKERS Book by Peter Arno and E. Ray Goetz, and presented by a cast headed by Hope Williams, Ann Pennington, Charles King, Jimmy Durante, Lew Clayton, Eddie Jackson, Tammany Young, Richard Carle and Fred Waring's Pennsyl-vanians, Heems Inc. CO INTO YOUR DANCE SAY IT WITH GIN VENICE LOVE FOR SALE (Available on the following records: RCA Victor P(27285) in P-31, Hal Kemp orchestra; RCA Victor P(20-1881) in P-158, David Rose orchestra; Decca 23619 in A-422, Ruby Newman orchestra; Columbia 36514 in C-87, Eddy Duchin; Columbia 37918 in C-157, Jane Russell with orchestra; Capitol 10038 in CE-19, Benny Carter orchestra.) I HAPPEN TO LIKE NEW YORK I'M GETTING MYSELF READY FOR YOU THE GREAT INDOORS THE SHEIKEN FOOL SING SING FOR SING SING TAKE ME BACK TO MANHATTAN

Jimmy Durante also contributed the fol-

lowing songs to this production:

#### MONEY WOOD DATA

#### 1932-THE GAY DIVORCEE

Book by Dwight Taylor and presented by a cast that included Fred Astaire Grace Moore, Eric Blore, Luella Gear and Claire Luce. Harms, Inc.

#### AFTER YOU WHO?

WHY MARRY THEM? SALT AIR

#### I STILL LOVE THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE

#### NICHT AND DAY

(Available on the following records: Decca 25401 in A-693, Carmen Cavallaro; RCA Victor M-11-9039 in M-1033, Allen Jones with orchestra and chorus; RCA Victor 20-1940, Russ Case orchestra; RCA Victor 25657, Tommy Dorsey; RCA Victor 20-1589, Frank Sinatra with orchestra; RCA Victor 36035, Paul Whiteman orchestra and Pickens Sisters; RCA Victor P(20-1572) in P-149, Whittemore and Lowe, piano duo; Capi-tol 20055 in BD-24, Buddy Cole with guitar and bass; Capitol 15114, Star-lighters with Faul Weston orchestra; Decca 23972, Bing Crosby; Decca 18887, Bing Crosby; Decca 18823, Carmen Cav-affare, piano; Decca 24062, Carmen affaro, piano; Decca 18853, Carmen Cav-affaro, piano; Decca 24062, Carmen Cavallaro, piano; Decca 23618, Buby Newman orchestra; Decca 23047, Hot Club of France Quintet; Columbia 36541 In C-87, Eddy Duchin; Columbia 36110, Eddie Duchin; Columbia 36439 In C-76, Eddie Duchin; Columbia 36439 in C-76. Fred Feihel, novachord; Columbia 35410, Benny Goodman; Columbia 4290-M An-dre Kostelanetz orchestra; Columbia 30627 in C-92. Don Baker, console; Co-lumbia 7553-M, Morton Gould orchestra; Columbia 7547-M, Rise Stevens with orchestra; Columbia 38044, Billie Holl-day with orchestra; Columbia 37868 in C-149, Robert Maxwell, harpist; Colum-bia 37055, Claude Thornhill orchestra.)

#### HOW'S YOUR ROMANCE? WHAT WILL BECOME OF OUR ENGLAND?

I'VE COT YOU ON MY MIND MR. AND MRS. FITCH YOU'RE IN LOVE

#### INYTHING GOES

Book by Guy Bolton, P. G. Wodehouse, Howard Lindsay and Russel Grouse, Howard Lindsay and Russel Grouse, and presented by a cast that included Victor Moore, William Gaxton, Ethel Merman and Heitina Hall Harms, Inc. ALL THROUGH THE NICHT (Available on the following records: Co-lumbia 7589-M, Andre Kostelanets orchestra: Decca 24277, Victor Young

orchestra.)

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# Goldmark to Eng. For LP Lecture

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—The Columbia Broadcasting System's (CBS) director of research, Dr. Peter Goldmark, will leave for England next week to deliver a lecture on and demonstrate the LP disk, CBS announced this week.

Goldmark will speak in London November 1 before many of Britain's musicians, engineers and leaders of the music field. Goldmark was invited to make the trip by the British Institute of Electrical Engineers and British Electric Musical Industries. While in London, Goldmark will also demonstrate the CBS TV color system.

# **Pluggers War On Old Curse**

(Continued from page 13) at a contact employee who, without FCC decision on color television and permission, paid the leader of a small group \$50 for a week's worth of plugs and then saw the batoneer leave the location after delivering only one.

"It's a waste of time to make the spots any more," is the gloomy consensus of pubbers and pluggers. Only the crack name bands are not on the take-the rest of the plugs can be bought in an afternoon's phone calls.

#### Who's the Villian?

finger on the people who are responsible. Song pluggers blame their bosses for making the deals without the pluggers' knowledge. Publishers blame their employees for buying plugs out of their own pockets. The established professional men with solid contacts blame the newcomers and the lazy pluggers for starting the bribe system. All agree that the plug is diminishing in its value toward establishing a song, especially with the cheap payola orksters cramming as many as a dozen songs (depending on the tempo), one chorus each, into a 15-minute shot. Payola, in one form or other, is as old as the music business. Before radio, in the vaudeville heyday, the vaude performer was the song creator. It was not considered unethical in the early days to furnish individual performers with special piano copies transposed in their keys. Many vaude singers were on publishers pay rolls, openly carrying the dual function of song plugger and performer. It was more common then than now to cut in a standout performer on the song. Because of the concentration of audiences, a single singer could well make a song. The great music business crusade against payola was the late John G. Paine's attempt in the late '30s to create an industry code under the eye of the federal Fair Trade Commission. Paine was head of the Music Publishers' Protective Association (MPPA) at the time. Joseph V. Mc-Kee, one-time mayor of New York, was hired as front man. He made several trips to Washington in behalf of the cause. Pains moved in as general manager of ASCAP during this period and continued to push for a code as a labor of love. But the movement was torpedoed by the publishers themselves, because, as one old-timer dryly recalls, "that's how they wanted to operate."

# Showbiz Bills Unsettled As '49 Congress Winds Up

(Continued from page 4) the bill as soon as possible. The house passed it a couple of weeks ago.

on the bill to ban liquor plugs on the air and in the press. These hearings will be held before the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, Committee staffers feel that for the first time distillers may appear in opposition to the measure. Dry forces as usual will be on hand in full strength. Following consideration of the liquor measure, the Committee is expected to schedule hearings on radio and television matters. For a year the communications subcommittee, which is headed by Sen. Ernest MacFarland (D., Ariz.), has been examining FCC records and files on radio and TV licensees and applicants. Also on the Committee agenda are probes of communications associations and common carriers. If the reallocations is not forthcoming by February, the group may put off

open hearings until later in the year. Members of the Senate unit are especially interested in the question of color.

McFarland's bill to revamp FCC along functional lines in order to expedite decisions will be up for early action by the House Interstate Commerce Committee. In view of the bill's unanimous passage by the Nobody seems to be able to put his Senate, it is guaranteed almost certain House approval.

#### Excise Tax Sessions

House Ways and Means Committee consists of the 100-bills to cut or eliminate excise taxes. Hearings are slated to begin in late January. There the ATE total of ballrooms to six. have been indications that the administration may drop its opposition to changes in excises, but with or without administration support the House is ready to cut most, if not all, excises.

be hoppered, it would have a hard time finding a place on the judiciary committee schedule, since the group January hearings will also be held is making a detailed investigation of anti-trust laws.

A bill to prohibit radio stations from charging above their usual time charges for political talks faces an uncertain future. Ordinarily, it would be shelved, but 1950 is election year, and any attempt by stations to make a windfall out of the pre-election talkathons is likely to result in passage of the measure. It was introduced by a couple of Pennsylvania legislators after they complained of getting over-charged in talks concerning a special election in the State early in the first session.

# **ATE Sets Operation Of Wichita Dancery**

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Final preparations for taking over the Blue Moon, Wichita, Kan., dancery, have been made by William Karzas and Ken Mcore, of Aragon-Trianon Enterprises (ATE) here. In a deal reportedly engineered by Carl Fox, who sold out his three Midwest ballrooms to ATE two and a half years ago. Johnny Dotsen, the Blue Moon's owner, sold to the Chicago chain owners. Up to the present time, the Blue Moon has been operating as a full-week location spot. During the summer, an outdoor floor behind the ballroom was opened. A The first item on the agenda of the three-day week-end policy is currently utilized by Dotsen until the new owners take over.

Addition of the Blue Moon raises Other danceries operated by the firm include: Aragon and Trianon ballrooms, Chicago; Surf, Clear Lake, Ia.; Surf, Austin, Minn., and Prom, St. Paul.



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#### HARRIS HEADS AFAP

DETROIT, Oct. 22 .- Jerry Harris, songwriter, vocalist and former orchestra leader, has been named public commentator Drew Pearson. relations director of the American Federation of Authors and Publishers (AFAP), independent music licensing organization, according to Robert Selbert, national president, Harris, who is also an AFAP publisher, heading the Park Avenue Music Publishers, will make headquarters at 9510 Grand far in this session, no such bill has He will continue to use the Kiddie River Avenue, Detroit.

About the only obstacle in the way of excise cuts is the possibility of a presidential veto. Should the President veto a tax-cutting measure, there is no certainty that it could be passed over the veto.

Despite the general favorable congressional attitude toward excise tax cuts, it may be necessary for show business to put on the pressure to make sure that the admissions and the caparet levies are included for cuts. Odds now favor cuts for showbiz as well as for other excises, but there is a strong bloc in Congress antagonistic toward reducing the socalled "luxury taxes." Less than an even chance is given proposals to cut the liquor levy. Not only the high-tax congressmen but also the drys will fight such a reduction to the last ditch.

Technically, the Inter-American Copyright Convention will be on the agenda of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. However, with the State Department backing the global copyright proposal to the hilt, this treaty has been given the brush-off and will probably be permanently pigeon-holed.

#### **Pigeon-Hole Bill?**

Also slated for the pigeon-hole is the bill of Rep. John Rankin (D., Miss.), to force stations to appoint persons in each State to be available to accept papers in the event of a libel suit. Rankin himself has evinced little interest in his bill since he introduced it after making a bitter denunciation of columnist and radio Jubilee Buys 20 Kidisks

Little chance is given in the coming session for legislation to force juke operators to pay royalties to composers for disks used in automatic phonos. Such a measure was strongly pushed in the 80th Congress but failed to make the grade. So even been introduced. If one should Time name.

## Wiley Velvet Label **Moves to Cincinnati**

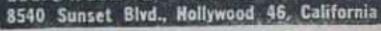
HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22. - Coast indie ranks recently lost a newcomer when Wally Wiley moved his Velvet label headquarters to Cincinnati. Wiley decided in favor of the Queen City to facilitate distribution thru Cincy's centralized location, Also, Wiley intends to escape Coast's high labor and manufacturing costs. Velvet's product will continue to appear on nonbreakable flex.

Velvet's talent roster includes Dick Farney, American-Brazilian balladist now residing south of the border; Jimmy Rodd, Cincy cleffer-singer; Redd Harper, Western warbler, and the "Old Ragtimer," old-time novelty piano player. Wiley will motor back to Cincy, hitting stations and disk jockeys en route. Diskery head is currently negotiating with various Cincinnati backers to sponsor a U.S. tour for Farney.

#### **Morales Starts Diskery**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Latin pianist-maestro Noro Morales has started his own record company, Rivoli Records. The outfit, which will aim at the local Latin-American market, will employ local Latin talent. The disks will be unbreakable and will retail for 79 cents. Morales himself will continue to cut for MGM, to whom he is under exclusive contract.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22. - Jerry Blaine's Jubilee Records has purchased 20 kidisk masters from Alert Records. The disks, which were issued on Kiddie Time label, previously sold for \$1.05. Blaine is issuing them on unpreakable material at 79 cents.







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#### Cuban Composers Seek National Org

The establishment of a single national organization to represent Cuban composers has been requested of Cuban President Prio in a declaration issued by the Committee for the Liberation of Authors in Havana. The declaration bears the signatures of Orlando de la Rosa, Isolina Carrillo and Pablo Cairo, all well-known composers. The org asserts Cuban composers have at least \$1,000,000 due them on royalties from world-wide performances.

#### Byrne Quits GAC After Nine Months

Trombonist-orkster Bobby Byrne has terminated his nine-month association with General Artists Corporation (GAC), and October 20 signed with Joe Glaser's Associated Booking Corporation (ABC). Byrne's reorganized band is now 15 pieces. Frank Hanshaw is personal manager.

#### Muzio Disks To Be Reissued on LP

Eight operatic selections cut by soprano Claudia Muzio in 1917 will be issued on a single long-playing disk November 1 by the Esoteric Record Corporation. The label, newly organized by Jerry Newman, Bill Fox and Seymour Weiss, has obtained enough additional Muzio masters, all private recordings, to make up two more 12-inch LP platters soon.

#### New York:

Savoy disk topper, Herman Lubinsky, left Thursday (20) for a talenthunting expedition down South. When he returns, he'll head for the Coast and, subsequently, to Europe before the end of the year. . . Atlantic Records threw a party for jocks and reviewers Wednesday (19) night at the Keyboard in honor of Vince (Blue) Mondi. Mondi, the one-man band who cuts exclusively for Atlantic, is appearing at the spot. . . . Western warbler Smiley Burnette has penned three tunes which he'll sing in the forthcoming Columbia flick, "Trail of the Rustlers." Titles are "Shoot Me Dead for That One," "I Should Say" and "I Wish I'd Said That." . . . Joe Davis's Beacon Music pubbery has acquired Tito Guizar's Spanish language adaptations of "Mattinata" ("Vuelve a Mis Brazos") and "O Sole Mio" ("Sabor Amargo"), which the Mexican crooner cut recently for RCA Victor (The Billboard, October 22). English adaptations of the same Italian folk melodies are riding here with other pubberies as "You're Breaking My Heart" and "There's No Tomorrow," respectively.

Mynna Granat, of Dave Dreyer Music, left last week on a five-week promotion tour thru the South and Midwest. ... Apollo Records has signed blues warbler Bob Range and Samuel Patterson, spiritual singer. Range is also a trombonist. Patterson is a guitarist who accompanies Mahalia Jackson. Both are making their debuts as warblers for the label. ... Dave Dreyer has acquired the Austrian tune, "Wenn Einmal in Fernen Tagen" from the American-Elite diskery here. ... Patricia Peale has done a new English lyric entitled "Stringers in the Starlight."

orkster and star trumpeter Shorty Sherock has joined Jimmy Dorsey's band. . . Pubber Buddy Morris popped into town from the Coast last week, as did Personal Manager Carlos Gastel, who is here to work on the promotion of a string of Eastern concerts to be played by clients King Cole and Woody Herman.

Vaughn Monroe's engagement at the Cafe Rouge of the Hotel Statler here has been pushed back a couple of days to allow the maestro to complete his movie colony chores. Originally skedded to open October 31, Monroe will now open November 2 for his initial work with his crew, since his flick went into the works three weeks ago. Claude Thornhill's ork, currently working at the spot, will fill the two days. . . . Woody Herman's ork and the King Cole Trio will concertize at Carnegie Hall November 4. . . Cab Calloway and His Cabaliers, a quartet, are set for a four-week job at the Montmartre, a new spot in Havana, which will employ Yankee attractions.

Warbler Margaret Phelan, who recently signed a recording pact with MGM Records, on Wednesday (25) will cut her first four tunes for the diskery. Titles are "Man Around the House." "Dumbest Girl," "An Arizona Wedding" and "Why Don't We Do This More Often."

Music and perfume have again been combined in a promotion, this time by Muzak and Parfums Corday, Inc. Ballyhoo is built around the perfume "Zigane," which composer Harry Revel has transposed into sound. The melody, recorded by Glenn Osser, will be featured on the Muzak Dinner Program November 3 in thousands of restaurants taking the wired music service. . . . Corday, RCA Victor and Ravel worked out a similar gimmick months ago.

Esmeraldy, MGM Records hillbilly, has begun a five-a-week Mutual network radio show, beamed to over 500 outlets and originating at WHBQ, Memphis. . . . Hot Lips Page and ork goes into the Village Vanguard Thursday (27) following their engagement at Jimmy Ryan's.

Southern Music Publishing Company, Inc., has signed a pact with Gail Kubik for publication of the latter works. Deal was set by Wladimir Lakond, director of the company's serious music department.

#### Chicago:

Jce Glaser, of Associated Booking Corporation, in town to arrange for network co-operation on dance band remotes during National Dance Week, November 13-19. Glaser has promised Larry Geer, NBOA prexy, that he'll contact web execs in New York. . . . Dan Cleary, young MCA promotion rep here, being groomed for a spot in the Chicago one-night department, assisting veteran Joe Kayser. . . . Jack Owens into the Swiss Chalet of the Bismarck Hotel October 28 for a month. . . . George Davine, of the Million-Dollar Ballroom, Milwaukee, celebrated his birthday and 40th year in show business October 21 with a giant free birthday party at the terpalace. . . . Miracle Records' Prexy Lee Egalnick became father of a second son, Kenneth, October 14. Miracle has inked Robert Anderson, Baptist singer, and his choir to a long term pact. . . . Don Carlos's Casino, Winnipeg, has a name a month lined up for week stands. Calendar of record biggies include Billy Eckstine, November 3; Helen Forrest, December 9; Nellie Lutcher, February 3; Mel Torme, January 6; Peggy Lee, March 3.

Orkster Sammy Kaye last week entered St. Clare's Hospital here for a physical check-up.... Nellie Lutcher will play a return engagement at Cafe Society Downtown beginning November 3.... Guy Ward, sales manager for Supreme Records, completed a flying trip thru 16 key cities to work up additional promotion for the diskery's line.

Elliot Lawrence. a University of Pennsylvania alumnus, paid off the alma mater by waxing a pair of tunes from the school's coming Mask and Wig show, "Adamant Eve." ... Lionel Hampton's ork is skedded for a couple of weeks' stay at the Blue Note Cafe in Chicago beginning November 21... Duke Ellington's crew is set for a week at the Earle Theater in Philadelphia beginning November 18.... Harry Lim, jazz entrepeneur, has gone into his own disking biz. Lim will turn out jazz waxings on a label which will bear his initials, the HL label. His initial diskings feature a quintet headed by pianist Al Haig and spots such jazzmen as tenorist **Btan Getz** and tramist Kai Winding.

Blues and rhythm warbler Larry Darnell has been set for the Village Vanguard on the strength of his first record, "I'll Get Along Somehow." ... Barron Music, managed by Jack Osfeld, set an advance guarantee deal with Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), retroactive to August 1.

"Rum and Soda," etched for MGM by Noro Morales, is being promoted via novel use of cocktail cards and streamers in bars, taverns, etc. Copy on the streamers points up a "hit combination"—that is, listen to—and drink—"Rum and Soda" Sol Handwerger thought up the gimmick. . . . The Daryl Harpa ork opening at the Club Diana, in Union, N. J., Tuesday (25), booked by McConkey Artists Corporation. . . . The Billy Austin Trio is held over for a third month at Bowman's Melody Room in Harlem.

Hill & Country Record Company has signed thrush Dolly Dimples to an exclusive pact... Cece Blake, chirp with the Vaughn Monroe ork, has signed a disk exclusive with Reuben Mould's Motif diskery in Boston. She cut four sides last week... Mindy Carson, RCA Victor wax artist, starts her own show on the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) the first week in November. Fifteen-minute seg will be aired three times a week, coastto-coast. La Carson also guests on "We, the People" November 4, the night the show switches to NBC from CBS.

Phil Brown, who left the Willard Alexander Agency several weeks ago, last week unveiled his own agency, bearing his name, in Cleveland. Agency will operate on a territorial basis. Brown, who has moved his lamily to Cleveland, spent the past week here to clean up his affairs in lown. . . Russ Case, who is conducting a series of house dates for MGM Records, and who formerly was musical director for RCA Victor Records, last week landed the four-week Christmas show for the Paramount Theater here. It will be a brief orchestral presentation to fill in between showings of the new 2½ hour Cecil B. Demille epic, "Samson and Delilah."

Bop City will follow its current show, which features Louis Prima and his ork, with a package which will include blues shouter Wynonie Harris, thrush Patti Page and Herbie Fields's ork. . . . Columbia Records' pop artist and repertoire chief. Manie Sacks, was due back over the week-end from a couple of weeks on the Coast. . . . Jimmy Dorsey and Henry Busse are both in town for a couple of days between one-nighters. . . . Former

#### Philadelphia:

Preparing to leave for engagements on the West Coast, Steve Gibson and the Red Caps put in a waxing session for Mercury in New York last week....Billy Hays is located at the Ward Grill, at near-by Chester, Pa., airing nightly over a six-station regional network, with WILM, Wilmington, Del., making the remote pick-up. ... Red Norvo leads his own musical unit at Lee Guber's Rendezvous....Rita Konstance leaves the Tcd Forrest combo to strike out in New York as a single.... Altho the election won't be held until next spring, Charles McConnell has started his campaign for the presidency of the American Federation of Musicians' Local... The Jolly Joyce Agency is ironing out a Capitol Record contract for Earl Plummer, former vocalist with the Red Caps and now soloing at the Little Rathskeller here.

Harry Uber brings live music on Tuesdays and Fridays to the Teen and 20 Club, non-alcoholic nitery at near-by Oaklyn, N. J. . . Buddy Lawrence takes in Wednesdays and Saturdays at the Sun Mill Ballroom here and the Sunday night sessions at the Starlight Ballroom across the river in Camden, N. J. . . . Louis Prima has been added to the line-up at the Click, opening November 3, with Sammy Kaye taking over November 14. . . . Oscar DuMont is making his bow in this area at Sunset Beach Ballroom at near-by Almonesson, N. J., with the Columbia Broadcasting System remoting the rhythms for week-end nights.

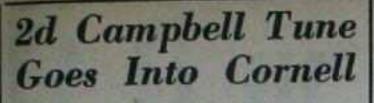
#### Hartford, Conn.:

Joe Dorenbaum was named house orchestra leader at the Capitol Theater, Middletown, Conn. . . . Kid Kaplan's, Hartford night spot, has launched a Saturday evening dance policy, with music provided by Lou Holtman's orchestra. . . Maestro Gordon Jenkins came thru Connecticut key cities, plugging "Don't Cry, Joe." . . . Jim Hogan, record sales manager of the Post & Lester Company, Decca distributors for Connecticut and Western Massachusetts, went along with Jenkins on his tour of radia stations and music stores.

The Tonga Room, formerly operated as part of the Royal Diner, Hartford, is now under the direction of Michael Piranian, with Bill LaPointe and his Royal-Aires providing music Friday and Saturday evenings.

#### **Cincinnati:**

Music has resumed in the Patio of Hotel Netherland Plaza, with Johnny Bowman, fiddler, heading a four-piece string crew. Group has Chris Williams on guitar, and Buddy Saveries, piano.... Spike Jones takes his Musical Depreciation group into Taft Theater for a one-nighter November 14. ... Elaine Bauer, former chirper with the Henry Busse ork, is making a comeback at Artie Dennert's new Club Alexandria, Newport, Ky., after six years out of the biz playing the role of hausfrau and mother.... Gardner Benedict ork is set until December at the Biltmore Hotel, Dayton, O., and follows with the Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo.



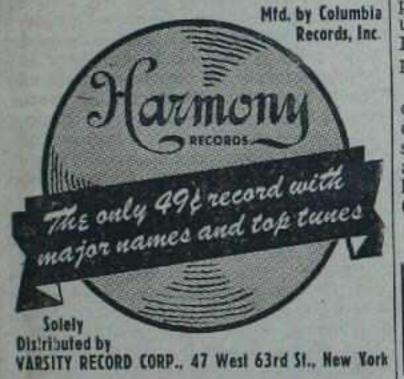
NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Nick Campbell's second American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) tune will be If I Didn't Already Love You, Baby, written by his wife, Mabel Wayne The tune goes into Cornell Music, launched by Campbell to accommodate the Eng-Coconuts (The Billboard, October 1). shops.

The significance of the placing of the Mabel Wayne tune in the Cornell pubbery lies more in the future than the present. Miss Wayne has three important copyright renewals coming due in the next few years-In a Little Spanish Town, Romona and It Happened in Monterrey, all published by Feist. Until the Coconuts tune, Campbell had one firm, Campbell Music, a Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), affiliate. Because Coconuts is an English tune, Campbell had to open an ASCAP firm to publish it, thereby also paving the way for the acquisition of the Mabel Wayne renewals when they come due.

# **MGM Cracks Blues**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- MGM Records this week grabbed off its first important blues and rhythm artist when the diskery inked and recorded Ivory Joe Hunter here. Hunter formerly waxed for the King diskery.

Hunter was able to go to MGM after the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) declared that his pact with King was not binding. He sliced his initial MGM sides Friday (21).



# Value Bows in Philly; **Other Labels Revive**

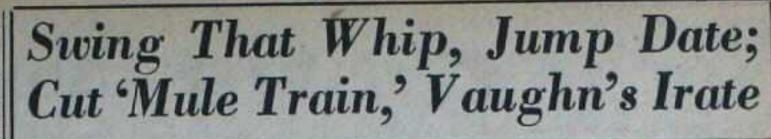
PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22 .- A new local record label will enter the wax scene here next month, with two prior labels returning to activity. The new disk will be tagged Value Records and will feature spiritual singing. The label will be bannered by Felix Valdera, operator of the two Paramount Record Shops. Valdera will do his own recording, having set up lish tune I've Got a Lovely Bunch of a sound studio in one of his record

> Public Records, the label used for string band recordings by Elliot Wexler, local indie disk distributor and personal manager for Benny Goodman, will enter the regular field. Wexler secured a recording license from the American Federation of Musicians this week and will use the label as a means of building up Emily Longacre, local songbird, under his personal management wing. He will use the label to promote artists under personal contract, planning on a single record release each month.

Jack Howard this week puts in the first recording session in some time for his Cowboy Records label by adding Jimmy Collett and the Arizona Ramblers from Norristown, Pa., to the artists list. Until now, Howard has been reissuing earlier cut sides. Col-Field, Gets Hunter lett, cowboy singer, will cut four sides. in an original, an Unsigned Valentine backed by Mary, the Prairie and I with a second twosome in Ragtime Cowboy Joe and an original in Don't Take It That Way.

#### AUTOGRAPH LABEL DEBS

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- A new label, Autograph, made its debut here this week. The outfit, which will endeavor to pioneer new pop material, is headed by Albert Morehead, president, and George Bard, treasurer. Bard is also head of the Bard Record Company, Inc., disk pressing plant in Pelham, N. Y. The diskery's first sides feature chirp Martha Lou Harp and an orchestra directed by Danny Mendelsohn. Miss Harp who has signed an exclusive with the outfit, made her nitery debut here recently at Cafe Society.



Records' artists and repertoire chief, first decided to pull Train out of the Mitch Miller, whipped up a rumpus this week over a new song entry, Mule Train. Not only did Miller himself swing the whip which made for the sound effects which will be heard on the coming Frankie Laine waxing of the song, but he also whipped Vaughn Monroe in the contest for the lifted especially for Monroe in order song.

last week and rushed to Chicago where he waxed the tune with Laine last Sunday (16). The recording was rushed into the factory for immediate production and shipment and will be out next week.

Meanwhile Monroe, who is in Hollywood filming his initial horse opera, Singing Guns, planned to use Mule Train in the movie after proper synchronization rights had been arranged with Walt Disney Music, the pubbery which owns the song. This tune was to replace Riders in the Sky in the score. Monroe had lost the movie rights to Riders when publisher E. H. Morris peddled the rights elsewhere.

#### Monroe Jumps Gun

Just after recovering from the hassle which followed the loss of Riders, Monroe learned of the Mercury recording of Mule Train and again blew his stack. He, Republic Pictures and

**RCA Offers Bach** Harpsichord Wax

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.-RCA Victor's Red Seal department has launched a major repertoire project, scheduling the complete recording of Bach's Well Tempered Clavier by harpsichordist Wanda Landowska. The entire work, composed of 48 preludes and fugues, will probably be released in a series of six albums, with the first set, containing the first eight pieces, to be released in February. Others will be released as they are recorded. Altho portions of the work are performed fairly frequently on the piano, this will be the first complete waxing with the harpsichord. Madame Landowska's recording of the Bach Goldberg variations, a sixrecord set released in 1946, turned out to be one of the big longhair sleepers. It is reported to have sold 30,000 sets to date, despite the reputedly esoteric nature of the music and the instrument.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Mercury | his manager, Williard Alexander, at flick, claiming that the Disney pubbery had not lived up to its November 15 release date on the song. But Friday (21) Monroe and his associates made a deal with Fred Raphael, Disney pubbery head, whereby the release date would be that the singing maestro could intro-Miller got his hands on the epic duce the song on the air on his Saturday (22) evening Columbia Broadcasting System show and thus claim first association with the tune, which is similar to Riders, a smash hit waxing for Monroe.

Meanwhile Raphael, who is now in New York preparing to go to work on his first Disney score, Cinderella, was trying to remain as neutral as possible in the entire situation in order to prevent the Disney pubbery from accumulating enmity on its very first publishing venture.



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NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The London Records' scheduling of imports from the Deutsches Gramaphon diskery in Germany is now being based on a different theme each month. For example, this month the sets picked for release here are principally works that haven't been available previously on wax. Among these are the Reger's Eine Ballet Suite, Respighi's Concerto Gregoriano, Stamitz's Symphony in E Flat Major. Vivaldi's Concerto Grosso in A Minor and Wagenseil's Symphony in D Major.

Next month the imports will be commemorative editions. In honor of the Goethe bicentennial, an album of Beethoven's complete score for Edmont will be issued, to include songs, entre, acts and some narration. Honoring the late Richard Strauss, waxings of Don Quixote and Ein Heldenleben, cut in 1944-1945, with the composer conducting the Bavarian State Orchestra, will be released.

The group following that will be composed of new recordings of abridged operettas from Vienna. Already set are Nicolai's Merry Wives of Windsor, Lortzing's Zar und Zimmerman and Millocker's Beggar Student.

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**City Getting Prevue of '50** Sesqui Boom

#### **Field Day for Big Talent**

#### (Continued from page 3)

at the seams as it did during the war. The Shoreham Hotel's Blue Room and the Statler's Embassy Room, about the sole name spots for the past few seasons, are getting competition for top talent from former semi-name locations like the Blue Mirror, Club Kavakos, Club Bali, Cross-Roads and Merry-Land Club.

Spots like the Old New Orleans and Rowe's are moving out of the strictly eatery bracket into the supper club ranks with semi-names. Even the honky-tonks are blossoming with live talent in the form of hillbillies and small combos.

Prize plum was plucked by the Blue Room when it signed up Rudy Vallee for next week. Vallee follows the Nine Frenchmen. The Embassy Room started off the season with Guy Lombardo and has signed Burl Ives, Dorothy Shay and Peter Lind Hayes and Mary Healey for the coming week.

The Blue Mirror, which has been featuring the Four Tunes, will have the Red Caps Monday (24), to be followed by Billie Holiday and the has decided to put one-day (Sunday) Three Flames as a package, Miss Holiday just finished up at the Club Bali and is being followed there by Sarah Vaughan. Bill Kavakos, who once claimed he would run his Club Kavakos with two-bit talent, has a fall line-up well above the two-bit level. He has signed Dean Hudson, Helen Forrest, Alan (Scramble for Names on page 54)

# **IN SHORT**

#### New York:

The Milton Berle Warner flicker, "Always Leave 'Em Laughing," will get plenty of hometown assistance. The Friars (Berle's the Abbott) will throw him a party at Lou Walter's Latin Quarter. There'll be a high priced prevue for the Cancer Fund at the Strand, and finally Lindy's will be taken over to show the picture at 4 a.m. when the joint closes its doors to visiting firemen.

Stanley Melba, band leader-booker of the Pierre, will do the Madison Square Garden Horse Show again this year. Incidentally, the Pierre's Cotillion Room has upped the budget, and in the next show it will use Myrus and a dance team. . . . Hymie Goldstein, head of the Associated Agents of America, was just operated on. He's okay now. . . . Barbara O'Brien is in Brooklyn's Unity Hospital, quite sick.

Gene Baylos opened at the Mocambo for a guarantee plus a percentage. acts the one-week-and-options deal . . Sam Levinson got his first TV guest shot, and the result may be a new show built around him. Levinson, a former schoolteacher, now gets \$2,000 in cafes and probably as much more for club dates, making more than all the teachers and the principal of his school, put together.

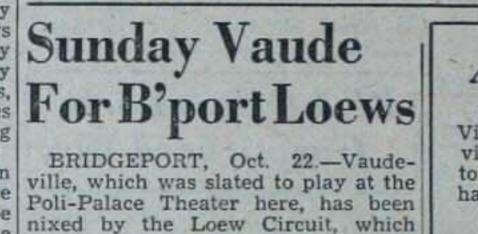
#### Here and There:

Jolly Joyce Agency, Philly, in addition to the exclusive on the Little Rathskeller here has the exclusive for Ameen David's Blue Mirror, Washington, and the Argyle and Blue Mirror in Newark, N. J.

The Feeley Theater in Hazleton, Pa., is the latest in Eastern Pennsylvania to take a try with vaude. The house added five acts with the feature film last week.

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# A Good Question

NEW YORK, Oct.-22 .- Solly Violinsky, back from his annual visit to his home in Binghamton, N. Y., was asked where he had been.

"In Binghamton."

"You didn't stay long, did you?"

# 1 Wk. & Option **Bookings** Are **Taking Hold**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Booking of acts for one week and options, a policy that many ops have tried to follow in the past, but failed, has now taken hold.

Main reason for it catching on is that jobs are scarcer almost daily, so more and more acts are laying off.

Nick Agneta, booking the Boston Latin Quarter, for example, offers almost in every case. Recently Dick Henry, of the William Morris Office, has begun using it in at least one spot, the Prince George Hotel, Toronto. The May Johnson office, also booking Canadian rooms, buys on the same basis.

Primary reason is that cafes want to keep changing talent and few performers, they feel, can hold up for more than a week. Another reason is that ops are shy of being stuck with unsuitable acts. If they buy an act for the customary two weeks and options, and cancel out, they are liable for the entire two weeks on a pay-or-play contract. On the oneweek deal they still are liable, but only for a single week.

If an act takes the one-week deal and options, the latter is picked up usually after the first day. By that time the op has had his chance to see if the act lived up to its build-up and if it fits the room.

During the war some abortive ef-

vaude bills into the Loew-Lyric Theater, starting tomorrow (23), instead. There is a possibility that a split-week policy will be used if business warrants it.

will use eight acts and a first-run feature picture. Gus Meyers Jr., formerly Loew-New England circuit manager of the Lyric Theater.

"How long can you stay in one place with the same material?"

musical director, will handle the pit For the Sunday shows, the house crew. Ruth Bolton, formerly assistant manager of Loew's Theater, Norwich, Conn., has been appointed house

forts were made by various ops to buy on a one-week basis. In those days, however, it was the scarcity of talent that was the motivating factor. By spreading acts thin ops thought they could all get some playing time, But even where the plan was followed it cost so much that it was soon dropped.

A performer, for example, getting \$500, wanted \$750 for a single week, arguing that it didn't pay to take it otherwise. Some acts still hesitate to take one-weekers without some hike, but thin bellies and thinner wallets are making others change their minds,

# Leon, Eddie's Keep **Boff Celeb Night**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Celeb nights used to be the big gimmick all over the country. Now there's only one spot, Leon and Eddie's on 52d Street, which still puts it on every Sunday night. While nobody in authority will admit how much it pays off, the fact remains that come Sunday night Lou Katz, headwaiter, has to know you pretty well before you can get a table up front.

Last Sunday (17) Leon and Eddie's celebrated its 21st anniversary. To emsee the shindig it brought back Joey Adams (who just became an author for the second time) and his two partners, Tony Canzoneri and Mark Plant.

The joint kept rocking until 5 a.m., with practically every comic in town there and ready to go on. Most of the performers got their start here, and even some of the town's leading bonifaces began here. For example, Toots Shor, present with a party, used to work for Leon and Eddie's.

While there are no official figures available, it is estimated that the club does near capacity business Sunday nights when something big's on tap. For permission to use cuffo talent that night, Eddie Davis, the sole op, pays the American Guild of Variety artists \$50 a week.

# Who'll Get the Waldorf Plum MCA's Grip **Slips; Others Have Chance**

#### Management Undecided

(Continued from page 3) running the hotel, he'll put Miss Abbott in the buying spot, and the competitive offices, William Morris, General Artists Corporation (GAC) and the indies, will have a chance they've has two small orks, supertable servlong been waiting for.

The situation may be particularly keen in band bookings. GAC, with teringly enough to have it come back. its heavy band roster, is even now preparing sales talks to convince the new hotel management that their properties will fit the room.

spot. It has the class hotel acts which the hotel will want. It has Morton Downey, Dorothy Shay and others in the same class. It also has a large list of society bands and smaller units.

In the near future, however, or as soon as the hotel rearranges its talent policies, the battle for position channeled publicity. will start.

ing of the new class room, the Carna- ity isn't such a big headache. The val at the Sherry-Netherland, with cafe has to make it on its own dough. no talent except music, has given If a hotel room doesn't pay off right other hotels some pause. Right now away, it can keep running on profits the only competition the new room obtained from straight hotel operahas is from the Plaza's Rendez-Vous, tion, which incidentally, was started by Serge Obolensky, who is now managing the cross-the-avenue Sherry-Netherland.

ice and a maitre d' who has been around, knows the plush trade flat-The Rendez-Vous has Gigi on the door. The Carnaval has Otero.

But where such rooms stand to profit is in their dinner tabs, their around and get plenty of assistance MCA is still in a key competitive main stock in trade. Where a commercial nitery with a big talent tors. budget collects tabs that average \$5, class rooms with practically no talent budgets, except musicians at scale, have tabs that average \$10. Also practically every diner is a wine buyer. The catch to such an op-

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The open-| heeled than the average cafe, longev-

#### Accent on Flacking .

Public relations must of necessity play a major part in such a venture. It cannot be limited to column breaks; Like the Rendez-Vous the Carnaval it must be channeled to society pages and have tie-ins with society charitable ventures. In the latter field, the Sherry-Netherland has combo of Dorothy King and Adele Brown, who formerly did the same job for the Plaza where Ed Seay is now handling it. Both outfits know their way from the local society and picture edi-

There is some speculation among hotelmen whether or not such an operation can pay off. In most cases long-time reps of established hotels prevent talentless policies. The St. Regis Maisonette uses one moderately eration is longevity plus properly budgeted name. In the summer months, however, its Roof goes on Inasmuch as the hotels are better (See Hotels Eye Carnaval on page 53)



#### NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE 51



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#### **Orpheum**, Los Angeles

(Wednesday, October 19)

Capacity, 2,200. Price range, 50, 45 and \$5 cents. Four shows daily. House booker, Bill McIlwain, Show played by Rene Williams's house ork.

Top acts here are the Merry Macs in the six slot and the Three Swifts in the closer. Macs make merry with a brace of well-chosen songs, tossing in a couple of dance routines that help sell the foursome. Tastefully garbed they win hearts and hands with a novelty ditty Natch, a country flavored item Pass the Biscuits, Mirandy, highlighted by a song and dance resume of terp steps of the past to prove there's nothing like The Old Fashioned Waltz.

The Swifts, smooth juggling trio, work only with dumbells and carry on chuckle-spurring patter as they display amazing feats of tossing and catching.

Eddie Fisher, 20-year-old Bluebird rhythm group with her. disking balladist, gets a transcribed intro by Eddie Cantor who claims his discovery. Lad's pleasing voice wins patron response with Everywhere You Go. Breaking My Heart and Lucky Old Sun. A specialty piece in which he vocally disclaims copying Sinatra, Crosby, etc., makes act drag.

Comics Al Shaw and Lee Sam dish up old gags that audience eats up. George Andre Martin uses his fingers to ape dancers to polite palming. Act is okay for clubs or tele, but it doesn't sell in a large house. Lela Moore's half-man-half-woman illusion of a dancing couple is cleverly executed. Lipham Trio's acro routines are standard and well done, but better pacing would enhance the turn. Seal's sea lions (Sandi, Kelpi and Princess) fit well in the opener. Rene Williams's ork seemed unsure of cues during first show.

Pic, Holiday in Havana. Lee Zhito.



#### Paramount, New York (Wednesday, October 19)

Capacity, 3,654. Prices, 55 cents-\$1.50. Number of shows, four daily; five week-ends. Paramount chain booker, Harry Levins. Bhow played by Erskine Hawkins's band.

This is a jump show to keep pace with the staccato Betty Hutton in the flicker, Red, Hot and Blue, There's a lot of tumult onstage, with possibly too many conflicts and too much of one thing. The audience, however, liked it, and if it likes it long enough, it will pay off.

Erskine Hawkins's band blasts it out with a series of jumpers strictly for the juve trade. The tempo occasionally comes down, but with practically every act doing some sort of tumult routine, there is little change of pace. The only exception was Nellie Lutcher, who has her own

Miss Lutcher was as competent as ever on her old stand-bys, Hurry on other hand some of their corny stuff. Down, Real Gone Guy and Fine Brown Frame. The audience was shed, got laughs. receptive even if not wildly enthusiastic. It kept its enthusiasm for the mad caperings and muggings of Stump and Stumpy, who just about stopped everthing.

The Clark Brothers opened the show with a zing in their standard sizzling hoofery. The duo's precision was perfect, and their challenge stuff was equally effective.

#### Miss Green Drops Pace

Madeline Green, band canary, dropped the pace with a dull, expressionless Lucky Old Sun. Her dispirited style got her tepid hands.

The tempo got a big lift from Stump and Stumpy's mad caperings, muggings, crazy chatter and dancing. The (See Paramount, N. Y., on page 54)

#### Palace, New York (Thursday, October 30)

Capacity, 1,700. Price range, 55 centa-\$1.20. Number of shows, four dally; five week-ends. RHO chain booker, Dan Friendly. Show cut by Don Albert's house ork.

The current bill proves at least one thing; fast, smart comics or hep singers, either of whom would do great jobs in competitive Stem houses, mean little here. The audience, made up mostly of older people, like their comedy obvious and go for straight singing with no flourishes or stylings. The sight stuff is made to order here. Any deviation and the performer suffers.

This was demonstrated by the reception received by the Marshall Brothers and later by Art Lund. The Marshalls (there's a new boy in the act) have some funny material, and the new lad is quite good. But when tune, Gigelette, is a poor opening item they threw some really funny lines, and the early part of the story of it became a staring contest. On the how he learned piano lacks punch which they're apparently trying to with an unusual demonstration of

Art Lund was another example. The ex-Benny Goodman singer is the same blond, tall, good-looking lad with a good robust voice, yet his Blue Skies and Mam'selle (both MGM recordings), when announced here, got apathetic reactions. Only his first, a bright number, Bye-Bye Baby, registered. With more youngsters in the house, he'll probably do better. To the oldsters he meant little.

#### **Timblin Biggest Hit**

The biggest hit on the bill was the next to closer, Charles (Slim) Tim-(See PALACE, N. Y., on page 54)

#### Strand, New York (Friday, October 21)

Capacity, 2,700 seats. Price range, 55 cents-\$1.50. Five shows opening; four shows daily thereafter Warner chain booker, Harry Mayer. Show played by Jo Lombardi's ork.

#### **Oriental**, Chicago (Thursday, October 20)

Capacity, 3,200. Price policy, 50 to 98 cents daily. Four shows daily, five shows werkends. House booker, Charley Hogan. Show played by Carl Sands' house band.

The flicker Tokyo Joe will carry most of the load here for the next three weeks, and this average vauder won't affect attendance much. Show lacks any real high spots and little continuity is evident.

Los Gatos, a terrific tumbling and balancing turn, has worked too often locally in the past six months, with the result that the boys can't change their act enough to get full power of this run.

The Crosby Sisters, a pair of vivacious chicks, give out with plenty of animation and voice thru a good substantial turn, Natural comediennes, the gals need stronger material to work with.

Leon Navara can throw away the first four minutes of his piano-comedy turn. It lacks interest. His original narration lines. He turns on the heat playing difficult longhair with only one hand. His closing aping of standard piano classics by various maestri got him off to an average hand,

Desi Arnaz had a weak foundation to build on, in that Latin-American music packs little punch locally. Despite the handicap, the fiery ex-flicker star built up attention, so that his closing Babalu won a good mitt. Arnaz has plenty of stage savvy, with his spirited ballading and gimmicks, such as a huge congo drum which he uses on the closing ditty, adding up to more response. Arnaz was presented smartly, with curtain closing during last part of Navara's act to let house band change into congo shirts and ties, giving impresh Arnaz had his own ork. Arnaz carries his own conductor and a drummer, who is tops in the South-American tempi.

Johnny Sippel.

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The second package tab show in this house, Make Mine Manhattan, a General Artists Corporation (GAC) unit, ran well, was hung nicely, but like its predecessor could use better lighting. Downstage is bright; upstage, from about two back, gets dim. so the kids working that area are almost lost.

This shortcoming didn't detract from the all-round good job the 28person show did. The dances by Lee Sherman were pleasingly managed by the kids and, at times, even had spots of excitement. The high choregraphic spot was the Phil the fiddler ballet, which was interpreted imaginatively. Much of its value came from Ralph Young's booming but pleasantly effective narration.

#### Lamb in Key Spot

The key spots were held down by Gil Lamb and Betty and Jane Kean. In the sketches Lamb did a fair job. tho he's no Sid Ceasar. The restaurant scene, for example, originally written to show off Ceasar's double-talk ability, fell flat. But when Lamb went into his regular vaude act he was dynamite. The yocks were terrific.

The Kean Sisters were equally outstanding. Jane's singing was bright; she handled her lines with deftness, getting the most out of what was originally a dull book. Betty's comedy and comic-dancing were provocative. Her bit drew big laughs, and her sister Jane's feeding of the straight lines was skillful. The sisters also did their vaude act, using their saga for hearty chuckles,

Bobby Brandt, a fresh looking young hoofer, made a fine impression. Muriel King, Peggy Henry, Stuart Harris and Perry Bruskin also contributed handsomely to a tab show cut down to 65 minutes.

The tank scene was not used. Jo Lombardi played a show full of trick cues with commendable skill, Pic, Beyond the Forest. Bill Smith.



#### Charley Foy's Supper Club, Sherman Oaks, Calif. (Tuesday, October 18)

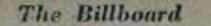
Capacity, 300. Price polley, no minimum, no cover. Owner-operator, Charley Foy. Shows at 9:30 and 11:30. Booking policy. non-exclusive. Publicity, Charlotte Rogers. Estimated budget this show, \$2,000. Estimated budget last show, \$2,500.

Charley Foy has made a clean sweep of his talent layout, bringing in four fresh acts and dropping the old stand-bys, including himself. Results are first rate, with radio character comic Pat Patrick rating top bows, ably backed by George Beatty, Bob Evans and thrush Ronnie Gibson.

Patrick, familiar as "Urcil Twing" of the Edgar Bergen radio stanza, is one air comic who can more than ably handle himself on a nitery floor. Doubling as emsee, Patrick was a fast click from the start, leaning heavily on monologs and story spinning. His humor boasts a fresh, intelligent slant which is far cry from typical bistro gagsters, and delivery and timing both show professional polish. Spotted three times during the hour-long show, he spaced material-wisely for best effect. For a wind-up he goes into a specially written nitery version of "Urcil Twing" which proves funnier by far than radio counterpart.

Bob Evans displays plenty of flash and style in both vocal and terp departments, combining special material tunes with hoofing turns for solid results. Best of the lot was series of take-offs on vaude greats, including George Primrose, Bill Robinson; Bubbles, of Buck and Bubbles; Pat Rooney and Charley Foy. Vocally, lad's lusty pipes are appealing, but effect was slightly dulled by the fact that he chose opening night to break in a raft of new tunes.

George Beatty, fave at Foy's is ishing, original lifts and whirls, won currently playing his 12th return them the heaviest mitt a dance team stint, which should attest for his abil- has obtained here in a long time. ity. Smooth and polished, Beatty's Nancy Donovan needs a definite stock in trade are parodies, original style before she can fill the headtunes and mimicry, all slightly on the bluish side but never offensive. Such let as this. While gal's vocalizing is classics as I'm Married to a Strip Tease Dancer, and Who Ever Said material and individual approach that Life Begins at Forty are well worth a listen. For a clincher, Beatty's drunk pantomime is a knockout, Last caught here several years ago, comic is better than ever. Rounding out the bill is youthful thrush Ronnie Gibson, a newcomer to these parts. Lass has a voice boasting many of qualities of Gertrude Niesen and shows good judgment in mixing tunes. Inexperience, however, is evident in over-dramatic gestures and zealous attempt to click. With more bistro background gal should become a crowd-pleasing act. Music is provided by Abbey Browne's combo, with 88-er Vivian Greene handling intermission stints. Gal is a terrific jazz pianist, sings well and is definite asset to the show. Alan Fischler.



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### NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

#### Empire Room, Palmer House, Persian Room, Hotel Plaza, New York Chicago (Tuesday, October 18) (Thursday, October 20)

Capacity, 500. Prine polley, \$1-\$1.50 cover, plus \$2 minimum. Exclusive booker, Merriel Abbott. Choregraphy, Eddle Brastow, Publicity, Fred Townsend. Estimated budget this show, \$6,000. Estimated budget last show, \$5,200.

This elite hostelry room continues its lower budget shows, instituted last month, with the current edition hitting much higher than its predecessor in quality. Three-act bill is as easy-moving as anything here in quite a while, but does lack a headline name.

Clifford Guest, back after a year, still needs about four minutes of really funny chatter with his dummy, Lester. While Lester isn't as an important part of Guest's act as most vent's foils, still the poor start hurts him. After he turns attention from Lester to his own unusual and unequalled voice-throwing ability, interest is tops all the way. In addition to his startling fox hunt, crying baby and suitcase exchange with Lester, Guest has added an approaching echo.bit. Won a much-deserved encore.

Back in the U.S. after a year abroad, Cabot and Dresden have polished up a ballroom act that was mighty nigh perfect. Jose Cabot's handling of his partner overhead, while he's executing rapid whirls and his recovery of her to normal dance position, gets more amazing with each appearance. Pair opened with straight ballroom routine, followed by a sprightly waltz that showed their stepping ability. Their windup, in which Cabot did some aston-

Capacity, 275. Price policy, \$1.50-\$2 cover after 2:30. Pollcy, shows at 9:30 and 12:30. Owners, Hillon chain. Booking policy, Merriel Abbott, exclusive. Publicity, Ed Scay, Estimated hudget this show, \$2,000.

If there was any doubt of a show's pulling at the chi-chi Persian Room. it was removed Tuesday (17). In-'stead of two shows, the opening had only one, at 11:30. According to room officials, dinner that night was murder, but for supper it was sold out days in advance, with patrons clamoring for tables.

For return of Tony and Sally De-Marco, at least 10 dance teams were spotted, who came in to see the act. If they can duplicate the work of the DeMarcos they'll have something to show. Tony and Sally were never better. Since last caught they have added a couple of comedy talk bits, changed some of their material and sold everything like the experienced showmen they are. Their routine two performers who specialize in ranged from the slow dreamy things to beautifully arranged music, all of it in the familiar standard vein, to novelty things that included Latin-American tempos. The team has even developed a cute walk-off gimmick that was good for extra hands.

#### Maria Neglia

Maria Neglia, a pretty pixy-ish brunette, wearing a Mary Martin hairdo, surprised with her violin playing. She showed imagination added to skill which hushed the room completely. The gal opened with the listenable Fiddle Faddle and then changed to a couple of the lighter Chopin pieces, displaying a sensitivity and control that were as remarkable as they were effective. Then came a few novelties winding up with a strolling Sorrento. Miss Neglia left no doubt she's a highly skilled artist. Where she missed was in not letting the light humorous pieces stand by themselves was two Irish ditties, but even there Time and again the gal over-mugged, making a burlesque out of something that didn't need it at all. She's a stuff is there, when it comes to voice pretty kid and screwing her face up time and again, or crossing her eyes, to show she was playing something meant to be funny, didn't make it funnier. This deliberate grotesqueness just detracted from her lovely music.

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#### Cafe Society, New York (Wednesday, October 19)

Capacity, 200, Price policy, \$2,50-\$3,50 minimum, Shows at 10, 12 and 2. Operator, Louis Lewis. Booking, non-exclusive, Publicity, Ivan Black. Estimated budget this show, \$800.

Anne Cornell, first caught here some years ago, is back. But during the years she has lost that childish naivete and freshness that made her sirging distinctive. She has since gained experience, not to mention a few superfluous pounds, and is now a stylist with many voice tricks, some of them intriguing. The over-all reaction, however, is an appeal now limited to the connoisseur who thrills to high stylings.

Harry (the Hipster) Gibson is the same mad hip lad, with a series of lyrics dedicated to the boys who use "tea," with piano work to accompany it. The latter, mostly of the boogiewoogie type, occasionally reaches exciting heights.

#### Warp and Woof

Moms Mabley's philosophical dissertations and homespun philosophy about people and things make her act a strange one in a spot between jump material. Moms has other material, a lot of it blue, but she didn't use it when caught this time. Her audience gradually warmed up, finally switching from intellectual nods to full-throated yocks.

Billy Taylor, who emsees, fronts the band and has his own spot, showed a brilliant piano technique in the jazz idiom, reminiscent of Art Tatum at his best. Taylor, a tall, good looking Negro, has long fingers and uses them for exciting piano runs as he weaves in and out of arrangements of various standards.

The Billy Taylor group (piano, drum, bass, guitar) did an okay show-Bill Smith. cutting job.

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#### Silverman Heads R. I. Agents

PROVIDENCE, Oct. 22. - Samuel Silverman, of this city, was re-elected, for a third term, president of the R. I. Theatrical Agent's Association at the annual dinner-meeting held lust week. Ray Mullin, of Pawtucket, Cliff Eddy, Providence, secretarytreasurer,



liner's niche in so important an outadequate, she still needs that special one associates with chirps like Evelyn Knight and Dorothy Shea, who are standard here. Gal's closest approach she needs Gaelic ditties that no one else is doing or associated with. The and delivery, but it needs polishing. The Merriel Abbott Dancers con-

tributed two holdover numbers. Eddy O'Neal continues his fine job of orkfronting and emseeing.

Johnny Sippel.

#### HOTELS EYE CARNAVAL (Continued from page 50)

with no talent. The Waldorf has used class names so long that switching it might hurt it. The more commercial hotels operate with name bands, and it is doubtful if they will or could change. In fact the Statler chain, which dropped talent some years ago thruout the country, has recently brought it back because business fell off.

Hotelmen say that only those hotels which can set aside one room for shows and another for fashionable dining can make the latter policy pay off. The Plaza, for example, besides was re-elected vice-president and its Rendez-Vous, also has its Persian Room. The Waldorf has many rooms. but for its show it uses the Wedgwood Room. The same thing is true of the Pierre. It, too, has a straight restaurant, with no music at all, and also has its Cotillion Room and the Cafe.

> To overcome that handicap of a straight grill room with dance music and no other entertainment, the Sherry-Netherland has a piano going in its main floor bar. It also uses its musicians in the Carnaval for intermittent strolling bits. The room layout, however, is such that sight values are almost completely lost. Kingsized pillars, even tho relieved by mirrors, obstruct views. But this obstruction makes it an ideal hideaway spot, which may help build it to

Bob Grant's ork cut the show without a flaw. Mark Monte's Continentals did the relief work.

Bill Smith.





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# Stem Biz Still Dull, at 389G; MH 142G, Roxy 67, Cap 40

NEW YORK, Oct, 22 .- Tho it is Haakon, six other acts and Holiday showed little to encourage theater- six other acts and Prison Warden. men. Income at the six combo houses was \$389,000, against \$390,000 last PALACE, N. Y. week.

Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average \$134,500) faded fast when it showed \$142,000 for its second week of the Gaudsmith Brothers and The Heiress, against an opening of \$156,000.

The Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$78,000) opened to a fair \$67,000 for its inital week of the Benny Goodman show and Father Was a Fullback.

The Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$55,000) did a miserable \$40,000 for its opening of Emil Coleman's band. Phil Foster, Connee Boswell and Roseanna McCoy.

The Paramount (3,654 seats: average \$73,250) held up fairly well in its third and final week of Martin and Lewis and their picture, My Friend, Irma, doing \$73,000. New bill (reviewed this issue) has the Erskine Hawkins band, Nellie Lutcher and Red. Hot and Blue.

The Strand (2,700 seats; average \$22,750) exited to \$45,000 for its third and final week with the tab review. High Button Shoes and Task Force. The bill opened to \$70,000 and followed it with \$50,000. The new show (reviewed this issue) has a tab show, Make Mine Manhattan and Beyond the Forest.

The Palace (1,700 seats; average \$22,000) advanced to \$22,000 for this week's bill of George DeWitt, Paul

PARAMOUNT, N. Y. (Continued from page 52) team's material hasn't changed but

expected that next week's grosses in Havana, against \$21,000 the week will be up, with new bills opening at before. The new bill (reviewed this some of the houses, this week's takes issue) has Slim Timblin, Art Lund,

(Continued from page 52) blin, working in the latter part of his act with a girl and a boy. Timblin's blackface preacher monolog registered as solidly today as it did when he played here on the two-a-day. It was yock upon yock as he rambled thru biblical inconsistencies. He got added values when the unbilled girl and boy (bride and groom) came on to be married. The gal's Scotch dialect and the boy's Italian bit, incongruous with both in blackface, were hilarious.

The show opened with the Three D's on horizontal bars. The act (two boys, one girl) made for a good opening. One of the boys did light comedy which missed. The girl was on strictly to dress the act, tho she contributed some mild acros.

David Powell, son of Jack Powell, on in two, showed himself an apt pupil of his father's long-time standard drumming act. The youngster, however, elaborates. He uses a pair of shears in castanet fashion, hoofing to a Spanish beat, then switches to drumsticks yanked out of a cane. From then on the act is similar to his dad's, tho it is equally or even more effective.

The dance team, Enrico and Novello, who've been caught in various niteries, seemed stale and had trouble with their timing and music. The girl seemed unsure, and the act seemed labored instead of graceful.

Chester Dolphin is a clever juggler with a flair for comedy and chatter that shows off a pleasant speaking voice and an ingratiating personalit But like others on the bill, his talk didn't register until almost the end of his act. On sight stuff, his spinnin: of five hoops while doing a head stand was the payola. Alphonse Berge and his dress draping act, using three girls-he jus' closed at the Ziegfeld when Key Murray's Blackouts did a folderooworked fast. The girls looked goor and the oohs and ahs built up for satisfactory exit mitt. Pic, Prison Warden, Bill Smith.



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the crowd couldn't get enough of them

Nellie Lutcher, who followed, was a sharp drop from the pace set by the previous act. Then came the Trenier Twins, two boys, last caught at Bop City, who have toned down heir act considerably. They're still a tumult team, bouncing around and :houting songs like Hucklebuck and Good Rocking Tonight. Much of their vork resembles that of Stump and Stumpy without their class. The fact hat they also did dancing (as did tump and Stumpy and the Clark Brothers) made the acts too much ilike.

Hawkins's biggest number was an exciting arrangement of Temptation n which he was on kettle drums lown front.

The show ended with the Treniers on stage raising bedlam for the decent, with Hawkins's band right in here with them blasting it out. Bill Smith.

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#### Stork Now Story

DETROIT, Oct. 22. - The Stor' Club here has been renamed the Story Bar by its new owner, Roger Dolphyn, a newcomer in the niter business, who took over the roo from Eddie De Mercurio. The spr was ordered to change its name b Federal Judge Frank A Picrad sev eral months ago, after a suit by the New York Stork Club. The room now operates as a lounge.

#### SCRAMBLE FOR NAMES

(Continued from page 50) Dale, the Three Suns and Count Basie Art Tatum, who is packing the pintized Merry-Land Club, will be folowed by Savannah Churchill, Rose lurphy and Pearl Bailey. The Old Vew Orleans is presently featuring IBC-TV performers Johnny Bradord and Tony Romano, while Rowe's -well off the nitery beat in Southeast Washington-is running to four acts ightly, with Fred and Fay Wakefield n top.

## **Tank for Berle**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22. - The salesman sketch in Make Mine Manhattan in which the tank was used is not in the Strand show. Warner Bros. bought that bit for Milton Berle. And while the tank number can be used in non-Warner houses, it can't at the Strand or any other Warner theater.

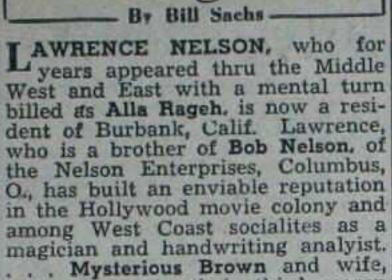
# **Bonus Audience Revealed** by NU **Auto Radio Poll**

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Many drivers of automobiles equipped with radios can identify programs, a few can identify sponsors and all have their sets on more than home listeners at comparable times. These and other pertinent facts were revealed here last week upon release of a survey of automobile driver listening habits made by Northwestern University students under the direction of Dr. George R. Terry, university research expert.

The students made a one-day stoplight check of 1,071 car-equipped radios at 42 strategic intersections believed to represent a cross-section of Chicago traffic. By application of cross-checking with controlled samples the results were found to be indicative of the entire Chicago auto radio audience, Dr. Terry stated, and are considered to be important in view of the dearth of research on automobile listening. Station operators have long contended that car listeners constitute a bonus audience not reflected in station rates and are often overlooked by those who predict that TV will deliver a death blow to American radio.

The survey was made between 7-9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.-1 p.m., 4-6:30 p.m. and 8-10 p.m.-hours of top traffic flow.

About four out of ten cars had radios on between 7-9:30 am., or 42.5 per cent; between 11 a.m.-1 p.m. the percentage was 42; between 4-6:30 p.m. it was 40 per cent and between 8-10 p.m., 41.5 per cent. According to national Hooper ratings, home sets-in-use percentages for comparable time periods are 13.5,



Magic

Lillian, now in their third season with National School Assemblies of Los Angeles, are set for the season in schools and colleges thru the Dakotas, Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa and Wyoming with their novelty turn consisting of magic, vent, talk talks and rag pictures humorously presented. The Browns recently visited with old friends, George Mc-Athy and family, Harry and Zola Pavey, and Loring and Katherine Campbell in Burbank, Calif. The past summer, the Browns attended the Chavez Studio of Magic in Los Angeles and are loud in their praise of the school operated by Ben and Marian Chavez. . . . The Great Lawrence (Lawrence Bishop), who opened his season recently at the Marquet Hotel Mirror Room, Hot Springs, hopped from there to Dallas to play the Parrot Club and Strand Theater, Handling the Lawrence advance and publicity is B. G. Mathis. Lawrence is skedded for a trek thru the Southwest and South. . . . Dr. Redford L. North, after four weeks at Pier 76, Providence nitery, is set on a long string of club dates thru New England by United Artists Enterprises, Providence, headed by Alan M. Sherwood and Richard M. Burgess. In addition, North is operating a school of hypnotism in Providence. . . . Marquis the Magician infos from Milan, Tenn., that he's back on the road with what he describes as "the second largest allmagic show touring the country today." Roster numbers 16, including advance agents and company manager. Visitors on the Marquis show at Jackson, Tenn., included J. C. Bisbee, of Bisbee's Comedians, and several members of his company; Clarence Auskings, advance agent of Buck Bros.' Magic Show, and Morgan Howard, formerly with Ade Duval and now assistant manager of Jackson's new Southern Hotel, Marquis unit is touring under the direc-

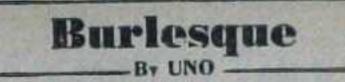


bia Broadcasting System (CBS) this week was considering the appointment of a liaison man between its AM and TV programing execs as the result of a hassle between them over the format of the new Robert Q. Lewis video program. The disagreement was finally settled by bringing it before CBS Prexy Frank Stanton, who decided in favor of the radio brass.

The Lewis skirmish actually brings out into the open a problem which has been occurring with increasing frequency-who is to have final say on TV programing, the video or AM boys? It is said in trade circles that the TV programing execs opposed presenting This Is Showbusiness on video because of their belief that panel shows would not be successful in TV. The program now is sponsored.

Behind the opposition of the TV brass, observers believe, is their fear that if the CBS radio brain trusters get their hooks into TV the web may decide to dispense with the services of the video program execs when integration comes. Suspense, Studio One and Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts, now sponsored on CBS-TV, all originated in the web's radio package mill.

That the net is aware of the conflict can be seen by CBS's decision to do Yours Truly, Johnny Dollar and senator representing New Haven. ... the Adventures of Philip Marlowe Margie Hart is appearing in the legit from the Coast on kine because Harry Ackerman, the AM Hollywood program chief, also heads TV programing out there. The same difficulties cannot arise, tho both shows are also radio packages.



flesh policy at the 2,000-seat Gracio Square Theater, Yorkville, Manhattan, operated by Al Bryon and William Laight. Starting November 5, the house will offer combo program Saturdays and Sundays, using two comics, a straight, and an eight-girl line and two vaude acts plus pix, booked thru the Jack Linder office, New York. . . . Harry Lander and Morris Lloyd have revived their former vaude act. . . . Pete DeCenzie is managing the Four Star Theater, Portland, Ore., for Harry Farros. . . . Helene McCree is emseeing and lecturing with one of Duvain Esper's units now at the Allen Theater, Akron, managed by Spence Spencer. Line-up includes Jimmie and Sue Matthews, Irene De-Marco, Lysle Smith, Charlene, and Elsie and Gabby Gonzales. L. C. MacCracken is director, and Bud Carper, drummer-leader.

7ANANA and Fifi, her monkey, L open November 7 at the Alamo Club, San Antonio, for four weeks thru Wallace Brennan. . . . Lois De-Fee replaced June St. Clair, who was skedded to head the new Hirst unit featuring Dick Bernie and Vic Puree, in Boston recently. . . . Harry Kane, vocalist, is held over at Max Schreiber's Famous Door, New York. . . . Dorothy Morey and Harry Eaton opened October 24 at Herman Pirchner's Alpine Village, Cleveland, booked by Noel Sherman. . . . Samuel H. Malkin, former burly comic, recently appointed to the Connecticut State Boxing Commission by Gov. Chester Bowles, was feted recently at a testimonial dinner at Wilco Pier Restaurant, West Haven, Conn. Malkin was formerly Democratic State drama, "Light Up the Sky." .... Phil Seed, comic, after four weeks on the Jack Kane circuit, joined the major wheels in another unit October 20 at the Avenue, Detroit. . . . George Enyder, former burly straight, is now an Electrolux representative in Flushing, N. Y. . . . Irving Selig and Milt Hamilton are newly teamed for a comedy act. . . . Myrna Dean is playing Manhattan club dates.

11.9, 15.4 and 23.9.

Forty-one and seven-tenths per cent of those interviewed could correctly identify programs; 22.1 per cent could identify the sponsor. Those who said they didn't know the name of the program were 39.6 per cent of the sample, and 60.5 per cent said they did not know the sponsor. The rest answered these two questions incorrectly.

General program preferences were in following percentage order: Music, 36.2; sports, 177; variety, 17.4, and news, 14. The men preferred music, sports and news, while the women preferred variety, music and drama, in that order. Over 80 per cent of the drivers were men, but Dr. Terry stated that the sex of the driver had no discernible effect on the extent to which auto radios were turned on.

Dr. Terry also said that almost one-half of those sampled said they listened most to their auto radios during the hours of 7-9 a.m. and 5-6 p.m.

### **Detroit** Operetta Schedules 10 Shows

DETROIT, Oct. 22 .- The seventh annual season of Detroit Civic Light Opera opens December 25 at the Masonic Temple Auditorium. A 10-week run, with weekly change of bill, will wind up March 5. This year's series skeds productions of Show Boat, Naughty Marietta, Good News, Chocolate Soldier, The Desert Song; No, No, Nanette; Up in Central Park, Song of Norway; Annie, Get Your Gun, and Carmen Jones. Casts are not yet signed but will include stars similar to those booked in past seasons.

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Maxine, en route south from a season of fairs thru Nebraska and Kansas, spent a week at their home in LaPlata, Mo., where they had as visitors Hazel Felton, wife of King Felton, magician, and Doc and Mrs. Gaffney, magicians, who are playing schools thru Northern Missouri. Doc Gaffney is regaining his health after a serious illness and operation the past summer, and is now sporting a new van-type truck and much new equipment, Lippincott reports. Mal and Maxine also enjoyed a visit from their daughter, Francine, whose husband, James Bailey, is a magician and student at the University of Kentucky, Lexington. The Lippincotts played the Palestine, Tex., Fair October 10-15. . . . Paul Hubbard, sporting a new house trailer to replace the one destroyed by fire in Cincinnati recently, has resumed with his magic in Ohio schools. . . Stuart Kramer, Cleveland conjuror, has again contracted with the same local brewery to appear four nights a week at its rathskeller theater for a series of sales meetings thru the fall and winter. He gave his first show under the new contract Monday (24). Last year, starting in November, the meetings ran over five and a half months. Kramer has also completed another series of TV Birch show," writes Kramer, "Birch Flesner,

#### AM Shows for TV

The fact that CBS also has a number of proved radio shows on the air which are slated for TV consumption only makes the position of the video execs weaker. In addition, plans are afoot to convert many of the unsuccessful CBS radio packages into TV programs in an effort to recapture some of the investment which the net has already made in them. Shows like Broadway Is My Beat, Cabin B 13. The Green Lama, Tell It Again, Rooftops of the City, Garden Gate and You Are There are slated for TV consumption.

Since CBS already has this considerable backlog of programs ready for TV, the pressure on video idea men to come up with stronger shows of their own origination becomes even heavier. That is why CBS is looking for a Solomon to keep peace in the family until integration does come about and the problem is finally settled.

said he is making a six-week tour before returning to his farm at Malta, O., for another vacation. The show was good, as usual, with Mac and Mable just as full of vitality and charm as ever." . . . Landrus the Magician is currently swinging thru Georgia country, with R. Temple Greystoke former pro magician, setting the dates. Greystoke is now in the antique business in the Georgia country. ... Jay Bee Flesner joined the J. C. and Frank Admire magic units recently at Owensboro, Ky., to do his magic and hypnotism. Flesner was with the Famous Players Tent Show in Iowa all summer. The Admires now have four onecommercials, this time for Rini Cali- man units doing school shows in the fornia Wines. "I recently motored Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky secto Lorain, O., with Bob Wing and Bill tors, featuring Gordon the Wizard. Hackman to catch the McDonald Joe Goud, Mysterious Hatfield, and

#### "Peter Pan" for Zorina

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The Stem will get its first revival of Peter Pan since Eva Le Gallienne included it in her Civic rep in 1928. Peter Lawrence announces the signing of Vera Zorina for the title role and has already raised half the production nut of 125G.

Rehearsals are skedded to start November 15 with a Stem Christmas night opening in view. In anticipation of a subsequent tour, Zorina has signed thru June, 1951.



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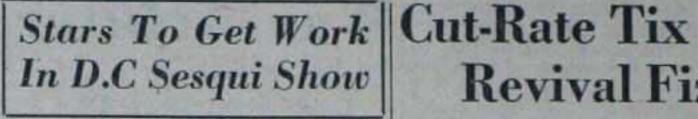
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NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- James E. Sauter, chairman of Mayor O'Dwyer's 10-man theater committee, announced this week that his committee was ready to get down to specific recommendations. Luncheon meetings are skedded for Tuesday (25) and Friday (28) at which Investigation Commissioner Murtagh and License Commissioner McCaffrey will be present at the Hotel Astor. On top of the agenda is putting enforcement teeth in the current ticket code of the League of New York Theaters and Actors' Equity by incorporating its provisions into the city license department's regulations of ticket brokers. Heretofore, it has been freely admitted that the code was unenforceable. It is believed that municipal control will be effective.

Both the industry and the commissioners will have an opportunity to co-ordinate their opinions. Their findings will then be submitted to the mayor for approval. If such is forthcoming, the license department will immediately take over their enforcement.

#### Probe Almost Over

Murtagh said this week that his

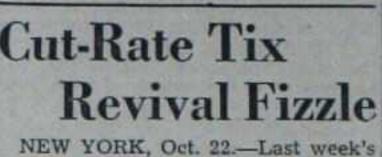


and 150, Green said, but the madrama groups. The parts of George Washington and a couple of others will probably be filled by top stage stars, Green stated.

The new amphitheater will seat at least 3,500 and is to be run on a nonsegregation basis. The latest in amplifying equipment is to be used on the stage, and planners figure on equipping the actors with button mikes to assure being heard. Following the run of The Merciless Days the amphitheater will be available for other productions.



new stock theater company functioning in suburban East Hartford, Conn., was assured of a full house for open- at present-day operation costs, he ining night, Monday (24), thru the ef- sists that there is still ample opporforts of the East Hartford Rotary Club, which is sponsoring the performance. The \$800 to be raised by the group thru the ticket sale will be donated to an East Hartford development project. The new legit project is quartered in the 497-seat Astor Theater. Producer Harold J. Kennedy, who for the last three years has tenanted the Mc-Arthur Theater, Princeton, N. J., for summer runs, will inaugurate a 10week series, starting with The Front Page, starring Dane Clark. The Astor was selected, he said, because of its location in the Greater Hartford area and also because it was not sold outright to movie, radio and TV rights. Speaking at a meeting of the East Hartford Chamber of Commerce last week, Kennedy described the Astor as "better than the Bushnell (downtown Hartford legit house with 3,300seat capacity) because it is smaller and closer to the real New York theaters." The Front Page will run a full week at \$2.40 top. Following this (October 31) will be Let Us Be Gay, starring Kay Francis. Subsequent bills will include Lizabeth Scott in Anna Lucasta, Edward Everett Horton in On Approval and Ilka Chase in Design for Living. The local 10-week experiment will be watched carefully. Theater interests in Connecticut believe that if the attempt to produce legit attractions on a consistent basis in the small East Hartford film theater proves profitable, it may signpost repetition in cities of similar size.



The move has left operator Dorothy Leblang and Manager Saul Lancourt holding somewhat of a bag, with prospective indignant customers keeping the office wires hot. Both Miss Leblang and Lancourt, however, stressed that they have no grievance. "It is just unfortunate," they said, "that producers and theater owners feel that cut-rate selling injures b. o. sale and a play's prestige. We feel and still feel that it can be a help in merchandising of a product which everybody admits is on a down grade."

#### **Other Brokers Content**

Lancourt also stressed the fact that no objections to the practice stemmed from other ticket brokers. In fact, he stated that most of the fraternity HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 22 .- The were in favor of the project. Freely admitting that over-all tariff-cutting could not save an average production tunity for salvage via a judicious use of cut-rate-aside from the obvious assets of new audience build-up. Miss Leblang stated that the agency was prepared to go on with the project "as and if producers want to support it." However, if anything is to come of it of lasting usefulness to the business, a proper clientele must first be developed. In such circumstances her agency would be willing to buy in on shaky productions. She believes that with proper producer support, such a clientele could be lured to the counter in less than six months. It is her intention this week to contact James Sauter, chairman of the mayor's committee for theater reforms, with a view to enlisting its support of the cut-rate notion.

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this week that his committee was	in Rock Creek Park.	My Fancy, and Yes, M'Lord. Unfor- tunately, the publicity backfired.	The Browning Version 10-12, '49 (Coronet)	13
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#### As the Girls Go .... 11-13, '49 Broadways 12-30, "48 Kias Me, Kate (Century) 12-16, '40 Lend an Ear (Broadburst) ---- 7-15, '49 Miss Liberty (Imperial) South Pacific..... 4- 7, '49 (Majestio) (Broadhurst) Where's Charley? ..... 10-11, '48 (St. James)

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#### ICE SHOWS

Howdy, Mr. Ice of 1950 5-16, '49 200 (Center)

#### CLOSED

31 Ken Murray's Blackouts 9- 6, '49 (Ziegfeld) Saturday (15) H.M.S. Pinafore and Trial by Jury ..... 10-17, '49 (S. M. Chartock's G. and S. Repertory) (Mark Hellinger)

(Saturday (22)

probe into ticket scalping was "about concluded". To date 30 out of a total of 66 ticket agencies have either surrendered their licenses or seen them revoked. This is in line with the mayor's statement a couple of weeks ago that he did not subscribe to witch-hunting. However, the commissioner of investigation pointed out that the current phase of the probe "is a concentration on making the gains permanent."

Further activities anent the fabulous invalid's welfare next week sked a meeting Thursday (27) by the League of New York Theaters to consider the Edward L. Bernay survey of what's wrong with the theater. The Bernay report, which included little information which could not have been picked up locally between 42d and 59th streets, cost the League 6G out of a \$33,500 fund collected from members for stimulation of national legit business. This Monday (24) the theater committee, under the chairmanship of Morton Baum, meets to set up the stage groups which will represent it at the national theater assembly skedded for Washington next January, under the auspices of the American National Theater and Academy.

### **Savoyard Revival On Stem Gives Up**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- S. M. Chartock's Savoyard revivals will forego their last week at the Mark Hellinger. Iolanthe was to have been next week's bill. Chartock and his troupe have called it a day as of tonight, with a final performance of Pinafore.

Early this week, Anthony B. Farrell, owner of the theater, was reported as permitting the troupe to stay on provided business improved. Apparently, the Pinafore production, the poorest of the Chartock offerings, hasn't upped finances.

company on extended tour in January.

#### "Lend an Ear" Moves Again

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.-Lend an Ear makes its fourth theater move Monday (31) when it switches operations to the Mansfield. Yvonne Adair leaves the cast at the Shubert tonight Chartock's intention is to send the (22). Beverly Hosier, Jenny Low Law and Shirley Brown will divide her revue chores.

#### "Shoes" Only Norfolk Show

NORFOLK, Oct. 22 .- The bleakest show season since the war is in prospect here. The only attraction booked so far is High Button Shoes, for a tentative three-day engagement in the spring.

Efforts by local promoters to book road shows into the Center Theater have met with little or no success, contrasting with last season's half-dozen presentations which included Oklahoma; Annie, Get Your Gun; Harvey and O Mistress Mine.

#### **Bridgeport Season To Open**

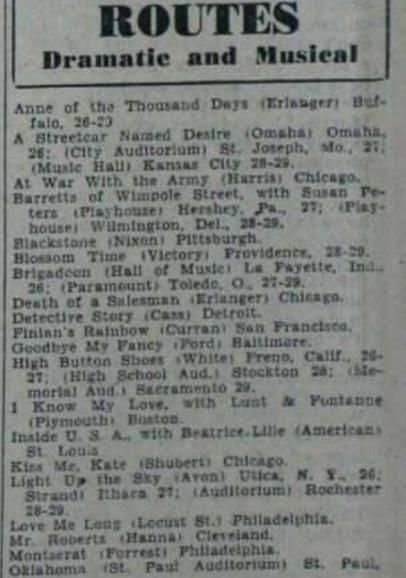
BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Oct. 22 .-Bridgeport's legit season gets its first booking at the Klein Memorial here next Friday and Saturday (28-29) when Tallulah Bankhead opens her road tour here in Private Lives. Mrs. Albert E. Shea, who took over the United Booking Office franchise on the death of her husband last year, has transferred all of her bookings into the Klein Memorial, instead of the Loew-Lyric Theater, which previously had all legitimate showings.

COMING UP	
(Week of October 24)	1.00
Montserrat	
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### "Miss Liberty" Only 80G Off 180G Nut

NEW YORK, Oct. 15 .- Despite preem night mixed notices, Miss Liberty in three months has earned 100G of its \$180,000 production nut, The remaining 80G is confidentially expected by Christmas.

Paramount is currently talking pic rights, with Irving Berlin, Robert Sherwood and Moss Hart replying to the tune of \$500,000.



27-29. Private Lives, with Taliulah Bankhead (Klein Auditorium) Bridgeport, Conn., 28-29. Student Prince (Shubert) Philadelphia Summer and Smoke (Davidson) Milwaukre, Texas Lir Darlin' (Shubert) New Haven Conn.

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Broadway Review

#### **H. M. S. PINAFORE** AND TRIAL BY JURY (Opened Monday, October 17)

#### MARK HELLINGER THEATER

Operetias by W. S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan. Staged by S. M. Chartock, Sets by Ralph Alswang. Costumes by Peggy Morrison. Musical director, Lehman Engel., Gen; eral manager, Philip Adler. Stage manager, Lewis Pierce. Press representatives, Nat Dorfman and Marian Byram, Presented by S. M. Chartock.

#### H. M. S. PINAFORE

Little Buttercup	Jean Handalik
Tommie Tucker	
Bill Bobstay	Robert Eckles
Dick Deadeys	Joseph Macaulay
Ralph Rackstraw	
Capt. Corcoran	Earle MacVeigh
Josephine	Kathleen Roche
Right Hon. Sir Joseph F	orter, K.C.B.
Cousin Hebe	Beverly Janis
Bob Beckett	Craig Timberlake
FIRST LORD'S SISTER	IS, HIS COUSINS.

HIS AUNTS, SAILORS AND MARINES-Dolores dePuglia, Patricia Hall, Annabelle Lee, Trudy Prager, Elsa Shannon, Martha Aleson, Phyllis Blake, Regina Burger, Laura Byola, Incs Harris, Dorothy Johnson, Helen Stanton, Mia Stenn, Stanley Ames, Thomas Batten, Joseph Caruso, Anthony Cerami, Edwin Easter, Frank Gagliardi, Joseph Mazzolini, James Vitale, Samuel Kirkham, Mathew Powers, John Salter, Glen Scander, Jack Shannon.

#### TRIAL BY JURY

Counsel......Earl MacVeigh Third Bridesmaid ...... Natalye Green Foreman of the Jury ..... Craig Timberlake 

After what, in this reporter's opinion, amounted to a nice production start with the Mikado and Pirates of Penzance, S. M. Chartock's G. and S. troupe skidded badly this week with a switch to Pinafore and its inevitable companion piece, Trial by Jury. It is their least worthy bill to date. While Gilbert's combined lampoons of British naval snobbery and courtroom shenanigans have never be- zied attempt to escape a forced relonged on his top libretto shelf, and neither contains the best of Sullivan's melodies, they have always enjoyed a popular spot in the rep and their nonsense can have zest and bounce, provided it is paced and played to the proper key. The current exhibit at the Hellinger is not. In fact, it is a very tired brand of G. and S. and its ensemble doesn't even seem too well drilled. The opening night's congregation of the faithful was attentively polite, as befits true Savoyards, but Pinafore's and Jury's reception were far from on a par with their predecessors.

# **OFF BROADWAY REVIEWS**

#### SHAKE HANDS WITH THE DEVIL

(Opened Thursday, October 20))

#### BLACKFRIARS' THEATER

documentary play by Robert C. Healey. Staged by Dennis Gurney. Sets by Gregg Kane, Lighting by Joan Tyne. Stage manager, Norman Barra, Presented by the Blackfriars' Guild.

CAST-Frett O'Hollewitt, Paul Lynch, Vincent Gordon, William Rublan, Robert Grenville, Gwenda Talens, David Grozier, Gerald Gannon, Phillip Kenneally, Marcia Murray, Ernest Moyles, Roberta Hewitt, Jane Murray, Virginia Sutton, Craig Norris, Lore Noto, Arnuard Mitchell, Sadle Stockton, Harry Bolden, Robert Sloat, John Murphy, Aram Katcher, Madeleine Morka, Gertrude Slack, John Michael, Robert Muller, James McMullen, Philip Abbolt, Robert Anderson, Norman Barrs,

That worthy experimental troupe of the Blackfriar's Guild opens its ninth season with as furious an allout blast against communism as has been seen on Stem or off in this reporter's memory. There is no pussyfooting about Shake Hands With the Devil. There is no attempt to dress up its message in terms of theater. Its structure is something crude and some of its scenes anti-climactic, but its young author, Robert C. Healey, has certainly rolled up his sleeves for an outspoken arraignment of borers from within and without on our American way of life. It carries a ring of truth and is completely interesting thruout.

Healey has made use of published testimony and incident of the recently completed communist trial before Judge Medina as the basis of his play. Via a half-dozen flashbacks-done in "living newspaper" technique-he illustrates the infiltration of the philosophy of the defendants at work on the American scene. An idealistic writer on a communist sheet finds himself out on a limb via abrupt about-faces in the party line. The the plot unveiled on opening night, tions and degradation to both via the Allis-Chalmers strike is a background after some obvious scene pruning, jealous ruler's relentless persecutions. for a vignette of the Red grab at labor unions. Oksana Kasenkina, the Russian school teacher, and her frenturn to the Soviet is another. The the boy singer. The lad is in love duping of the families of the defendants of the remembered Scottsboro trial in order to obtain party funds is a fourth. Gouzenko, the Russian embassy clerk, is shown trying in ill-gotten money bags. Meanwhile, vain to convince the Canadian authorities of the presence of an espionage ring. The final espisode is the tragic fate of Hungary's Cardinal Mindszenty.

#### YOSELE, THE NIGHTINGALE (Opened Thursday, October 20)

#### YIDDISH ART THEATER

A comedy by Maurice Schwartz from a story by Sholem Aleichem. Music by Sholem Secunda. Staged by Maurice Schwartz. Settings by Leon Foch. Choregraphy by Belle Didjah. Stage manager, Morris Strassberg. Press representative, Anne Woll. Presented by Maurice Schwartz.

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Sholem Aleicheth	Yudel Dubinsky
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Gedalye Bass	
Esther	
Gayge Bashe	
Isnac	Jacob Mestel
ZIALC	Lucy Gherman
Alter Peshes	Jacob Zanger
Yosele	Moshe Zamar
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Out of Yosele Solovei by Sholem Aleichem, a tale which deals with a boy cantor who sings like a nightingale, Maurice Schwartz has contrived a romantic folk comedy of nostalgic charm and vivid characterization. However, its total effect as quality theater somehow fails to come off. In the story's transition to the stage, too much of the original content is drained off in favor of the adaptor's own imagination. In some scenes a tendency to the grotesque warps the flow of Aleichem's native humor, which in itself needs but little revision even for the taste of modern playgoers.

Nevertheless, there is liveliness and pace in the well-handled action. As Sholem Aleichem arrives in a Ukranian village to write a novel. There follows a meeting with an assortment of characters and particularly Yosele. with a certain comely Esther, who also pines for him. But an ugly, old fat usurer covets the lass and intrigues for her on the strength of his a Mephistophelian villager lures the reluctant songbird off on a singing tour for his own unholy profit. Then enters glamor in the person of a passionate, wealthy widow-to-be, enchanted by the boy's voice to the point of diverting him from his devotion to the virtuous Esther. To escape her lovely claws, he flees home to marry his anguished girl-friend. The subsequent rejoicing, however, is suddenly chilled when the wicked charmer, now fully widowed, reappears and gathers the finally exhausted Yosele to her bosom. All that is left for poor Esther is mournful wedlock with the ancient loan shark. The wedding scene, incidentally, is executed in imaginative dance forms and exciting climax.



#### THAT LADY (Opened Tuesday, October 18)

ERLANGER THEATER, BUFFALO drama by Kate O'Brien. Staged by Guthrie McClintic. Set and costumes by Rolf Gerard. Company manager, William G. Tisdale. Stage manager, James Nellson. Press representatives, Bernard Simon and Howard Newman. Presented by Katharine Cornell. Rodrigo......Douglas Watson Anichu ...................................Jada Rowiand Bernardina Cavero ..... Esther Minclotti Juan de Escovedo.....Joseph Wiseman Philip II ..... Henry Daniell Mateo Vasquer's Secretary......Oliver Cliff Don Manuel......David J. Stewart Anichu at 18...... Marian Seldes Wallace Chadwell, Lits Dal Porto.

The impact of events that rocked 16th Century Spain made itself felt again when Katharine Cornell and Guthrie McClintic unfolded their new drama of old world love and intrigue at the Erlanger. That Lady offers a dramatic and moving evening thru a magic fusion of superb acting, excellent staging and direction and a powerful and well-written historical drama.

The major plot concerns the ardent love affair between aristocratic, widowed Ana de Mendoza and her late husband's successor in office, Antonio Perez, Spain's state secretary under King Philip II, who'd always been extremely interested in that lady himself A political intrigue fits in as a secondary theme. Ana's decision to prove her loyalty to her lover and the world, in defiance of the king's wishes, brings but brief happiness and long years of priva-Tho Ana remains an ill and wretched prisoner, her pride refuses submission, and when her lover Antonio flees to freedom after a moving farewell, she becomes the moral winner. Kate O'Brien, from whose book this play originates, makes 16th Century Spain seem quite understandable. Her lines are crisp. sometimes relieved by broad humor, and build to many emotional peaks. Rolf Gerard's three stage designs, his first in America, an austere study, drawing room and luxurious boudoir, produce the right moods, as do the eyefilling period costumes. This reporter's only criticisms were the difficulty in hearing many of the lines and the three-hour running time of the play, defects easily remedied via an over-all vocal pick-up and a bit of judicious pruning. **Miss Cornell at Best** Katharine Cornell is at her best, bringing out all the nuances that this complex characterization offers. She gives her one-eved Princess Ana warmth, charm, stature and nobility, and builds a mature, romantic role that is ripe and full-blown and quite unforgettable. Even with a black patch over the right eye, she manages to look glamorous, and to act rings around her co-players. Henry Daniell's King Philip is excellent, fullbodied, royally bold, cruelly dictatorial and humanly frail. A warmly moving portrait of the old Cardinal is offered by Henry Stevenson, who contributes excellently whenever he appears. Torin Thatcher, as Ana's lover, has a direct approach, vibrant and exhilarating whether making tender love or pondering weighty affairs of state. Joseph Wiseman is the sinister, scheming Juan De Escovedo, who threatens Ana's love, and puts in a short but telling performance. Also deserving bows are Esther Minciottl as the duenna, and Marian Seldes and Douglas Watson as Ana's daughter and son. This Cornell play has all the earmarks of one of the actress's brightest roles. It should appeal to a vast number of pew-buyers on the score of superlative acting alone.

#### **Bad Sets**

Chartock is obviously operating on a close budget, but there seems little excuse for Ralph Alswang's drab and unimaginative backgrounds, which don't stack up against the efforts of a lot of campu technicians laboring in a lower expense bracket. Nor do they add to the showing off of Peggy Morrison's costumes, which are sufficiently bright and cheerful. But physical production defects are not the worst of this edition.

Heretofore, Chartock's songbirds have behaved as if they were thoroly enjoying what they were doing and communicated their enthusiasm 10 the last pew. The Pinafore ensembles romp on as if they had a job to do-and exit as if they were glad it's over. In considerable measure this is true of the principals. The words come over clearly enough, but there is little or no individual sporkle. Vocally, Morton Bowe carries off the evening's honors, but he is as dull a topmast hand as this reporter has seen in the opus. Kathleen Roche is as nice to look at as ever, but she has both sung and acted the captain's flighty daughter far better.

#### **Riggs Not So Bad**

Ralph Riggs' Sir Joseph is superbly in the snob tradition, altho he also appears to find the assignment something of a chore, and Earle Mac-Veigh's captain is over-all stiff and

#### Sickle Gets Hammered

Obviously, all of these items, as well as the background trial itself, have been exhaustively reported in the news. As reportorial adaptations to drama, some sequences are gooda few are excellent. There is no question where Healey stands on the issues. There are no-intermediate shades in his book-black is black and white is white-which, for a young man who is sickling and hammering with both hands at the communists, is quite as it should be.

With a few minor improvements, which will doubtless be made, Dennis Gurney will have accomplished one of his best staging chores. Putting his flash-back actors behind a scrim and his courtroom practically in the audience is an effective device. Brett O'Hollewitt and Paul Lynch acquit themselves excellently as the judge and the prosecutor. Other outstanding performances in a huge cast stem from Marcia and Jane Murray. Arnuard Mitchell, Sadie Stockton. Harry Bolden, Aram Katcher and Madeleine Morka. A special bow goes to Philip Abbott's cardinal.

Healey and the Blackfriars are to be congratulated on their outspokenness. Bob Francis.

stylized. Jean Handzlik handles her vocal duties excellently, but h r Buttercup must have been on a benzadrine diet. She's the most shockingly slim bumboat girl ever to tread the (See H. M. S. Pinafore, page 98)

#### Zamar an Asset

Maurice Schwartz, with customary craftsmanship, extracted a sardonic playfulness from his supportng role. Moshe Zamar, a talented importation from Paris, acts and sings the title role superbly and is an asset to Yiddish trouping. Charlotte Goldstein is attractive, if not too convincing, as lovelorn Esther. Anatole Winogradoff acquits himself with credit, and Berta Gersten, a Yiddish Art Theater repatriate, handles her unsympathetic lines well. Lucy Gherman, once teamed with her late husband, Misha, gives a moving imperconation. Other outstanding contributions stem from Ola Shlifko, Boris Auerbach, Yudel Dubinsky, Jacob Mestel, Jacob Zanger and Gustave Berger,

Yosele, the Nightingale was on the Yiddish Art schedule for 'ast season; its unveiling signposts a popularity to make up for time lost.

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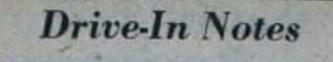
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ter, Newington, Conn., has been appointed director of the Young Adult and Adult Little Theater Group program at the Hartford Jewish Community Center this fall. Fred Jackson has joined the Pike staff as cashier, and Paul W. Amadeo, assistant manager of the theater, has assumed additional duties of refreshment stand supervisor.

The hearings on a suit against the Darien, Conn., Board of Adjustment in the Court of Common Pleas, Bridgeport, Conn., are to be transferred soon to the Darien Town Court to accommodate two of the town's witnesses.

# Illness Continues To Dog B. Terrell

BATON ROUGE, La., Oct. 22 .-Billy Terrell, former owner-manager of Billy Terrell's Comedians and number has increased sharply this present owner-operator of theaters in Amite and Roseland, La., is a patient at General Hospital here. Terrell, who has been in ill health since last March, was rushed here last week after suffering a relapse at his home in Roseland.

Terrell says that he has been g'ven 35 shots thus far to correct a liver regular theaters was 20,355. and kidney ailment, but his best shot came via a visit from Smoky Cole, a friend of long standing. Terrell's wife, Bonnie, is operating their theaters in his absence. He expects to be released from the local hospital in time to celebrate Christmas at his home, he says. Mr. Helen Sanders, widow of George Sanders, is visiting with Bonnie in Roseland.



# Drive-In Theaters' Growth Rep Ripples Mrs. Joe Dolgin, wife of the gen-eral manager of Pike Drive-In Thea- Proves Bonanza for Popcorn

#### By Haviland F. Reves

WITHIN the past several years a decreased customer satisfaction, comnew source of profitable popcorn plaints and loss of repeat sales. sales has been opened up by the mushrooming construction of outdoor or drive-in theaters in pract'cally every State of the Union. From crude screens suspended on poles with a percable box office, to the \$500,000 super-deluxe offspring of the mating of Hollywood and Detroit, there is a field for the sale of popular food products, with popcorn very close to, if not actually at, the top of the list.

Construction has gone ahead so fast, with building being started even in early fall in the Northern States, despite the impossibility of operating during the winter season, that complete statistics are not wholly up to date. In comparison with 19,323 regular motion picture theaters, there were 983 drive-ins as of January 1. The year, as weekly construction reports from many States indicate. The growth of the drive-in field is evidenced by comparison with the year 1945, only four years ago, when there were 96 drive-ins listed across the country, many of them dating back 5 to 10 years, while the number of

The refreshment concession is an important part of virtually every drive-in today. Exact figures on popcorn volume in drive-ins are as yet not readily obtainable. Total concession sales in mov'e theaters was estimated at \$60,000,060 last year. While this represent: about one-fourth the total volume for the candy industry. t is a mere 4 per cent of the \$1,545,-000.000 annual gross of the film industry itself (excluding amusement) tax), instead of being just about equal to box office grosses as so often, and somewhat ludicrously, is proclaimed. Actual comparisons place the popcorn business in proper perspective. Business is good, but not such a bonanza as to encourage any get-richquick rush. Sound merchandising practice in selling even a good thing is just as necessary with popcorn in drive-ins as in any sensible business operation.

#### Finds Favor

Popcorn is fortunate in finding 1. ready welcome in the drive-in, in contrast to the attitude of indoor theater managers, and even more, by many patrons who do not happen to like the crunch and other disturbing noises outdoor theater, with the patrons comfortably seated in their own cars, no one is annoyed if the fellow in the risburg, Pa. next car is munching corn.

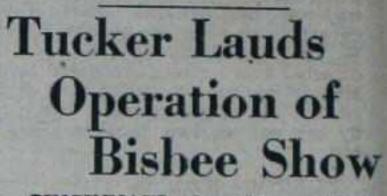
The one serious remaining objection, that of the noise of bursting bags, blown up by youngsters, can be eliminated, even if boxes are not used, by a little trick developed by a popcorn vender, Henry Lemke. A small hole is punched in the bag with a hand punch or any convenient gang-punch, and the most eager noise-maker will be unable to make the air stay in the bag long enough to create the familiar bang.

Basic merchandising of popcorn in a drive-in, from the promotional standpoint, is relatively easy. As most people realize it really sells itself. thru its pleasant aroma, when warm and fresh. Having it available and able, by sight, sound and fragrance, to suggest its own desirability at the point of sale, are the essential factors, Nor does this conflict with the previously stated qualification that it should not become objectionably obtrusive. While the aroma of corn will carry in diluted form across the theafer on an average night, it is only concentrated at the concession counter, where people are usually ready to buy.

#### For Pre-Popping



JAMES BOLDUC will have 16mm. pix in the Woonsocket, R. I., area. He has had religious films in the East for several years. ... Varney Players will be active this winter after a lay-off of two years. Trick will have four people and will be sponsored. A. L. (Al) Varney states that he has winter dates lined up for New England and New Jersey. . . . Austin Esters narrates that he is framing a dance-show unit and will cover many of his former dates in Western Wyoming. He will play schools in that accompany it. In a widespread between with some short-cast bills and music. . . . Dave Lowery is promoting amateur shows around Har-



CINCINNATI, Oct. 22. - Terry Tucker, of the rep and med shows bearing his name, in a communication to the rep desk this week from Kenton, Tenn., waxes enthusiestic over Bisbee's Comedians. Tucker says that after attending the org's performance at Dyer, Tean., he can honestly report that Bisbee is truly living up to his "everything new but the name" billing.

"Bisbee's show really clicked." Tucker penned. "Mr. Bisbee's Tented Theater, as it is called by towners, has a seating capacity of about 1,000 and it was practically packed each night that I altended. This, of course, is due to the fact that Bisbee believes in investing chips in order to get more of them.

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#### **Co-Ordinate** Conicol

Experience shows popcorn sales can arely be divorced from the rest of the concession operation. A central ervice point is necessary, and the peculiar conditions of a drive-in, inluding the multitude of parked cars and the normal darkness, make a coordinated control necessary. Subleasing of popcorn as a part of the concession operation is possible, but efficient utilization of personnel usually requires that they be available to transfer from, say, popcorn to hot dogs and coffee on a cool night. Flexibility of operation makes such integrated organization preferable.

Should the job be handled by a specialized concessionaire or directly big profits. Too, many have found the operation is profitable in some medium and larger-cized theater circuits. which are their competitors. In these houses, however, the refreshment division of the circuit staff becomes, in effect, a concession operation in itself. that particular phase of the business.

The man who knows his own busispecial problems that arise therein. in a raw or popped condition. For instance, he is unlikely to know price tag and buy whatever brand and quickly affects profits. will cost least per bag, with too little finished product. The result must be (See Drive-In Theaters on page 69) General Delivery

The first major problem met in drive-ins is the question of when and how to pop. Pre-popping has many advocates, notably in the indoor theater field. Now some drive-ins are also reported switching from their own popping to the pre-popped product. Such instances are too few to constitute a trend, according to Anthony A. Szwarga, who operates the Nu-Way Popcorn Sales, a pre-popping firm which is entering this profitable sector of the theater trade.

One argument in favor of prepopping is the resultant saving to the concession on labor costs. The expenses of popping are eliminated, as well as the investment in equipment. lic Wednesday (19). Theater is op-The corn is placed in the warmer and is ready to be served.

#### Packaging

Another factor, according to the advocates of pre-popping, is that corn should be packaged immediately, before it cools, and the factory-popping process allows careful control of the operation to see that this is done. On the other hand it is true that careful operation in the drive-in by trained by the theater owner? Many small help could aim at a similar process, indoor theater owners like to handle if the ratio of popping to sales can be their own popcorn because they sense closely controlled. The reason for immediate packaging of the hot corn is to prevent the absorption of moisture.

Humidity is, in fact, the big enemy of successful popcorn operation in trive-ins. Opinions within the corn industry itself differ on methods of with specialists devoting full time to combating the situation. Storage space is usually in a concrete block type of building erected at, or even below, ness can usually do a better job of it ground level, which is subject to the than a man primarily interested in inroads of dampness from the very something else. The average theater nature of its construction. The result owner is in no position to make a is likely to be damp corn-and popthoro study of the popcorn situation | corn is inclined to soak up any availand is rarely qualified to handle the able moisture, thus spoiling, whether

Moisture in raw corn results in what types of corn are best for his decreasing the volume of popped customers. He is apt to judge by the product from a given amount of stock,

attention given to the quality of the the outskirts of town, results in a fre-

pany in the South. His line-up includes Boob Brasfield, Mundee and June, Jess and Dorothy Sund, Herbie Roland, Jimmy and Eddie Farren, Kitty Farren, Ernest (Toby) Vevea, Trixie Maskew, Cliff and Mabel Malcolm, Howard (Pops) Johnson, Bob Fisher's Dixie Swing Band, Leo and Maxine Lacey, and Bisbee, who portravs the role of Mahala, magician.

"Bisbee says that his business has been good all season despite flood and rain obstacles. He adds that ha plans to add a new top for next year."

MOBILE, Ala., Oct. 22. - This city's second drive-in theater, the Bama, was thrown open to the puberated by T. G. Solomon and L. C. Montgomery, of New Orleans, who also operate eight conventional theaters and another drive-in at Baton Rouge, La.

Special features include individual sound boxes with volume control. sandwich and soft drink bar with a view of the screen and baby bottle warmer service.



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#### FINAL CURTAIN

27 years, October 11 at his home in dren, Burial in Lockport, N. Y. Atlanta. Brannen alded in the installation of several of the first radio stations in the South. For the past Club, Newport, Ky.; the Maketewah seven years he had directed WFON, Marietta, Ga. Surviving are his Neil House, Columbus, O., October widow, three sons and a daughter.

CHAULSETT-Mary Lucille, wife of C. R. (Toddy) Chaulsett, October 10 in Litchfield, Minn. She also leaves a son, Raymond, and a daughter, Shirley, of Long Beach, Calif. Burial in Watkins, Minn., October 14.

CLIFTON-Elmer, 59, veteran film director, at California Lutheran Hospital, Los Angeles, October 16 of a cerebral hemorrhage. Starting his career as an actor, he appeared in D. W. Griffith's Birth of a Nation. He directed and scripted some 400 films. His last picture was titled Not Wanted, the Ida Lupino starrer. Survived by his widow, two daughters and a son.

DOKTOR-Karl, 64, violinist and teacher, October 10 in New York. With Adolf Busch he founded the Busch String Quartet, of which he was a member for 34 years. His widow and son survive.

DORE-Daniel, 73, composer, conductor and arranger of musical comedies, October 16 in Plainfield, N. J. He had been associated with Victor Herbert and Reginald DeKoven operettas from 1903 to 1928. A composer of ballads and several symphonic arrangements, Dore formerly conducted orchestras for the William Morris circuit of vaude houses.

FIELD-Henry, 77, radio pioneer, October 17 in Shenandoah, Ia. He built Station KFNF in 1924.

BRANNEN - Alfred Lynne, 55, Dakota, during the winter. Survived radio engineer-announcer the past by his widow, Hilda, and two chil-

> GAREY-Samuel A., 47, former manager of Beverly Hills Country Country Club, Cincinnati, and the 19 in Good Samaritan Hospital, Cincinnati, of a heart attack. At the time of death Garey was manager of the Swan Restaurant, Erlanger, Ky., near Cincinnati. Survived by his widow. Irene; his mother, Mrs. Grace Garey, and a brother, Robert, of Tucson, Ariz. Burial in Highland Cemetery, Fort Mitchell, Ky., October 22.

> HEAD-J. Frank, 80, retired theater owner, October 14 at Hot Springs. He went to Hot Springs in 1898 to manage the old Grand Opera House. Upon the completion of the present auditorium there in 1905 he became its manager.

> MITSON - Eddie, 65, bandmaster and circus musician, October 12 in General Hospital, Saginaw, Mich. Mitson had been with the Brown & Dyer Shows, J. M. Cole, Russell Bros., Clyde Beatty and Wallace Bros. circuses. Survived by his widow, Alma; his father, a sister and five brothers.

> MONAHAN-John G., 75, veteran actor, in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., October 15 after a short illness. He was for 26 years an actor in legitimate. musical comedy and operas and, after retiring from the stage, operated a nitery in Norwalk, Conn., until 1944. He appeared in such productions as The Merry Widow, The Pink Lady and Abie's Irish Rose. Survived by his widow, Marie C., and two sons. John and Matt. Burial in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

> ODELL-Dr. George Clinton Densmore, 83, author of the 15-volume Annals of the New York Stage, October 16 in New York. Among other books, he authored Shakespeare, From Betterton to Irving and edited school editions of Julius Caesar and Henry V.

broken neck sustained in a fall from the show train October 9. Survivors include a brother and sister. Burial in Petersburg.

PIO-Joao da Costa, 39, actor, October 8 in Lisbon. Featured as a child comic singer, he later played in many Ga. operettas and revues in Portugal and Brazil, His widow survives.

film attorney, October 13 in New York. His sister, Ann Ronell, composer, another sister and his mother survive.

VANDER COOK-Hale A., composer of circus music, October 16 in Allegan, Mich. He also wrote many music instruction books and founded the Vander Cook School of Music in Chicago.

WEEKS-Aaron P., 62, father of Helen Graver October 8 in Chicago. Larry Weeks, juggler, currently with Ice Vogues of 1950 and formerly with This Is the Army, October 20 in Crown Heights Hospital, Brooklyn, of uremic poisoning. Besides his son he leaves his wife.

YORK-Harry, 54, veteran doorman at Loew-Poli Palace Theater, Bridgeport, Conn., October 13 after a short illness. Survived by two sisters, Ann and Bessie. Burial October 15 in St. Michael's Cemetery, Stratford, Conn.

ZAREMBA-Augusta T., 103, former Bay City, Mich., musician, recently in that city. Interment in Bay City.

# Marriages

BEAUCHAMP-CHURCHILL -- Anthony Beauchamp and Sarah Churchill, actress, October 18 in Sea Island,

HARTMANN - BESSE - Charles Hartmann, musician, formerly on the ROSENBLATT - Herman S., 37, RKO vaude circuit with Babe Egan's Hollywood Redheads, and Mildred Besse, widow of Charles J. Besse, secretary of Local 586, American Federation of Musicians, Phoenix, Ariz., October 6 in that city.

LIVERMORE - MURRAY - Paul Livermore and actress Peggy Murray in Los Angeles October 13.

MAYBERRY-GRAVER-Russ Mayberry, assistant director of the Kukla, Fran and Ollie television show, and

POSTON-LINDGREN-Tom Poston and Karen Lindgren, both legit actors, October 18 in New York,

HARRIS-ATWOOD-John H. Harris, Pittsburgh showman, and Donna Atwood, ice skating star, August 1. it has just been revealed.

# Rirths

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Owens October 9 in Hollywood. Father is a composer and band leader.

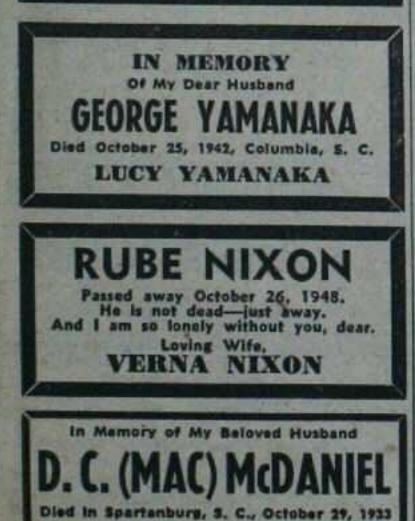
A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stoller October 6 in Hollywood. Father manages the William Morris Coast office.



FRASER-Carl, 53, years ago advance man for Mills Bros.' and Clyde Beatty circuses, recently in Passavant Hospital, Chicago, of a cerebral hemorrhage. This season he had been with B. Ward Beam's Hell Drivers. Fraser was also associated with the Black Hills Passion Players, of South

In Loving Memory of My Wife **Nellie Donegan** Who passed away October 28, 1945

EARLE REYNOLDS



Bertha (Gyp) McDaniel

O'KEEFE-Sue Francis, 65, former vaudevillian, October 11 in Hollywood. She and her husband, Larry Francis O'Keefe, trouped as Francis and Milford, playing the major vaude circuits. Two daughters also survive.

ORLOWSKI-Charles, veteran organist, in Bridgeport, Conn., October 15 after a short illness. Survived by his widow, Mrs. Stella K. Orlowski: two sons, Carl and Francis, and a brother. Burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, Stratford.

OWENS-Robert E., 42, Petersburg. Va., worker with the World of Mirth Shows, October 15 in Wesley Long Hospital, Greensboro, N. C., of a

#### Mark Warnow

Mark Warnow, 57, orchestra conductor of Your Hit Parade radio show, died of a heart ailment in New York October 16. On the day before he had directed the 493d program of the show over the National Broadcasting Company.

Joining a neighborhood dance band at 16, Warnow later played in all types of musical groups, including ferryboat bands, symphony and opera orchestras, cabaret and movie outfits and Salvation Army units.

In 1929 he became the first violinist with the Columbia Broadcasting System orchestra and later became staff conductor. Among the other shows for which he conducted were March of Time; We, the People, and a Helen Hayes airer. He backed the musical comedy, What's Up? in 1943. As a musical director he handled the Blue Velvet show, among others.

His widow, brother, a son and two daughters survive. Burial in Beth David Cemetery, Elmont, N. Y.

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# Showman, Partner and Friend

# **Frank Bergen**

World of Mirth Shows

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### IN LOVING MEMORY **Of Our Beloved Daughter** Who Passed Away October 29, 1943

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> > **BILLIE** and HARLEY SADLER

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# 2,000,000 DALLAS GATE LOOMS

# **Record Total Seen Assured Going Into Final Week-End;** New Single Day Mark Is Set DETROIT, Oct. 22.-A new type house-on-wheels, providing a three-

#### Ice Cycles Top Major Lure; Midway Biz Tops 1948

DALLAS, Oct. 22 .- An all-time high attendance of 2,000,000 or more loomed Friday (21) for the State Fair of Texas as it entered the 14th day of its 16-day run. Weather, except for the first few days and the early morning hours today, was ideal, and the throngs responded to the potent press campaign and the attraction-paced program and strong exhibits. Friday's bill, featuring afternoon and night high school football games, was expected to lure a strong turnout, while the closing Saturday, with its big Kentucky-Southern Methodist game in the Cotton Bowl was counted upon

to spark a 200,000 crowd. The final day also was expected to hit close to the 200,000 mark.

As of Thursday night (20), the gate count for the first 13 days was 1,685,743, compared to 1,474,163 for the corresponding point last year. Total attendance for the full run last year was 1,892,327, the record going into this year's event.

attendance is the powerful publicity campaign, supported by an \$85,000 advertising-publicity outlay, up 14 per cent from last year.

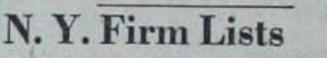


room apartment will soon be made available by the Ford Motor Company. The vehicle, which requires no more room to park than a large passenger car, has interior height from floor to ceiling of 71 inches; width 6 feet 2 inches, and length, 15 feet. The steering gear is mounted ahead of the front axle to allow space for passengers and storage.

The body is manufactured by the Boyertown (Pa.) Body & Equipment Company and will be mounted on a Ford chasis made for parcel delivery trucks.

the high body will permit off-thehighway travel. Other features include two special armchair seats in the driving compartment, bunk space for two, a galley stove, refrigerator, kitchenette, 20 cabinets and drawers, wardrobe space, a lavatory and shower bath tank.

Prices have not been announced.



# Ford Designs New Gate Is Hiked Three-RoomMobile House on Wheels 26% 1st Three DETROIT, Oct. 22.—A new type ouse-on-wheels, providing a three-

#### Surprises Wary Sponsors

MACON, Ga., Oct. 22.-Aided by perfect weather, attendance at the Georgia State Fair for the first half of a six-day engagement ran 26 per cent ahead of same period last year, E. Ross Jordan, general manager, announced.

Kids' Day, ordinarily Tuesday, was switched to Wednesday and 26,771 paying customers went thru the gates, Jordan said, marking one of best Powered by a 95-horsepower motor, days in the fair's 94-year-old history. The switch was made to coincide with a school holiday ordered for a teachers' meeting. Macon merchants also closed for a half holiday. and interest was heightened by the opening of an enlarged flower show the same day.

After many years' absence the Future Farmers Livestock Show is back with 446 head of cattle. Poultry Show is also bigger with a total of 102 Georgia counties represented.

Ice Cycles, presented in the Coliseum, has been playing to capacity nightly, outdrawing any previous icer in this city. Spike Jones, offered in the Auditorium, has been showing to sparse turnouts. Joie Chitwood's Hell Drivers, in the first 10 days in front of the grandstand, drew light crowds in that remote location.

strong attendance, is up from last struction for 18 months. Many elabyear, with the shows providing the orate buildings have already been greatest strength. Topping the midway is Sally Rand, who is piling up a gross that probably will hit close land handicrafts and industrial arts to \$75,000 for the full run of the event. Midway rides and concessions are reported up about 5 per cent from have built special pavilions are the Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum last year.

### December 9 Preem Set

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti, Oct. 22. -Sixteen nations will participate in the \$26,000,000 Haiti International Exposition and Bi-Centennial which will open a six-month run here December 9.

The 60-acre plant, situated on La Midway business, in line with the Gonave Bay, has been under concompleted, including the \$500,000 Tourist Palace, where exhibits of Iswill be shown.

(See 16 Countries on page 86)

### **Three Texas Expos**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.-H. Hoffman, of Expositions & Shows, Inc., New that his company will stage three shows in Texas in the spring of 1950.

The first will be The Houston Chronicle's Sports and Vacation Show in the Coliseum March 18-26.

A sports and outdoor show, sponsored by the San Antonio Express and The San Antonio Evening News will be held in the San Antonio Municipal Auditorium March 31-April 6. The Fort Worth Star-Telegram will

Among the exhibiting nations that sponsor a sports and travel show in April 8-16.

In anticipation of a drop in attendance, fair expenses were cut to the bone and the increase came as pleasant surprise to the Macon a York promotional firm, announces Exchange Club, which operates the fair as a non-profit venture under lease from the Chamber of Commerce.

With demand for commercial exhibits off, the fair abandoned the use of a large tent near the entrance used for this purpose and emphasized strictly educational shows in the buildings. Biz for the grandstand show of Gus Sun acts was termed fair, while the midway take of Cetlin & Wilson Shows was considerably up.

# Autry Rodeo 10% Sesqui Nut May Soar to 30 Mil N. Y. Run Ends

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Bucking unseasonably warm weather, the 24th annual Madison Square Garden World's Championship Rodeo will wind up its 26-day run Sunday (23) night with little prospect of equaling last year's business. To date attendance has averaged about 10 per cent under '48.

Frank Moore's Western extravaganza has been getting its usual share of publicity, but the World Series, In addition, the gunmen took two hot weather and polio scare brought about a comparatively modest gate slump.

This year's rodeo has been practically devoid of serious accidents to contestants. Glamor girl Dorothy B. Hughes, of Phoenix, Ariz., one of this year's sponsor girls, however, suffered a compound fracture of her right arm Tuesday (18) night when her horse shied and threw her during the clover leaf barrel race.

Madison Square Garden's rodeo contestants, Gene Autry and the other entertainers put on a free matinee Monday (17) afternoon for an audience of nearly 15,000 underprivileged moppets, guest of Gen. John Reed Kilpatrick, prexy of the Garden corporation, and Autry.

Likely To Run In Stick-Up at Berryville, Ark. **Even Into '52** Exhibit Space \$30 a Foot

(Continued from page 3) will be one of the chief factors in determining total cost, and for that reason estimates by sesqui officials vary widely. The commission authorized by Congress to handle the affair fair would run only two years at show played Berryville Tuesday. the outside.

Blueprints for buildings to be constructed on the fairgrounds were given an okay early this week by the Fine Arts Commission, and sesqui him on the head with a pistol. Miller February 11-19, announced this week leaders now hope to get construction reported, then forced him and his that the midway contract for the event

HUNTSVILLE, Ark., Oct. 22 .- Four after Miller opened the cash box at middle-aged, well dressed gunmen took \$16,000 from the Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros.' Circus at Berryville, Ark., Wednesday morning (19) and apparently made good their escape despite the alerting of police in Arkansas and Missouri and use of road blocks in the area.

'50 D. C. Expo Kelly-Miller Show Loses \$16,000

Kelly Miller, manager of the show, said here Wednesday afternoon that whose attention was attracted by Milthe gunmen stopped the truck he was, ler's shouts. will be in existence for three years, driving as it started to leave the fairaltho it was first figured that the grounds at Berryville at 7:45. The

Miller said three of the bandits left their automobile and ordered him and his wife, Mrs. Dale Miller, from the John H. Hunter, chairman of concescab of the truck. The leader struck sions of the Charro Days Fiesta here, (See Sesqui Nut May Soar, page 98) wife to lie in the back of the truck will be let November 8.

gun point.

diamond rings from Mrs. Miller, it was reported. Miller said no insurance was carried on the stolen money. Before making their escape the robbers tied the Millers. They were released by the local groundskeeper

#### **Plan Charro Days Midway**

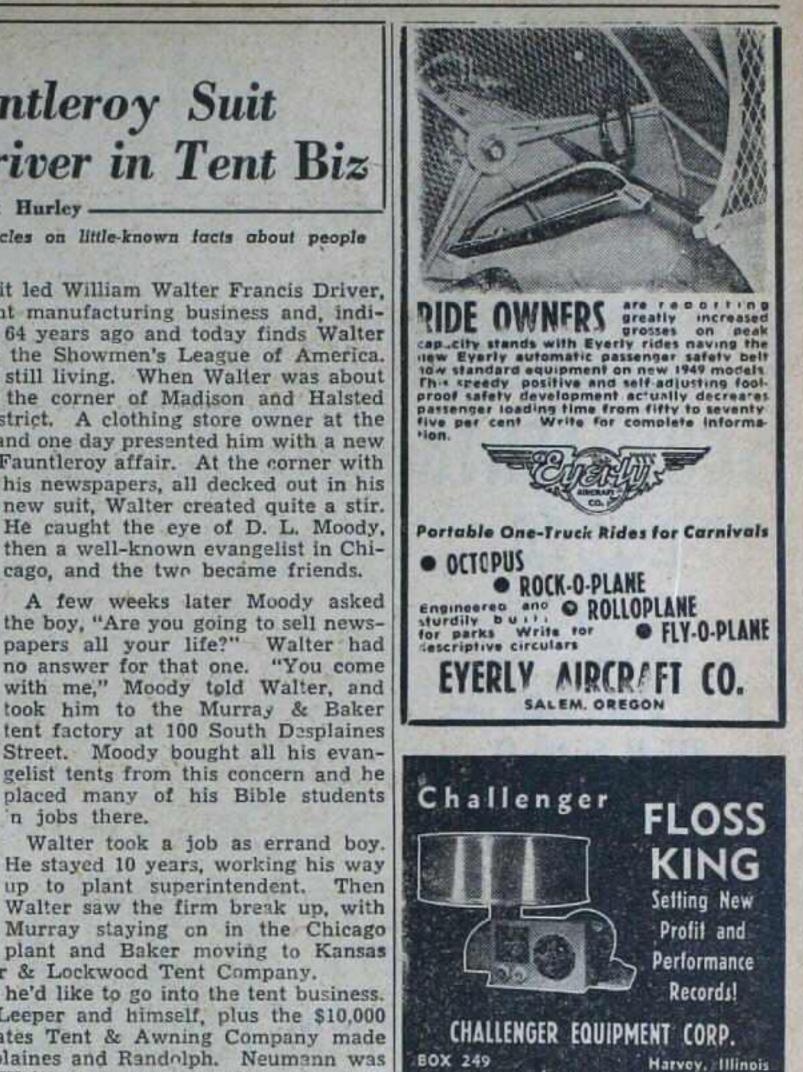
BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Oct. 22 .-

-By Hank Hurley



up to plant superintendent. Then Walter saw the firm break up, with Murray staying on in the Chicago WALTER DRIVER plant and Baker moving to Kansas City, Mo., where he started the Baker & Lockwood Tent Company. That was the time Walter decided he'd like to go into the tent business. With Edward P. Neumann, William Leeper and himself, plus the \$10,000 they scraped together, the United States Tent & Awning Company made its debut in a rented building at Desplaines and Randolph. Neumann was president, Leeper vice-president and Walter secretary-treasurer. In those

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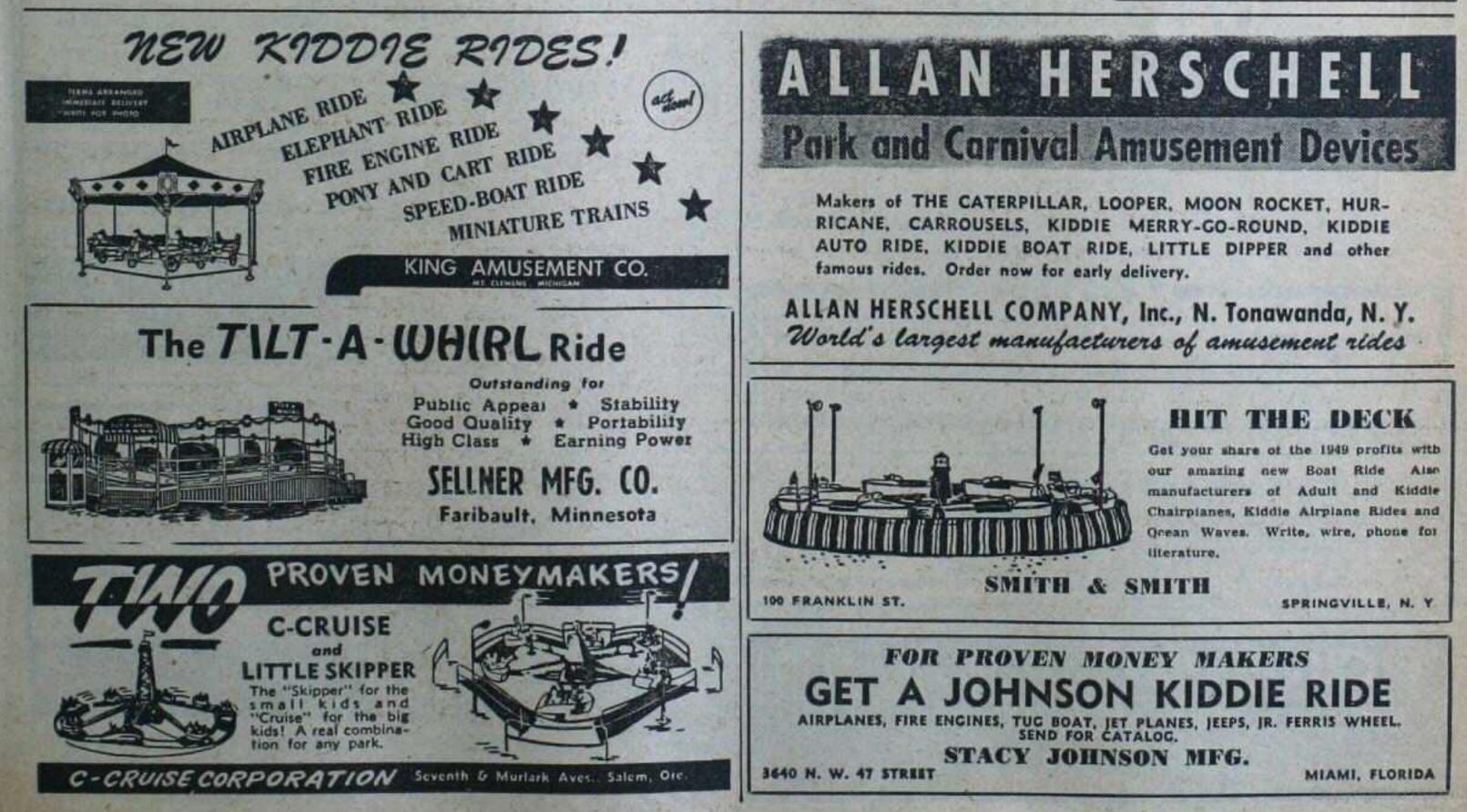
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days, Walter recalls, most of the tent companies concentrated on making tents for evangelists. Walter foresaw a future in outdoor show business and concentrated on that type of business. He personally contacted all circus and tent show owners. From the time he entered business on his own, until he ratired in 1938, Walter figures he sold canvas, at one time or another, to every circus and tent show in the country. It was thru this work that Walter became acquainted with showmen from all walks of life. "Thousands of these acquaintances have passed on," Walter says, "and every time I've learned of a funeral of one of these friends I've turned neaven and earth to be on hand for the service. I think I've probably attended more funerals than any other living showman." While the tent and show business has occupied the greater part of Walter's lifetime, he has been an active church-goer, Masonic and American Legion member and full-time govern-(See Little Lord Fauntleroy, page 86)



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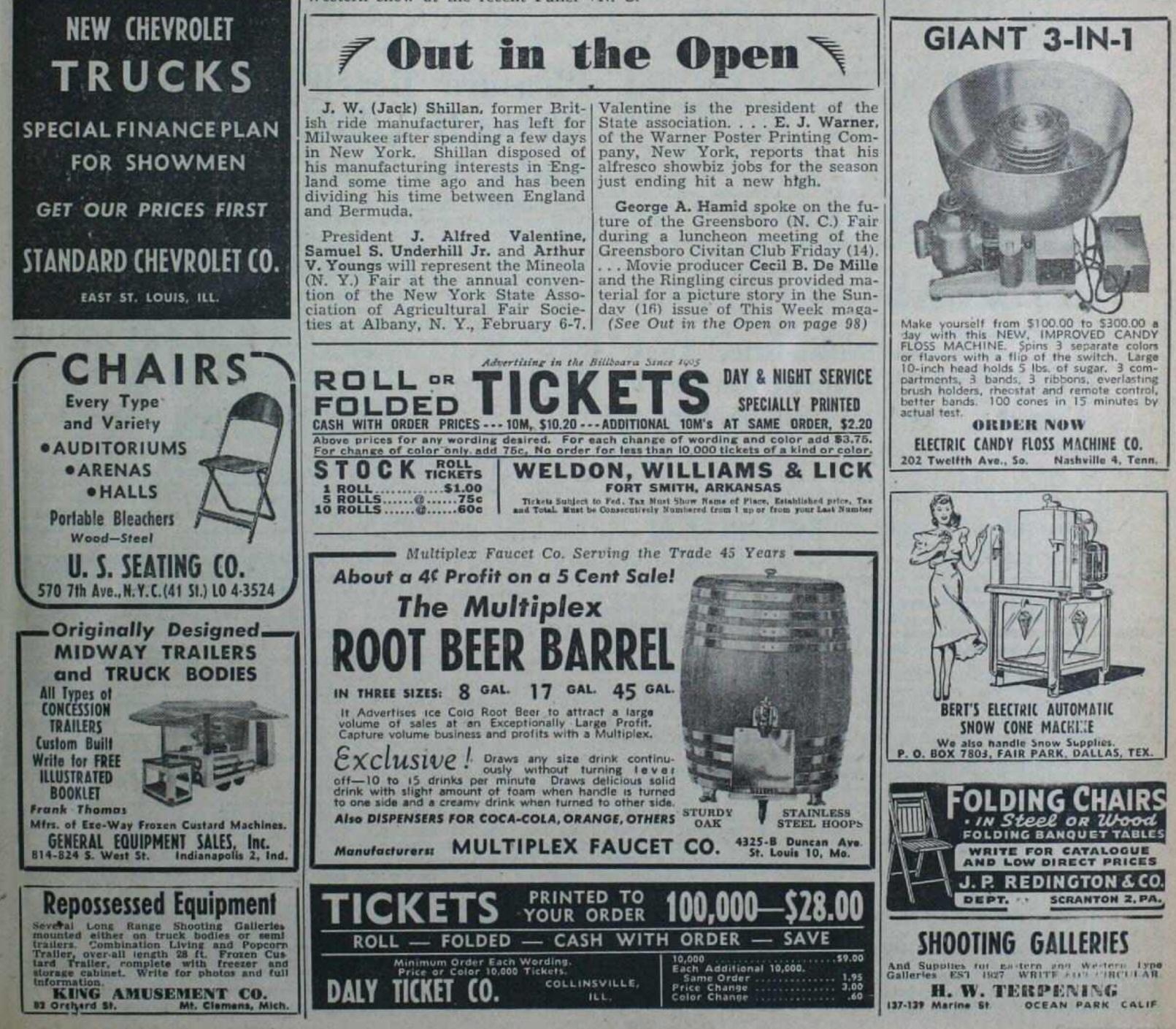
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# **Talent Topics**

Lee Barton Evans, manager of ton, Calif., Fall Festival. Also fea-George A. Hamid's featured "Gold- tured was Joe Kell, rodeo performer. rush Revue," which closed a week ... Pete Hox and Johnny Brown, as-York visitor last week. Before work- KTLA as the guest of Pinto Colvig. ing some winter indoor dates, Evans plans to spend a few days with J. W. (Patty) and Frank Conklin at their homes in Branford, Ont. . . . George A. Hamid talent appearing in front of the grandstand at the South Carolina State Fair, Columbia, included Green and Dooley, vent; Wilfred Mae Trio, jugglers; Paul Kohler, xylophonist; Campbell Sisters and Kurtzo and Kurtz.

While playing Aberdeen (Miss.) Fair, the Aerial Snyders were presented with a cake from the Elkins brothers, who own two theaters in town. Booked thru the Charles Zemater Agency, Chicago, the act closed its season October 15 at Aberdeen. Eugene Snyder plans to visit his brother in New Jersey before leaving for Florida.

Harry Froboess, the Swaying Marvel, will appear for the third straight Western show at the recent Fuller- N. C.

ago at the Atlantic Rural Exposi- sisted by Joy Hox, appear weekly, tion, Richmond, Va., was a New on Bozo's Circus over tele Station

Speedy Babbs, globe and drome daredevil, was a visitor at the home office of The Billboard in Cincinnati last Wednesday (19) and reported that he plans to work out of Cincy this winter. He has his drome and three trucks stored at Springfield, O., while his globe is barned at Coney Island, N. Y., where Speedy held forth the past summer. Serious injuries sustained in two bad falls during the summer whittled his actual working days down to 29 on the season and caused him to lose the important Decoration Day and Labor Day business. . . . Sid and Gladys Alcido entertained numerous visitors during their recent engagement at the Rockdale County Fair, Conyers, Ga., including the Teeter Sisters, the Great Knoll, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Thompson, and Mrs. Thomas Crank, mother of Mrs. Alcido year at the Pee Dee Fair, Florence, Thompson formerly played pro base-S. C., week of October 31. He also ball with the Philadelphia Athletics. is skedded to appear for the Ameri- After a five-day visit with her daughcan Legion Armistice Day week at ter and son-in-law, Mrs. Crank De Funiak Springs, Fla. . . . Monty hopped to Atlanta to grab a plane Montana presented his miniature for her home in Elizabeth City,



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STRONG NAAPPB PROGRAM SET

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#### Prices To Be Discussed

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Members of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches (NAAPPB) attending the org's annual convention in Hotel Sherman. November 27-30, will hear talks and discussions covering almost every phase of the amusement park field.

That was the word this week from Paul H. Huedepohl, executive secretary of NAAPPB, in reporting on the program as put together by Elmer E. Foehl, Willow Grove Park, Philadelphia, program chairman. Members of Foehl's committee include John Gurtler, Elitch Gardens, Denver; William Muar, Roseland Park, Canandaigua, N. Y .; Fred Pearce Jr., Walled Lake Park, Detroit, and Huedepohl.

The program for the beach and pool sessions, Huedepohl said, is not complete, but he has been informed by Vernon D. Plant, Somerton. Philadelphia, chairman, that an interesting line-up is being arranged. C. Y. Hyatt, of the Halogen Company, Chicago, is vice-chairman of the pool and beach program committee. Other members are John H. Carlin Jr., Carlin's Park, Baltimore; Henry A. Guenther Jr., Olympic Park, Irv'ngton, N. J.; O. B. Jenkinson, Jenkinson's Pool and Pavilion, Point Pleasant, N. J., and R. N. Perkins, Omaha, pool engineer.

# **Most Southern Funspots Hold** About Even With '48 Figures

most parks in the South held about son." even with 1948, a survey by The Billboard reveals. Weather, for the most part, was okay, altho several spots in Alabama were hit by rain in July and this cut deeply, in some cases, into final figures.

One such instance was at Cascade Plunge, Birmingham, where James H. Dickson, owner, reported his July business was 50 per cent under July, 1948. He reported the season's attendance 10 per cent below last year and the concession gross off about 22 per cent. The 1949 advertising budget at Cascade Plunge was kept at the '48 figure.

Here in Dallas, State Fair Park reported attendance and concession business about on a par with last year, but ride figures were down slightly. In New Orleans, Harry J. Batt, owner of Pontchartrain Beach, said business was up a little over 1 per cent.

#### Two Spots Up

Two spots reporting better biz this year were Pavilian Surfdeck, Isle of Palms, S. C., and Washington Park, El Paso, Tex. J. Coats Jr., reporting on Pavilian Surfdeck, said:

"I was located in Panama City last year. I was pleasantly surprised th's vear with attendance and receipts. We hardly passed a day without an increased take over last year; this de-

DALLAS, Oct. 22 .- Business for looking forward to an even bigger sea-

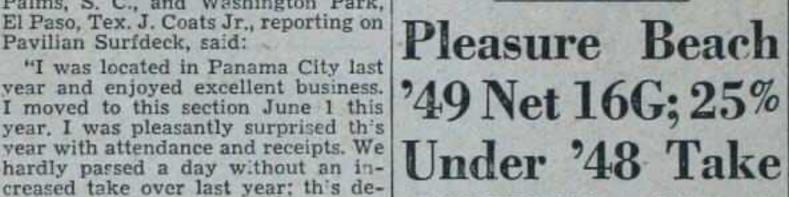
#### Meyer Reports Gain

Hugo Meyer, in telling about Washington Park's biz, said attendance was up 10 per cent, with the ride gross up 15 and concession biz up 20 per cent.

Attendance at Buckroe Beach Resort, Buckroe Beach, Va., according to P. V. Stieffen, manager, was way ahead of last year, but spending was down. The '49 ride gross was off 30 per cent, while the concession gross kept pace with a year ago. Stieffen reported his advertising budget increased this year and that, in part, helped hypo attendance.

Unusually cool weather was held responsible for the lower figures registered this season at Crystal Plunge, Florence, Ala. C. H. Jackson, secretary, said attendance this year was off 40 per cent, with gross concession biz off about 25 per cent.

At Lakeforest Park, Henderson, Tex., business held even with a year ago, according to W. M. Armstrong, secretary.



# **Travel Speed-Up** Seen as Boon To N. Y. Spots

NEW YORK, Oct. 22,-Coney Island and Rockaway Beach are expected to profit handsomely next season from major improvements in rail and highway transportation facilities.

Most important transit project is the linking up of the Sixth Avenue Independent Subway line with the Culver Line elevated route, at the Church Avenue station, which will give uptown New Yorkers a single fare-no transfer route to the big Stillwell Avenue terminus in Coney Island's amusement area. Cost of hooking up the two lines is set at \$5,605,302. New set-up also will ease the crush on the three other subway-elevated lines serving the Coney Island terminus during the rush season.

#### More Changes Set

While this is the major transit improvement skedded for completion this winter, there are several other projects under way, including a hook-up between the Eighth Avenue Independent subway line and the Fulton Street (Brooklyn) elevated line at Euclid Avenue in East New York, which will simplify and speed up service to Coney Island and Rockaway Beach, and a three-way hook-up of the Independent, Interborough and BMT subway systems at Queens Plaza, Long Island City, which will also facilitate access to beaches. Three major highway projects, which are well advanced, will improve auto travel from all points to practically all of the beach and amusement park areas near New York City, Van Wyck Expressway, primarily being constructed to serve Idlewild Airport, will give a direct route to Rockaway Beach and will bisect or connect with all the parkways serving Long Island and New York summer spots.

Subjects ranging from picnics to drive-in theaters in parks will be covered during the three-day confab. Huedepohl reports.

#### Edmund To Speak

Opening day, Monday, November 22, will be given over mostly to general business sessions. Only one talk is scheduled that day, that of W. H. Edmund, president of the National Industrial Recreation Association and personnel director of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company. His topic, Spares and Strikes, will deal with picnics, how to go after them, how to arrange them, deals to be made, etc.

"Because the lush days are long over," Huedepohl said, "parkmen right now are going after picnic reservations stronger than ever in an effort to stimulate business for next year. It is a proven fact that picnics, both large and small, stimulate park business. There's more than meets the eye in talking concerns, especially large industrial organizations, into staging a picnic in your park. Edmund, who has had years of experience in staging such outings, will be able to give our members plenty of he'nful hints."

Don Dazey, owner of LeSourdsville Lark Park, Middletown, O., and John Coleman, Riverside Park, Indianapolis, will lead the discussion on the price outlook for 1950. This will cover prices on admissions, rides, games and refreshments and will give park owners a chance to compare notes on what to do about prices next year. This topic is scheduled Tuesday, November 29, along with an open forum on promotions. There will be five speakers on promotions, with four to be selected from the floor.

Wednesday, November 30, final day of the confab, will be packed with interesting talks and discussions. William Schmidt, Riverview Park, (See NAAPPB Program on opp. page)

spite the fact that weather on weekends was against us.

"We lacked time to place equipment in shape for the continuous and strenuous running necessary to daily operation but next year we plan to have everything in ship shape and we are

# **Butlin Offers Yank Tourist Week's Play** In England for \$25

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.-W. E. (Billy) Butlin, managing director of Butlin's, Ltd., operator of a chain of five large vacation camps and several amusement parks in England, has signed up

600 American tourist agents to offer American vacationists a week at one of his camps, next summer, for \$25. Butlin has set aside 1,200 beds, as a start, for the expected invasion.

Butlin's camps, in addition to swimming and other recreational facilities, also provide dancing and entertainment and in some spots operate small amusement parks along with the camp. Butlin is building a huge camp-resort on the island of Grand Bahama, off the coast of Florida, which will depend largely on patronage from the United States, and the low-rate deal now being offered in England is probably a build-up for the Bahama resort.

Butlin also controls, under 21-year leases, the Princess Hotel in Bermuda and the Fort Montagu Beach Hotel survey of this area, along with two at Nassau, Bahamas. These hotels, other critical areas on the Connecticut which have been operated by a subsidiary of the Butlin firm, will be taken over in December by an American syndicate, which will pay an annual rental of about \$126,000.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of Butlin's Ltd., W. E. Butlin been forwarded to the United States was appointed chairman, replacing Ian Anderson, who resigned along with another director, Col. Sir Edward Stevenson, George Sutherland Ogg, veteran of the Butlin staff, has been appointed a director.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Oct. 22 .- Altho gross receipts decreased approximately 25 per cent below last year, municipally-operated Pleasure Beach Park showed a profit of \$16,931 for the past season, according to figures released this week by City Comptroller Adolph D'Aulisa.

Receipts from April 1 to date have totaled \$273.276, while operating and capital expenditures were \$256,345, Receipts last year were \$399,605 and expenditures \$400,824, a loss of \$1,219. In the current budget an appropriation of \$390,000 was alloted the park. while estimated receipts were placed at \$410,000.

D'Aulisa reported that when it became apparent that park receipts were declining, cuts were made in expenditures. June and July were good months, with business dropping off in August. Poor business was laid to the slump in employment and the polio scare. Ballroom attendance held up well thruout the season. John Molly is the manager in charge of the park.

#### **75G Grant for Restoration** of Milford, Conn., Beaches

MILFORD, Conn., Oct. 22 .- Progress in restoration of the town's beaches, from Charles Island Bar to Milford Point, is seen in the announcement by Council Chairman Ralph F. Clarkson that enabling legislation was passed in Congress and by the Legislature, making available \$75,000 for a shoreline. Project was intiated by Clarkson four years ago.

The Milford survey has been completed by joint action of the town council, the State Water Commission and the U.S. Army Engineers and has kiddieland, for 15 years, at either Beach Erosion Board, Washington.

- The report points out that not only will restoration provide 'exceptional recreation facilities, but property affected will be enhanced in value upwards of \$2,000,000.

#### **Tunnel** to Aid

Bottleneck four-lane stretch of the Belt Parkway, direct route to Coney Island and major link of parkway system serving all resorts in this area, is being expanded to six-lane route, which will eliminate congestion. Costliest project, the long tunnel from the Battery, New York, to Brooklyn, is nearing completion and will provide a speedy short-cut for West-of-the-Hudson motorists heading for Coney Island or Long Island beach resorts. Practically all of these projects will be completed before spring. Several important transit projects in New Jersey tie in with the New York projects and also will link Jersey resorts to the setup.

#### **City Nixes Kiddieland Deal for Chicago Spot**

CHICAGO, Oct. 22. - Oicar E. Hewitt, public works commissioner, who recently received a certified check for \$5,000, plus a detailed proposal from Windy City Enterprises, Inc., for the leasing of Rainbow Park, 75th St., and the Lake, for a \$12,000 a year or \$7,500, plus a proportion of the profits, has nixed the proposition.

Hewitt said Mayor Kennelly decided "We can't purchase land for use as a city park and then rent it out to private concessionaires.

#### **PARKS-RESORTS-POOLS**

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# A. C. Ops Plan Mardi Gras **To Build Post-Season Biz**

walk Association of Atlantic City is Avoy, to find out if the Philadelphia week-long Mardi Gras fiesta as a otherwise explore the project. means of stimulating business during the off-season. George McAvoy, who advanced the proposal, suggested the possibility of a preview of the Philadelphia New Year's Day Mummers Parade as a climax to the event that would attract big crowds and much publicity.

John Burke, association president, and other members agreed that such an event would be a tremendous asset during the winter, and Burke ap-

#### NAAPPB PROGRAM

(Continued from opposite page) Chicago, will be chairman of an open forum on short cuts and timely advice on general maintenance and operation. Speakers will include James Mitchell, Crystal Beach, Ont.; Edward Pratt, Forest Park Highlands, St. Louis; John Allen, Philadelphia Toboggan Company, and J. W. Starrett, Monsanto Chemical Company, St. Louis, who will deal with wood preservatives. Fire prevention methods also will be discussed. Leader of the discussion, Huedepohl said, will be a representative of an insurance firm yet to be selected.

John Gurtler, Elitch Gardens, Denver, will preside at the forum on "What Do We Have To Advertise and How Should It Be Done." Also on this phase of the program will be George A. Hamid, free acts; Art Briese, Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, Chicago, fireworks; Freddie At Auction for 117G Williamson, Associated Booking Corporation, paid attractions; DeArv G. Barton, Music Corporation of America, music; Harry Kodkinsky, West View Park, Pittsburgh, newspaper and radio advertising, and a representatime from the General Outdoor Advertising Company, speaking on bus, streetcar and billboard advertising. Final forum of the day will deal with varied subjects. Edward Sheck, Summit Beach Park, Akron, will preside. Titled "Odds and Ends of Interest," the forum will feature N. S. Alexander, Woodside Park, Philadelphia, who will speak on free television shows in parks; Robert L. Plarr, Dorney Park, Allentown, Pa., midget auto racing; Harry J. Batt, New Orleans; A. W. Ketchum, Forest Park Highlands, St. Louis, and Carl Henninger, Kennywood Park, Pittsburgh, Kiddielands; Harry Storin and/or Eddie Carroll, Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass., drive-in theaters in parks; G. M. Harton, West View Park, Pittsburgh, off-season promotions, and theft precautions, by a speaker as yet unnamed. WORLD'S LARGEST EXCLISIVE MANUFACTURERS OF AUTHENTIC MINIATURE TRAINSI FOR BIGGER PROFITS "GET THE BEST" MINIATURE TRAIN CO. Executive Offices: Rensselaer, Indiana FOR SALE Wagner Built Train 4-6-4 Engine Tender and 10 Cars. Engine rebuilt like new Ready to go, \$5,300.00. R. W. HOOPER 4405 Diat Ft. Worth, Tex. MINIATURE TRAINS The Custom Built to Order Line: Steam, Diesei, Electric, Amusement and Industrial Types. Track Gauges, 12" to 36", portable, permanent. Fall Special: 30 Pass. Gas Train, \$2,975.00. Port-able Train, \$1,995.00. Light Rail. Trade-ins ac-cepted. Catalogue with 8"x10" Photos, \$2.00. IRON HORSE LINES 106 Main St. Wareham, Mass.

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 22 .- Board- pointed a committee, headed by Mcconsidering a proposal to stage a Mummers would be available and to

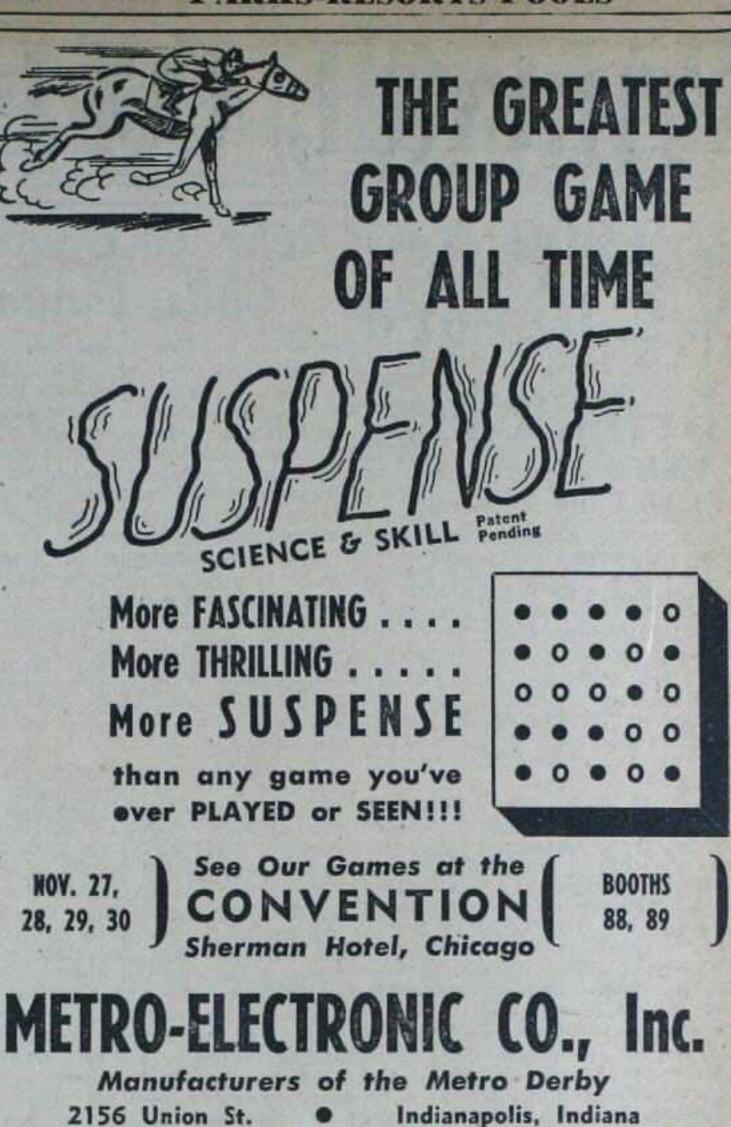
The Mardi Gras proposal came after Albert H. Skean, Atlantic City Convention Bureau manager, reported that the resort will have more convention business in 1950 than this year. Competition for convention business is getting keener every day, Skean said, but added that Atlantic City has more good facilities concentrated in a small area than any other city, which is a strong factor in securing conventions.

While pointing with pride to the resort's assets, Skean also mentioned some of its shortcomings, such as lack of entertainment during the off-season, obliging large conventions to provide their own shows, and pointing out that the National Association of Wholesale Druggists, meeting here this week, is spending thousands of dollars for talent brought in from out of town. Skean observed, however, that the resort is doing a much better job of entertaining visitors than it did a year ago.

Boardwalk Association members did some soul-searching as to the reason for the sharp drop in post-season business, and found some of the fault at the doors of the Boardwalk merchants.

Indian Point, Hudson River Funspot, Sold

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- It looks like the end of the once popular Hudson River excursion resort, Indian Point Park, on the Hudson River at Peekskill, N. Y., which was knocked down to H. W. Margolis, New York real estate developer and builder, at auction held on the site Wednesday (19). Indian Point Park belonged to the old Hudson River Day Line, which for many years operated the park as picnic grounds for river excursionists. The park, covering 232 acres, was served by two large piers and was fully equipped as a recreation center, with a 100 by 150-foot swimming pool, 1,650 lockers, a restaurant, cafeteria and outdoor gardens, dance pavilion, four baseball diamonds and concrete picnic tables. When the Day Line's fleet of four vessels was sold last year, Indian Point Park and several other pieces of real estate were not included in the sale. Indian Point was put on the market, with a price tag of \$365,-000 but found no takers. On Wednesday (19) it went, in two parcels, for high bids totaling \$117,000. The 232acre park section went to Margolis for \$106,000, while an adjoining 52 acres of vacant land was bid in by K. B. Weissman, of New Rochelle, N. Y., for \$11,000. Strong efforts were made by various groups of Westchester County residents to have that county, in which the park is located, create an amusement park along the lines of swanky Playland, which the county owns and operates at Rye, N. Y., on Long Island Sound, but this idea was turned down, primarily because it would take valuable property off the tax lists. Efforts to interest New York State in taking it over for park purposes also failed. While Margolis, the new owner, has made no announcement as to what he will do with the property, it is generally believed he will use it for a real estate building development. The auction was handled by Joseph P. Day, Inc., of New York. The Day firm also auctioned off several other Hudson River holdings of the old Day Line firm at Catskill, N. Y., Thursday (20). One building and three small plots at various points were bid in at a total of \$24,000.





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# 460,000 New Lohr To Guide in Setting Up N. C. Record

#### Top grosses for all segs-\$2,000,000 plant improvement to start

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 22 .- Attendance at the North Carolina State Fair, which ends a five-day run here today, will top the 460,000 mark, Dr. J. Dorton, manager, said last night in the wake of the biggest Friday crowd ever to attend the annual.

gate marks have been set each day from opening Tuesday (18) on. On Tuesday an estimated 80,000 attended as compared to the 75,000 on hand last year when President Truman was the special attraction.

The gate Wednesday (19) topped 75,000, an increase of about 25,000 over the same day a year ago. Another record crowd was on hand for Thursday. Yesterday's gate may have approached the 100,000 mark and, with continuing good weather today, another record crowd is expected. Big car auto races, promoted by Sam Nunis, are the principal afternoon grandstand attraction.

#### **Record Grosses**

All money-handling departments at the annual are assured of record grosses as they go into the final day of operation. Preopening interest also hit a new high, as all exhibit space was sold out fully a month in advance. Rural interest was hypoed by the increase in the premium list from last year's \$25,000 to \$35,000 and the offer of \$1,000 to any farmer producing 200 or more bushels of corn per acre. The throngs have made it necessary to stage two performances nightly of George A. Hamid's Fantasies Revue. A performance of Jack Kechman's Hell Drivers drew over 15.000. Since the grandstand seats only about 4,200. the paddock area soon overflowed and thousands had to be shunted into the infield. Capacity crowds attended the afternoon horse racing programs.

#### CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Maj. Lenox | of the Chicago Railroad Fair's facil-Lohr, president of the recently closed and highly successful Chicago Railroad Fair, agreed this week to direct the organization of the 1950 program for the commission planning an annual exposition at the lakefront grounds, but declined to take on the job of permanent manager.

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RALEIGH, COLUMBIA HIT PEAK

Lohr will help draft the budget, which is expected to range between 1 and 11/2 million dollars, counsel the commission in selection of a manager, and will urge staff members With good weather prevailing, new of the Railroad Fair to join the new organization. Previous commitments, Lohr maintained, would not allow him to take over as active head of the exposition.

> The fund to underwrite the establishment of the fair this week was swelled by \$50,000 contributed by The Chicago Tribune. Previously, Marshall Field & Company, department store, pledged a like amount.

William J. Burns, president of Consolidated Concessions, Inc., holder of the exclusive concession rights on the Chicago park board-controlled fair site used by the railway show, said he was willing to negotiate with the permanent exposition managers on any amendment to his contract that is okayed by the park commissioners. Consolidated holds concessions exclusive in all city parks. A deferment of the dismantling

ities this week was granted by the park board, with March 1 set as the new deadline. Meanwhile, the organization which will operate the permanent fair is expected to be set up, functioning, and will have determined which buildings to leave up.

# Year-Round Use **Of Mich. State Plant Skedded**

DETROIT, Oct. 22 .- Inaugurating a policy of year-round entertainment at the Michigan State fairgrounds here, Jack Dickstein, attraction manager, has signed Grand Ole Opry for matinee and evening parformances, Sunday, December 4, in the Coliseum.

Lulu Belle and Scotty, the Duke of Paducah, Ernest Tubb, and the Pine Ridge Four also will appear on the bill. Square dancing will follow the show, with music by Clayton Perry's ork. The Perry aggregation has played the State fair here for the past three seasons.

Dickstein, who also is manager of Edgewater Beach Park here, has already started to line up talent for the dium, adjacent to the fairgrounds, was 1950 Mid-Century Fair. He is credited jammed with 35,000 spectators for the with giving the fair here this year classic South Carolina-Clemson footits strongest attractions in history. ball game Thursday (20). As a result The bill embraced Bob Hope, Jo of this influx a record single-day mark Stafford, Bobby Breen, Welcome Traveler, Joie Chitwood's Thrill Show, the Tex Ritter Rodeo, and Grand Ole Opry.

# S. C. Annual Chi's Annual Permanent Fair Tabs 265,000

October 29, 1949

Extra night shows needed as record crowds turn out each day-officers elected

COLUMBIA, S. C., Oct. 22 .- The South Carolina State Fair smashed all attendance records this week with a total mark that may hit 265,000 by tonight's closing. The final figure was set by Paul V. Moore, veteran secretary-manager, and W. A. Seegars, treasurer, as the fair went into its final sessions, already assured of the biggest gate in its 80 years of continuous operation. Last year attendance was only 160,000, but this was due in part to bad weather.

Fair, warm weather played a big part in the success of the annual. Rain threatened the Monday night (17) prevue, featuring a free gate, and showers did occur on several nights but failed to trim the throngs on hand. Monday's free gate drew a crowd of 35,000, about 12,000 over a year ago.

#### **Record Tuesday Gate**

On Tuesday (18), Future Farmers and Junior Homemakers swelled the attendance by an estimated 13,000 to boost the total for the day to 45,000. This was the biggest Tuesday attendance in fair history.

The newly enlarged Carolina Staof 75.000 was chalked up.

#### Strates's Biz Ahead

The James E. Strates Shows on the midway are well ahead of the gross chalked up here a year ago. A new four-lane midway layout provides more space for patrons, always a problem on big days here in the past.

Shortly after the closing of this year's event preliminary work will get under way in preparation for the \$2,000,000 improvement program which was authorized by the last State Legislature. Dorton said that everything will be torn down or removed with the exception of the main exhibit building, the grandstand and the race track.

Elaborate plans have already been drawn up and Dorton said the final result would be a model fair plant, on a par with any in the country.

Aiding in the handling of this year's record crowds was the new bus unloading zone which allowed the vehicles to unload more rapidly and kept the main gates from being jammed, and a new 10-acre parking lot with convenient entrances to the grounds.

#### Louisburg, N. C., Licensed

LOUISBURG, N. C., Oct. 22. -Franklin County Fair, Inc., has been granted a charter by the secretary of State to operate a county fair. Authorized capital stock is \$50,000, with \$300 stock subscribed by A. H. and Mary Fleming and Sam Mattox, all of Louisburg.

# **Record Crowds** At Spartanburg

SPARTANBURG, S. C., Oct. 22 .-Record crowds attended Piedmont Interstate Fair which ended a sixday run here last Saturday (15). Good weather thruout was an important factor in building the big gate.

On closing day, with stock cars featured in front of the grandstand, one of the biggest crowds of the engagement was on hand Races were witnessed by an estimated 7,000, more than twice the grandstand's seating capacity.

The George A. Hamid night grandstand show was the most successful in the annual's history. This year for the first time extra shows had to be scheduled to accommodate the crowds.

Cetlin & Wilson Shows garnered good business on the midway.

Nat'l Orange Show Starts New \$123,800 **Exposition Building** SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., Oct. 22. -Work on a new exposition building, replacing the 700-foot structure destroyed by fire July 12, will start within 10 days, Earnest McCook, president of the National Orange Show, announced. The \$123,800 building will be ready for the 1950 event, March 9-19.

The building will be 226 by 170 feet and will occupy a site overlooking the lagoon. Designed by Harwell Harris, industrial designer, the building will be the fourth steel and concrete unit erected in the last two years. Others are the commercial exhibit building, administration office and the entertainment auditorium.

Van Cise, Newberry To Handle Lynch Org to hit around 25,000. For Two More Years

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 22.-Jimmie Van Cise and Earl Newberry will handle Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers for another two years as the result of arrangements completed here during the recent International Dairy Exposition.

Both Jimmie Lynch and Jimmie Lynch Jr. attended the conference with Van Cise and Newberry. Leo Overland again will direct the Iowa, Minnesota and other Midwestern activities, it was announced. Al Martin will represent the show in New England and New York, with the Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, handling other bookings.

Van Cise again will direct operational activities while Newberry will supervise general booking, promotion and advertising. Newberry announced his staff will be the same this year with Jimmy Rose, Ben Smith and Bill Reed handling the advance.

#### Vinton, Ia., 1950 Annual Skedded for August 7-10

VINTON, Ia., Oct. 22.—The 1950 Benton County Fair is tentatively set August 7-10. New rest room facilities and a new grandstand with an exhibitor's area in the building are included in major improvements contemplated next year.

new directors were named.

A freshman game between the two schools was partly responsible for the 45,000 attending the fair Wednesday (19).

Yesterday (21) was School Day and an estimated 40,000 children and adults attended. Crowds will dwindle today, but the final mark is expected

#### Night Show Biz Up

George A. Hamid's Show Time revue, the night grandstand feature, opened to an overflow crowd Monday night. Two shows were given and receipts totaled \$1,500 over last year.

Frank Bergen's World of Mirth Shows on the midway garnered a record gross.

Notable fair features this year included the flower show and the largest display of heavy farm machinery ever seen here.

At the annual meeting of the South Carolina State Mechanical and Agricultural Society Tuesday night (18), D. D. Whitecover was re-elected president, and Ransome J. Williams, former South Carolina governor, was reelected vice-president, Paul V. Moore continues as sercretary-manager.

Neb. State Board Will Retire Debt On Stands in '50

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 22. - The Nebraska State Fair's \$250,000 grandstand will be paid for next year, Edwin Schultz, of the fair board, reports. Payment of \$58,000 this year leaves \$15,000 to be retired. Bonds for the erection of the stands were issued in 1929.

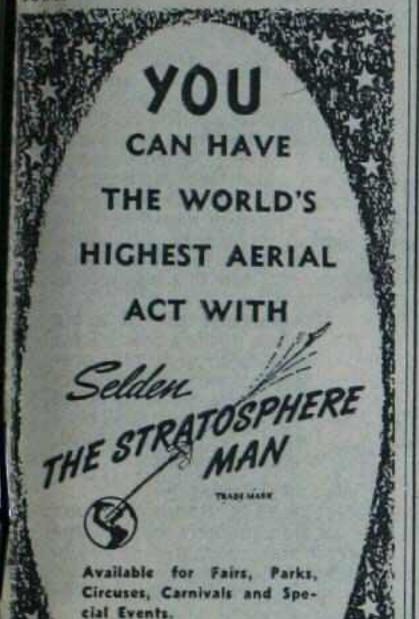
A long-range building program will D. H. Hibbs, president, and all be mapped out at the January meetother officers were re-elected. Eight ing. A new horse barn and unloading dock are being constructed.

#### FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS 67

## 500G, 8,000 Capacity Grandstand Started At Edmonton, Alta.

EDMONTON, Alta., Oct. 22 .- Contruction of Edmonton's new \$500,-000 grandstand at the fairgrounds here has started, with the three-story concrete and steel structure skedded for completion in November, 1950. it will seat 8,000.

Part of the stands, enough to hold 5,000, is expected to be ready for the 1950 annual. Plans call for a mezanine with pari-mutuels below, but present mutuel sheds will be used in 1950.



#### c/o THE BILLBOARD



Fairs, Meriden Grange Hall, Meridan, October 29 at 7:30 p.m.

International Association of Fairs and Expositions, Hotel Sherman, Chicago, November 28-30, Frank H. Kingman, Brockton (Mass.) Fair secretary.

Western Fairs Association Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles. December 8-10. Lou Merrill, Sacramento general manager.

Fair Managers' Association of Iowa, Hotel Fort Des Moines. Des Moines, December 12-13. E. W. (Deak) Williams, Manchester secretary

Wisconsin Association of Fairs, Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, January 4-6. Douglas J. Curran, Black River Falls, secretary.

Kentucky Association of Fairs and Horse Shows, Brown Hotel, Louisville, January 5-6, L. (Doc) Cassidy Louisville secretary.

Kansas Fairs Association. Hoter Jayhawk, Topeka January 10-11 R. M. Sawhill, Glasco, secretary

Michigan Association of Fairs, Fort Shelby Hotel, Detroit, January 15-17. Harry B. Kelley, Hillsdale, secretary.

Westerr Canada Association of Exhibitions Royal Alexandria Hotel Winnipeg, January 16-18. Mrs. Letta Walsh, Saskatoon, secretary

Illinois Association of Agricultural Fairs, Hotel St. Nicholas, Springfield, January 22-24. Clifford C. Hunter, Taylor-

ville, secretary. Virginia Association of Fairs, Hotel John Marshall, Richmond. January 22-24. Charles B. Ral-

# Meetings of At Mass. Annuals; 75G to Aggie Dept.

BOSTON, Oct. 22 .- The Agricultural Purposes Fund of the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture earned \$75,202.44 in percentages as the result of the \$3,806,025 wagered at seven Bay State fairs this year. The total pari-mutuel betting handle ceeded last year's \$3,207,844, despite pre-season predictions that drought conditions and the fact that less money was in circulation would tend to lower attendance and revenue at fairs.

The betting handle at Barrington was \$1,074,585; Northampton, \$844,-934; Marshfield, \$482,025; Brockton, \$424,519; Weymouth, \$421,955; Middleboro, \$280,906; Topsfield, \$277,101.

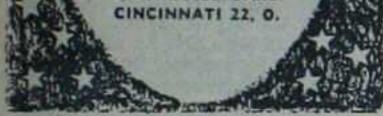
#### New Bern, N. C., Event OK'd

NEW BERN, N. C., Oct. 22 .- Tri-County Agriculture Fair Association, Inc., has been chartered by the secretary of State for operation of a fair Principals include Norris here. Reed, Louis Dunn and Dewey Dixon, all of New Bern.

#### **Trenton Charter Granted**

TRENTON, N. C., Oct. 22 .- Jones County\_Agriculture Fair Association, Inc., has been granted a charter by the secretary of State. A non-stock corporation, the incorporators are John Larkins Jr., G. B. Johnson and A. V. Thomas, all of Trenton.





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Pennsylvania State Association o. County Fairs, Bedford Springs Hotel, Bedford Springs. Januar, 25-27,

New York State Association of Agricultural Fair Societies, Hotel Ten Eyck, Albany, February 6-7. James A. Carey, Albany, secretary.

## **Neosho** Attendance Hits 40,000 Mark

NEOSHO, Mo., Oct. 22 .- Southwest Missouri Harvest Fair attracted over 40,000 patrons for its four-day run here, Secretary Thomas F. Burch an-nounced here this week. He said that attendance and commercial interest in the event, a replacement for the Newton County Harvest Show, topped the fair board's highest expectations and that plans already are being formulated for next year's event.

Fair this year was presented on a new 30-acre tract obtained from the city to permit moving of the annual from Neosho's business square where the Harvest Show had been successfully presented for nearly 40 years.

Newton County Agricultural and Mechanical Society, sponsoring group, purchased and erected an administration and home economics building and also erected 900 feet of permanent C play buildings for livestock and commercial exhibits.

The fair board has tentatively set the 1950 date for the third week in September. Plans call for doubling the livestock building space and erection of a farm crop building, a conservation, first-aid and rest building and a large restaurant.

#### Aberdeen Gate Up 25%

ABERDEEN, Miss., Oct. 22 .- Dospite only fair weather, the gate at Monroe County Fair and Livestock Show here jumped 25 per cent over 1948, according to A. J. Elkin, director. Wallace Bros.' Shows on the midway reported excellent biz.



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### POPCORN

#### October 29, 1949

Proves constant money winner even when other phases of the show may fail; flashy stands are an important factor in attracting patrons

# **POPCORN CONCESH CARNIVAL GOLD MINE**

### By HERB DOTTEN

**DOPCORN**, to use the jargon of outdoor show business, has moved many a carnival.

In explanation, popcorn, a consistent money winner when other things fail, has provided the required cash to pay for railroad moves or to fill up gas tanks of a show's rolling stock.

The consistent money-getting abil-Ity of popcorn in the alfresco entertainment world is reflected sharply by the fact that frequently either the show owner himself or one of his key execs holds the concession rights.

Often, too, when the title to a show changes hands, the seller, fully aware of the privilege's potential, insists on disposing of everything but the concession. Thus, many an ex-owner or wife of an ex-owner travels with their former property long after the change of ownership.

Popcorn is a sure-fire item outdoors for a combination of reasons. Not the least is that it is nutritious, appetizing and, when compared with other eat and drink items sold at an outdoor event, reasonable in price.

#### Flashy Stands

A tremendous factor in the sale of popcorn at outdoor amusement events is the enticing flash of the popcorn stands. They embrace the last word In showmanship and materials and throw out an irresistible appeal that rends sales mounting. To illustrate, consider the No. 1 popcorn stand on the Royal American Shows, the largest of more than 300 carnivals which tour the U.S. and Canada. That stand matches, if not outdoes, the spectacular lighting and the brilliant, colorful fronts of the Royal American Shows, which reguires anywhere from 50 to 70 cars to carry it over its route from Calgary to Tampa. During the lush war years this unit grossed as much as \$700 in one day. Built of stainless steel, the 20-foot- on and off to attract attention. long, 8-foot-wide popcorn trailer glistens with eye-catching, highly many colored fluorescent tubes. polished metals, vari-colored lights Panels, each consisting of two tubes, and a dazzling treatment of plexiglas, all accented by the white trim on the interior woodwork.



Without being garish, the wagon

FLASH, WITH GOOD TASTE, IS EMBODIED IN THE LIGHTING and other treatment of the No. 1 popcorn stand

on the Royal American Shows. Just as important as the flash, however, is the immaculate condition in which the sparkling trailer is maintained. (Note the stamped plexiglas ceiling, the stainless steel supports and the brilliancy of the lighting.)

Rimming the trailer's top are neon and it maintains a high sheen, thus No. 1 popcorn unit is spotted at the signs with letters more than a foot high.

Three long variegated tubes, operating on a flasher, extend the full length of each corner. These flicker provides much the same effect of many observations on the business.

Interior lighting is provided by line the interior, with three long panels, also of two tubes each, dividing the ceiling lengthwise.

Plexiglas, stamped in one-by twoarrests the eye with its electric signs. Inch sections, comprises the ceiling,



FOR EYE-ARRESTING QUALITIES, the No. 1 popcorn stand on the Royal American Shows rates among the leaders in the carnival field. Only thing missing from this picture is the customary buying crowd which surrounds the wagon, but the photographer had to get up early before the crowds were out to take the shot.

projecting a jewel-like effect while mouth of the long midway. Thus, it simultaneously reflecting the cleanliness of the working area inside the trailer. Light blue plexiglas which glitter on painted signs, is used as For instance they point out, they molding, and emphasizes the sparkling effect of the stamped plexiglas ceiling.

#### Canopy

Adding much to the general appeal and, of course, providing shade and shelter, is a canvas canopy in blue and white which circles the trailer. Also contributing much to the arresting exterior is the finish given the stainless steel sections, die-cut to simulate sunbursts.

Use of Cretor's double popper in the extreme front of the trailer provides quite a show in itself as the freshly popped corn cascades out and rains against the plate glass front.

The eye-appeal is definitely there, and so, too, is the appeal to the nose. Sliding windows permit each shift of the breezes to sweep out the enticing aromas. Three overhead fans are used in the trailer to carry off the heat.

These, however, blow high into the air, and the trailer's owners now are mulling the possibility of installing other fans solely to send the compelling aroma of freshly popped corn wafting out on the midway.

Typically, this unit on the Royal American Shows is an operation of one of the shows' key execs, Robert L. Lohmar, the general agent, and of meal times when carnival patrons, Billie Cooper, who actually heads up who may be skipping a meal, take to the day-by-day popping operations popcorn as a substitute. Children while Lohmar handles business details especially pass up meals for popcorn for the Royal American.

Location is a prime factor in any on a midway. outdoor operation, and on the Royal American, as on most shows, the (See Popcorn Concession on page 70)

gets its play as the patrons enter and then leave the midway.

The Lohmar-Cooper duo have use Butana gas heated poppers because they believe gas gives a more constant and quicker heat than electric poppers. Electric power on a carnival is subject to fluctuations, Moreover, it is vital often to get a popper into quick operation on a carnival, and the gas heat, they maintain, speeds up the process.

Invariably, the popcorn stand is the first unit on a carnival to be ready for operation and the last to close. If pushed for time, the Lohmar-Cooper unit could be spotted, set up and in operation within 10 minutes, Too, it can be shuttered in short time, a boon inasmuch as midway days are long and the popcorn customers, it seems, linger longer than any others.

In addition to popcorn, carmel corn, candy apples and peanuts are sold from the Lohmar-Cooper No. 1 unit. Popcorn itself is packaged, either in boxes priced at 15 cents or cellophane cones at 10 cents.

#### Manpower

Four persons, neat in appearance, wearing white aprons and, in the case of men, white hats, are required during the busy hours. Business perks up as soon as the sun starts to set, and is also at a peak during and thus have more money to spend

Normally, Lohmar and Cooper sup-

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# **Drive-In Theaters' Growth Proves Bonanza for Popcorn**

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quent condition of fog or humidity not found in the center of towns, and is an additional cause of possible deterioration of corn.

Advocates of pre-popping believe they have found the answer, in providing their product to the concession in a moisture-proof sack, designed to keep it in suitable condition until sold. Actual tests made at the plant showed corn packaged in such containers remained fresh for three months after it was popped and sealed, according to Szwarga.

One argument against pre-popping would appear to be the requirement for greater storage space for the much bulkier finished product. However, it is contended that the elimination of seasoning and other supplies and equipment necessary when popping is done on the premises makes enough of a saving in space to offset this bulk.

#### Anti-Pre-Pop

Drive-in locations, fairly remote from the center of town where most warehouses are located, are against pre-popping, also. For daily deliveries of concession supplies are considered impractical by wholesalers in the business. A delivery schedule of one to two times weekly is held economically desirable in the average large city. With such a schedule, and the great turnover of corn in drive-in sales, it is impossible to operate satisfactorily with pre-popped corn, according to Ben Lefkowitz, head of the L & L Concession Company, one of the largest operators in this field. On the other hand, in a small town where the drive-in is located close to the cial or open face type popper, in conwarehouse, and daily delivery is prac- trast to the closed cabinet type of tical, the pre-popped product could be machine used in indoor theaters. That satisfactory. maintaining a week's supply of raw mass of corn being popped. As exstock, based upon careful estimate of plained by Israel Eizen, manager of needs, the drive-in operator usually the Michigan Sports Service, "It will eliminate the hazard of humidity makes a beautiful picture as the white damage to stock, according to Lefko- corn pops out-it comes out so nice witz. The average concession build- and white, with the rapidity of maing is small and makes it physically chine gun fire." impossible to spot too large a stock there, even if the concessionaire tion may show some of the practical wanted to for any reason. fect upon the corn, and care should Drive-In a Cretor Giant popper has be taken accordingly. On wet days been installed back of the long conthe corn, either raw or popped, will cession counter. It is set to one side absorb much moisture, a condition where it can be operated without inrarely found in indoor theater opera- terfering with the sale of other retion. On a warm dry day this problem freshments. The girls assigned to the will not exist. important to have an adequate ven- corn for the first customers. There-

der such conditions raw corn is carried over by wholesalers from one year to the next without significant deterioration.

While warm summer weather may eliminate humidity trouble, there is another evil that it invites-weevils. This normally would occur only if the corn is allowed to become too warm, and due precautions against heat in the storage room should prevent its occurrence.

#### Containers

The suggestion of special containers for the corn to fight humidity does not appear to be a practical solution. With a product which is in constant use, any complicated container would apparently be unsatisfactory. Burlap bags are the standard container. A recent improvement is the introduction of a paper liner with a special composition applied. It is expected that this will become more widespread as its ability to keep out moisture becomes more widely known.

The regular popped corn in the drive-in should not be carried over in stock from one day to the next, concessionaires warn. In the boxes it is able to absorb moisture even tho physically in a concession structure, and becomes "tough" and objectionable to customers. Indoor theaters do not have this problem, because the corn is placed in cans which are moisture proof, and the left-over corn is kept fresh for the next day. This method has not been found satisfactory in drive-ins.

#### **Open-Faced Units**

Drive-ins prefer to use a commervery factor is the big selling point in By following the average rule of the drive-in. The public can watch the A visit to a typical drive-in operadetails to round out a survey of pop-The weather has an important ef- corn operation. At the Wayne (Mich.) machine come in 15 or 20 minutes be-Actual storage should be in a cool fore the show opens and start the opbuilding, but not cold. It is especially eration, thereby assuring a supply of tilation system in the structure. Un- (See Drive-In Theaters' on page 104)

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Electro-Serv., Inc., Peoria, Ill.; two vender models, counter type, \$134.50; floor type, \$154.50. Approximately 3,000 machines produced to date.

International Vending Machine Corporation Manufacturers, Los Angeles, formerly Emerson Brothers' Manufacturing Co.; redesigned Emerson vender, Details, price not released.

Hawkeye Novelty Co., Des Moines; Hawkeye Popt-Corn Vender. Price, \$179.50. Five-10-cent operation optional, Reports 6,000 units in field.

Hume, Hagensen Manufacturing, Inc., Chicago; Pop N' Hot vender, Price, \$189.50, Dime operation only.

Kunkel Metal Products Company, Los Angeles; Kunkel Popcorn Vender, Price, \$119.50. Nickel, dime operation. Reports 5,000 venders produced.

Landis Manufacturing Company, Santa Monica, Calif.; Aristocrat vender. Price, \$225. Optional nickel, dime operation.

Stylon Corporation, Los Angeles; Popmaster. Price, \$198. Nickel, dime operation offered.

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Expert offers some hints which might help

boost incomes for the operator who makes

his living selling this "impulse" product.



# How To Boost Income At a Popcorn Stand

#### By M. L. KIRKPATRICK Prunty Seed and Grain Company

A SSUMING you have a good locacation, attractive to customers and so situated that you can serve a heavy pedestrian trade, there are many important things to building a popcorn business. Popcorn is almost entirely an impulse item, so be ready for your demand when it appears.

Start first with cleanliness. Never can it be stressed too much. See that everything about the popcorn stand is sparkling with cleanliness, your machine, your utensils, your containers, etc., and your operator. Special attention should be given to maintaining cleanliness, since you are serving a food item. Put an immaculately clean young person, with a cheery smile, in charge of your stand and you've gone a long way toward successful operation.

What kind of popcorn should be used? The kind your trade demands! People in some parts of the country want white hull-less; others want yellow hull-less, but primarily the demand is for large flake, tender, hybrid corn, originally known as South American type, but now improved thru experimentations in hybrids.

#### **Brand Preference**

What brand of seasoning? A number of good commercial seasonings are now offered to the popping trade. Try different ones to see what type your trade prefers. Now oils, specially manufactured for the popping trade, contain butter flavoring and coloring which add to the sales appeal of the popped product.

Be sure to use the right quantity of oil to obtain the highest volume from your corn. About one part oil to three parts corn will give you the highest volume, and the best tasting popcorn. Too little oil means scorched grains and reduced volume; too much means waste and also reduced volume.

#### Salt Problem

Is salt important? Yes, of course it is. Use only a popcorn salt, especially made for popping corn. It's readily soluble, dissolves instantly in the hot oil, and doesn't leave a residue in your kettle making the popped corn taste bitter, which will result from the use of undissolved ordinary table salt.

What kind of container should be used? Different locations demand a What brand of popcorn? Try all different size and type of container brands from reputable dealers, and at various prices. Either bags or stand and create a demand for your product even blocks away from your location.





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use the brand that will give you the cartons can be used, but be sure it highest volume of consistent year- makes an attractive impulse package. round quality, no matter what its Well designed, attractively printed invoice and freight cost is. Don't containers will advertise your product decide the quality of the popcorn by after your customer has left your the initial cost alone, but by how many sales it will pop out for you.



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plement their No. 1 stand with several others spotted around the midway. At some major fairs, as many as 15 popcorn stands will be spotted around the grounds, but the No. 1 unit comes out the top grosser because of its flash and its location.

Not a little of the business the main unit gets is from patrons who want to take popcorn home with them. Late in the evening it is quite common for many persons to buy a large number of boxes and take them to their stay-at-home relatives.

Munching popcorn while taking in the rides, shows and concessions has become quite the custom in the U.S. In Canada, until recently, however, this was not so. In fact, up until a few years ago in Western Canada, folks were perplexed at the sight of large, white popcorn.

"What's that white stuff?" was the common question tossed at operators then.

Since then, however, theaters and many other popcorn outlets have been opened in that section, and a fondness for popcorn has been built. The habit of eating popcorn is being established. This year, as a result, the Lohmar-Cooper combination did a huge business in Western Canada.

And, now that white popcorn has taken such a hold, it is expected to retain, even build its hold in Western Canada, and give added income to traveling carnivals in that section, as it has for many years in the U.S.

#### Conclusion

Know your popcorn machine. Improper application of heat will cause poor results. If your machine has a thermostat, keep it at the temperature recommended by the manufacturer or the temperature that gives the best popping results. Give your machine a direct circuit all its own. Don't let other appliances cut down your voltage, resulting in less heat and a poorly popped corn. Don't overload your kettle. It will either scorch the grains on the bottom, or unpopped grains will "ride out" with the popped corn before it has a chance to pop. Take full advantage of the warming pan found in most machines. Hot popcorn will sell more readily.



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### POPCORN

Manufacturers looking to 1950 with optimism as current sales activity booms; promotion to plan an important role in industry future

# WEST COAST FIRMS HITTING \$ JACKPOT

#### By DEAN OWEN

WEST COAST manufacturers of national Rol-O-Coat Jr. cheese coat- for operator appeal, Wurdig and Lor- field is the Stylon vender, manufachopefully to 1950 as a year that will with electric motor; Master peanut- dows with Dupont Neoprene rubber present only one model is being see the industry making even greater gum-candy vending machine com- which keeps out all moisture. An- turned out, according to Ken Brown, strides than it has in the past. This bination, with chutes for 1 and 5 other improvement on the new models general manager of Stylon. Priced in is borne out by the activity of such cents; semi-automatic packaging ma- now rolling off the production line the middle bracket, the machine is Southern California firms as the Sun chine for loading small cello bags, is a thermostatic heat control, which 66 inches high, 181/2 inches wide and Puft Popcorn Corporation, Bonanza, and a cello heat sealer, 240-bag ca- Bonanza claims as a "first" for their 16 inches deep, weighing 75 pounds, Stylon, and Kunkel, who are launch- pacity per minute. ing campaigns to make operators increasingly aware of the merits of their respective equipment.

Frank P. Emerson, who believes the surface of the popcorn machine business has just been scratched, claims \$7,000.000 worth of machines have been sold either by his firm or "thru licensed and unlicensed affiliates." The current machine being marketed, one Emerson terms a high speed "Flipper" counter model hot popcorn dispenser, has already brought his Sun Puft Popcorn Corporation \$100,000 in advance orders, it was claimed Designed for either cheese or white corn, the model is 21 inches high, 9 inches in diameter and weighs 12 pounds.

According to designers, the machine accurately measures the product in an enclosed compartment, which prevents the spilling of popcorn outside the unit. This model, manually eliminates bickering with location owners over collections. Volume operators of the "Flipper" unit, Emerson says, supply the locations with popcorn on a definite delivery cash price, based principally on a 100 per cent mark-up. In turn, the sale of cheese or white corn in 5 or 10-cent plastic bowls allows the retailer another 100 per cent mark-up.

popcorn vending machines look ing machine, gas-operated, complete man have developed sealed-in win- tured in near-by Long Beach. At

#### National Chain

A nationwide string of wholesale and retail stores are being opened by Sun Puft Popcorn distributors with ocations already set i. Florida, Washington, Texas; Washington, D. C.; Oregon, Missouri and California cities, including San Francisco, Oakland, Long Beach and San Diego. These distributors either operate Emerson manufactured or Emerson from dies. licensed machines.

Introduced to the popcorn business back in 1936, Emberson developed the nickel Butr-Spra popcorn vender. In those days the only popcorn dispenser was the street gas wagons. After getting the bugs out of the Butr-Spra machine, Emerson set one on a Catalina Island location which grossed \$258.10 for 28 days. Encouraged by this, he turned all his facilities to popcorn machines.

Yearly models were turned out with minor improvements until 1940 when he installed a complete change in mechanism. After the war years Emerson launched the 1945 model which featured locked-in money boxes, automatic slug rejectors and combination 5 and 10-cent coin chutes. The accuracy of the quantity of corn dispensed was also improved. together with the speed of operation.

machine. Capable of maintaining a with a 15-bulk-gallon capacity. temperature from zero to 300 degrees Fahrenheit, the thermostat control enables an operator to set his machine for any climate.

Wurdig and Lorman have now manufactured their heating unit in two parts so as to make it easier for servicing. There is no handwork on the machine as it is constructed entirely

theater chain to place Bonanza machines on mezzanines, the management hoping by this move to keep the main floor concession stands from being overcrowded during intermissions. Contacts to place the machines in fight arenas and ball parks on a nationwide scale are also being made. Wurdig said.

#### Stylon Model

Another comparatively recent entry into the popcorn vending machine (See West Coast Firms on page 72)

Stylon's main feature, Brown claims, is the fact that it is the only wholly mechanical machine on the market, making it ideal for vending After studying operator problems, popcorn due to a patented thermostatcontrolled hopper which will keep the bags hot no matter how fast the operation. Another feature is a corn release chute which prevents the product from being sprayed on the floor when popcorn is being trans-A deal is now cooking with a large ferred to the bag. This is also an additional sanitation factor, Brown pointed out, as it keeps moppets from getting their fingers into the delivery chute.

> In designing the machine, Brown called on the services of a big-scale popcorn operator. This was done to improve the equipment, which makes Stylon a machine "definitely built from the operator's standpoint," Brown said. Also, in keeping the

#### Prices

For example, the price of five bulk gallon bags of popped white corn to the operator is 60 cents, with the resale price doubled to \$1.20. Location owner gross sales return is set at \$2.40. Chese corn rates are: To the operator, \$1.25; resale price, \$2.50; location retail gross sales return. \$5.

The cost of the "Flipper" unit is based on a graduated scale to operators, depending upon volume purchases, Emerson said. In the event an operator does not wish to buy popped corn from Emerson, the firm has portable equipment available for popping corn or processing cheese corn.

Aside from the manufacturing end of the business, Emerson also devotes one branch of his operation to ready popped corn, which he estimates has brought in a gross return of \$3,000,-000 in five years. In the ready popped division, Emerson has always gone heavily for merchandising, selling his product in 'cans and recently branching out into plastic film bags which afford a new eye appeal.

In addition to the manually operated counter model warmer, Emerson also has the TC-10, automatic popcorn vending machine in either 5 or 10-cent models: CMD-5 counter model warmer; Westerner wet popper, one kettle three-pound capacity, gas-operated; One Man Factory, two kettle, six-pound capacity, gas operated: Model 110 all electric nanza manufactures at present has counter model popper with 6.8-ounce capacity; Dry Popper, gas-operated with electric motor, two-pound capacity, complete with basket catcher and bin; large dry popper, gas-operated with electric motor, capacity 10 to 20 pounds per operation; Inter-

Branching out in 1946, Emerson worked with the T&C Corporation, Dallas, in developing a plexi-dome one-piece cabinet machine. This firm, the manufacturer said, uses licensed Emerson mechanisms in their machines on a royalty basis.

The terrific growth of the popcorn industry is attested by Emerson's estimate of a daily sale of 1,000.000 bags out of machines either licensed or manufactured by his firm.

#### **Outlook Bright**

Altho C. F. Wurdig and Ellwood Lorman have a background in the popcorn field dating back to the pioneer days of the business, they have only recently formed Bonanza, Inc., putting out their first machine in February of this year. The outlook of the popcorn business "is very good," Wurdig, who is secretary of the company, said.

Equally enthusiastic is Ellwood Lorman, vice-president of the firm, who recently returned from a swing thru the Eastern States where "seven big popcorn processors were appointed Bonanza distributors."

Reception of their machine on the East Coast has assured Bonanza of another steady market, Wurdig said, "Popcorn is beyond a doubt the hottest item in America today." And he wasn't only speaking of the temperature of the corn, for Bonanza machines are now in nationwide operation.

The single model machine Bostainless steel trim, with no screws showing, and is 59 inches high, 151/2 inches in diameter and weighs 70 pounds, with a capacity of 10 bulk gallons. A 5 or 10-cent coin chute is optional with the operator.

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(Continued from page 71) operator in mind, Brown constructed basis. There is no set number of the machine so it can easily be moved machines an operator has to purchase by one man.

voir easier to clean it has been de- in question. signed to be emptied thru the dispensing unit, so the corn does not have to be scooped out from the top.

erators on an exclusive territory in order to gain his franchise, as it In order to make the corn reser- depends on the size of the territory

#### Future Assured

The future of the popcorn business The current model Stylon Pop- is assured, Brown claims, offering the master Model D is being sold to op- parallel of bowling alleys 20 years

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ago when only a few people enjoyed the game, compared to the big business bowling is today. The same is true of popcorn, he believes, because "only a comparative few are enjoying popcorn today compared to the consumer millions in the future."

One of the real pioneers in the business is the Kunkel machine, distributed nationally by Norsoamerica, Los Angeles. On the market since the mid '30s the machine is 62 inches high and 16 inches deep, weighing 67 pounds. "Stability of the Kunkel machine has been proven thru the years," is the claim of C. B. Stewart, vice-president of Norsoamerica.

Main feature of the Kunkel machine is the conversion kit which turns the unit into a hot shell peanut vender. This enables an operator to vend popcorn and peanuts on the same location. The conversion kit, as explained by Stewart, is a salient factor that has garnered operator approval thruout the country.

In looking to the future, Stewart feels there is still plenty of business available, but refuses to discount the inroad bulk theater sales have made against popcorn venders.

However, most manufacturers of popcorn vending machines are looking forward to 1950 as a banner year for the industry. While the homefront consumer is being sold the merits of popcorn, some of the more progressive manufacturers are eying the foreign field. Potential customers, they feel, are available from Brighton to Bogota, Capetown to Colon. All it takes is promotion. That phase of the operation, they intend to provide-and soon.





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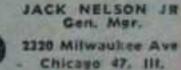
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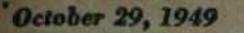
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# POPCORN

Hiking output may often be the answer to upped profits for the merchant, but there is a right and a wrong way to do the job.

# Increasing Popcorn Volume for the OPS

### By WARREN A. KISH

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TO MAKE MORE popcorn profits, help the popcorn merchant obtain about increasing his selling price or lower cost. In many instances the decreasing the amount of product popcorn merchant tends to use too sold. This type of action is not good little or too much seasoning in his business and might be fatal to a kettle. There is no certain amount thriving popcorn operation. Too often of seasoning recommended but it has the popcorn operator does not con- been found that if the merchant uses sider increasing the volume of pop- 25 to 35 per cent of the net weight corn in order to have more product of the raw corn in seasoning, the available at no higher cost.

Many merchants are more concerned with the price of raw popcorn rather than the relative popping expansion which is so important for a highly profitable operation. In a business where an initial investment take precedence over popping expanin raw supplies will return six to eight times in gross, there should be no question of trying to save 50 cents or \$1 per 100 pounds of raw popcorn. Established popcorn processors and distributors in general will sell quality grain only, realizing that raw popcorn which will not give top expansion is, in the main, not worth maximum expansion. the trouble popping.

Measuring Corn

the merchant is often concerned higher production at the same or highest amount of production will be obtained. Of course, -in some types of operation, the merchant wishes to produce a highly seasoned popcorn and therefore taste of product will sion. Many popcorn machines vary in popping temperature and it is suggested that every merchant experiment with various amounts of seasoning, within the limits suggested above, to find his individual point of

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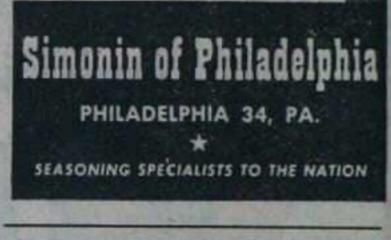
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There is now on the market a measuring device manufactured by the C. Cretors Company, Chicago, which will accurately indicate the relative expansion of raw popcern. Today, due to good supply thruout the corn producing area, top grade popcorn will expand 32 to 34 times after popping. If a merchant wishes to save 50 cents or \$1 on 100 pounds of raw popcorn with an expansion of 28 times, he may have a loss in finished product of 12 to 15 per cent compared to the use of top grade corn. And a 12 or 15 per cent loss in popped product may mean an actual loss of \$15 to \$25 per 100pound bag of popcorn.

Therefore, when the popcorn merchant buys raw popcorn, quality and expansion volume should be paramount and price, secondary. Any large popcorn dealer will certainly stand back of his product and a good source of top quality popcorn is a great help to any popcorn merchant.

**Popping Procedure** The application of several rules regarding popping procedure will also

'Popless' Corn Bag CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- According to Irving Singer, Rex Paper Products, there are still a number of theater managers and merchants who do not know they can eliminate the rattling and explosion of popcorn bags.

Singer's firm, which has manufacored and distributed the Soundproof Popcorn Bags since 1946, uses a special porus paper developed by Mead Corporation Chillicothe O., which silences rattle and makes exploding of bags impossible.

Singer will be custodian of Rex Paper Products' booth at the Popcorn Industries Convention at the Palmer House here Saturday (22) thru Wednesday (26).

ing oil in the popping kettle for highest expansion is 450 degrees, but in most cases the merchant will load both the raw popcorn and seasoning oil into the kettle at the same time rather than wait for the oil to heat up. It is not very practical to wait for the oil to heat before placing the charge of raw corn into the kettle, but some machines now on the market incorporate seasoning heating devices. and others even have semi-automatic pump assemblies to inject the heated oil into the kettle. Any device which preheats seasoning oil will certainly give the popcorn merchant higher volume.

Storage conditions of raw popcorn on the merchant's premises are of some importance to insure highest possible popping expansion. The ideal moisture content of raw popcorn is 13.25 to 13 75 per cent relatime humidity. Assuming that an established popcorn distributor ships his product at proper, moisture content, it is not difficult for the merchant to store the popcorn without too much loss or addition of moisture. Popcorn is usually packed in moisture proof bags but the popcorn will be adversely affected by the presence of heat, dampness and lack of ventilation. Heat in storage will cause raw popcorn to lose moisture and therefore result in a loss in popping expansion. Dampness and lack of ventilation will cause soggy kernels and eventually mold. Extreme low temperatures are not necessary for proper storage of popcorn. Room temperature of 60 to 70 degrees is considered safe for popcorn.

#### Conclusion

Concluding, therefore, this survey of what steps the merchant may take to insure highest expansion volume in popcorn, it is recommended that he use the highest quality raw popcorn, proper amounts of seasoning oil, preheating of seasoning oil, and proper storage conditions.



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### POPCORN

Early hit-or-miss methods of placing units slowed expansion, but vending machine orgs are overcoming this problem in many cities.

# **OPS SEE HIGH NET PROFIT POTENTIAL**

"DROOF OF THE PUDDING" vender operations can and do return ager. good profit when conducted on a non-boom-or-bust level, are detailed by operators picked at random in four major cities. Altho earlier hit-ormiss placement of equipment has resulted in a certain amount of withdrawals, and to some extent has acted as a deterrent to current expansion of this 57,000-plus machine field, successful operators point out the high net profit potential of popcorn paves the way for a good, steady income business.

Individual operators feel that their successful operation of popcorn venders ranges from giving "samplings" of corn to moppets to keeping machines clean and stocked with the best popcorn available. Locationwise, best bets have been found to exist in theaters, bowling alleys, cigar

### Location Demands Popcorn

Indicating location attitude toward this phase of automatic merchandising is the "demand" popcorn operation conducted by the Long Island Division of the Canteen Company. Manager Roy Wooden reports the firm has 15 Pop Corn Sez units at La Guardia Field, in spite of the fact the Canteen, parent company, operates no popcorn machines in its own routes in any other part of the coun-Reason: The Port Authority try. (PA) wanted the venders continued in operation when Canteen took over the route one and one-half years ago from the former operator. They were considered an essential service by the PA.

stores, bowling alleys and small lunch facts, showing that popcorn counters, declares Wes Howard, man-

Top locations have been found to be theaters, with the bowling alleys, small soft drink parlors, and lunchrooms coming next in that order.

Mission Popcorn purchases about 50 100-pound sacks of popcorn each week.

### L. A. Ops Enthused

A noticeable feeling of enthusiasm on the part of popcorn operators in the Los Angèles area is apparent. This is evidenced by reaction to "how's business" queries of the veteran as well as the newcomer to the field.

One of the latter, Percy R. Martin, Whittier, Calif., declares he decided on operation of popcorn venders after investigating various types of vending equipment.

After securing a number of mastores, drugstores and super markets, chines Martin set about getting them spotted in his territory. Using the approach of a friend who was a former location man for a drug chain, he checked foot traffic near prospective locations, being sure to explore all possibilities such as proximity to schools, markets, etc. If after three days the pedestrian figures held up, Martin approached the location owner with a brochure, giving all pertinent facts of the machine.

In order to get over his message,

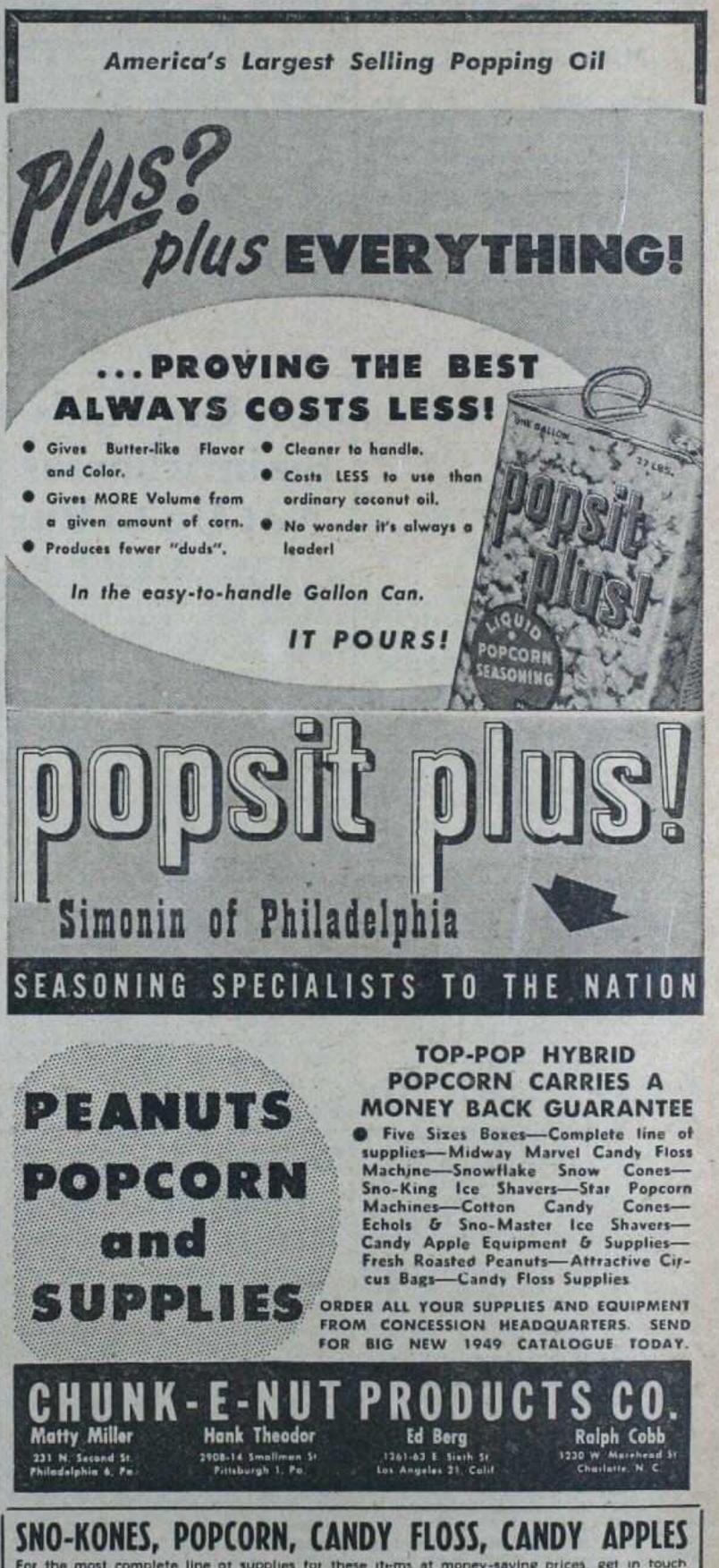
chines in advantageous locations such corn ready popped in varying amounts, depending upon the monthly gross.

husband and wife team feel, is due to their service job of keeping the machines spotlessly clean and making sure the consumer obtains a fresh product for his coin.

erator, Arno Rapp, slants his busi- off, Rapp reports. Unemployment ness toward bowling alleys and has cut down the parental allotment taverns. Altho not releasing figures of dimes for popcorn, he feels, but on his operation, Rapp admits satis- with cooler weather at hand, Rapp faction with the popcorn business.

Juggling machines on locations by as service stations and markets, the the trial and error method is the best bulk of their locations are in taverns, means of insuring a steady return, At the present time they buy their Rapp believes. If a machine fails to pay off within a reasonable time he pulls it and searches for a new location. Altho he stresses the afore-The success of their operation, this mentioned taverns and bowling alleys as top locations he also has branched out into neighborhood theaters, hotdog stands and service stations.

Most locations continu = to be steady grossers, altho machines within the Another Los Angeles popcorn op- proximity of grade schools have fallen looks for an increase in business.



Wooden says that during the summer he buys about 100 bushels of prepopped corn each week. At 10 cents a bag, about 44 portions may be vended from each bushel, he has found.

#### **Op Uses Location Salesman**

Don Mayborn, Robert Lucas and school. The local YMCA also pays Robert Sheridan in Baltimore, con- off. Martin claims. ceived in Europe during the war and launched in November, 1946, is a business. Martin has expansion plans going business under the Sun Puft for 1950 which include the purchase Popcorn Company banner. From of a commercial popper so he can using route men to supplement branch out and wholesale popped corn initial personal solicitation for new to local grocers. With the installalocations, the partners have now tion of his own popping equipment turned to employing a location sales- he will buy his corn at the rate of man.

president, the leading volume loca- and salt. Altho he had no ready tions are neighborhood theaters, con- figures available, Martin estimates he fectioneries,. drugstores, super mar- sells about 700 10-cent bags per week kets and barbershops. Between 120 thru his machines at present. Upon and 150 bushels are sold each week adding more machines, his gross by the firm's nickel venders, while naturally will increase. between 400 and 800 bushels per week are moved thru the dime ma- tin makes frequent service calls. If chines in movi houses. The wide children are hanging around the mavariation in theater business hinges chine, he will run off a few bags upon a picture's popularity, Mayborn gratis, believing he not only pleases explains. With three years of suc- the kiddies but also makes the parent cessful operation behind them, the a potential customer. pariners plan stepped-up activity for the future.

### **Popcorn** Aids Locations Biz

old Mission Popcorn Company reports and wife operation.) It was Mrs. one reason for its expansion during Rolando, in casting around for some the pre and post war years was its business to occupy her time while her program of pointing out to location husband carried on his trade of movie corn vender on their premises. This field, but in 1948 they branched out approach brought especially good re- into popcorn. salts when approaching confectionery

Martin keeps his speech concise, giving the prospect no chance to ask questions until the entire plan has been outlined. In this way, he feels, there is little chance for misunderstanding on the part of the location owner.

### **Invades Kiddielands**

At present Martin has locations in service stations near a college, kiddielands and markets. The lastnamed location, he finds, is particularly lucrative during week-ends, when market shopping is at its peak. Another top location is in front of The three-partner operation of a barbershop near an elementary

Altho a relative newcomer to the 10 100-pound sacks at a time, in According to Mayborn, who is addition to his own corn, oil

In order to build good will, Mar-

### **Good Family Biz**

A family proposition is the way Frank Rolando describes his Los An-In San Francisco the nine-year- geles popcorn route, for it is a man owners, especially those near trans- projectionist, who answered an ad portation points, parks and play- for a vending machine route. That grounds, how they could increase was five years ago when the Rotheir business by setting up a pop- landos started in the penny vending

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### **Matinee Is Capacity**

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Oct. 22 .-Unless the memories of all old-timers in Montgomery are off the beam, Dailey Bros.' Circus set a new circus attendance record here Monday (17) and something of a gross record for itself.

Following a capacity matinee, the Dailey org put them on the straw at the night show and was forced to refund some 400 admissions when late comers found it impossible to get a night straw. into the big top.

In other spots on its Southern tour, the Dailey org was finding business highly satisfactory, altho not up to the Montgomery date. In Meridian, Miss., Wednesday (19), the show had a strong matinee and capacity night house.

Friday (14), in Opelika, Ala., matinee was near capacity and a full one at night. Albany, Ga., gave with a light matinee but a strong night house Thursday (13), while business in Thomasville, Ga., Wednesday (12) was the same.

**Kelly-Miller Show Finds Going Easier** In Missouri Spots

### AUSTIN, Tex., Oct. 22. - Altho | from the Texas Christian Universityofficials of the Ringling Bros. and Texas A & M football game, which Barnum & Bailey Circus haven't confirmed it officially, the show's closing date has been set for November 30, with a three-day Miami stand November 28-30. The org will move into its Sarasota winter quarters December 1. Plans still call for some of the R-B acts to make a trek to Cuba for an opening there December 6.

Unofficial Yet, But-

Despite a terrific heat spell, following some cool weather, the R-B org did okay business here Tuesday (18), getting a strong matinee and

Fort Worth failed to sell out, altho the org chalked up two three-quarter houses Saturday (15). Competition



RUSSELLVILLE, Ark., Oct. 22 .-King Bros.' Circus, which enjoyed good business in Oklahoma, is finding Arkansas below expectations and Russellville proved no exception. Playing here Wednesday (19), the show had a light matinee, partly due to threatening weather, but came back with near capacity at night. Clarksville, Tuesday (18), gave a strong matinee and a full house at night. In Ozark Monday (17) it was different, with matinee being less than half filled and night attendance just a shade better. A one-performance stand in Springdale Sunday (16) proyed a disappointment, org getting less than a half house. Siloam Springs, King's first stand in Arkansas, proved a surprise, org getting two full ones Friday (14). Siloam Springs is the home of Fred K. Moulton, veteran circus press agent. The final stand in Oklahoma at Pryor, Thursday (13), kept pace with other Oklahoma towns, giving two full ones. Special guest of the show in Pryor was Paul Van Pool, Joplin, Mo., well-known circus fan.

drew 20,000 persons in the afternoon, and the Texas State Fair, Dallas, only 30 miles away, proved tough.

Business in San Angelo, Tex., Friday (14) was okay, show puling two three-quarter houses. Sweetwater, Tex., played Thursday (13), proved disappointing. Matinee was light and night attendance less than a threequarter house.

# German Season Starts Slowly; financial affairs as handled by the bank. Vaude Featured

BERLIN, Oct. 22 .- Winter circus season here got off to a modest start this month, with Circus Barlay opening October 1 in its indoor arena, with a show made up largely of vaude acts. Outstanding are three top circus acts, Lydia Walterstein, high school rider; Denmark's circus owner Albert Schumann, with his Liberty Percherons and Helga Schumann's Shetland ponies.

Barlay program will get a shot in the arm next month when several good animal and circus acts, currently

# **Biller Bros.**' Legal Fracas **Is Ironed Out**

October 29, 1949

Show Continues Tour

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Oct. 22. -Biller Bros.' Circus, during its stand here Monday and Tuesday (17-18), ran into legal difficulties, but they proved minor and the show continued on its tour after doing just fair business.

On arrival, the show owners, Hyman and Arthur Stahlman, were served with papers by the sheriff on complaint of a bank in Alabama. The matter was quickly settled, however. Show officials said it involved a misunderstanding about the show's

Business in North Carolina spots recently has been below expectations. In Albemarle Wednesday (19), matinee was light but it was capacity at night. Saturday (15), in Dunn, despite excellent weather, show failed to get one good house in two performances. Goldsboro, played Friday (14), accounted for light houses both matinee and night. In Rocky Mount, Thursday (13), matinee attendance was light but night attendance was strong.

Lorin D. (Doc) Hall, general agent, rejoined here.

Visitors included Ken Maynard; Chester Gregory, who closed recently as Side Show manager for King Bros." on tour in the Russian zone with two Circus; Jake Houston, of The Charlotte Observer, and Dave Friedman, Paramount Pictures' operations manager in the Carolinas, who renewed acquaintances with Bernie Sturmak, show's general press representative; Scott Hall, Side Show manager, and Eddie Richmond, Hap Linquist, Red Houvis, Eddie Gillham and Vernon Thomas. Gillham and Thomas are recent additions from Dailey Bros.' Circus.

HOUSTON, Mo., Oct. 22 .- The Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros.' Circus is finding the going a bit easier in recent weeks in Missouri than was the case a week or so ago.

Playing here Thursday (13), the show registered a three-quarter matinee and capacity at night. In Salem, Wednesday (12), it was a straw at night after a light matinee.

California, Mo., Saturday (8), proved a red one, org getting two full ones. Despite a six-inch rain a few hours before the show arrived in Rolla, Mo., Tuesday (11), the K-M hoisted the big top under difficult conditions and played to satisfactory business.

# Indoor Stands Big For Schumann Show

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 22 .- Circus Schumann, after its summer season in Copenhagen, is playing under canvas at Aalborg, following which the circus will play indoor runs at Aarhus and Odense,

Circus Schumann ended its indoor season of five months at its own arena in Copenhagen, September 28, having played to sellouts at practically all performances.

In addition to the Schumann Liberty and high school horses, this year's program includes such topranking European acts as the Pierre Alizee flying trapeze troupe; the Five Rastellis, trampoline, and Dubsky's dogs.

At least seven important circuses, in addition to Circus Schumann, have been on the road in Denmark the past summer, and many circus acts have Sawadas, foot jugglers; Mars Troupe, played parks and night spots. Circuses on tour included Circus Miehe, Circus Belli, Circus Benneweis, Circus Louis Schmidt, Circus Schmidt and several Liberty and high school Bros., Circus Royal and Circus Moreno horse numbers. Herman Ricter fronts & Reinsch.

# Novel Set-Up Marks **Apollo in Germany**

HAMBURG, Oct. 22 .- Emil Wacker's Circus Apollo is on tour in the British zone of Germany, with a big top boasting an elaborate woodenpanel front. Show also carries a large menagerie and a public restaurant and provides other novelties, including a parking lot for bicycles and autos.

Program lists 28 numbers, among New Bern, N. C., Date which are several internationally known acts, such as Carlo Medini and musical clowns; Kent and Paddy Frindt, pantomimists; Six Santiagos, Risley act, and Baptista Schreiber's acrobatic elephants.

double perch; Eric Psylander and his tigers; Bela May's mixed group urday (15), gave with a strong matof polar, grizzly and brown bears, the circus band.

Barlay tent units, are brought in to work the Barlay arena.

### Aeros in Leipzig

Circus Aeros left Berlin early this month to open at Leipzig, while the Dillenburg Circus-Museum, which had been playing at the Berlin zoo grounds, was forced to fold in mid-September due to poor business.

Several German circuses are still on tour in the provinces. Circus Krone, one of the biggest, played a at Hamburg offering one of the weeks Big Top Acts Return at Hamburg, offering one of the best bills seen there in years. Circus Krone currently is playing its winter season in its modern circus arena on the Mars Platz in Munich.

### **Big Top Wrestling**

Big top of the Circus Blumenfeld was taken over by FIAL, independent organization of artists, who toured the country giving benefit shows for needy performers, which did not prove too satisfactory but netted some cash for relief work. At present the tent is being used for fem wrestling matches, which are not looked upon favorably by local authorities, but, because of heavy publicity, are doing fairly good business.

Grock, well-known Swiss clown, will make a stage appearance in Munich next month in conjunction with the premiere of a movie in which he is starred.

### N. G. for Mills Org NEW BERN, N. C., Oct. 22 .- Mills Bros.' Circus, playing here Monday (17) under sponsorship of the Lions' Martin Bros.' Line-up of acts lists the Five Club, registered only light business at both matinee and night shows.

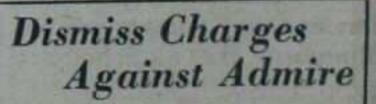
Elizabeth City, N. C., played Satinee and capacity at night. Williamsburg, Va., Thursday (13), proved a red one, org playing to a capacity matinee and a straw night house.

# **To Medrano Program**

PARIS, Oct. 22 .- Cirque Medrano opened its winter season at its indoor arena in Montmartre August 27, with opening bill running a month.

Medrano is sticking closer to a straight circus formula this season instead of using a large percentage of vaude and cabaret talent as it has been doing for some time.

Among feature acts on the bill were Buck and Chick, Western novelty; the Antares, flying trapeze; Three Manley Brothers, Danish knockabout comics; the Sheltons, rollerskaters; the Tunisians, Arab tumblers, and Circus Knie's Liberty horses, presented by Jules Hanni.



CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- J. C. Admire advises The Billboard that charges against him in Crawfordsville, Ind., last February in connection with Circus advertising (The Billboard, February 12) have been dismissed.

"I posted a cash bond of \$1,000," Admire wrote, "and yesterday (October 14) the charges against me were thrown out and my bond returned. I was just a victim of circumstances."

# **CFA Group Visits H-M Org in Philly**

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22. - An Eastern sectional meeting of the Circus Fans' Association of America (CFA) was held at Benjamin Franklin Hotel here Saturday and Sunday (15-16). James L. Harshman, of Hagerstown, Md., Eastern vicepresident, presided.

Delegates attended the Saturday night performance of the Hamid-Moron Circus in the arena in a group. Col. Robert H. Morton interrupted the performance to pay tribute to the CFA and to outline its purposes. Following the show an informal party was staged at hotel headquarters.

At a business meeting Sunday Harshman urged all members to attend the national convention in Danver in 1950. A resolution was offered and passed reaffirming the desire of the members to have a circus commemorative stamp issued.

Meet was followed by an informal dinner after which the group visited the Academy of Natural Sciences and the zoo.

**Rogers Org Lands** In Correct Town But on Wrong Site

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Oct. 22.-Rogers Bros.' Circus landed here on schedule for its Wednesday and Thursday (19-20) dates, but set up on the wrong lot and had to tear down and move to the correct site.

With the big trp practically up, the show was advised by the city inspector that it was on the wrong lot. Officials ordered the big top down and the show moved from the ball park lot to Sheppard Field, on Cutoff Road, about two miles away. As a result, the matinee was about two nours late and the crowd was thin. Night attendance, too, was light, Business the second day wasn't much better. Business in Childress, Tex., Monday (17) was light, but in Pampa, Tex., Saturday (15), the show had a capacity matinee and a strong night house.



The Billboard

-By Starr De Belle-

### Spouting Well, Okla. October 22, 1949.

The Won, Horse & Upp Circus did a sudden turn around at Rock Salt, Colo., last Wednesday. It caught our advance brigade off balance. We ager of the Husking Bee Pumpkin didn't have time to wire them, but handed Manager Upp the carnival's because we would continue on the billed route without playing it, the bosses figured that they would pass the trucks and give them the dope while en route. We passed the trucks last Sunday. Since we didn't know where we were headed, Manager Upp had his partner, Charley Horse, an Indian, shoot an arrow with a note out to give the circus a rousting. attached to it from our speeding The 10 of 'em bought combination train. The arrow stuck in truck No. tickets at \$3 per head or \$30 for the 1 with the note that read: "Follow party. After surrendering their tickarrows chalked on depot rest rooms ets in the marquee, they ducked out until you catch up with the show."

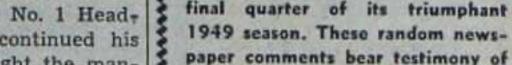
Dear Editor:

Pump Primer, Okla., Monday. They between the circus and the fair was We grossed heavily for four followmidnight.

manager stated that he missed our tinuous two-day stand, thus breakarrows in the town and while reading ing a local Sunday blue law.

the prose on the rest-room walls he became confused thru a carved arrow that was captioned, "A No. 1 Heading South," and had continued his driving. On Friday night the mancheck for \$1,500, which was stamped "No funds."

The bill crew was given a route and we continued to wildcat. Today finds us in a boom cil town. We blanked out during the matinee. But tonight 10 village cut-ups, who had become rich suddenly thru oil, came under the side wall and again bought A fair committee met our train at \$30 worth of tickets. They continued to buy ducats and go out under the wanted to know what had delayed us. side wall 100 times before our ticket They thought we were a carnival takers awakened to the fact that they that had stood the fair up A contract were merely doing so to make monkeys out of them. They called the then signed, which gave the bosses show's fixer who quickly informed everything the show grossed plus a the cut-ups that when a person buys \$1,500 check that the carnival had a ticket to this show he must sit thru given them as an appearance bond. it before buying another one. The total paid admissions for the night ing days. The fair ended Friday showed 1,000 patrons even the only 10 came onto the lot. Lucky for us On Wednesday morning the boss that they were caught when they heard that his billing trucks had were. If our ticket takers hadn't passed thru the burg heading south. been alert and stopped them, with He sent a fast motor cop after them their money, they could have kept to bring them back. Our bill truck it up and forced us to make a con-







Dyed-in-the-wool showman wants to know Montgomery (Ala.) Journal. Story \$ was written by staffer Allen Rankin. if it's ethical to take money from a manager who's show is going broke. The answer When the Ringling circus played is that if you can get it, you're a genius, San Angelo, Tex., Frank (Bring 'Em Back Alive) Buck, who resides in \$ San Angelo, was a guest of the show. Myron R. Kyle, known profession-(See Under the Marquee on page 99)

EASTWARD HO!

After five glorious months on the

Pacific Coast, our Western Com-

pany has moved eastward for the

# **German Variety House**

HAMBURG, Germany, Oct. 22 .-top-drawer variety houses, was knocked out by bombs during the war after 49 years of existence, but locale and clicking with presentation of top-notch circus and vaude acts. House played all the big American circus acts in prewar days but for the time being is forced to get most of its talent from Europe.

The Hansa, under the management of Hans Grell Jr., son of the founder. has been operating since the war in a new building and is sticking to the old formula. The house opened its fifth postwar season last month with a big bill featuring top European circus acts, including the Three Ikarus, Risley act; Five Katjamos, fem trapeze number; Two Gadens, equilibrists, and the Brauer Troupe, gymnasts on bikes.

### Davies Org Resumes Season; Minnesota Dates Scheduled

MONROE, Wis., Oct. 22. - Ayers and Kathryn Davjes' Circus resumed its tour here Thursday (20) under auspices of the Kiwanis Club. One night stands are skedded in Wisconsin, Illinois and Iowa. The org also will play Minnesota for the first time.

eight head of stock. The show is staffed with 17 people and two advance men. Org's indoor season will Wade. Kattenberg plugged CHS. last 15 weeks.

tors.

ally as Huey the Clown, reports he played with Shipstad and Johnson "Ice Follies of 1950" during the run in the Pan Pacific Auditorium, Los Angeles. He was assisted by Jack McAffee and Rene Thezan opening Features Big Top Talent night. Kyle has a series of club and bazaar dates before opening at the Toy Fair in the Broadway Hansa Theater, one of Germany's Store, Los Angeles, November 18 and continuing thru December 24. It will mark his 16th year at the Broadway Store. . . . Dailey Bros.' Circus it is now in its fifth year in a new in general, and Ben Davenport's daughter, Norma, in particular, were the subjects of a full column in The

### **Circus Historical Society**

WICHITA, Kan., Oct. 22.-The No. 1 division of CHS met in La Favette, Ind., Saturday and Sunday (15-16), with Dr. Harrison Powers, director, presiding. Ed Cripps,, Brantford. Ont., is showing his colored circus movies to school children. Mr. and Mrs. Fay Redd, St. Paul, are visiting in South Dakota and Iowa.

Edmund Hawthorn, Surrey,, England, writes about English circuses. The Bertram Miles, Chipperfield's, and Billy Smart's are the three largest, followed by Madam Poulos, Sir Robert Fossett's and Lord George Sangers. Hr presented the writer with pictures of the Bostock & Wombell menagerie.

Walter Fox, Mobile, Ala., attended the Meridian, Miss., Fair. M. W. Krieger, Albuquerque, N. M., on the mend after his recent accident, showed his model circus at the New Org will travel on 10 trucks, with Mexico State Fair. Burns M. Kattenburg, Mansfield, O., recently was interviewed on television by Byron F. M. Farrell returned to Ithaca, Jack Hagen and Joe McMahon, of N. Y., following a season with Rob-Clyde Bros.' Circus, were recent visi- bins Bros.' Circus. - BETTE LEONARD.



I wish to thank Mr. Clyde Beatty for another Successful Season as Side Show Manager, and the acts that were with me.

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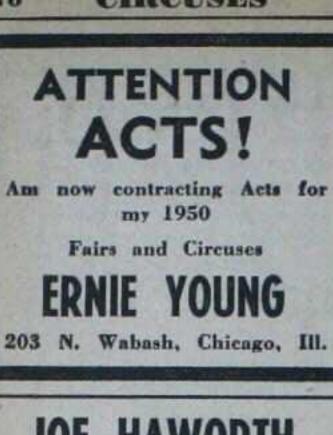
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# **Dressing Room Gossip**

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### **Ringling-Barnum**

Warm weather in Texas gives the sun bathers a break.

The Geraldos rejoined in Odessa, Tex. Each still wears a back brace but report feeling fine and glad to be back with the show.

Joe Ward, circus fan, is touring with us for a few weeks and joins clown alley ever so often. Henry Bedoe, midget clown, who left the show in Oregon because of illness, is much improved. Frank Karcouski rejoined after his appendectomy. Rose Hanlon was called to Pennsylvania by the death of her mother. Irene Burt and Lottie Brunn celebrated birthdays. Richard Kaufmann

was serenaded by Merle Evans and his band on his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald (Toto) Jones are the parents of a son, born in Sarasota.

Visitors: Bobbie Peck McGough, Pat Lindsey, Eddie Vaughan, Frank Seelock, Jimmy Armstrong's sister, Mr. McElwee, Mitzie and Murray Fein, Ben Davenport and Red Rumley.

giving up trying to send home all her cactus plants. . . . With so many drive-in theaters now adjoining the lots, we get to see all the latest movies from the back yard-silent feature style. . . Jeannie Krause working in the gaited section in menage. . Randy Concello the proud possessor of two baby chicks after his constant vigilance and care of the two eggs given to him by the grease joint. . . Grace Killian busiest woman on the lot every Thursday, which is pay day. . . Dorothy Durbin always making something cute to send to her daughters. . . The race for the cookhouse flag narrowing down to just a faithful few. - MARY JANE MILLER.

### Cole Bros.

This is the final column of the season. Org closed in Miami Sunday (16). The farewell dinner in the cookhouse was enjoyed by all. We had turkey and all the trimmings.

Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Glen Campbell and son, Steve; Mrs. Webster and son, Billy; Mrs. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Farris; Georgia Scharman and son, Bruce; Ortha Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Regent, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Jones and son; Mr. and Mrs. Uniat and son, Mike; Leon, of Leon and Eddie's, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Seawell, Mr. and Mrs. Baine; Mrs. A. G. Pohle and daughter, Verona, and Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Sucre.

Here are the destinations of personnel: Zahra Kader, Shelly Koton, Dolly Dale, Vicki Llach, the O'Donnells, Con Colleano, Mr. and Mrs. Watts, Dorita and Lilly Konyot, John Smith, Paul Hudson and Mathis, all Miami; the Ivanovs, the Repenskys, the Zacchinis, Mr. and Mrs. Staley, Simbissi, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Marlowe and the writer, all Sarasota, Fla.; Betty Patterson, Dolores Mummery, Back yard scenes: Irma Pushnik Jean Pistra, Jean Tolley, the Lockwells, the Ming Sing Troupe, all New York; Barbara Dubrueil, North Andover, Mass.; Mickey Lyons, Jeanne LaLanne, Mr. and Mrs. Louis and Alabama, all Louisville; Eddy Dullum, Lee Virtue, Jimmie Booth, Al Bruce, all California; Norma Wright, Hammond, Ind.; Toni Martin, Cincinnati; Jackson Kyes, Farmington, Ill.; the Wongs, St. Louis; Mr. Brown, South Bend, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hernon, Manistee, Mich.; Hammer Head, Houston, Lou Boger, Allentown, Pa.; Lefty Swanson, Spanish Fork, Utah; Jack Crippen, Iowa; Pat Lovell, Elmira, N. Y .- SALLIE MARLOWE.

### Dailey Bros.

### October 29, 1949

### Polack Bros,' Eastern

Augusta, Ga., was our first indoor date and the fresh costumes under the spotlights created plenty of raves.

Charley and Thea Borza celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary at the Club 13. With them were Adriana and Jaunito Lopez, and Nita and Peppi, with the latter two treating the natives to their juvenile version of the Hucklebuck. Others at the night spot were the Flying Wards, Irene Lafferty, Edythe and Whitey Boyd, Dennis Stevens, Ray Charlton, Clara LaVine, Henry Kyes and the writer.

Marsha Wayne Lewis, after three years' absence from the stage, is once more dancing in Chicago. She will rejoin hubby, Nate Lewis, at the end of the Polack tour.

Stopping over to catch the Cavalcade on Ice in Greenville, S. C., were Henry Kyes, Walter Long, Clara La-Vine, Edythe and Whitey Boyd and the writer. The show is headed by N. Edward Beck, former promotional director for the Polack org.

Shirley Charlton left for California. Nita Borza replaced her in the high act after one day's practice. Dennis Stevens was adopted by a stray dog who made the rounds of the show and finally bedded down in Stevens' trunk. Kinko has a string of theater dates skedded after the close.

In Asheville, N. C., the fire department helped set up the show .- BILLY BARTON.

### Hamid-Morton

We had to give three shows on a Saturday in Philadelphia, At the Monday opener, Roy Valentine, of the Flying Romas, escaped serious injury when the net gave way. Roy was taken to the hospital for X-rays and examination but was back to work the next afternoon.

Sa-So, producing clown, and his gang are doing a good job with the new clown band. Dick Clemens, who paid quite a sum to have his trailer repaired, is now looking for a buyer. Even Dick's convinced he doesn't need a 33-foot trailer. The women had a party in the dressing room. Sherrey Peaches' shower with a fire extinguisher was the laugh of the evening. Because we have a three-week layoff before starting the Atlanta stand, many of the folks went on trips. The Watkinses, Valentes and Thomases went to their homes in Florida. Peaches, the Hartzells, Dick Clemens, Jack Banta and Loff Rios headed for Atlanta. The Francanas and the Five Ericksons went to New York. The Ericksons open in the Palace Theater there Thursday (27). Visitors: Father Sullivan, the Loof Rios family, Gautier family, Richard Lobs, Bob Jones, John Fritshe, Lucky Marcel and Mr. and Mrs. Lavin, of Hunt Bros.' Circus. - CONCHITA.

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### King Bros.

When we reached Pryor, Okla., we found Paul Van Pool and Harry Baltzell on the lot. Speedy, pet pooch belonging to Lee and Eva Hinkley, was killed by a car in Ozark, Ark.

Malcolm M. Fleming, contracting agent, having completed his season, is spending several days with the show. Dee Aldrich joined in Bartlesville, Okla., as Side Show manager. Doc Capell visited us in McAlester. Okla.

E. M. Freiburger, owner of the Paramount Theater, Dewey, Okla. was on the lot at Bartlesville. He and Floyd King trouped together years ago on the E. H. Jones Two-Car Show. Freiburger played trumpet in the big show band. At Siloam Springs, Ark., Fred Moulton, veteran showman who is off the road this season, visited. Capt. C. A. Lick Jr., Fort Smith, Ark., visited in Siloam Springs and at Clarksville, Ark. Another visitor was Foster King Hamilton, manager of the Federal Compress, Fort Smith. Foster's last trouping was with the H. & W. Circus.

### **Clyde Beatty**

The band has played Auld Lang Syne.

Mrs. Beatty is hospitalized again. Our hopes for a speedy recovery Rhea Etheridge, Dorothy Herbert and Hope McClennon were making new wardrobe closing day. They must have winter dates set.

Destinations of personnel: Clyde and Harriett Beatty to Honolulu with Fernandez; Sylvester Cronin, Los Angeles; Bill Petty, El Monte, Calif.; Jimmy and Nellie Albanese, Fort Lauderdale, Fla; Al Moss, San Francisco; Pat Graham, Twenty-Nine Palms, Calif.; Jimmy McGee, Los Angeles; Marvin and Letha Smith, Coleman, Tex.; George Jones, Los ingeles; Red and Esther Reader, Hot Springs; George Davis, Hot erly of Peru, Ind .- JOE HODGES (See Clyde Beatty on page 99)

Gee Gee Powell and Robinhood were awarded the "trophies" in the recent rattlesnake killing in the back yard. Gee got the skin and the rattles went to Robinhood.

Nikko Drugette was off the show for a couple of days and his wife, Rebecca, worked the hat juggling act. Larry Cardon, former member of the Riding Martins, is back after a hitch in the navy.

Rosemary Stock was called to Macon, Ga., by the illness of her brother. Bert Rickman suffered several broken ribs when he fell from the train. Doug Autry and Red Harris on the sick list.

Birthdays were celebrated recently by Edward Murrillo Sr. and Jr., Marie Elena Rollon, George Williams, Rosemary Stock and Doug Autry.

Visitors: C'arlie and Jewel Poplin, Jack Rhinehart Jr., Mr. and Mrs. William Ketrow, Frances Peasley, Rebel Machetti and family, Doc Robinson and wife, Cecil Hagen, and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Allen.-HAZEL KING.

### Siebrand Bros.

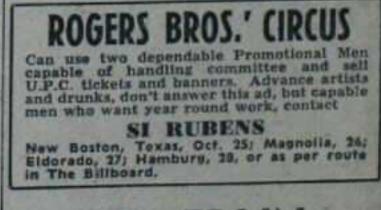
Nogales, Mexico, was the scene of much spending by the circus personnel. Surprisingly good business prevailed in Tucson, Ariz., with two shows given Saturday night.

On Friday morning all the performers made a 10:30 show at Veterans' Hospital. Pancho and Donita Roche's ad-lib rumba bit with the hospital electrician went big. Mrs. Huddleston, entertainment chairman, did a good job co-ordinating the program and invited all to an after-performance luncheon.

Recent visitors were Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Smith, showfolk; and Mr. and Mrs. Basil Smith and son, Dave, form-HODGINI.

Polack Bros.' Western

En route from Denver to Little Rock, the trailer brigade ran into a hurricane. Chai and Sumay's car and trailer were demolished; Etta and Carlos Carreon's car and trailer were damaged in a highway mishap with another car; Billy Griffin lost a trailer wheel; Roberta and son, Ray, ran their truck, full of dogs and (See Polack Western on page 98)



TED EDLIN WRITE AT ONCE. GUS KANERVA CROMWELL, MINN.

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**Midway Deal** Is Exclusive

First carnival attraction in 200 years to run Nov. 15-May 1-money par U. S.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Ross Manning, owner-operator of the Ross Manning Shows, this week announced that he had been awarded the exclusive midway contract for the \$26,-000,000 International Exposition and Bi-Centennial which will open officially December 9 in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. The midway preem will coincide with the scheduled November 15 preview opening of the exposition, and all show features will operate continuously thru next May

Manning flew to Port-au-Prince immediately after the closing of the Danbury (Conn.) Fair, at which his org ended its regular season. Upon his return here this week he said that the exposition was well on its way to completion and his investigations indicated it would be a winner.

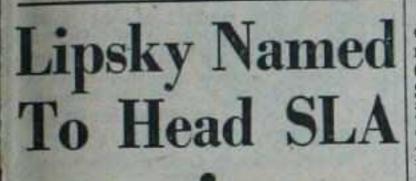
### **Big Crowds Predicted**

Haiti has never had carnival attractions in its 200-year history, Manning said. The population of Haiti is about 5.000,000. of which 450 000 reside in Port-au-Prince. Exposition officials are predicting an average daily attendance of 20,000 with crowds of 25,000 to 35,000 on weekends. Hatian money is on a par with U. S. currency and all shows, rides and concessions will work for the equivalent of prices in effect here. The spending outlook is especially good since there are no unemployed on the island, Manning said. The usual in-Monday is traditionally light but flux of tourists during the winter is also expected to contribute to the over-all success. No passports or visas will be required for show personnel and all necessary merchandise will be imported duty and tax free. Plenty of hotel accommodations are available for show personnel, with American plan rates ranging from \$5 to \$8, Manning said.

# Sally Rand Grosses \$14,309 In One Day at Dallas, New **High for State Fair Midways**

### Texas Expo's Show Grosses Soar-Games, Rides Up 5%

DALLAS, Oct. 22 .- The highest single day's gross for any midway show at a State fair-\$14,309.18 after taxes-was established here Saturday (15) by Sally Rand at State Fair of Texas. Her take topped the previous peak-\$10,008-which she established two years ago at Iowa State Fair, Des Moines. Priced at \$1, tax included, the revue she heads packed 'em Saturday (15) as the fair hit a new high single day's attendance, 276,984, which included a 75,000-capacity Cotton Bowl crowd for the SMU-Rice football game. The grid fans hit the midway hard to get a peak at Sally, and there was little need for her to bally.



Lou Keller, Noble Fairly, James P. Sullivan nominated as vice-presidents

CHICAGO, Oct. 22. - Morris J. Lipsky, co-owner of the Johnny J. named by the nominating committee of the Showmen's League of America to become president of that org. That total represented a new record This is the org's first date here. Lipsky now is first vice-president.

Another huge single day's gross is expected today, as another throng of more than 200,000 is anticipated. Chief fair attraction today is the SMU-Kentucky football game, which is certain to fill the Cotton Bowl to capacity and provide just the type of persons who will go strongest for la Rand.

Indications are that Sally's gross for the full 16-day run of the fair, which, closes tomorrow, will hit about \$80,-000 after Uncle gets his bite. As of the close of business Wednesday (19), her gross to that point was \$54,412.18 after taxes.

midway amassed a gross of \$139,-920.99, after taxes, thru Wednesday. gross to that point for the midway here.

Thomas McNeil, guess-yourweight operator with the James E. Strates Shows, has a clear conscience and \$10. When the org played York County Fair here, McNeil, while shopping in a departmene store, found a bag containing \$750.

\$750 Gets Him \$10

ROCK HILL, S. C., Oct. 22 .-

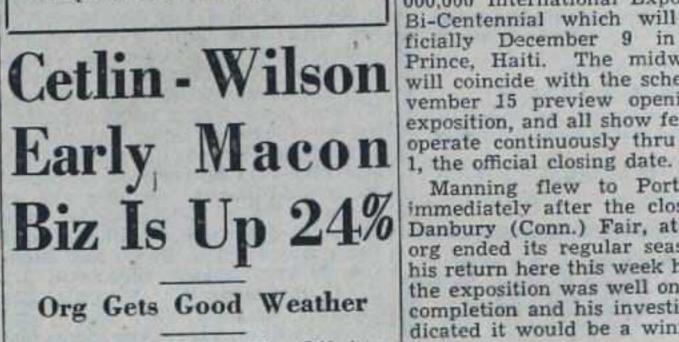
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MANNING SET FOR HAIT EXPO

Altho he had but 20 cents in his pocket, he promptly turned the bag over to a clerk and left. The money was the payroll for the Rock Hills Home Development Company.

McNeil was rewarded with a 10-spot for his honesty.



MACON, Ga., Oct. 22 .- Off to a flying start, Cetlin & Wilson Shows Paced by the Rand unit, Ray Marsh grosses at the Georgia State Fair here Jones Exposition, this week was Brydon's shows (17 in all) on the showed an increase of 24 per cent ahead of last year for the first half of the week, fair officials revealed.

Also named by the nominating committee were Lou Keller, first vicepresident; Noble Fairly, second vicepresident; James P. Sullivan, third vice-president; Walter G. Driver, treasurer, and Joseph L. Streibich, secretary.

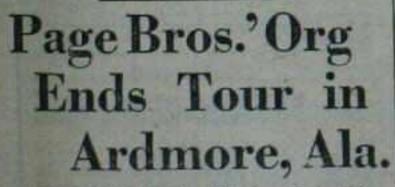
Ned E. Torti has been nominated for a five-year term as trustee.

Nominated to the board of governs were Carl J. Sedlmayr Jr., Louis Stern, Frank Bergen, Edward L. Young, Harry Simonds, Max Brantman, Arthur Briese, Bernie Mendelson, Edward Murphy, Maurice (Lefty) Ohren, George B. Flint, Max Goodman, Harry W. Hennies, S. T. Jessop, Al Wagner and Edward Sopenar,

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The election will be held during the Chicago November outdoor convention.



Page Bros.' Shows went into quarters giving eve banquet and then scatter here after closing a 27-week tour at to various vacation spots, the usual the Ardmore, Ala., Fair. The event testimonial dinner for the retiring was a red one. This being the first NSA prexy, Strates, was not held last fair held in Ardmore, rides, shows year, and concessions grossed big.

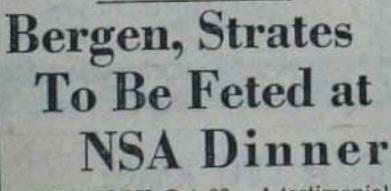
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### Rain Hit Early

run, particularly on Saturday (8) when the Texas-Oklahoma football 300-mile run from Spartanburg, S. C., game crammed the Cotton Bowl, the the show train arrived Sunday midmidway gross would be running even night and everything was ready two higher. The Texas-Oklahoma crowd was drenched, and when that game broke the grid fans headed for the outside gates.

While the shows have been running way out in front of past figures here, the rides and games concessions, overcoming off-business in the early days caused by the weather, now are running about 5 per cent ahead of last year. The rides and games are operated by Joe Murphy, Jack Lindsey and Margaret Pugh, widow of the late Denny Pugh.

Benefit show for the Lone Star Showman's Club was tossed Tuesday night (18) and, while final figures were lacking, it was estimated that the show would net the club about \$1,000. Jamboree was held in the Sally Rand top, with various midway attractions contributing talent.



NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- A testimonial dinner of the National Showmen's Association in honor of Prexy Frank Bergen and Past-President James E. Strates will be held at Leon and Eddie's here Monday, November 21. Due to various complications, in particular the fact that most NSA showmen head for Chicago imme-SPRINGFIELD, Tenn., Oct. 22 .- diately after the annual NSA Thanks-

This winter the outstanding social Mrs. W. E. Page are planning a Thanksgiving week, starting off with 250 persons, with tix pegged at \$5.50 tration in Nebraska, the opinion a memorial service Sunday, November each.

To overcome the traditional Monday jinx the fair board asked Izzie Cetlin and Jack Wilson to post a \$500 But for the rain early in the fair's bond guaranteeing midway opening for 3 p.m. Monday (17). Despite a hours ahead of the deadline.

### **Opening Day Biz Jumps**

biz was more than twice as good as any previous Monday when midway opened, E. Ross Jordan, fair manager said. On Tuesday, daytime hours were slow but there was a tremendous turnout at night. On Kid's Day, Wednesday, the midway was packed morning, afternoon and night. Special 9-cent ride prices for school matinee held down the grosses but even then the total passed \$15,000. The Exchange Club, fair operator, insisted on special low prices for this event.

In the best years grosses for shows and rides ranged from \$40,000 to \$50,-000 for the six days. With about \$25,000 already in hand from the first three days, the outlook is especially bright for a record take.

### First Dollar Show

Raynell's Girl Show, with \$1 admish, a new high for carny attractions here, and the Monkey Show tied for honors in grosses. The spot is definitely strong for rides, and the whole 24 are getting a heavy play. George Golden's concessions, all merchandise, report brisk biz. Ben Weiss has bingo on the independent midway. Also exfair prexy Bill Ragan has the independent train ride.

Early visitors included Bill Cowan, from Cole Bros.' Circus; Llovd Thomas, of Joyland Shows; Bill Franks, former show owner; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Drill and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Amerson, concession operators.

20, and being climaxed by the annual banquet at the Hotel Commodore Thanksgiving eve, November 23.

Reservations for the presidents' testimonial dinner will be limited to

### Free Transportation

Manning will have all of his equipment in Miami ready for loading on two LCT barges by November 7. All contracting showmen and concessionaires will have all of their equipment, with the exception of trucks. transported free. Manning will limit his automotive equipment to eight trailers and two tractors.

Manning's tentative line-up of attractions include two Girl Shows, Side Show, Life Show, Snake Show, Monkey Speedway and Motordrome. Rides will include a Merry-Go-Round, Ferris Wheel, Chairplane, Octopus, Spitfire, Whip and two kiddle units. A total of 40 concessions will also be presented.

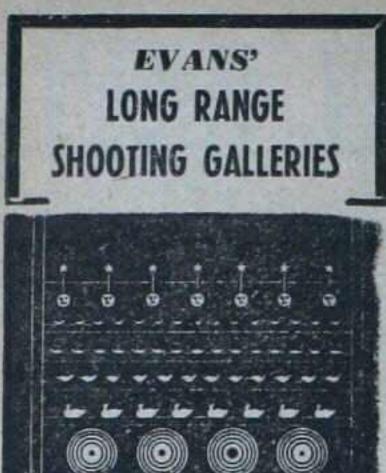
The midway area, located in the heart of the 60-acre plant and fronting on the Caribbean, is 250 feet by 1,200 feet.

### Neb. Rule Holds Show Trucks Subject to Registration

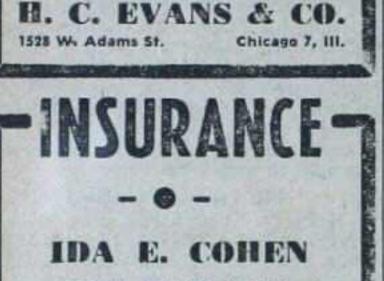
LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 22. - The attorney general's office has ruled that trucks used to haul carnival equipment are used in intrastate business rather than interstate traffic. They thus are subject to regis-

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### 175 W JACKSON BLVD. CHICAGO ILLINOIS

### **MIDWAY CONFAB**

J. Fontana, general rep of the L. J. pac, Mich. Heth Shows, infos he will attend the State fair conventions in Tennessee and Georgia to book dates for the

glamor gals as such. Theyr's much too preoccupied trying to get their pay rolls to- News in his hometown, Savannah. gether.

Clif Wilson, snake show operator, a visitor at the Cincinnati office of The Billboard Monday (17), reported that his business this year on the SedImayrs' Royal American Shows and at the Chicago Railroad Fair was highly satisfactory. . . . Seen erecting an arch recently at Legion Pleasure Park, Fayetteville, N. C., was Pat Hanlon. . . . Prof. Willie J. Bernard, who recently completed October 23. . . . Harvey (Doc) Ara circuit of New England fairs with lington, general agent of the James his Wild Man Show, plans to join H. Drew Shows the past season, is a show in the South for the winter. on the staff of the Ohio Theater, His aunt, Mrs. Blanche E. Guyette, Celina, O., where he plans to winter. will act as ticket seller. . . . Among children attending a party celebrat- Blaire planed to Dallas to visit ing the fourth birthday anniversary friends during the run of the State of Marylin Murray, daughter of Mr. Fair of Texas there.... Dave Endy. and Mrs. Jess Murray, of the Royal of Endy Eros.' Shows, was in New American Shows, October 16 at York for brief visit recently. Jackson (Miss.) Fairgrounds were Sammie Zimmerman, Jimmie and Terry Lee Mitchel, David and Rich- ite who thinks his advice to a general agent ard Synrex, Bobbie Wilkerson Jr., is more welcome than is that coming from C. J. Sedlmayr III, Virginia Lee Sutrein: Barbara Sue, Judie and Lynn Cardner, Tracy Ann Hicks and Patsy Sedimayr.

that he keeps an open mind with his emof the time.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Burge, of W. G. | T. Kennedy Shows. In August-Sep-Wade Shows (No. 1), recently took tember, the Macks visited at the delivery on a Royal Mansion trailer home of their aunt and uncle, Hazel at Kalamazoo (Mich.) Fair. . . . Joe L. and George Bruce Kempf, at Ca-

Ralph F. McLendon, veteran carnival tub-thumper and general agent 35th tour of the Heth org next year. and formerly for several years editor of The Billboard's carnival depart-Gal show managers never regard their ment, has been newspapering for the last 18 months on The Morning Ga. McClendon quit the road several years ago, after 30 years of trouping, to be near his mother, who will soon celebrate her 97th birthday. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stratton, after winding up with the Wilson Famous Shows, are now with the Kellie Grady Shows in Alabama.

> Estelle Pike, sword swallower, will winter in Dallas, following the windup of the State Fair of Texas there . . . Jean Eugene Mercer and Zora

> As mistaken as anybody is the midwaysomebody else.

Rae Terrill cards from San Francisco that he visited the West Coast, Imperial and Golden Gate shows If you can find a manager who boasts there recently. Terrill added that A. J. Budd's "Freaks on Parade" on ployees, you have found someone who the West Coast org was doing okay. thinks he's right only about 99 per cent and that Murray Pickford has left Boston for Detroit to play a number of club dates. . . . Al Baysinger, of Hazel Helen Mack and husband, Dodson Imperial Shows, and Clayton Lester Mack, on tour with the Cros- Holt, Hennies Bros.' Shows, visited ley Refrigerator Show, attended the the State Fair of Texas, Dallas. Also recent Atlanta Fair and also hopped noted were Jack Edwards, general to Columbus, Ga., to visit the tomb agent, T. J. Tidwell Shows; Mrs. Bilof the Kennedy showfolk who were lie Mcore, Royal American Shows, killed in wreck November 22, 1915. and Jack Baillie, Cavalcade of





were among those who perished. She Floyd E. Gooding, of Gooding was a survivor, aged 21/2 years at Amusement Company, and Jack the time. The Macks were the sub- Howard, ride operator, were in Dalject of a front-page four-column las for the stretch run of the State spread in The Columbus Enquirer, Fair of Texas. ... Chuck Morris han-October 5, which was mostly a re- dled all concessions and Harold Ingprint of the wreck as described in lish was in charge of all rides for The Billboard by the late William the Murphy-Lindsey-Pugh combina-F. Floto, then press agent of the Con tion at the Dallas fair.

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# FROM THE LOTS

### **Prell's Broadway**

GREENVILLE, N. C., Oct. 22 .-Owner Sam E. Prell says the fair season thus far has been above expectations and that the show will stay out until December 10. It will However, Thursday brought cloudy reopen January 30 in Fort Myers, Fla., for eight fairs in the State.

Attending a recent birthday party for Abe R. Prell, youngest son of Owner Prell, were Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Prell, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Prell, Marie Peters, P. J. Finnerty, Dotty Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Dell, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Fererri, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gutermuth, Mr. and Mrs. William Sylvester, Mr. and Mrs. Red Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. John Garrett, John Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Victor McCarty and Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Caruso. Eddie Fererri supplied entertainment and acted as emsee. P. J. Finnerty announced he and Dorothy Miller would marry November 11 in Valdosta, Ga., with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Prell as attendants. Finnerty plans purchase of a house trailer for a honeymoon trip to California.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Dell, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ross and Mr. and Mrs. Joe DeNagao purchased Spartan trailers for delivery in Greenwood, Miss. William and Lillian Sylvester, son-in-law and daughter of the Prells, have purchased a new Buick and Spartan trailer. R. A. McCarthy joined with his Animal Show; Dick Dillon with a Mechanical City, and Carl Ferris with Rolloplane and Moon Rocket at Rocky Mount, N. C. Teddy Barre is at home in Garfield, N. J., recovering from a broken ankle suffered while riding in the Motordrome. Abe Gross was taken to a hospital in Greenville, N. C. He will convalesce at his home in Miami. -SAM E. PRELL.

### **Burdick's Greater**

WOODVILLE, Tex., Oct. 22 .- Org was at the fair here last week Opened Wednesday, Children's Day, to good business and everyone looked forward to a good week. skies and intermittent rains to mar an otherwise satisfactory engagement; Saturday Old Sol routed Jupe Pluvius, bringing a good crowd in a spending mood to put us on the right side of the ledger. Visits were exchanged with the Ruback show, playing near by.

Mr. Burdick was busy all week reorganizing, as the winter unit will soon take to the road. Show in its present form consists of 6 rides, 4 shows and 30 concessions. Ira Burdick is owner-manager; Red McFarlin, assistant manager and legal adjuster; Mrs. Ira Burdick, secretarytreasurer; Jim Lynch, lot superintendent and assistant bingo manager; Mrs. McFarlin on the front gate.

Concessionaires are Canuk Red, Whitey Knowls, Bill Luther, Sammy George, McWilliams, Neil Burdick, Henry Dingle, William Elliot, Eddie O'Shea, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bolenbarker, Mr. and Mrs. Brashire; D. L. Birely, who also has two kiddle rides.

Mrs. Sammy George has the Girl Show; LeRoy, Magic Show; Roy Wallace, one-ring circus; Marvelous Honjock, Freak and 10-in-1, combined; Montana Red, pony ride, and Henry Dingler, Funhouse.

Mrs. Neil Burdick and daughters, Julie Anne and Bette Alice, spent the week-end on show, returning to Temple Sunday. Mr. Burdick, who is building another apartment unit in Temple, availed himself of the opportunity to purchase lumber while playing sawmill towns.

Ralph Miller arrived to confer with Mr. Burdick about replacing the office trailer recently destroyed by fire. Mr. and Mrs. McFarlin narrowly escaped death when Belle, driving in a blinding rainstorm, failed to see a logging train approaching and in order to avert a collision sent her car headlong into a small pine tree at the roadside. Luckily neither she nor Red were injured but the car was badly damaged.-LAVERNE LUTHER.

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### **Virginia** Greater

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DILLON, S. C. Oct. 22 .- Business was fair here for the week ending Saturday (15) under auspices of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. The location was on a main highway, about five blocks from the business section. Business and weather were fair on opening Monday. Weather was cool and cloudy the last two days but business held up.

Teenagers on the show staged a birthday marty for Amelia Walls. niece of Mrs. Bessle Cooper. The party was held under the awning of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Cooper's trailer. Youngsters attending included Pumpkin Prue, Emma, Mary Jane, James and Isabelle Cooper; Shirley, Bobby, Eddie, Tony and Patricia Klinetop; Connie Curtelli, Betty Ann Phillips and Mike and Ike Matina. Grownups assisting at the party included Mrs. Rocco Masucci, Mrs. Jimmy Cooper and Mrs. Quey Cooper. Easing in to partake of refreshments were Manager Rocco Masucci, Tony Buzzella and Quey Cooper.

Visitors included Sheriff T. Gasque and family; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Pate, Mrs. Harry Biggs, Mr. and Mrs. T. Anthony and Bruce Jordan Jr.

### John H. Marks

WILLIAMSTON, N. C., Oct. 22.-Org closed a still date here Saturday (15), sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Light business marked the first part of the week and only fair business the remainder of the stand.

Buster Gordon joined with his Big Dipper. Ruth Schreiber, manager of Bob K. Parker's diggers, rejoined after being released from a Washington, N. C., hospital.

The org will close its 28-week tour at the Beaufort County Fair, Washington, N. C. The Excellos, high aerial act, will be the free attraction for the final week.

### W. C. Kaus

ASHEBORO, N. C., Oct. 22. - Our stand at the Cherokee Indian Fair was a pleasant and profitable one. Superintendent Jennings of the Cherokee Indian Reservation and members of his staff were nightly visitors to the midway. They reported the paid attendance at about 40,000, an increase of 10 per cent over 1948. The long trek over the mountains and back to Central North Carolina was made without mishap and in good time.

Last week in Asheville, N. C., despite severe censorship on concessions, the hanky panks had a field day. Everyone got money as we were the first show in this year. Attorney George Pennell and his secretary, Betty Hancock, were regular visitors to the midway and assisted in every possible way to make the week a success.

The show has three more weeks to go, closing November 12, and will move into regular winter quarters at New Bern, N. C. - GRAVES H. PERRY.

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M. A. Srader

BOYCE CITY, Okla., Oct. 22.—The org closed its 28-week season at the fair here. According to Owner-Manager M. A. Srader the season was not off as much as was expected. The early part of season was hampered by inclement weather. At the fairs and celebrations the grosses were the same as last year.

The showfolk of Wichita, Kan., were Mr. and Mrs. Oran Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bishop, Noah Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Art Talley, Mr. and Mrs. Blackey Davis and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Thornton, Jerry Fenzke, Gordon Figgings, Ralph Erhard, Val Stanfields, Otto Thompson, Hughey Carlin and Kenneth Smith.

Pete Calander had the Wild Life show; C. R. Knox and family, Funhouse and concessions; W. P. Stephenson, Motordrome; H. W. Crowell, Snake Show; Zora Blaire, Girl Show; Marie Stone, Girl Show. The Circus Side Show folks were Billy and Eddié Kennedy, co-owners and operators with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kennedy Sr.; Malcom Kennedy, Jean Mercer and Vannoy Lane Stokes, all of Oklahoma City. Concession owners and opertors were Norvel and Jackie Miller and son, Billie: Billie and Virginia Miller and daughter, Celia; Bing Crosby, Abb Lay, all of San Antonio; Claude and Ray Davis, Woodward, Okla.; Ben and Maude Denson, Mullen, Neb.; J. P. Sanderfur, Phoenix, Ariz.

The show will occupy the same winter quarters as last year and is slated to open early in April at Liberal, Kan.—PAT SRADER.

### Lee's United

GLADWIN, Mich., Oct. 22.—Shows closed their season at the fair here with shows and concessions reporting business for the year off about 25 per cent. Owner Charles H. Lee has moved into winter quarters and has a crew overhauling trucks and getting the org ready for next year's tour.

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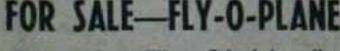
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Lee was the honored guest at a party in the Penny Arcade, Lunch was provided by Ed's Midway Cafe, with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rouse, Mrs. Alice Porter and the writer doing the serving. Lee was presented with a pen and pencil set by the writer on behalf of the guests, with Artie Frayne emseeing. Bill Porter, with bingo and other concessions, has signed to return next year, as have Harry and Sunshine Lewis, with cookhouse. Ed Rouse, who reported good business on the season, says he plans to play a few more spots before heading for quarters.

Jay Smith, Merry-Go-Round foreman, will have a ball game here next season. Superintendent Buck Bowden was in charge of rides. Mrs. Artie Frayne, wife of the shows' legal adjuster, had an ice cream stand. Lee and Parker purchased new cars at the close of the scason.—SUN-SHINE LEWIS.

### **Catlett Greater**

CONCORDIA, Mo., Oct. 22.—Org closed at the Fall Festival here, and Owner William G. Catlett stated that he will place several rides in Lakewood Park, Bonner Springs, Kan., and take charge of the park next season. Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wolf and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jaynes returned to their homes to take care of unfinished business before they leave for Rio Grande Valley for the winter.

General Agent Charles Klausen bought two kiddie rides that he plans to put on the show next year. Ginger and Pat Patterson took delivery on a new Sparton Aircraft trailer in Kansas City, Mo., before they left for the South for the winter. Vi and Lester Howe are working their way south with their popcorn concession. -WALTER WHITMER.



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# **CLUB ACTIVITIES**

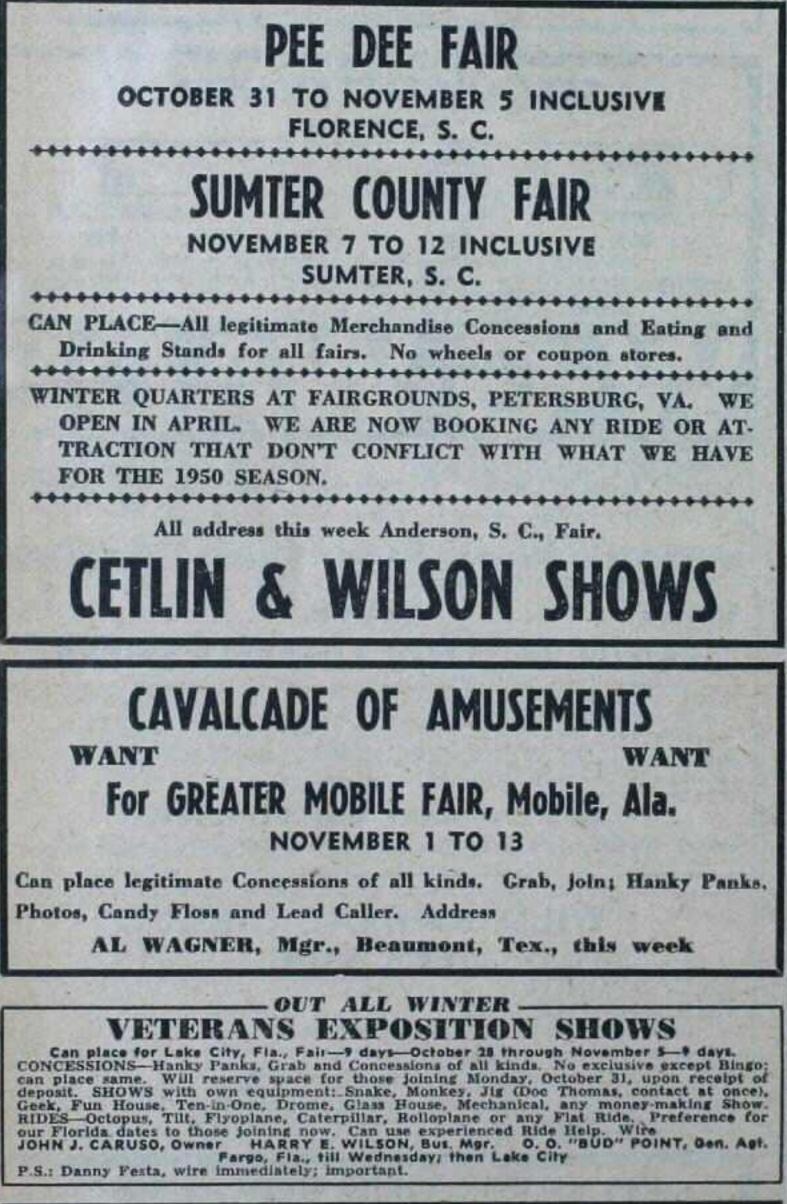
### Showmen's League of America 400 S. State St., Chicago

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.-Lou Keller presided at the Thursday (20) meeting. Also on the rostrum were Walter F. Driver, treasurer, and Joe Strelbich, secretary,

Elected to membership were: Carl N. Carlin, Charles L. Krekeler, Sidney C, Siegel, Richard Van Etta, Joseph F. Mosca, Harold H. Wetherbee, Roger Duncan, Horace H. Repass, Howard Cleaver, Bernie Mendelson, Joseph Gaskell, H. B. Shine, John F. Enright, Joseph J. Fontana, George W. Johnson and Petey Pivor. These new members bring the total for the year to 158.

George W. Johnson was named chairman in charge of registration for the convention. James Campbell and Ed Sopenar were named cochairmen of the memorial service committee which will include Charles H. Hall, Morris A. Haft, Isaac Malitz, Manuel Blasco, Oliver Barnes, Jack Benjamin, E. Courtemanche and John P. Wulf.

Subcommittees for the president's party named by S. T. Jessop were: George W. Johnson, entertainment; Arnold Maley and Petey Pivor, tickets; Tommy Thomas, Charles Zemater, John W. Gallagan, John P.



Wulf, George A. Golden, Al Sweeney and William Carsky, reception.

Jack Temkin is in a Big Spring, Tex., hospital. Tom Vollmer, William E. Saunders, W. O. Perrot and George B. Flint are planning another issue of News Flashes. Richard P. Reuland made his first meeting. Sam Ward made a short visit. Pete (Chew Tobacco Pete) Andrish is being treated in Springfield, Ill., after a stroke.

Members of the club were present at the funeral of Upton Claxton, father of Leon Claxton of Royal American Shows.

### National Showmen's Association 1564 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- Club's 12th Annual Banquet will be held at Hotel Commodore, Thanksgiving Eve, November 23. President Emeritus George A. Hamid, dais and entertainment committee chairman, advises that he is lining up top talent, with many surprises in store. Ticket reservations are coming in fast. Send in orders for tables or tickets at once to assure a good location. Chairman Fred C. Murray reports excellent Ival Windahl, Corydon, Ind.; the progress with the Year Book.

Earry Koretsky is in Veterans Hospital, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., recovering from an operation. Ben Rosenberg, has recovered from a long illness and visited the clubrooms recently. Harry Mirsky is still at the Boston (Mass.) City Hospital, slowly recuperating. Shutin members would appreciate mail from all members.

A. Fabricant, of Pacific Coast Showmen's Association, visited recently. Other visitors included Jack Gilbert, Harry Agne, Irving Reichen- CARNIVAL ROUTES thaler, Dave Wallace, Aaron Hymes,

# **Collins Org Closes** Successful Season

ST. PAUL, Oct. 22. - William T. Collins Shows concluded the season in Richfield, Minn., at the Legion and Firemen's Celebration, and has moved into winter quarters here. Org traveled 3,500 miles this season thru four States, North Dakota, Minnesota, South Dakota and Iowa, playing only one spot in the latter two States. Owner-Manager William T. (Billy) Collins said that the 1949 tour was highly successful.

Executive staff remained the same thruout the season. Included, in addition to Collins, were Stanley Warwick, assistant manager; Mrs. William T. Collins, secretary-treasurer; Bessie Pappas, assistant to Mrs. Collins; Harley Evert, ride superintendent; Chuck Hebert, transportation superintendent, and Charley Cooper, electrician. Woodrow (Specks) Smith is in charge of quarters, assisted by members of the Merry-Go-Round crew.

Destinations of concessionaires and performers: Stanley and Midge Warwick to Jack Moore's Shows to visit their son; Ben and Elsie Blikas, Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hingst, St. Paul; Herman Henderson, Omaha; Sig Signor, Minneapolis; Slim Donaldson, a vacation in various cities; Ted Pappas, Muncie, Ind.; Bud and Tuckers and Carters, Albuquerque, N. M.; H. Eichorst, Southern tour; Frank Lentini, Arkansas; Harvey Williams, Minneapolis; the Del Rio Midgets joined Singer's Midgets in Memphis; Dick and Sunny Millard, Dallas; Jack Vallee, Seattle for club dates; Princess Lahoma, featured in the Pin-Up Revue, the Sky-Vu Club, Dallas, and Margie Benbow and her Swingtime Revue, Southern fairs. Guss and Bessie Pappas will remain in winter quarters for the present,

(Continued from page 62) Arthur Sicard, Abe Rapps, James Jack's Greater; (Fair) St. George, S. C. Peterson, Edward Rockefeller, Louis Jones, Johnny J., Expo.: (Fair) Dothan, Ala.; (Fair) Albany, Ga., 31-Nov. 5; season closes. D'Onofrio, David White, Jack Agree, Harry Krasnow, David Ricci, Francis Keystone Expo.; (Fair) Milton, Fla.; (Fair) DeFuntak Springs 5-12. Kile, Floyd O.: (Colored Fair) Kentwood, La. Kinland Am.: Cochran, Ga.; Jeffersonville 31-Nov. 5. Lane, Sammy: Monette, Ark.; Terrell 31-Nov. 5, Lawrence Greater: (Fair) Newberry, B. C.I Savannah, Ga., 31-Nov. 5. Lone Star: Americus, Ga. Magic Empire: Okolona, Miss. Seneca 31-Nov. 5. McKee, John: Portageville, Mo. Mighty Page: (Fair) Trenton, N. C. Midwestern Expo.: Timpson, Tex.; Jasper II-Nov. 5. Monarch Expo.; Colquitt, Ga.; Ozark, Ala., Nov. 5. Palmetto Expo.: Sardia, Ga. Pan American; Pascagoula, Miss. Penn Premier: (Pair) Marion, S. C.; (Pair) Walterboro, 31-Nov. 5. Peppers All State: Kirbyville, Tex. Perry, Jack J.; Manning, S. C. Prell's Broadway; Greenwood, S. C.; Warcross, Ga., 31-Nov. 5. Prell's World's Pair: (Colored Fair) Columbla, S. C.; (Fair) Georgetown 31-Nov. S. Raftery, James M.; Wilmington, N. C.; Whiteville 31-Nov. 5. Rogers Greater: Okolona, Miss.; Winona 31-Nov. 5. Roy & Sam's Am. Co.: Clarkton, Mo. Royal American: (State Fair) Shreveport, La., 24-31; (Shrine Fair) Tampa, Fia., Nov. 5-13. Louis; Leo Reynolds, Dallas, and Paul Royal Expo.: Douglas, Ga.; (Pair) Pelham 31-Nov. 5. Schafer's Just for Fun: (Fair) Seguin, Tex. Southern States: Bainbridge, Ga. Southern Valley: Monroe, La., 24-Nov. 5. Sparks, J. A.: (Pair) Jonesboro, Ga. Stephens, C. A.: (Pair) Hawkinsville, Ga.; (Fair) Elberton, Nov. 1-5. Strates, James E.: (Pair) Orangeburg, S. C.: (Pair) Charleston 31-Nov. 5. Tassell, Barney: Rockingham, N. C. Tinsley, Johnny T.; (Pair) Thomaston, Ca. Tivoli Expo.: Grenada, Miss.; (Pair) Itta Bens 31-Nov. 5. Twin State: Great Falls, S. C. United Supo : (Fair) Greenville, Tex.; (Dizis Parki Fort Worth 31-Nov. 9. Utah Espo.: Coolidge, Aris. Veterans Espo.: Waycross, Ga.; Homerville 31-Nov. 5. Virginia Greater: Union, S. C.; Harisville 31-Nov. 5. Wade, W. O.: Bidney, O.: Eaton Nov. 2-5. Shows this season, Herbis Pickard, Wallace & Murray: (Pair) Vidalla, Ga.; (Pair) Ashburn Ji-Nov. 5. Wolfe Am.: (Pair) Greer, B. C.; (Fair) Lincolnton, Ga., 31-Nov. 5. World of Mirth; (Fair) Augusta, Ga.

### **Southern Valley Shows** CONCESSIONS WANT

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Membership applications were received from Morris Mandel, sponsored | Lee Am. Co.: Live Oak, Fis. by Johnny J. Kline; Joseph Baker, by Ike Weinberg, and Arthur Katz, Marion Greater: (Fair) Alken, 5. C.; (Fair) by L. D. King. Vice-President Ross Manning, who expects to take his show to Haiti soon, also visited.

### Cappel Bros.' Org Moore's Modern: Jasper, Tex.; Victoria 31-Closes With Red One Myers: (Scott Crossing) Atlanta, Ga. Orange State: Jacksonville, Fla., 27-Nov. L

McALESTER, Okla., Oct. 22 .- Capell Bros.' Shows closed the season with an eight-day red one at the McAlester Golden Jubilee and have gone into winter quarters here. Jack, Bob and Bill Capell left for a Florida fishing trip. Other personnel and their destinations: Slim Cunningham, Muskogee, Okla.; Harold and Pat Long, St. Paul; Duke Del Rio, Houston; Blackie Hagerman, Denison, Tex.; Humpy Ethridge, Tampa; Al Bailey, Omaha; Mother Tracy, St. Royal Crown: Montgomery, Als. Osbern, Houston.

Visitors: Floyd King, Lucio Cristiani, Tig Hale, Lee Hinckley and Joe Mills.

### Kelly, Sutton and Pickard **On Sellhorn's Tampa Staff**

TAMPA, Oct. 22 .- T. W. (Slim) Kelly, veteran Side Show operator, has been named manager of the Raymond Sellhorn's trailer property and health camp here.

Kelly, who has retired from the road, will be assisted by Whitey Sutton, Side Show op on the Happyland Wallace Bros.: Canton, Miss. press agent for the Royal American Shows, will do the publicity during the winter, Sellhorn said,

# **WOM Given Columbia** '50 **Midway Pact** Gross Hits New High

COLUMBIA, S. C., Oct. 22 .- The 1950 South Carolina State Fair midway contract was awarded to Frank Bergen's World of Mirth Shows ye torday (21).

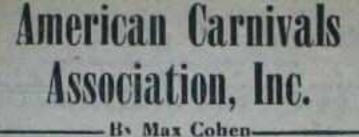
Aided by good weather and alltime high attendance mark that may hit 265,000 by tonight's closing, the World of Mirth is registering a record gross, with all units getting a share of the money.

A free gate for the prevue Monday night (17) brought a record 35,000 patrons to the grounds despite the threat of rain, and all units garnered big business. A new one-day mark of 75,000 Thursday (20) resulted in one of the biggest single day takes ever earned here.

### Fair, Show Execs Meet

Fair officials present at the awarding of the midway contract to Bergen and his concessions partner, Bernard (Bucky) Allen, included D. D. Whitcover, president; Paul V. Moore, secretary-manager, and Ransome Williams, vice-president.

For the first time in many weeks the allotted midway area made it possible to show the org off to advantage. Visiting fair execs were numerous and included Howard Singmaster, vice-president of the Great Allentown (Pa.) Fair; Judge Hughes, Orangeburg (S. C.) Fair, and officials of the Spartanburg and Anderson, S. C., fairs and of the Augusta, (Ga.) Exchange Club Fair. Frances Scott, of the Johnny J. Jones Exposition, also visited. Nat Mercer, manager of the Girl Show, will also operate the Posing Show next season. The Hammond organ recently purchased for the major girl unit will be used in the Posing Show next season. A new and larger unit will be purchased for the revue. Bergen and Allen reported that business at Southern fairs to date has been good. The gross last week at the Greensboro (N. C.) fair was considerably aided as the result of operating bingo units there for the first time in eight years.



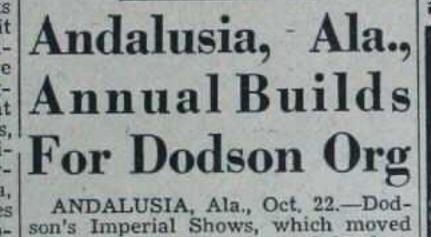
ROCHESTER, N. Y., Oct. 22 .- The 16th annual meeting will be held in Hotel Sherman, Chicago, at 1 p.m., November 28. First meeting is for members of the board and counsel. Membership meetings open November 29.

The opening membership session will feature an address by Lieutenant Governor Watkins of Indiana, a member of the Indiana State Fair board. Subsequent sessions will be devoted to the adoption of the 1950 program, election of directors and officers and formulation of the association's legislative and public relations plans for next year.

Shows expecting to be represented at the Chicago meeting should notify the ACA offices (Central Trust Building, Rochester, N. Y.).

A research service advises of the development of the following new items: A rapid soldering device, chemical flame-retardant for cotton and rayon, compound designed to insure good paint performance over rusty surfaces, swivel socket for electric light fixtures, portable power tool combining saw, drill press, lathe, sander and grinder in one unit.

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# **Jones Picks Up Healthy Dollar** In Selma, Ala.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Oct. 22. Johnny J. Jones Exposition picked up a healthy dollar in a five-day engagement in Selma, Ala., despite intermittent showers closing day, Saturday (15).

Going into Saturday with a strong 20 per cent increase over last year, an efficient Kids' Day promotion, engineered by Peasy Hoffman, stood up well but the showers started about 7 p.m. and cut deeply into night at- agencies. tendance. The final count showed less than 1 per cent drop from a year ago, however, and the concession department more than made up for that.

Fair here Monday (17) weather was Chicago convention, ready for the ideal the first two days and spending heavy jack-potting.

in here Monday (17) from Columbus, Ga., where it furnished the midway for the Chattahoochee Valley Fair, got off to a slow start but business built with each day and a final checkup tonight should show the org on the right side of the ledger.

Opening here was marked by a small turnout, but a heavy radio campaign, ballying the new location, bore fruit and crowds built nightly. Children's Day Thursday (20) featured a free gate and reduced rates on rides. Schools were dismissed early.

The final three days at Columbus proved above expectations and a final count showed the Dodson org 23 per cent over previous year. Friday and Saturday nights (14-15) saw the largest crowds the Dodson org has attracted all season. Lines were the rule at most rides and shows, reminding showmen of the free spending days during the war years.

Visitors here included Ben Davenport, J. C. Weer, Walter Fox, J. D. Edwards and Cliff Bammell.

Dave Picard, Dodson legal adjuster, had everything going smoothly here, as he has in other spots this season.

was quite satisfactory. Cold weather hurt the engagement here last year. Newspapers and radios here gave unusually strong support and the concession line-up withstood a careful scrutiny by heads of law enforcement

During the run in Selma, Marshall Johnson, financier and show enthusiast, was able to leave the hospital. He visited Friday and Saturday nights Opening at the Pensacola Interstate and reported he expects to be at the

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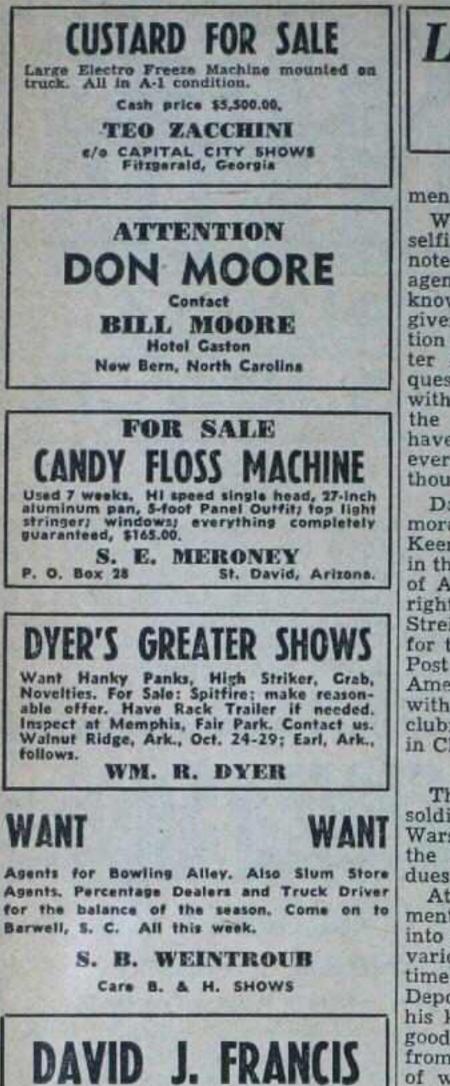
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# Little Lord Fauntleroy Suit **Put Walter Driver in Tent Biz**

(Continued from page 61) ment employee during World War II. Walter is well known for unselfishly giving of his time to all noteworthy charity and welfare agencies, regardless of creed. Few know of the financial help he has given such organizations, not to mention individuals. That's because Walter doesn't talk about that. When questioned about it he brushed it off with "I haven't done anymore than the average person." Those who have known him thru the years, however, say Walter has given away thousands of dollars.

more active than many half his age. Keenly alert, he spends many hours in the office of the Showmen's League of America, keeping books, acting as right-hand man to Secretary Joe Streibich, answering correspondence for the Al Sopenar American Legion Post 1008, Showmen's League of America, and cutting up jackpots with showmen who make the SLA clubrooms their headquarters while in Chicago.

### Legion Member

The Walter never served as a soldier in either of the two World Wars, he is an honorary member of the American Legion and pays his dues like any ex-G.I.

At the invitation of the government in 1940, Walter was "mustered" into service as a civilian expediter in various departments. Most of his time was spent in the Quartermaster Depot at Jeffersonville, Ind., where his knowledge of canvas was put to good use. Today Walter has letters from generals, admirals, a secretary of war, secretary of navy and, last but not least, the late Franklin D. Roosevelt, complimenting him on the job he did during the war. One of Walter's most prized possessions is the certificate signed by President Roosevelt; Robert P. Patterson, Under Secretary of War, and James Forrestal, Under Secretary of the Navy, authorizing him to wear the "E" emblem in recognition of his wartime work as an employee of the Jeffersonville Depot.

back into some kind of work. It was then, in 1940, that Walter received a letter from a high-ranking government official requesting him to come to Washington at once.

### Enters Gov't Service

In the capital Walter was informed the government wanted him as an expediter and he accepted. For more than five years he was in Jeffersonville Quartermaster Depot. During that time he headed many bond drives. To spur employees in the depot to even greater efforts in the matter of output, he himself purchased thousands of dollars' worth Despite his 78 years, Walter is of bonds at various times and gave them to the workers as bonus awards.

> With the war's end, Walter returned to Chicago. He was named ity man. treasurer of the Showmen's League, a job which he still holds, along with his many other projects.

On October 9, 1893, in Milwaukee. he married Grace M. Deane. One son, Wallace, lives in Paradise, Calif., and another, Kenneth, is a farmer in Michigan. A sister, Mrs. F. M. (Allie) Chew, resides in Lewiston, Mich., and a brother, Charles, lives in Rensselaer, Ind.

Walter has no hobbies outside his interest in showmen's clubs, the Legion and charity orgs. In addition to being a charter member and treasurer of SLA, Walter holds memberships in Medinah Temple of the Shrine, being a member since 1918; the Lions' Club of Fernandina, Fla.; Show Folks of America, the Michigan Showmen's Association, the American Legion and is an honorary citizen of Boys Town, Neb., site of Father Flannagan's Home for Boys.



OTTAWA, Kan., Oct. 22 .- The 20th Century Shows, owned by Albert Martin and E. D. McCrary, wound up the 1949 season Saturday (15) at Yell County Fair, Danville, Ark. Show officials reported the season highly successful

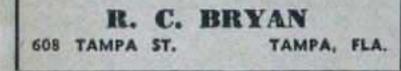
Org played thru Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri, covering more than 5,000 miles.

Staff remained the same thruout the season and included Frank Gaskins, general agent; Brownie Miller, business manager; George Gallo, special agent; W. E. (Bill) Clark, electrician; Delmer Jester, assistant electrician; Roy Dixon, searchlight operator, and Raymond Dieverling, general util-

### Winter Destinations

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. McCrary will winter in San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Martin, Ottaway, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gaskins, Laurel, Miss.; Mr. and Mrs. Brownie Miller, San Antonio; George Call, South; Bill Clark, Arma, Kan.; Delmer Jester, Pitcher, Okla., Roy Dixon, Granfield, Okla., and Raymond Dieverling Junction City, Kan.

Concessionaires and their destinations: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Culver, Texarkana, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Stout, Vincennes, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Brunk, Topeka, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Culver, Galveston, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. John Meyers, San Francisco; Mr. and M-, Handd Artahurst, Texarkana, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Boots Cutler, Oklahoma City; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shahan, Corpus Christi, Tex.; John Culver, Texarkana, Tex.; E. W. Biggs, Topeka Kan.; Bill Carter, Pueblo, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Catherwood, South; Ray Markey, South for late dates; Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Jones, Hamilton, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morris, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Gabe King, Aransas Pass, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Polk, Texas; Ray Hill, South; Mr. and Mrs. Dugan Wells, Corpus Christi, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Swards, South for late dates; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ashenhust, Texarkana, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bowers, Arma, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. Dave Reese, Chanute Kan.; John Humrich and son, South.



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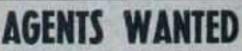


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Born in Orangeville, Ont., February 26, 1871, Walter's mother was the lone school teacher in the town while his father operated the only general store. When Walter was about 10, a friend took his own son and Walter to Toronto for a trip.

### **Glimpses Big City**

"That was my first glimpse of a big city," Walter recalls, "and while I didn't like Toronto too well, with the aid of my sister, to whom I listed all the wonders of a big city, we heckled my father and mother almost every day for two years to move to a bigger city, preferably one in the United States."

That Walter and his sister did a good job is attested by the fact that the Driver family, when Walter was 12, moved to Chicago. It was during his remaining grade school days in a large number of American tourists. Chl and for about a year after "graduation" from school that Walter sold newspapers at Madison and Halsted until the Little Lord Fauntleroy suit led him into the tent business and ultimately into show business.

Following his retirement in 1938, when he sold his interest in the U.S. Tent org, Walter did nothing but acted in a similar capacity in building vacation. At the end of that time he was uneasy and wanted to get tions,

# **16** Countries In Haiti Expo

### (Continued from page 60)

France, Mexico, Argentina and the United States. Vatican City is building a chapel.

The amusement and folk lore section (see Carnival Department) will be located in a grove of lofty palms. Thatched roofs, characteristic of the Francis," he says, "the William being country, will be used on many buildings. An open air theater has been constructed in the form of a piano and features a water course fringed with lilies.

> television, motion pictures and the Arma, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. John press will compose one of the exhibits Lloyd, Rolloplane, Fullerton, Neb.; emphasizing the peace theme.

### Beautiful Setting

President Dumai Sais Estime, in announcing the opening of the exposition, said that it would be the greatest celebration ever held in the Caribbean countries. He also said that physical layout would strike a new note in the exotic beauty of its architecture and tropical marine setting,

Port-au-Prince has a population of about 450,000, and Haiti 5,000,000. Officials hope for an average daily attendance of about 20,000, with 25,000 to 35,000 patrons on Saturdays and Sundays.

### Wide Publicity

The exposition has already been given wide publicity in the United States and this is expected to attract A group of writers representing major U. S. magazines, newspapers and press associations attended a prevue showing here last week.

Jean Fouchard is commissioner general of the exposition, Construction of the plant is under the direction of Auguste F. Schmidlegen, who has several other international exposi-

### **Ride** Personnel

Ride personnel and their destinations: Mr. and Mrs. Coonie Clark, Tilt-a-Whirl, Muskogee, Okla.; Jimmie Edminston, Octopus foreman, South; H. S. Williams Scooter foreman, Aransas Pass, Tex.; Mr. and The diffusion of thought by radio, Mrs. Otis Boody, Merry-Go-Round, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Davis, Spitfire, Muskogee, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Owen Jones, Little Dipper and miniature train, Hamilton, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Vern Jester, Boat Ride and Kiddie Airplane, Pitcher, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Otis French, Kiddle Auto and pony ride, South, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tandy, twin Ferris Wheels; Everett Carrol, Little Dipper foreman, and Floyd Young, miniature train foreman, all South,

Show ops and their destinationst Mr. and Mrs. Glen Gibson, Side Show, South; Bob Martin, 20th Century Follies, Flint, Mich.; Mrs. Bob Martin, manager of Burlesque, Flint, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Duren, Athletic Show, Blue Jacket, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dusen, Big Dog and Little Horse, Ottawa, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dugan, Midget Cattle, Ottawa, Kan.; Brownie Harn, Wild Life, South; Red Meadows, Motordrome, Fort Smith, Ark.; and Roy, Ruth and Sissie Dixon, Midget Show, Granfield, Okla.

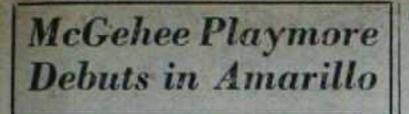


### **RINKS AND SKATERS**

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AMARILLO, Tex., Oct. 22.—Playmore Roller Palace opened its first fall season here this week in a new 60 by 160-foot Butler-type metal building, said to be the largest of its kind in the Texas Panhandle.

Equipped with the new building and floor, 130 pair of shoe skates and 300 pair of clamp skates, Owner-Operator J. E. McGehee is attempting to build business by starting three skating classes. Instruction is offered to beginning skaters, beginning dance students and advanced skaters, McGehee said.

McGehee formerly operated another skating rink here prior to building this new plant.

### **Betty Clark Gets Award**

NEWARK N. J., Oct. 22.—A "Good Skate" award was presented by operator Vic Brown Thursday (13) at his New Dreamland Arena to 13-year-old Betty Clark, blind singing star of her own American Broadcasting Company program, Betty Clark Sings. The recipient has become a proficient roller skater despite her handicap.



### Curvecrest's Owl Party Gives Lift To Club Treasury

MUSKEGON, Mich., Oct. 22.— Curvecrest Skating Club of Curvecrest Roller Rink here sponsored an owl session October 15, with skating from 11 to 1:30 a.m., reports Perry B. Giles, Curvecrest operator. There was a good turnout of skaters, with profits going to the club treasury. The session was devoted principally to unusual games and contests.

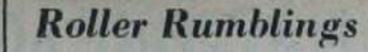
At a recent club election the following officers were chosen for the coming year: Bob Hepburn, president; Yvonne Angel, vice-president; Billy Sanborn, secretary; Ardyth Elwell, assistant secretary, and Margie LeGrady, treasurer. Club meetings are held at Curvecrest once monthly. Rink operators of Western Michi-(See Curvecrest's Owl, page 98)

### New Floor for Rollercade

TOLEDO, O., Oct. 22.—E. M. Logan, operator of the Rollercade here, plans installation of a new maple floor. This rink is characterized by some unusual construction details. designed for efficient operation and customer satisfaction. Typical is provision of raised seats along one side for spectators. An inner foyer has been constructed, equipped with a 50-foot refreshment stand and ample seats, as well as all service departments, thus removing them from the rink proper.

### Trio Voo-Doos at Mineola

MINEOLA, N. Y., Oct. 22.-Earl Van Horn's Mineola Roller Rink staged the season's first trio voo-doo number Wednesday (5) night, \$10 going to each member of three winning trios. Another such number was held for children Saturday morning (8), each winner receiving a pair of shoe skates. The rink is open nightly except Mondays. with matinees Saturdays, Sundays and holidays and a children's club session each Saturday morning. Dance classes under the direction of pros Gladys and George Werner are offered each Tuesday and Wednesday from 7 to 8 p.m.



Charles Friedhoff's Roseland Rink, Johnstown, Pa., is operating on a skating policy of two nights weekly. Dancing is offered on two other nights, the remaining three being available for sports events rentals.

More than 375 children participated in the recent Stamford (Conn.) Exchange Club roller-skating tournament held on a parking lot. Various prizes were awarded winners.

Vic Caille, operator of Printz Roller Way, Holly Oak, Del., reported that Don Daily has been signed as Roller Way professional.





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### Centralia Drome Active

CENTRALIA, Wash., Oct. 22.— Wednesday and Friday evening adult classes are under way at Centralia Rollerdrome, reports Mrs. Walter Anderson, wife of the operator. The Saturday morning Junior Safety Club for beginners continues to be a big attraction, as does the Junior Dance and Figure Club. Many new members were admitted to the Walter Anderson Dance and Figure Club, reorganized at a meeting held October 6. Club skating sessions will begin November 6 under the supervision of Joy Miller, new Rollerdrome pro.

### Mineola Halloween Party

MINEOLA, N. Y., Oct. 22.—More than \$300 in merchandise and cash will be awarded for the finest, most original and funniest costumes at the annual Halloween party to be held October 29 in Earl Van Horn's Mineola Roller Rink. Three men and three women will each be awarded a wrist watch, and \$30 in cash will be split among three children wearing winning costumes.

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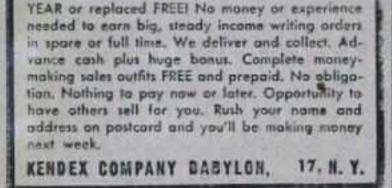
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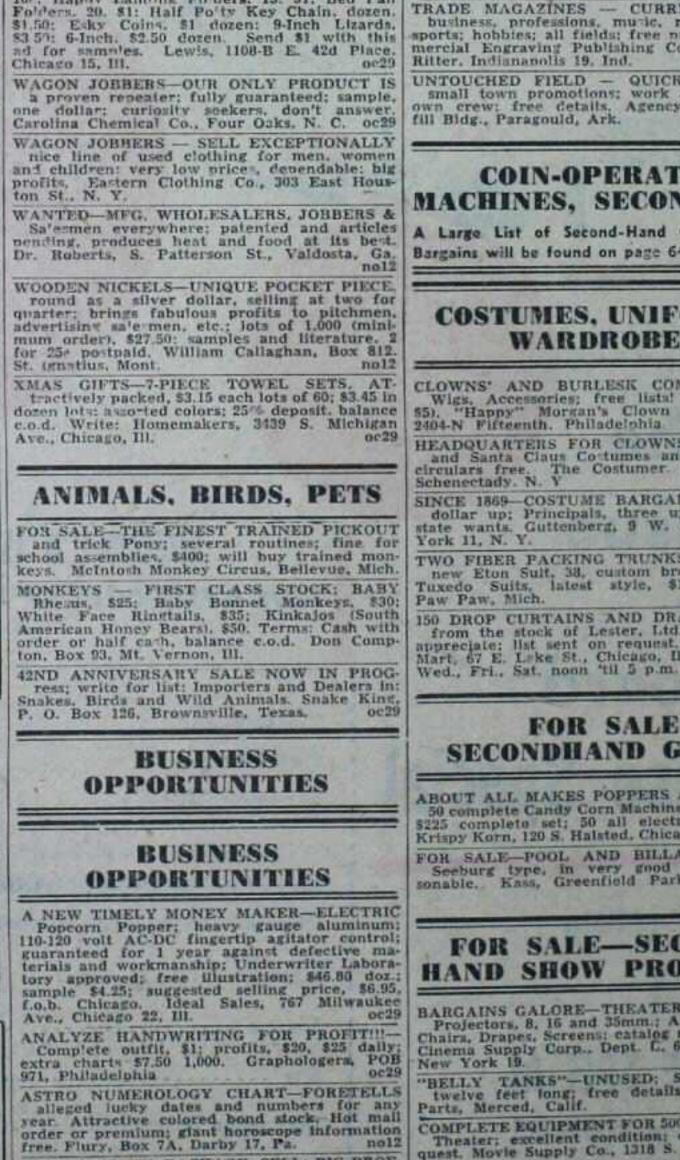


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### By Bill Baker-

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with the humatones.

BOB WILLIAMS . . .

papers to good returns.

FATHER PATRICK . . .

wood. He'd like to read pipes here

is in Fresno, Calif., where he's re-

ported to be corviling the hermans

widely known in pitch circles, is re-

ported to be making his home on the

The small pitcheroo of today

may be the giant worker of to-

veteran sheet writer, was sighted in

Danville, Va., recently working the

has been working North Carolina

spots to good counts with sheet. He

is reported to have crashed thru with

and his need show entourage are re-

ported to have played Kinston, N. C.,

recently and disposed of their stock

the second day. Wilson's was the

first med opry to play the town since

that W. S Meizgar is in McDonald,

Pa., framing a glass cutter and knife

sharpener layout which he plans to

Anybody get any tobacco and

a good score at Newborn recently.

TEXAS JACK WILSON . . .

PROFESSOR FREDERICKS ....

### DOC FRY . . .

is reported to be clicking with herbs from his many friends in the East. and oil at Illinois auctions.

It's a shame, but true, that every now and then we must meet a loud-mouthed fellow who is ready to spout off at the least provocation.

### THE FREEDMANS :

Alex and Olivia, who have been working hats and novelties to sock returns at West Coast events, recently spent a few days' vacation in Los Angeles before taking their layout on the road and to the Arizona State Fair, Phoenix.

B. V. MANGRUM . . .

is reported to have the ex on the sheet at the North Carolina State Fair, Raleigh, October 18-22.

If the public leaves your tip with a good impression you don't have to worry about whether you can repeat at your spots.

### HORACE BRAZIEL . . .

letters from what he terms the "heart of the source of the principal crop. which is tobacco." He adds that, "Kinston, N. C., has been closed since the first of the last war when the government established a marine base there. Here's hoping the world continues to roll."

widely known in pitch circles, still is confined in Veterans' Administration Hospital, Lyons, N. J. He'd like to read letters from the various pitch laddies.

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Manufactured by 3026 M. St., N. W., Washington, D. C. still working his new health book, Youth at 65, in Pershing Square and at Long Beach, Calif. He adds that a few dates at the studios in Holly-

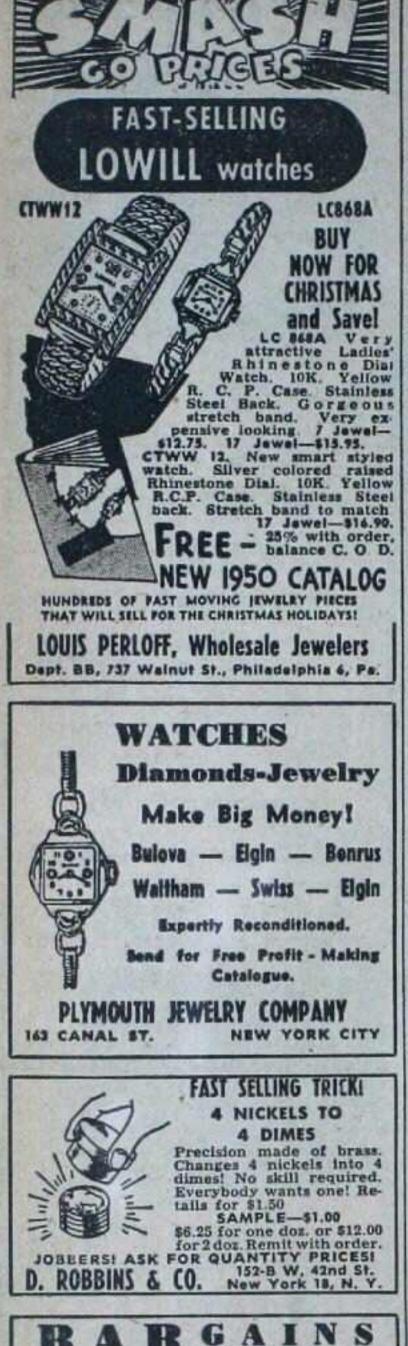
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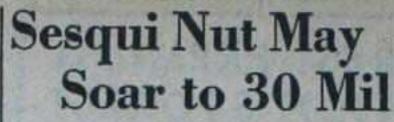
### MERCHANDISE











(Continued from page 60) under way in January. Negotiations are already being carried on with building firms, and contracts are expected to be announced in a couple of weeks.

Also approved was the plan for an amphitheater to be built in Rock Creek Park to house the pageant being written by playwright Paul Green. Unlike the fair buildings, this is to be a permanent structure and will be available for plays after the fair. The pageant itself is slated to run at least a full year.

As the park is under the control of the Department of the Interior, the amphitheater will be operated on a non-segregation policy in line with all activities of the federal government.

Jim Crow is also certain to be banned on the fairgrounds, altho no official announcement to that effect has yet been made. With three million of Uncle Sam's bucks in the sesqui kitty, sponsors are not likely to invite discrimination charges. A church group has already demanded that segregation be formally outlawed.

Besides the money advanced by Congress, the construction of buildings requires an additional \$10,000,-000. This is being raised by the sale of exhibit space at \$30 per square foot. With approximately 400.000 square feet of floor space to be available for exhibitors, sesqui leaders figure they will take in some \$12,000,-000 from this source alone.

With construction plans all but complete, officials are working on prospective lighting systems and fireworks proposals. Islands in water near the grounds are to be used for mammoth fireworks displays. Colored lights are also to be installed on the islands to focus on the fairgrounds. One plan includes an ingenious filter system which will use water and mud to reflect lights. Also being worked on is the layout for the midway, which will occupy one-fifth of the entire fairgrounds. Here will be located the various concessions, shows and amusement rides. The sesqui's working staff is being expanded rapidly, with headquarters established at a temporary building opposite the Willard Hotel on Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., and F. Street. The sesqui's public relations are being handled under contract by Robert Fowler Associates, Inc., with Fowler and two of his top aids-Gregory Carmichael and Edward Gilliamdirecting headquarters operations.

PIPES

(Continued from page 96) Dorsey. Benny Stone, Joe Gornail, Joe Reed and Fat Levy.

RED HALLEY ...

is out on the West Coast working a number of items to successful turns, according to reports hitting the pipes desk.

"Yeah, and he's the guy who had the town in his vest pocket."

### HUMPHREY KING . . .

ace knife sharpener and glass cutter purveyor, worked Kinston, N. C., with Texas Jack Wilson's med show and scored good counts with those items.

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### **H. M. S. PINAFORE**

(Continued from page 57) Pinafore's deck-and that is certainly not tradition.

Ordinarily, Jury is just something to take, because Pinafore isn't long enough to fill up the bill. However, from this pew it seemed the better of the two. Elaine Malbin makes an exceedingly fetching plaintiff, eyeand - earwise. Her accompanying bridesmaids are well sung by Joyce Carroll, Marie Petek and Natalye Green. Morton Bowe is considerably more at ease as the defendant and Ralph Riggs makes a properly raffish judge. Earle MacVeigh more or less redeems his evening as the counsel and Robert Eckles gets quiet fun out of the usher. Somehow there is an impression that more effort has been put into the curtain-raiser than into the main follow-up.

In sum, however, except for an

paper regarding a name for a column to be devoted to persons over 60. Morrison informed the newspaper that altho 72 years old he still is posting bills for the Billposters and Billers Union of Miami, working every day. Morrison, a member of the union since 1901, started as a billposter back in 1900 with the Buffalo Bill Show, . . . Capt. Jack O'Diamonds' thrill show will head for lower Texas and California, after a Greensberg, Kan., date November 13. Personnel includes Jack Stevenson, Michael Hobbs, Morrell Martin, Capt. E. S. Eaton, Pat English, Tommy Cummings and Jack Stevenson.



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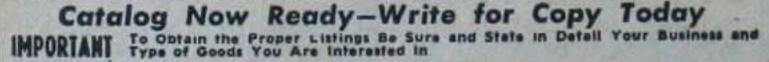
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CURVECREST'S OWL

(Continued from page 87) gan are sponsoring skaters' roundups to be held at a different rink each month. The first affair will be held at Curvecrest November 12, at which time the place of the December meeting will be drawn from the list of rinks sponsoring the program.

Adult classes, a highly successful feature at Curvecrest last year, have been resumed. They are held each Tuesday evening after the regular session, with attendance restricted to adults. The grown-ups learn skating fundamentals and elementary dances. The regular session on Tuesday nights is designated as beginners' night. Quite a few married couples and older skaters attend this session and take advantage of the class which follows, said Giles.







occasional bright individual moment, the best of Jury and Pinafore stems from the pit, via Lehman Engel's canny batoning of the score.

Bob Francis.

### POLACK WESTERN

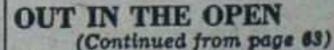
(Continued from page 78) ponies, into a ditch; Mr. Berosini's trailer became unhooked, passed the car, and came to rest 300 yards down a hill. The Bartons' trailer was flooded.

Rose Gould went 200 miles out of her way to avoid the storm. Others coming thru without mishap were the Ward-Bell Troupe, Slivers and Jo Madison, the Boginos and Eddie and Evette Kohl. The Boginos purchased a new trailer in Little Rock. The writer and wife were among those at the house warming. What a dinner Mrs. Bogino served!

Coming into San Antonio, the folks making the trip by train had plenty of time to take in the sights. It took us two days to go 500 miles. We had a 10-hour layover in McAlester, Okla. We day and dated the Big Show in San Antonio,

Justus Edwards flew to Boston and back to San Antonio. He was called to Boston by the illness of his brother.

Visitors: Joe and Eva Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Scapalanta, Frank Pahlman, Mr. and Mrs. Don Robinson, Bob Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Gratis and Col. C. G. Sturtevant .--FREDDIE FREEMAN.



zine. . . . William A. Harris, hospital patient at Tampa, is working on plans for a marine museum in that city. He was connected with Frank Buck's "Jungleland" at the New

HAND DIPPED CHOCOLATES

H. A. (Kid) Morrison, 72, recently broke into print in The Miami Daily News with a letter to that news-

SALESBOARDS

The Billboard

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### SALESBOARD SIDELIGHTS

Jerry Scanlan, Chicago, has some | Redi-Pak line, are offered in a concheerful predictions about the board stantly widening selection and deand counter game business future, mand for same is correspondingly For the coming winter, Jerry thinks increasing. hoth phases will reach new highs in activity. Firm's Ball Game counter number hit a heavy sales pace during the baseball season, and is still pulling in very good orders in spite of the tapering off of national enthusiasm for the diamond now that the World Series is over. The second counter unit, Black Beauty, is moving up into preferred position on many counters over the country, Jerry declares. Meanwhile, Scanlan's boards, Stacks of Bucks, Fins, Let's Multiply, are getting their share of attention.

Mort and Irwin Secore, Secore & Secore, Chicago, have returned from their respective two-week trips. Mort from a tour of New York State, and Irwin from Iowa. Both have some good sales tales to tell. ... New products being introduced this fall by Gay Games, Inc., Muncie, Ind., are getting on the sales band wagon and drawing favorable operator-player reaction. Guy E. Noel, president, reports the firm's featured package tickets, comprising the

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL! DOUBLE SAWBUCK TWENTY FINS \* FIN AND SAWBUCK **EXTRA THICK-FIVE NUMBERS** ON TICKET FOR 25¢ .00

Another Muncie, Ind., firm, Muncie Novelty Company, Inc., continues to pile up solid sales totals with its ticket and game offerings. H. M. Shoemaker, official, has it that the Tri-Vendor game is topping the order reports. . . . H. C. Hay s, De Luxe Sales Company, Blue Earth, Minn., hops on the good business news train with his reports of "better than expected" activity.

Gardner & Company, Chicago, is aiming its sales sights at customers who want delivery "quick-in-ahurry." Firm's systemized production routine, automatic equipment and efficient employees are the reason for pleasing the "immediate delivery" boys, Joe Robinson relays. Gardner's Sweepstake Charley boards are keeping pace with the popularity of its Girl Boards; offered in nickel, dime, quarter and \$1 play, "Charley" is ready to add volume to any operator's operation, Gardnerites chorus. . . . Roy Galentine, Crown Products, South Bend, Ind., expects big things from the new deal for direct operator purchase. Roy thinks its a "born money-maker, designed with the \$ sign" for a real volume builder. Firm's Southern route man, Moe Burdan, backs up Roy with his optimistic reports of business. Crown's jar deals, punchboards are holding up well consistently right down the line, making for a good total of orders, Galentine sums up his report.

UNDER THE MARQUEE (Continued from page 77)

### CLYDE BEATTY

(Continued from page 78) Springs; Yellow Burnett, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Fontaine, Chicago. Charles Foster, Los Angeles; Richard Shipley, Honolulu; Ray Maxwell, Los Angeles; Dave Murphy, Sarasota, Fla.; Red and Annie Larkins, Honolulu; Chester Welch, Owensboro, Ky; Walter Kaner, New York; Ed Grady, Medford, Ore.; Raymond Miles, Phoenix Ariz.; Joe Applegate, Phoenix; Pappy Johnson, Chicago; the Medini troupe, Cuba; the De-Wayne troupe, Los Angeles; the La-Forms, Los Angeles; Rhea and Sirevy Etheridge, Culver City, Calif.

A. W. and Dorothy Kennard, Houston; Barbara Weir, Hollywood; Johnny, Milonga and Cathy Cline, San Fernando Valley, Calif.; Sancho Morales, Los Angeles.; Doc Osborne, Portland, Ore.; Paul and Beverly Scott, Los Angeles; Bill Lewis, Worcester, Mass.; Jerry and Joan Lewis, Los Angeles; Mel Rennick, Los Angeles; Bill Collins, Hollywood; Mark Anthony, Honolulu; Bobby Kay, Honolulu; Shorty and Peggy Sylvester, Eloi, Ariz: Victor Robbins, Rochester, N. Y.; Willard Isley, Santa Anita, Calif.; Ray Rousch, Los Angeles; Dave Cayuga, Hollywood; Fred Mullens, New York; Harris Hrading, Los Angeles; Doss Gibson, Monticello, Ind.; Roger Hayer, Lamoni, Ia.; Clyde Berkett, Los Angeles; Harry Smalley, La Cresenta, Calif.; Denny Nease, El Monte, Calif.; Barbara Barry, Long Beach, Calif.

Frances O'Connor and mother, Long Beach, Calif.; Wesley and Bob Coleman, San Antonio; Oscar and Peaches Jones, Tucson, Ariz.; Leon Smith, Fort Worth; Fritz Lauber, Syracuse; Blackie Seamster, Phoenix; Richard Spencer, Miami; Eddie (Polock) Say, Chicago; Chic Sherman and Ralph Browning, Long Beach, Calif.; Pat Murphy, Los Angeles; Don Lakin, Brooklyn; Nate Sobol, Detroit; Lau-Buck reported progress on his plans rence Cross, Des Moines .- LAU-





# CANDY BARBER POLES

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to make a picture in Asia, starting RENCE CROSS. next spring. . . . Visitors on Mills Bros.' lot at Ephrata, Pa., included drummer, who was with Ringling R. J. Staver, Lee Bros.' general Bros. and other circuses, has reagent; George Kienzle Jr. and Bob turned home at Walteria, Calif., after Forberger, Lancaster, Pa., and Mr. undergoing surgery at the San Pedro and Mrs. Herbert A. Douglas, West | Community Hospital. Chester, Pa.

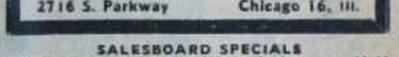
Seasoned showmen are people who wish they were in another profession that would give them all the sleep they wanted.

William E. Davis, 48, Ringling-Barnum workman, suffered a broken vertebrae in Fort Worth Monday (17) when a wagon tongue fell on him while the show was loading. He is in St. Joseph's Hospital, Fort Worth. . . . Doc Waddell, Mills Bros.' Circus, visited Walter D. Nealand, press agent for the John H. Marks Shows, in Williamston, N. C., when the Marks org played that city. . . . Roy Barrett, clown, reports he closed his fair season Saturday (8) in Tunelo, Miss., and will open his Shrine Circus dates November 2 in Houston. He plans to attend the outdoor convention in Chicago, November 27-30. So far this season, Barrett has visited Ringling-Barnum, Biller Bros., the Alamo Shows, Dodson's Imperial, Royal Crown, Cavalcade of Amusements, Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers and Joie Chitwood's Thrill Show.

Booking pact is a treaty by which two shows pledge one another to stay off of each other's route-but don't.

McIntosh Monkey Circus closed its fair season at Camden, Ky., with the Nelson Breeze Rides and returned to quarters at Bellevue, Mich., to ready for winter dates booked thru the United Booking Agency, Detroit. After those dates, the school season will take the org back thru its Southern territory until next April. Season was very satisfactory. Gene and Thais will hunt for several weeks; Glenn and Bess Mack will remain in quarters, and Captain Audette will rest for a few weeks with his brother in Battle Creek, Mich. . . . Mignon Ewing, wife of Russell (Punk) Ewing,

C.O.D.



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### COIN MACHINES

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Steel Strike May Hit Industry Mills Improved Position Wins Court Plan Approval

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Successful has been negotiating with a credihandling of the vast Mills Industries tors' committee since late 1947 to and its subsidiaries by its present evolve a basis for settlement of Mills management over the past two years was rewarded Monday (17) when a voluntary plan of arrangement between the firm and its creditors was approved by Wallace Streeter, referee in Federal District Court here.

The management of the pioneer coin machine manufacturing firm, founded by Herbert S. Mills in 1889,

# **Begin Delivery On Line-Up**, New **Game by Keeney**

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- J. H. Keeney & Company, Inc., has initiated quantity deliveries on a straight novelty game, Line-Up, Vice-President John Conroe announced this week.

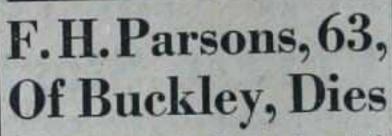
Industries obligations. Under the per cent of the firm's creditors will Games, Music Least Concerned; Venders Largest Users be paid in full immediately out of funds on deposit with a court officer since September 30. Remaining creditors will receive full payment with interest under the following scale: 20 per cent to be paid immediately and 20 per cent in four equal yearly payments. Of paramount importance to the plan of arrangement was the fact that during the two years of negotiations, the Mills organization was doing business uninterruptedly and was in complete possession of plant and equipment.

### **Cites** Gains

Commenting on the firm's improved position, Chairman of the Board Ralph Mills stated: "Mills present financial situation is excellent. Our bank loans have been reduced by \$2,500,000, our inven-Game uses a puck as its center of tories have been reduced, and the company, despite the extraordinary expenses incurred in consolidating profit for 1949. This consolidation also will be reflected in future earnkets have been preserved and during the past two years we have fulfilled all sales contracts, rendered full service and supply to all customers Object of the new Keeney product and have strengthened our position in industry by greater emphasis on

# While Effects to Date Are Negligible, Firms See Woe In Prolonged Labor Dispute

CHICAGO Oct. 22 .- As another week of the steel strike ended tonight, there was little evidence that it has yet directly affected production in any sigment of the coin machine industry, but some apprehension was felt that should the labor dispute continue, shortages would develop. Briefly, officials for music and game firms generally appeared to have enough steel supplies on hand to keep going for the remainder of the year but producers of large venders and bell type equipment, since they use more steel in their output, admitted that even another week of the steel and also the coal



CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Ferdinand H. Parsons, 63, vice-president and comptroller of the Buckley Manufacturing Company, died Tuesday night (18) at his South Side home following a brief their main concern was just how illness.

strike would put a crimp in their production schedules.

In the music field, some manufacturers said their steel supplies. which mostly go into the building of playing mechanism and its supports, should be sufficient to carry thru the end of the year. They also felt, that should the strike extend several more weeks, the government was certain to enter the picture.

Game companies explained that fast their recently increased produc-Parsons joined the Buckley organi- tion commitments would eat into zation in 1933. Prior to that time he their steel stockpiles. Officials inhad been an executive in the account- sisted that at present demand rates ing field. He was a past director of they would be forced to speed up Coin Machine Institute. A former output to take advantage of the captain of the Illinois National Guard, sudden rebirth of quantity buying Parsons was also an early president of the novelty and new type pin of the Chicago Junior Association of units. One point some plants were lamenting was the fact that just be-Funeral services were held in St. fore September they were cutting Philip Neri Church Friday morn- down their inventories in keeping ing (21) and interment followed in with the slow demand for games in Calvary Cemetery, Milwaukee. He is the late spring and over the summer. survived by his widow, Anna M.; This was at a period when steel a son, George A., and a daughter, supplies were plentiful. They added (See Firms See Woe on page 118)

activity.

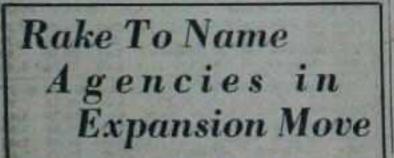
Line-Up gives patrons 15 shots and comes equipped with either a nickel operations, has shown a satisfactory or dime chute. Only one puck is used in the play of an entire game and sloping playfield bounces the ings. Our domestic and foreign marpuck back for the next shot. Players may make straight shots or, with the use of the games' cork insert along sides, try bank shots.

is to hit seven lite-up buttons at back of playfield. These are worth our more profitable lines of manu-50,000 points each. After player contacts all seven, then hits them again, the score jumps 500,000 points per hit. Line-Up also has four double buttons in front of the seven **CONGRESS TAKES A VACATION** main ones. If player can slide the puck over the front and back buttons on a single shot when each are lit, 1,000,000 points are added to the main score. Game takes approximately two minutes to play. Maximum score is 9,000,000 points.

facture." Mills current products include bot-(See Mills Position on page 113)

Commerce.

Mrs. Margaret M. Hall.



PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22.-The Rake Coin Machine Exchange, distributors of a varied line of amusement equipment, venders and salesboards, will authorize the appointment of several authorized agencies, it was disclosed this week. The new agencies, bearing the Rake name, will handle the same equipment as the main office here, but will operate as semi-autonomous enterprises, it was understood.

First agency to be named will open In Pittsburgh next week, Located at 2120 Fifth Avenue in that city, it will be known as the Rake Coin Machine Agency. Featured will be the Northwestern and Silver King available with an automatic or token- as the Los Angeles firm is already on the industry to get thru in the lines. Complete parts and service facilities will be maintained, accord-Greene.



CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- The Export Chief, a new bell with the latest style O. D. Jennings mechanism but stripped of nonessential trim to qualify for lower export duties is now in quantity production. The unit will be on display in the showrooms of all Jennings distributors and dealers as well as at the plant next week, John Neise, sales manager, announced. At the same time the appointment of C. A. Robinson & Company, as a distributor in Nevada, also was announced.

Neise stressed the Export Chief was developed specifically as an operator's item for either domestic or foreign use. Cabinet is finished in a pre-tested baked enamel bergundy color trimmed with cream. It is is actually an extension of territory ranging from a nickel to a dollar.

stein, Lester Wynick and Munroe fill the need for a bell with proven Gunnarson, service chief for Robin- bill is expected to increase vender mechanism but without the flash of son, will work out of the Reno office. (See Congress Takes on page 113)

### **Tele Promotion**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- An old arcade peep machine brought a bit of the coin machine industry before hundreds of thousands of television viewers Sunday night (16) on the Ed Sullivan "Toast of the Town" video show over CBS. The machine, brightly painted and set prominently on the front part of the stage, was used to introduce the middle commercial for Lincoln-Mercury, sponsor of the show. Members of the cast peered into the machine, then the camera picked up the filmed plug.

higher priced related equipment as requested by domestic and foreign operators for the past several months.

type major award and with chutes a California distributor for Jennings first session of the 81st Congress was products. To accommodate Nevada the one aiding the States in collecting The Jennings official explained trade, Robinson has opened an office cigarette taxes. By putting restric-Pittsburgh agency are Joseph Blon- that the Export Chief is expected to at 1725 Wells Avenue, Reno. John tions on mail-order ciggie sales, this

# Adjourn 1949 Sessions; See Action in '50 Hold Up Several CM Bills

WASHINGTON Oct. 22. - After one of the longest peacetime sessions in history, Congress packed up and went home this week, leaving unfinished nearly all legislation having any effect on coin machines. Stuffed in cold storage until next year are such bills as those legalizing basing point, providing Social Security for operators, cutting excises, authorizing fractional coins and setting up a The appointment of C. A. Robinson graduated cigarette tax.

About the only bill with any effect

### The Billboard

October 29, 1949

Candy Ops "Out of the Woods

VENDING MACHINES

102

# Lower Price, Bigger Bars, **More Vend Packs Hail Bid** For Op Biz by Candy Mfrs.

11/2-Oz. Bar Leads, 2-Oz. Bar Zooms; Unwrap Holiday Line

### By Fred Amann

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.-Trends in the confectionery industry have been working for the candy operator since early last year, with signs on all sides now pointing to a steady continuation of vender-sales stimulation. A five-point bid for increased business by leading candymakers, initiated in 1948, places the operator in the best position he has held since prewar days. "Here and now" factors of the manufacturers' five-point moresales program, directly benefiting the operator today, are (1) bar weight, size is up; (2) price is down, and (3) more vend packs are available. Two

remaining factors, just now starting to move into focus as important aids to vender operation, are (4) expansion plans by most candy firms (The Billboard, October 1) which mean that increased production, selectivity will guarantee a continuation of competitive prices, and (5) introduction of special holiday merchandise designed for venders, which promises boosted sales during the Christmas and Easter seasons.

Points "3" and "5" are added operator advantages, not available during the 1930's and early 1940's.

### Price Question

With the all-important price question now largely settled, nickel bars

# L. A. Cup Vender Training **Course Starts; 100 Attend**

mately 100 operators and servicemen | ment's legal requirements, sanitation attended the first of three 90-minute techniques and proposed standards of meetings of the nation's initial "Cup cleanliness as well as how these can Vending Training Course" requested be achieved. and sponsored by the industry's representatives and conducted by the Los Angeles Health Department here Wednesday (19). With Dave Davidson, president of Davidson Bros., and Fred Ramsey, health department's sanitation head, presiding the group heard Ed Stanton, General Vendors and chairman of the regional National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA); Dr. L. S. Goerke, medical bureau director; Charles L. Senn, sanitation bureau engineer-director, and Henry Harrison, Dixie Tulip Cup Company.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22 .- Approxl- | They discussed the health depart-

Vender Session

of the 5th Annual and 1st

International Popcorn Industries Convention & Exposition at the

Palmer House here Monday (24)

thru Wednesday (26) will be held Tues lay (25) in Room 7, on the third floor, convention officials announced today. Start-

ing at 10 a.m. and lasting until noon, it will run concurrently

with four other individual panel

sion will be G. R. Schreiber, coin

machine editor of The Billboard

and editor of Vend. Roy Cress-

well, Auto-Vend, Inc., Dallas,

will talk on coin-operated pop-

corn equipment, while William

Beaudot, ABC Popcorn Com-

pany, Chicago, will speak on

counter-type warmer units.

Moderator of the vending ses-

sessions.

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- The special vending operations session

### Sked Other Meets

The second meeting will also be held at the Haalth Center on South Avalon Boulevard Wednesday (26) and the third and final session November 2. At the completion of the series a written examination on points covered in the discussions will be held, with the participants receiving certificates. Stanton, who, incidentally, cooperated in the staging of the school and operates only cigarette machines, welcomed the group to the meetings. He followed the showing of a film, Environmental Sanitation. Davidson's subject was Sanitation and Industry Objectives. He pointed out that while there were some outof-town operators attending they must necessarily be governed by the regulations in their respective cities and counties.

# Alkuno Set To Bow Big Vender Soon

### **Four-Column Unit**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- A lowcapacity cigarette vender, specifically aimed at placement in moderate traffic locations, has been engineered by Alkuno & Company and will be introduced to the trade at the National Automatic Merchandising Association convention next month.

Kuno E. Hamann, president, said that 25 units will be made at the outset and subjected to extensive location tests before quantity production is undertaken. They will be placed in the New York area, largely in garages and gas stations.

Such locations, said the Alkuno topper, can be expected to provide sales of "about 80 to 100 packages of cigarettes weekly." He indicated that Alkuno promotion would be aimed at covering these spots, often by-passed as uneconomical by operators using larger equipment. The price of the unit will be \$65, he added, with the stand to list at \$12. A four-column unit, the vender will have a capacity of 100 packs. It will dispense king-size smokes, as well as standards. A National Rejector coin mechanism is to be used, set for silver quarter, manual operation. Standing 60 inches high on its base, the vender is 18 inches wide. It is seven inches deep at the delivery tray, tapering to four inches at the top. The cigarettes may be viewed thru Jisplay windows. The front of the cabinet carries a crystal mirror. Tooling will begin following the completion of the test period. Quantity deliveries are scheduled to start next February.

that sold for 80 (and over) and 75 cents per 24-count last year are now 75, 72 and 68 cents. Only a few firms, three at most, now carry an 80-cent line. But the real impetus to candy vender sales and profit is the fact that, in conjunction with these price decreases, bar weight has been upped to a satisfying "nickel's worth" again and vend packs are now available in practically all leading brands.

Results of a bar weight, vend pack survey of leading candy manufacturers over a three-year period graphically illustrates the rise in bar size and in number of vend packs (see accompanying tables). Compiled by Vend, sister publication of The Billboard, for the years 1947, 1948 and 1949, the survey shows that the 11/2-(See More Vend Packs on page 108)

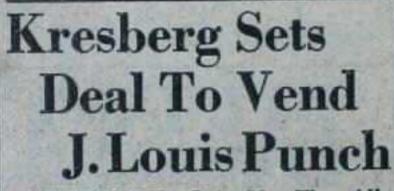
### F.L. Jacobs Company **Shows 2-Month Profit**

DETROIT, Oct. 22 .- F. L. Jacobs Company reported this week a net profit of \$384,501 for the two-month tive vice-president, said the deal period ended September 30. President Rex C. Jacobs stated that for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1949, a net loss of \$965,672 was reported, as compared with a net profit of \$409,838 in the previous 12-month period.

Jacobs declared, however, that the loss was after "certain extraordinary, non-recurring charges" which includes writing-off obsolete material for Coca-Cola vending machines and the Launderall washer of \$1,094,190. Also \$536,354 was charged off for tools, dies, jigs and fixtures.

Jacobs stressed that with the recent disposal of manufacturing and patent rights to Launderall, Coca-Cola vender production has been transferred to the firm's Traverse City, Mich., plant. The Indianapolis plant, which produced both these items, has been offered for sale.

Result is that Jacobs' sales and production efforts are now being largely concentrated on automotive products, in which it did a \$27,396,737 business during the past year.



NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- The All-American Drinks Corporation, producers of the Joe Louis Punch sirup line, completed negotiations with Automatic Products Corporation calling for the sale of its beverages thru the manufacturer's cup vender, Refresh-o-Mat.

Sam Kresberg, Automatic's execuspecified exclusive use of his firm's machine in All-American's vending program. Ten Refresh-o-Mats, carrying the Joe Louis Punch decal, will be placed in Harlem this week, he said. It is expected the Harlem area alone will absorb about 100 units within the next few months. The first machine was installed in a barbershop owned by the fighter, Sugar Ray Robinson.

### **Points Up Benefits**

"The Los Angeles operators are fortunate in having a set-up such as that used by this health department," Davidson told the beverage men. "Here they have a Food Sanitation and Food Advisory Committee that meets once a month and on this board are representatives of the various industries. Because of this, no regulations governing a group are made without consulting someone familiar with that field. There is an ordinance governing beverage machines, but it was drafted only after much research Heavy demand has been noted in and many discussions."

Ramsey, who is chief of food sanitation, outlined the set-up of the health department, setting it into two categories - Bureau of Sanitation, headed by Senn, and Bureau of Medi-(See Los Angeles Cup on page 106)

# See Popcorn Section

The National Association of Popcorn Manufacturers, Inc. (NAPM), will open its Fifth Annual, and First International Popcorn Industries Convention and Exposition at the Palmer House, Chicago, Monday (24). In this issue of The Billboard, only, a special Popcorn Section appears elsewhere, covering not only convention information but feature stories which will be of interest to every operator, distributor and manufacturer who is concerned with this phase of the vending industry.

Be sure to see the Popcorn Section this week.

# Victor Reports Hypoed Popcorn Warmer Activity

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Shipment of popcorn counter warmers to the Philippines and Puerto Rico, coupled with a 50 per cent increase in domestic sales over the pas, three weeks, was announced by H. M. Schaef, president of Victor Vending Corporation.

Following introduction of its Hot Pop unit last April, Victor reported a steady rise in sales activity by 35 distributors handling the warmer. the Washington and Oregon regions, with consistently high acceptance in the East and portions of the West and South, Schaef said.

He stressed that the popcorn warmer, which also dispenses French fried potatoes, is built from dies 100 per cent designed by Victor. With the exception of the plastic globe, all component parts are stamped out in the Victor plant. Globe die, altho designed by Victor, is used by an outside plastic company to produce the finished item.

Cost of designing and making the dies for the Hot Pop warmer, Schaef revealed, totaled \$25,000.

With operators and popcorn processors turning in word of the salesstimulating effect of warmer units, Schaef believes use of this type of popcorn dispenser will increase greatly during the next few years.

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#### VIDENDING MACHININGS 103

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CIGARETTE

### **Huey** Appointment

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- Comdr. William M. Fucy Jr., an active member of the board of directors of Spacarb of Washington, Inc., was recently appointed aide and special assistant to John P. Koehler, Assistant Secretary of the Navy. Huey has en in Washington since 1948, when he began a 16-month tour of duty as executive assistant to the assistant chief, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oct. 22 .-System Drink Venders, Inc., here, has obtained a charter from the secretary of state, listing authorized capital stock at \$50,000. The incorporators are A. F. Schmitt, Robert H. Rice and Joseph W. Schmitt.

### **Mills** Automatic **Moves Headquarters** NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- After 30 years in its present location, the Mills Automatic Merchandising Corporation will move to new operating head-

Island City, it was announced this week. The move from 44th Road, in the same borough, will be completed within a few weeks. With the relocation of its general office in Chicago about six months

ago, the firm no longer needs as much floor space, said a company executive in explaining the move. Mills's new offices will be in the building vacated by the International Mutoscope Corporation recently.



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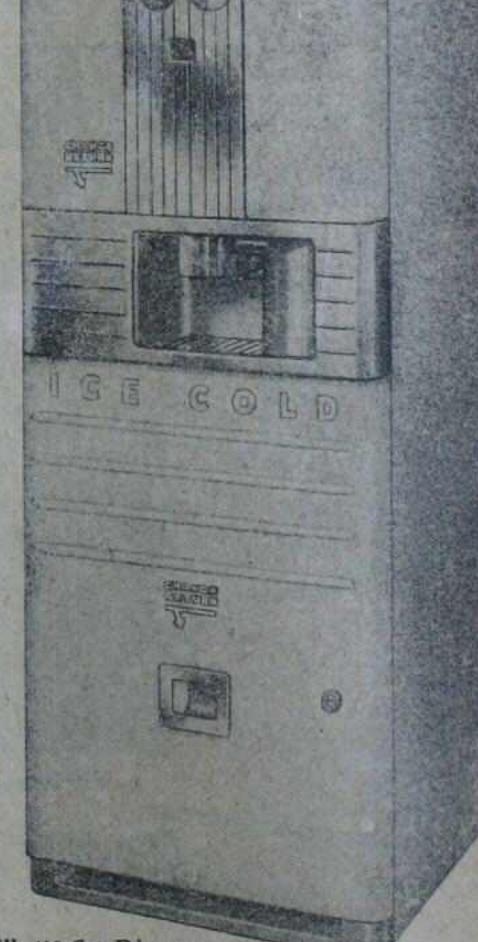
ine wear, Clean Appearance **Creates that** Impulse to "Have a Refreshing Drink"

The Mills Automatic Fountain insures dependable dispensing of cup, syrup and carbonated water. A steady profit maker.

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# Drive-In Theaters' Growth ILLINOIS **Proves Bonanza for Popcorn** CHICAGO 39,

(Continued from page 69) job of popping. "The hotter the flame after the amount popped is closely the larger the kernels will explode, controlled by the amount of and the greater the apparent volume trade for the evening. Actual experi- sold to the public from the same ence shows that the volume of sales amount of raw stock. Bottled gas is may differ radically from one night approximately the same as piped gas to the next because of weather, the in its performance," says Lefkowitz. type of crowd the picture attracts, plus the size of the over-all audience. The girls are trained to watch the evening's sales trends closely before continuing to pop corn.

#### Butchers

size of the crowd, go out with supplies of corn, covering the "house" as butchers, working from show opening until the end of the first show, when the crowd thins out.

The peak time for concession sales in any drive-in is during the scheduled intermission, usually announced by the public address system and/or by a screen announcement. At this time house lights are turned on and the customers have a chance to stretch, get out of their cars and walk up to the centrally located concession booth. Supplies of popped corn must be prepared in advance to handle this peak, and employees must be ready to deliver the merchandise with the maximum speed and efficiency in the few moments allowed.)

The butchers work in neat uniforms, with small lighted wagons, designed to attract attention to the corn they are selling. Ideally, a method of keeping the corn warm is necessary, but the problem of pushing a wagon, even with suitable rubber-tired wheels, around the slopes and gravel of the typical drive-in is too much for the worker, and a compromise May's Drug Stores here contended must be worked out.

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Selection of a quality raw stock is taken for granted by all sound operators in the field. Typical favorite is a hybrid variety, a survey of suppliers indicates.

L & L installed a Cretor corn tester One or two men, according to the last year-a machine that pops about a cupful of corn at a time. When a load of corn is received from the grower it is tested on this machine and the results carefully sampled. Basic tests are to determine if the yield of popped corn is right, and if too many shucks or unpopped kernels result. Any stock which does not come up to standard is returned to the grower for adjustment, under the basic contract agreement, This means using a more expensive corn, running as much as \$2 a bag above minimum prices, but Lefkowitz feels it is well worth the extra cost.

Quality seasoning is another essential ingredient in popcorn selling. Coconut seasoning is preferred by concessionaires.

# **Drug Chain Contends** Ia. Cig Price-Fixing Act Unconstitutional

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Oct. 22 .-this week in a District Court petition that lowa's new cigarette price-fixing act should be declared unconstitutional because it fails to set up standards or rules by which a dealer can determine whether he is selling cigarettes at less than cost. The contention was made in an amendment to the stores' original petition against the Iowa State Tax Commission which sought to have the cigarette sales act passed by the last Legislature declared unconstitutional. If the contention is upheld by the District Court, it will have a widespread effect on cigarette vending machines in the State, as it will enable operators to have some leeway in prices, vender spokesmen declared.

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# Only Northwestern MODEL 49 SPECIAL

GIVES OPERATORS SO MUCH . . .

Globe has maximum display value ... open view of mer-chandise from top and tour chandise from sides. Easily carried by handle of screw-on cap. Easily cleaned at home or warehouse. Easily attached to or detached from attached to or detached from lock lever. Large globe ca-lock lever. 5 lbs. peanuts or pacity . . 5 lbs. peanuts or 5 lbs. pistachios.

Complete vender mechanically simple. In-a-door mechanism easily detached. No tools required for servicing. Ultramodern design precision built of heavy steel. All parts or units interchangeable. Gencrous use of stainless steel throughout - . , wherever needed.

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Want it. No more filling and spilling location. Greater cleanling on assured.

Checking merchandise in re-turned globe against cash col-lection assures more accurate accounting and tighter con-

Vends all products without additional parts. Straight 1c or 5¢ play. Large cash box holds up to 1350 pennies. Fits on stand, bracket, counter, or attaches to other machines. Finish --- baked hammerloid in red. steen, gray, tan. Ef-

NEW PRICES ON Genuine Leaf Rainblow Ball Gum. 25c lb .- All Sizes. Freight Prepaid from Factory on 150 lbs. or more.

NEW REDUCED PRICES Less Ihan 100 ..... 13.55 100 or More ..... 13.35 1/a Deposit-Balance C. O. D. CAN BE PURCHASED ON "RAKE" 24 PAY PLAN Write for Circulars and Price List on Complete Northwestern Line. WE TAKE TRADE-INS-LIBERAL ALLOWANCE EXCHANGE ACHINE

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Lefkowitz is planning, in a future de luxe operation, to utilize a small jeep-type car, towing a wagon equipped with heating equipment. In the meantime the wagons themselves are loaded light, so that the corn will speedily be sold and the butcher forced to return for a fresh supply before it has a chance to cool. Others just use baskets to carry a small supply of corn in conventional manner.

The presence of the butcher with the lighted wagon or carrying a basket is the only advertising needed, plus the selling message of the popcorn itself as he passes by. Incidentally, it is important that any lighting be directed downward so that it does not interfere with the patron's enjoyment of the film.

An interesting variation in popping practice is used by James Missel, who has just installed a Manley stadium model popper in the new Oak Drive-In (Royal Oak, Mich.). Here, to reduce the time spent in popping corn before opening time, the early evening supply of corn is popped during the day in the shop and placed in cans to be taken out by the concessionaire when he goes to the stand. The popper then takes care of the balance of the evening supply.

### Family-Size Pack

A "family-sized" package is the most popular in drive-ins, because the whole family usually turns out for this type of show, instead of coming in smaller units, it is pointed out by Eisen. At the Wayne the corn is sold in 10 and 15-cent boxes. Some driveins use a 25-cent package of suitably larger size. Such price selections must depend upon local practice, but it is likely that the still common nickel box or bag can usually be eliminated in favor of the higher unit of sale.

Another trick, utilized by Lefkowitz, is the installation of bottled gas units as a source of heat for the popper. In most drive-in locations, beyond the settled sections, centrally supplied illuminating gas from pipelines is not likely to be available. The average operator might use electricity, but this does not provide a sufficiently hot flame to do the most efficient

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# Delaney Buys Conn. Soft Drink Concern; **Plans New Dispenser**

HARTFORD, Conn., Dct. 22 .- John H. Delaney, who has been associated with the soft beverage industry for many years, revealed that the Canton Springs Ginger Ale Company of suburban Canton, Conn., is now under new management. He has purchased the shares of Mrs. Sarah B. Harris and Morton I. Harris, and is now the majority stockholder and in complete charge and control of the company. Delaney also lives in that suburban town.

The Canton Springs Ginger Ale Company is the owner of the Massacoe Springs, which have been used for water for soft drinks.

Delaney said, too, that the company recently took over the franchise for Cock 'n' Bull Ginger Ale for the entire State of Connecticut and G. F. Heublein Company, Hartford, will be figures from its annual survey of the bottler for it in Connecticut.

The veteran soft drink industry man has developed and perfected a new soda dispenser which will be ready for distribution in the near future. Further details on plans of the new dispenser will be revealed soon by Delaney. The dispenser eliminates the handling of bottled goods to a great extent and lightens the burden at soda fountains and restaurants. A multiple valve permits the use of the dispenser for several flavors in the same unit.

VICTOR'S AMAZING NEW ALL PURPOSE Toppers to a case \$43.00 Per Case \$10.75 Per Mach With Plastic Globes \$45.00 case **Colored Bubble** BALL GUM 140, 170 or 210 count, in 25= cartons 24c lb. in lots of 150= or more with freight prepaid 23c lb. SPECIAL FULL CASH WITH ORDER OCTOBER OFFER PISTACHIOS 4 Toppers PLUS 25= 210 Ball Gum PLUS 1000 Auto-nraphed Football Charms, all for 25 lb. carton Large 55¢ Ib. Small, 45¢ Ib. Full Cash With Order ONLY Autographed Football Charms .00 \$3.75 per 1000 1/3 Deposit, F. O. B. Brooklyn, N. Y., Balance C. O. D. Orders Under \$10,00, Money in Full. ALL PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. PIONEER VENDING SERVICE Exclusive Victor Distributor in N. Y. 161 SACKMAN ST., BROOKLYN 12, N. Y. hone: Dickens 2-7992 Thousands of locations are waiting for the new 5c GUM AND CANDY VENDOR Capacity: 328 Pack-ages of Gum or 210 Packages of Candy or Any Combination of Both. MODEL 130-MM Metal Cabinet and Base, Ht. on Base, 60"x18". Wt. on Base, 64 Lbs. Write for new reduced prices Immediate Delivery in Green, Blue or Tan. Write for Catalog of Complete Line of St

Gum and Cand

# See Popcorn Section

The National Association of Popcorn Manufacturers, Inc. (NAPM), will open its Fifth Annual, and First International Popcorn Industries Convention and Exposition at the Palmer House, Chicago, Monday (24). In this issue of The Billboard, only, a special Popcorn Section appears elsewhere, covering not only convention information but feature stories which will be of interest to every operator, distributor and manufacturer who is concerned with this phase of the vending industry.

Be sure to see the Popcorn Section this week.

# **Supplies in Brief**

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### N. Y. Leads Candy Marts

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22. - New York continued to be the No. 1 candy market of the country last year-buying 11 per cent of the national total of approximately \$1,000,000,000 wholesale -- Commerce Department reported on the basis of preliminary sales and distribution. Pennsylvania continued in second place, but Illinois dropped from third to fifth, while California moved up to third and Ohio to fourth. Candy sales in the five leading States mounted to 38 per cent of the national total, according to Commerce estimates.

Half of the industry's output of 2,-700,000,000 pounds last year was sold in two areas: The Eastern Seaboard from New York to Virginia (28 per cent) and the Middle West from Ohio to Wisconsin (22 per cent).

Top candy eaters last year resided in Utah where the per capita consumption was 34.5 pounds. Other States in the mountain region also showed higher per capita rates, while those in the Southern States were

in high labor costs, any change in the price of peanuts is apt to be upward. Whenever the figure happens to fall below the parity price the Agriculture Department will have to buy enough peanuts to hike the open market price.

# **Duty Booty**

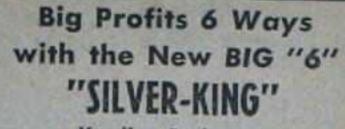
WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .-Dominican Republic sweetenings, which occasionally wind up in U. S. candy bars, have one of the most intriguing amounts ever levied as a duty by this country. Agriculture Department has reported that the import fee is \$.004709375 per pound.

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in this BIG '6" Line you'll find a machine for every type of merchandise. "Candy-King" Bar Vendor "Package-King" Package Vendor 'Silver-King" Bulk Vendor "Charm-King" Ball Gum and Charms "Hunter" Amusement and Ball Gum 'Target" Free Play and Ball Gum Made to receive Is and 5s U. S. and foreign coins. Ask your dealer about "Silver-King" or write for FREE Illustrated Literature and complete information. SILVER-KING CORP.

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low, Commerce said.

For August of this year, Census Bureau reported thru Commerce Department that confectionery sales by manufacturers jumped 60 per cent in dollar value over July, altho they were off 12 per cent from August, 1948., For the first eight months of the year candy sales were 15 per cent below the same 1948 period.

Sales of the bar goods amounted to 61,463,000 pounds with a wholesale value of \$21,463,000, as compared with 62,033,000 pounds worth \$24,495,000 in August, 1948. Average wholesale price per pound dropped from 39.5 cents to 35 cents over the 12-month period.

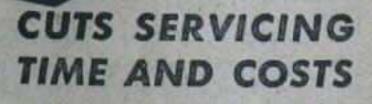
Sales of bulk candy were also off, dollar-wise, but were up by weight. This past August showed sales of 9,449,000 pounds worth \$2,072,000, as compared with 8,677,000 pounds worth \$2,646,000 in August, 1948. Average price declined from 30.5 cents per pound to 21.9 cents.

### **Peanut Prices**

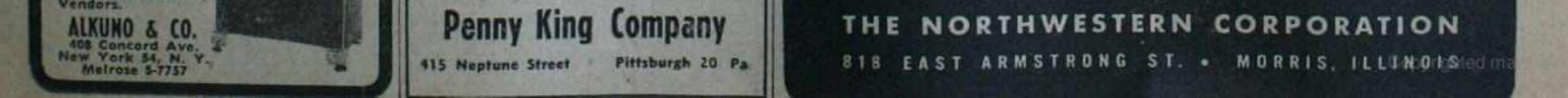
WASHINGTON, Oct. 22. - Peanut prices are certain to remain approximately the same for the next four years under terms of the new farm bill adopted by Congress just prior to adjournment this week. The bill, which is a compromise between sliding price support proposals of Agriculture Secretary Brannan and the continued 90 per cent support formula of the farm bloc in Congress, sets peanut supports at 90 per cent of parity until 1954.

Since the bill contains a new method of calculating parity, which figures

CHARMS NEW PLATED FOOTBALLS EMBOSSED WITH NAMES OF COLLEGE TEAMS COPPER PLATED FOOTBALLS ... \$5.50 per M GOLD PLATED FOOTBALLS .... 7.00 per M



Everywhere acclaimed the greatest forward step in the bulk vending machine business, the new Northwestern Model 49 is a winner in every respect. Its new Sani-Carry Globe, with convenient screw-on cap, can be cleaned and refilled at home or warehouse. On location, empty globe is removed from vender and filled globe attached in a jiffy. Result: Servicing time and costs cut in half . . . profits boosted to new highs. Write, wire or phone for complete details!



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### CHARM VENDING WHEEL . . .

Vends ball gum and charms. Vends 5%" 170 and 210 count ball gum with no extra adjustment. Vends a combination of all 3 sizes with or without charms.

\* New TOPPER comes in 1¢ only. \* Vends all kinds of Bulk Merchandise.

ORDER TODAY FROM YOUR VICTOR DISTRIBUTOR I

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UNIT

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Finished in Red and Black baked enamel.

WHEN ORDERING please specify whether

both units are for ball gum or both for

merchandise or one for ball gum and one

Los Angeles Cup Vender Training Course Starts

(Continued from page 102) cal Services, directed by Dr. Goerke. Dr. Goerke spoke on the Standards of Cleanliness. He declared that various types of infection can be transmitted by sirup, water or cups. The doctor advised the group that the health department considers anything that touches the floor contaminated.

### Caution Servicemen

"Servicemen cannot be too careful in handling their machines or its supplies," Dr. Goerke said. "Do not put your wiping rag in the same pocket with your handkerchief. This can spread respiratory diseases. Wash your hands frequently—and well—is a good point to follow at all times. And, above all, wear clean clothes. The rules for good sanitation are simple. If followed, epidemics may be prevented."

Harrison spoke on the activity of the Cup Vending Division of the NAMA.

"While automatic beverage vending in paper cups has been going on for a number of years, there was little development of the industry in the years preceding the war," he declared. "In 1947 it was realized that many problems, including those of sanitation, were new ones for manufacturers and operators of such equipment, and that group action was desirable. The NAMA Cup Vending Division therefore came into being.

### NAMA History

"There followed in quick order the establishment of an executive committee and a research committee. The research committee realized the immediate need for professional guidance in the field of sanitation and obtained the services of Sol Pincus, of the New York City health department, and his associate, Irving Kleeman. A report on "The sanitary and public health aspects of automatic cup vending of drinks' was submitted by these authorities at the December, 1948, NAMA convention." After citing the figures on the research work, Harrison stated that the group made specific recommendations. Dr. W. L. Mallmann, professor of bacteriology, Michigan State College, Lansing, Harrison revealed, had been named to follow thru on the program and had already started upon the first project of determining sources of contamination in machines, if any, and to establish remedies to eliminate such sources. Senn used as his theme Sanitation Is Just Good Business. He urged those who feel that regulations are wrong to discuss a remedy with the department.





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### Offers Help

"We can discuss regulations with you and will be glad to do so. We do not want anyone to feel they are being forced into these cleanliness campaigns," the engineer stated. He cited an example of seeing a clean cup machine do more business than a counter where bottles were sold. He also pointed out that on another occasion he had seen the reverse of this because the machine was not so clean.

Following his talk, Senn was asked why the beverage machines were classified under the sandwich stand ruling. He replied that a ruling that a sandwich stand is a place where sandwiches and bulk drinks are sold was the basis for this interpretation.

Speakers at the next meeting will be Ramsey on Vehicle Requirements; W. A. Schulenburg, specialist Food Sanitation Section, Processing and Maintenance, and Larry Granfield, president, County Beverage Company, San Diego, Headquarters and Trucking. Le Blanc Vending Co. P.O. Box 324 Breaux Bridge, La.

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# Improve Stamp Machine Units

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Improved models of Postage Stamp Machine Company units are now being delivered, according to Harry Wartell, co-owner. Empty venders now refuse coins, thru use of a special mechanism on which a patent has been applied for.

The firm, which produces four folder-type models and eight rolltype units, will open a new sales office in Boston within the next two weeks. It now has sales outlets in Newark and Chicago, in addition to its headquarters here. The company's venders are also sold thru 15 regional distributors.

### Ice Cream Industry Promotes Winter Biz

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22. — The Ice Cream Merchandising Institute (ICMI) here has announced its Sell--a-Bration program, designed to increase ice cream sales during the colder months, is gaining support from manufacturers in most parts of the country.

Special merchandising material is being used to hypo winter sales, including point-of-sale signs, placards and newspaper mats. Transcriptions help broadcast the message over the radio.

Detailed information is available from ICMI at 1022 Barr Building, Washington, D. C.

### **Protest Scale Tax**

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask., Oct. 22 .--

# Mag Feature Covers Vending Machines In 5 Ct. Candy Field

CHICAGO, Oct. 22. — The nickel candy bar, and its importance in the everyday scheme of American living, is the subject of a feature article in the current issue of Cosmopolitan. Prominently featured in the article is the importance of the vending machines in bringing candy to the public.

Terming the 5-cent candy bar "a peculiarly American institution, like the 5-cent cigar and the hot dog," Betsy Simon, the writer, traces the history of the candy bar from its first inception in the United States, thru its war and postwar ups and downs, to its return to store counters and vending machines in its original form.

It is pointed out that "every minute of the day and night Americans drop 45,662 nickels on candy-bar counters and in 300,000 vending machines, making a yearly total of \$1,-200,000,000. Last year, vending machines alone dispensed 2,184,000,000 bars, and official surveys estimate that if you divided the total population of the United States into the total number of candy bars sold in a year, you would get 144 as the per capita consumption of these nickel delectables."

Following an outline of how, during the war, "civilians ate anything that dropped out of a vending machine," it is explained that when the war ended, the consumer found his "old loves" back on the counters, but up in price and down in size.

The writer then goes on to explain how manufacturers resisted high raw material prices and, thus, were able to hold the cost of the candy bar to a nickel. In conclusion, Miss Simon states, "considering "he fluctuations of these times, it is comforting to know that the nickel candy bar is so snug and secure." **NO** Everybody and anybody who's in business to make a profit and to keep on making a profit in these tough, unsettled times—by selling merchandise and service through vending machines. This means YOU, of course. That's who.

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New Jersey, the place where anybody, anywhere in the U.S., has to go at least once in his business lifetime to make his business life complete. The convention city of the Eastern seaboard, complete with the big, handy Convention and Exhibit Hall, handy to beautiful hotels, handy to the Boardwalk and handy to EVERYTHING that makes an exhibit

A letter has been sent to the city council by the Canadian Rhc les Manufacturing Company, Ltd., protesting the \$15 annual license fee on coin-controlled weighing machines, noting that the fee in other cities amounts to \$2 annually.



and convention a success and a profit to the men who go there. That's where.

**hen** Just at the right time —just after the Thanksgiving holidays, plenty early to prepare for the New Year, a year everybody knows is going to call for the best SELLING ideas since the war. November 27, 28, 29 and 30, that's when.

Because dollar-wise, profitwise, idea - wise, equipment - wise, it just doesn't make sense (or cents) to pass it up. No gimmicks. No gadgets. No harebrained ideas. Just good, solid, selling ideas. Sold ideas for selling, solid machines for selling, solid products for selling. There's never been a vending machine exhibit and convention like this one. That's why.

1949 CONVENTION and EXHIBIT NAMAAA.



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# **More Vend Packs Hail Bid** For Op Biz by Candy Mfrs.

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(Continued from page 102) dustry) is now in almost 100 per bars by 14 firms in 1947. cent greater supply than a year ago, and almost 300 per cent over 1947 o...erings. Specifically, as reported by between 54 and 67 manufacturers, there are now 76 11/2-ounce bars

offered by 33 firms, against 39 bars ounce bar (most common to the in- by 21 firms in 1948 and 20 112-ounce)

The two-ounce bar, which zoomed into third place this year as a leading nickel size, was in fifth place during 1948 and 1947. There are now 19 two-ounce bars on the market by 23 manufacturers compared to seven two-ounce bars by seven companies last year and five two-ounce bars by four firms in 1947. This is a nearly 200 per cent increase over 1948 and a fraction under 300 per cent increase over 1947.

While the 1¼-ounce size has dropped off this year (30 bars by 23 firms) over 1948 (35 bars by 21 firms). the decrease has been more than made up by the greater number of 2-ounce bars.

Altho the 1%-ounce bar took second position in 1947, over the 11/4ounce size, this was mainly due to the restricted total number of bars put out by the industry as a whole at that time. Now, with selectivity again at prewar levels, there are almost as many 1%-ounce bars offered as during 1947, in addition to the preponderance of 2-ounce bars. There are now 16 134-ounce bars by 10 companies against the 19 134-ounce bars by 12 firms in 1947. The fifth most popular weight (1%-ounce) seems to be static; it has been offered by between six and 12 firms in eight varieties during the past three years.

### Vend Packs Increased

A like trend of important increases has taken place in the vend count pack. As of October this year, 15 more firms offer high counts than in 1948, and 39 more than in 1947. Ranging in size from 72 to 288 counts,



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4 6 6 10 0 0 0 10 0 10 0 0 0 0 CHARMS-PROVEN SENSATIONAL NEW Approximately 3%" PLASTIC-6 Bright Colors ... \$ 5.00 M COPPER Plated ..... 8.00 M Gald or Silver Plated. 10.00 M Brown Plastic. ..... 3.75 M Gold or Silver Plated ..... 7.00 M Copper Plated ..... 6.00 M 24 TEAM NAMES 5/1" TREASURE BALLS -NEW !!! #500 CHARMS-With Tattoos .....\$12.50 M With Key Chain ..... 18.00 M =500M Metal Plated ..... 5.75 M With Balloons ..... 14.00 M =500C Color Plated ..... 5.75 M With Dice ..... 12.50 M With Bracelet ..... 5.50 Gr. =500 Gold or Silver Plated .... 6.75 M = 500 Metallic Plastic Bronze or -#494 ANIMAL CHARMS =494M Metal Plated ..... 5.75 M #3 Asst Small Plastic Charms ..... \$2.50 M =494 Color Plated 5.75 M =494C Gold or Silver Plated 6.75 M =3M Asst. Small Metal Plated =494 Metallic Plastic Bronze or President Buttons - Pictures and Dates of Office of the 32 Presidents of the U. S .- Washington KARL GUGGENHEIM, INC.



### **MR. OPERATOR!**

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There are less used or rebuilt VICTOR MACHINES offered than any other make.

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That you can buy TOPPER as low as \$10.00 in lots of 100 or more.

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You can huy 100 TOPPERS for less outlay of cash than you would expect to pay for 25 other machines.

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the 100 count holds the lead. It is offered by 36 companies. Eleven firms have 120 counts, second most popular size.

Taking the 100 count as unofficial "standard" vend pack, it is seen that availability of this count has increased 500 per cent since 1947, when six candy manufacturers offered it, to this year, when 36 firms are bidding for the operator's business with the 100 pack.

### Mfrs. Plan Expansion

A prime factor in the continuance of larger, lower priced bar merchandise is the turn-about trend evidenced by major candy firms over the country. Abandoning earlier overproduction talk, candymen since June have been working out expansion programs. This includes building new plants, enlarging existing facilities and addition of new automatic machinery. A general feeling exists in manufacturer ranks that potential demand for their product has been underestimated for the immediate years ahead. And spokesmen for leading firms now contend that this fall and winter will prove to be one of the busiest seasons in the industry's history.

A few of the companies embarking upon plant expansion and increased production schedules include Blum's, Inc., San Francisco; Chase Candy Company (San Jose plant); The Sweets Company of America, Inc., Hoboken, N. J.; E. J. Brach & Sons, Chicago; Bunte Bros., Chicago; Just Born, Inc., Bethlehem, Pa.; Mason, Au & Magenheimer, Brooklyn and estbury, L. I.; James O. Welch Company, Cambridge, Mass., and the New England Confectionery Company.

### Vender Holiday Items

Capping the good news story for the candy operator is the baginning what well might be an industrywide move to furnish him with salessustaining holiday merchandise. First out with this type of item is the Paul F. Baich Company, Bloomington, Ill. This firm announced last month that it was bringing out special vender

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NEW PRICE	size Christmas and Easter novelty items. Selling at a nickel thru standard vending shelves and pockets, Beich is offering chocolate-coated Christmas	EPPY CHARI empty machines far	
NEW PRICE REDUCTIONS REDUCTIONS NON THE NEW SILVER KING	trees and Santa Clauses, rabbits and eggs. Idea is to give the operator a chance at the high candy sales occur- ring prior to these two holiday sea- sons. Normally, without special candy to offer, vender sales fall off at those times while over-the-counter business booms.	Plastic—52 ass't charms Metal-Plated—52 ass't charms BIG FAMOUS 42 CHARMS Plastic—another 52 ass't Matal-Plated—another 52 ass't BOXING GLOVE CHARMS	PER M \$ 2.50 4.50 3.00 5.75
CHARM KING	NICKEL BAR WEIGHTS, 1947-'48-'49	Plastic—30 Engraved Champs Metal-Plated—30 Engraved Champs	5.00 7.50
TWO GREAT VENDORS	(67 Manufacturers Reporting- October, 1949) Weight 1. 1½ oz. 76 bars by 33 mfrs.	FOOTBALL CHARMS Plastic—30 Engraved Colleges Metal Plated—30 Engraved	3.75
NEW PRICES Silver Kings — Charm Kings Bigger profits on location are a natural with Silver Kings	2. 1¼ oz. 30 " by 23 " 3. 2 oz. 19 " by 11 "	BASEBALL CHARMS	6.00
Either 1c or 5c natural with Silver Kings and Charm Kings, for their eye-appeal- ing cabinets are designed to make	4. 1% oz. 16 " by 10 " 5. 1% oz. 8 " by 6 " Weight	Plastic—30 Engraved Names Metal-Plated—30 Engraved Names	6.00 10.00
6 Cases or More 40.00 Case For Immediate Delivery-Order Today 1/3 Deposit, Balance C. O. D. sales. The kids particularly go for Charm King, for it gives them both ball gum and charms for a single coin. Both are winners everywhere.	(56 Manufacturers Reporting— October, 1948) 1. 1½ oz. 39 bars by 21 mfrs. 2. 1¼ oz. 35 " by 21 " 3. 1¾ oz. 11 " by 6 "	A-to-Z ALPHABET CHARMS Plastic—Scientific ass't FUNNY FACE CHARMS (Indians, Devil, Skull, Can-	2.00
CAN BE PURCHASED ON "RAKE" 24 PAY PLAN Write for Price List on Entire Silver King Line	4. 198 02. 6 by 6 5. 2 oz. 7 " by 7 " (54 Manufacturers Reporting—	nibal, Clown & Pirate) Plastic Metal-Plated	4.00
KE COIN MACHINE EXCHANGE	October, 1947) Weight 1. 1½ oz. 20 bars by 14 mfrs.	Plastic—with Rhinestone Eyes Metal-Plated—with Rhine- stone Eyes	8.50
SPRING GARDEN STREET LOmbard 3-2675 PHILADELPHIA 23. PA.	2.       1% oz.       19       " by 12       "         3.       1% oz.       10       " by 9       "         4.       1% oz.       8       " by 12       "	RINGS Plastic-20 Styles	2.50
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WALT DISNEY Character Charms Gw.d.p.	Number of Manufacturers Offering Vend Packs—October, 1949 50 Mfrs.—72 to 238 count (of which) 36 mfrs. offer 100 count 11 " " 120 "	JINGLE BELLS 1/2 "-Ass't Colors 3/4 "-Ass't Colors FORTUNE BALL PRIZES	5.00
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# McCain To Rep **Automatic Line**

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- George Mc-Cain, formerly associated with the International Mutoscope Corporation, has been named factory representative for Automatic Products, Sam Kresberg, executive vice-president. announced this week. McCain will handle the firm's drink and cigarette machines in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Mississippi and the Memphis, Tenn., area.

Krasberg said Automatic Products will shortly appoint representatives for other areas.

# Eastern Sales Rep Named by Coan Mfg.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- V. R. Johnson, vice-president of Coan Manufacturing Company, has appointed Carl C. Milter to represent the firm's line of candy and cigarette venders in New York, New Jersey and the New England States. Here this week on a sales trip, Johnson reported increased placement of the cigarette vender as a complementary unit to Coan's U-Select-It candy machine.

Milter will spend much of his time maintaining close contact with operators, it was understood, aiding them with route problems. His temporary headquarters here are at 85 Strong Street.

# **NCWA Favors Sweetest Day**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 .- National Candy Wholesalers' Association to start preparations for the special

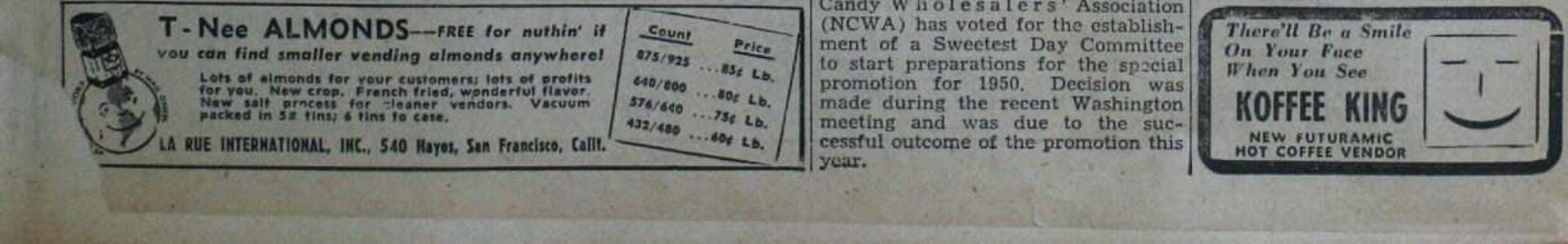
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# Operator, Location Survey CPMA Picks Hit **Reveals Telecasts Are Not Threatening Weekly Incomes**

**MUSIC MACHINES** 

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**Television Sports Emphasis Diminishing in Midwest** 

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.-With the first three week-ends of major football in this area over, a survey of operators and locations here reveals that telecasts are offering their smallest competition to music machines in three years. So small is this competition, the operators and locations report the only time their machines are affected is Saturday afternoon, and that ac- tra for November. This tune is The tually the income from approximately 4 p.m. (when most of the games Music Goes Round and Round, and end) thru 6 p.m. is almost double its usual volume due to patrons in public was recorded by Delvar. Ed Farley locations remaining after game time. Biggest single factor in the tele-juke 'is featured.

box picture this year is the lack of coverage of local professional teams via video. Neither the Cardinals nor the Bears granted sustaining television rights to their home games this year and, apparently because of the heavy asking price for these games, no sponsors were interested in making a pitch for the commercial rights to the games. As a result the Sunday telecasts have been eliminated this year, and the only real competition has been signed to distribute AMI comes Saturdays.

telecasts usually start at 12:45 p.m. Saturday, when the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) picks up an by Jack Mitnick, Eastern regional Eastern game, the majority of the lo- representative for AMI. cations do not turn their sets on until one hour later when the Midwestern clude C. V. Hitchcock, president; E. games begin. Of those locations H. Cashion, vice-president, and J. F. their sets for the Eastern game, 80 ager. These officials met with Hadper cent definitely scheduled telecasts dock and Mitnick in Nashville last of one of the Midwestern games, and week at which time the arrangement the remainder, 15 per cent, turned on a game because of customer request.

AMI Reshuffles Distribs in 2 Areas; Form New Firm in Mich.

said.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Oct. 22 .---Hermitage Music Company, Nashville, products in the central portion of The survey revealed that while Tennessee, it was announced this week by John Haddock, president of the manufacturing firm. Deal was set

Officials of Hermitage Music inchecked, about 5 per cent turned on Tureman, secretary and general man- ducted the Miller Distributing Comfor Hermitage to represent AMI was concluded.

GRAND RAPIDS, Oct. 22.-Formation of a new independent distributing firm for the AMI line to cover the entire lower peninsula of Michigan was announced here this week by John Haddock, president of AMI.

promotion for the association. The tune was cut on a Dome label and

features Blaine Smith, vocalist, together with special title strips, will

be used on 3,000 music machines in

CPMA also selected a Hit Tune Ex-

Miller-Newmark Distributing Company and will maintain offices in Grand Rapids at 42 Fairbanks, N. W., and at 5743 Grand River Avenue, Detroit. Bill Miller, who formerly con- of the two organizations, this party pany in this city, will head the Grand the juke box group. Fred Chopan Rapids office, while Ben Newmark, formerly associated with Atlas Distributing, Detroit, will run the firm's office in that city.



# May Resume in 1950

DETROIT, Oct. 22 .- The October membership meeting of the Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners Association (MAPOA) was a wellthe greater Cleveland area, Levine attended affair, devoted largely to a discussion of current routine business problems.

> The MAPOA voted to drop its sponsorship of the regular Hit of the Month promotion for the fall season. Move was made because of the closing of the big outdoor ballroom at Eastwood Park where the parties to select and introduce hits were held. Plans are now being made to resume the activity around the first of the year, with some minor changes in format of presentation.

The MAPOA is working closely with the Michigan Table Top Licensees Congress, Detroit unit, in planning a party which the latter is sponsoring Monday, November 7, at the Club Casanova. Event will include a floorshow, headed by Jackie New firm is to be known as the Kannon, and dancing. Among those expected to attend are Gov. G. Mennen Williams of Michigan, and members of the Liquor Control Commission. Because of the close interests is drawing exceptional attention of of the Table Top group is making arrangements. Next regular membership meeting of the MAPOA is scheduled for According to Haddock, Miller, thru Thursday, November 10, to be held in the Maccabees Building.

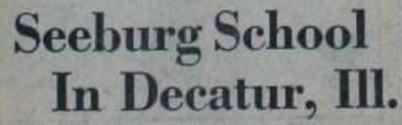
#### **Op** Report

Operators reported that football last year (when an occasional Friday night game and a weekly Sunday game were also televised in this area) hit their grosses for as much as 20 to 35 per cent. This year, with three weeks' receipts to base their estimates on, the ops say that the coin boxes have been hit from 5 to 10 per cent at the most and, in some locations, income on Saturdays has actually grown instead of diminishing, due entirely to the extra patronage in the locations after the football telecast has been completed.

This situation is similar to the one encountered during the World Series when extra patronage helped to make up the lost gross when the games were being seen.

Operators here are especially happy over the obviously lessening interest, on the part of sponsors, in sports telecasts. The hockey season is already under way, and to date there have been no arrangements made to televise the games in Chicago. Major boxing from Chicago is also giving a brush-off to the visual medium, and basketball will probably follow suit.

Amusement programs, such as the Milton Berle show, etc., have never been too popular in public locations in this area, and now only in isolated cases are sets even turned on for this type of show.



CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- A two-day Seeburg service school will be held in Decatur, Ill., at the Orlando Hotel Tuesday (25) and Wednesday (26) to facilitate servicemen's installation and maintenance of the Select-o-Matic, Nate Feinstein, Atlas Music Company, announced this week.

Hermitage will take over the AMI distributorship effective immediately, and will handle parts and service for the complete AMI music line.

# **Music Systems Has Open House**

DETROIT, Oct. 22 .- Open house held Sunday (16) to celebrate the grand opening of Music Systems, Inc., distributors in this territory for Seecompiled by the hosts showed a total of 535 operators and their wives represented, according to Louis Nemesh, manager of the Detroit office.

awarding of a Seeburg Select-o- Michigan.

his own company, was distributor for AMI in the Grand Rapids area. With the merger the firm now takes over the additional territory.

Deal was set by Ed Ratajack, Western regional representative for the manufacturing firm.

Matic 100 unit as a door prize. Winner was Golden Brooks of the Golden Music Company.

Joseph Nemesh, Cleveland, was in town for the opening, while Seeburg burg machines, drew one of the best was represented by a contingent of turnouts of recent record. The list home office and district representatives, including Erni Rezeau, assistant sales manager; Charles Smith, in charge of field service; Gunnar Gabrielson, district manager who was Buffet luncheon and refreshments here in advance of the opening to were served all afternoon to the over- make arrangements, and Wyman flow crowd. A special event was the Deeg, field service manager for

See Music Dept. for This Info

Among the stories of interest to the coin machine industry to be found in the Music Department of this issue of The Billboard are:

SHOWBIZ BILLS UNSETTLED AS '49 CONGRESS QUITS. The bill to force juke box operators to pay royalties may be revived. MILLER JUMPS GUN OVER MONROE ON "MULE TRAIN." A new tune for Vaughn Monroe ensues.

DECCA GOING ALL-OUT ON "WAY BACK HOME." New Bing Crosby-Fred Waring disk to get smash-hit build-up.

CAP RECORDS ADDS FIFTH OFFICE. The diskery opens regional office in Cleveland to cover the Eastern Central area.

NEW LABELS BOW. Separate stories give details on Value, Autograph and Rivoli diskeries debuts.

And other informative news stories as well as the Honor Roll of Hits, pop charts and the new Billboard feature-two pages devoted to new merchandising and mechanical developments in the business -the Radio-Phono-TV section.

# **Conn.** Operator **Org Plans Meet**

HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 22 .- The possibilities of a strong Statewide organization in Connecticut of coin machine operators "look very good," according to Jim Tolisano, owner of Superior Music Company, Hartford, and one of the backers of a proposed Connecticut association of coin machine operators.

An organizational meeting, with election of permanent officers, will be held "within the next two weeks or so," Tolisano told The Billboard this week. Location of the meeting will be determined soon, he said.

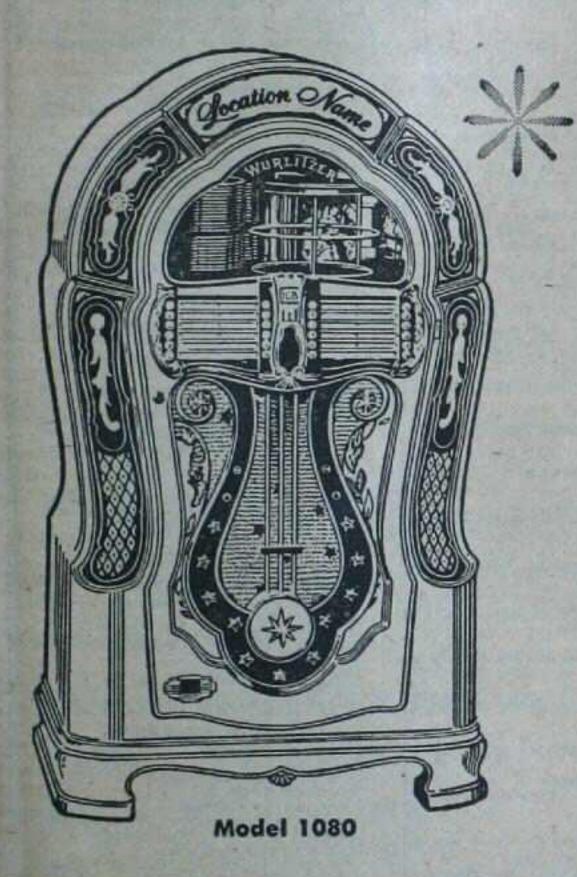
Tolisano added that a get-acquainted meeting for coin machine operators from Connecticut was held last Thursday night (13) at the Hotel Taft, New Haven, with a temporary slate of officers appointed. The slate included Nate Cutler, New Haven, chairman; George Mara, Danbury, business manager; Joe Naclerio, Waterbury, and himself, board of directors. These men were to attend a future meeting of the New York City Association of Coin Machine Operators to view functional operations.

"So far," Tolisano said, "I've heard nothing but all-out enthusiasm to the proposal that we have a State grouping of coin machine operators, and the way matters look right now it's a sure sign that we will have such an organization on a firm footing soon."

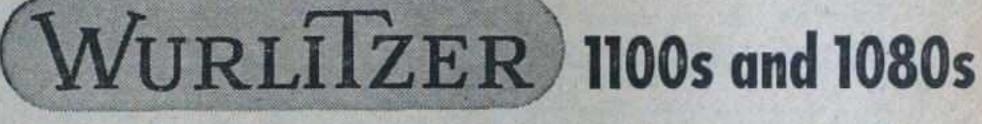
A meeting of Hartford area coinmen was held recently in Hartford to discuss the proposed State grouping. These men, too, voiced unanimous approval of the proposal. Nr step will be the organizational m. aeting, Tolisano said, alseo,

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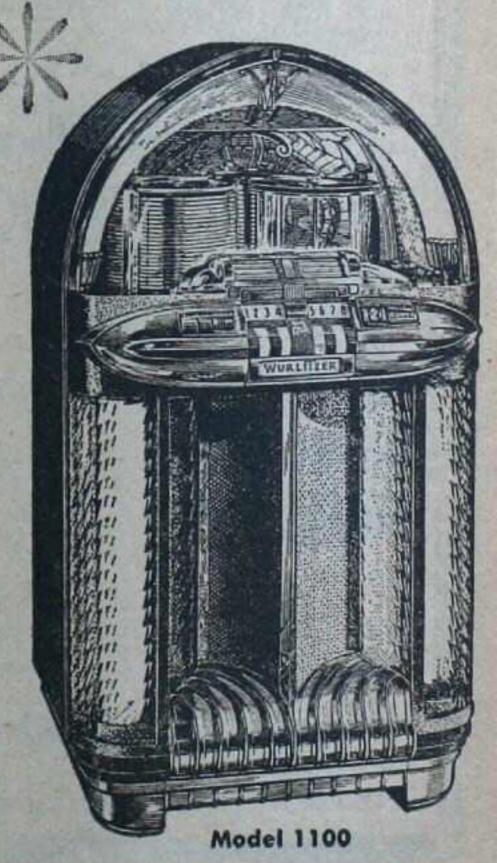
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# Congress Takes a Vacation; Holds Up Several CM Bills

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(Continued from page 101) lusion, nearly passed Congress but sales in States with high cigarette was stalled off until January 20 on lusion, nearly passed Congress but a 29-29 vote of the Senate. The vote The basing point bill, which would was on a motion to table a previous motion for delay. Since a tie vote defeats any proposal, the tabling motion was rejected. Considered significant is the fact that Vice-President Barkley did not bother to vote, as he is entitled to do in case of a tie. He said that he would vote against the tabling motion and in favor of delay, so his batlot was unnecessary. Barkley's statement immediately started speculation that the bill would be vetoed by President Truman even if it passes next session.

#### Social Security

The new Social Security bill passed the House, but the Senate was unable to get around to it this session. It is expected to pass by a wide margin when it comes up for a Senate vote in late January, or early February. Under the House version of the bill, self-employed coin machine operators would be included under Social Security for the first time, receiving the benefits and paying the taxes. Benefits and taxes for all would be raised every few years under the scale incorporated in the measure.

Excise cuts appear a certainty in the early days of the coming session. Due for a cut or possible elimination is the tax on phonograph parts. Tho small, the end of the tax might result in lower juke box costs. There appears little hope that the tax on amusement and gaming devices will be touched.

#### **Coinage Bills**

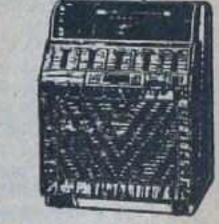
Bills providing for the minting of coins in fractional denominations will still be alive next session, but the passage of any is extremely doubtful. Backers of such bills have been unable to come to any agreement as to the type of new coin they want, and committees to which the various measures have been referred have no plans to hold hearings on them. Given a better chance for enactment is a bill to set up a graduated system of cigarette taxes. Designed to encourage manufacturers to put out cheaper smokes, the bill would give a sharp tax benefit for cigarettes wholesaling for a dime and under, exclusive of taxes. .The measure is in the hands of the House Ways and Means Committee, which is under strong pressure from the tobacco industry to approve it. The measure failed to reach a hearing state during the recent session chiefly because the committee was tied up with Social Security bills for two-thirds of the session.



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Essex Wire Corp. Purchases Facilities of Cords, Ltd. FORT WAYNE, Ind., Oct. 22 .- Addison E. Holton, president of Essex Wire Corporation, announced the purchase of all machinery and buildings of Cords, Ltd., at a federal bankruptcy sale this week.

Essex will continue to operate the newly acquired facilities in Newark as Cords, Ltd., Division of Essex Wire Corporation. Production and delivery will start approximately November 1. Firm supplies wire used by coin machine manufacturers,

# MILLS POSITION

(Continued from page 101) tle and cup soft drink venders with changemakers, compressors and condensing equipment for air-conditioning and refrigeration purposes, scales, gum and candy venders and coinoperated amusement equipment.

Mills Industries was represented in the settlement proceedings by two firms Schwartz & Cooper, and Bluford Krinsley, Schultz & Voorheis. Both sets of attorneys pointed out that the entire plan or arrangement was vorked out without the appointment of a receiver by the court.

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SHUFFLE FLACK ON UPGRADE

# Newspapers, Radio Help To Attract New Players; More **Gimmicks Being Used by Ops**

SHUDDARDS

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See Aid Coming From Co-Ordinated Manufacturers' Program

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- With league and tournament play getting under way in most cities thruout the country, operators, after spending several months preparing the meets, are turning their efforts to promoting regular play as well. While much time must be put in to assure the successful conclusion of the leagues, ops feel that new players must be brought into the picture so that future competition can find even greater acceptance. It is with this thought in mind that the promotions are being undertaken. Heading the list of promotional activities is the definite effort to get shuffle-

board news into local newspapers and plugged via the airlanes. While this type of promotion has been almost impossible in the large metropolitan dailies, operators in smaller communities have met with a measure of success. Not only are league schedules being carried by these publications, but results are now beginning to crop up in the columns, and, in some areas where the operator has been especially aggressive, human interest stories and accompanying pictures have been used. In practically all cases, a definite upswing in play has been noted as a result of the publicity.

#### Gimmicks

comparatively new endeavor for the sories, scoring units, and shufflecoin machine field, use of special gim- boards. micks are only just beginning to crop up now. In this regard, the use of special instructors (and in some cases instructresses) have proven excellent play-stimulators. Window signs, which were popular here early this year, then died out, are making their appearance again this fall in increasing numbers, while interior placards are also going up in shuffleboard locations. Displays of tournament prizes, such as trophies, are being used to advantage this year. Too, location-sponsored teams, wearing specially designed shirts of bright colors are an attraction to new players. While individual activity has been (See SHUFFLE FLACK on page 17)

# **PUCK PATTER**

## Chicago:

Charlie Gillard, head man at Nation Wide Novelties, Inc., has been steel strikes. Herb Perkins, Purbusy with the opening of the firm's veyor Shuffleboard president, says new Canadian plant and the heavy the firm's league activities are comexpansion program going on at the ing along fine, and now that this local headquarters. Charlie reports the firm has released three mailing pieces to the trade in the month, and that any distribs or operators who did not receive copies can obtain them by dropping him a With shuffleboard promotion still a line here. Circulars cover acces-

Most plants here are going full blast and do not anticipate any immediate trouble due to the coal and Meanwhile, phase of the biz is under control, he is eying out-of-town leagues which will also start shortly. Meanwhile, production problems at the plant are being handled as fast as they arise by Bill Tucker, Perkins' able right-hand man.

> Monarch's Roy Bazelon looks for a step-up in inquiries from Michigan now that the firm has a Detroit branch. . . . Pete Rozgus, Mero, was a busy man Thursday night (20), getting one of his 10 location leagues under way. He says he always likes to get off to a fast start because there are always a lot of other visiting location owners on hand to see a league in operation. Weather, Pete points out, is always a factor, league play proving always sharper when there is a sizable audience. Col. L. Lewis phoned from the South to say that Mero is keeping its all-steel board in production ops to get their orders in to avoid (See PUCK PATTER on page 117)

# Leagues Mean \$\$\$

The fall season is here and shuffleboard interest in many areas is growing as new leagues and tournaments get under way. In the past, these promotions have proven that they can make money for the operator and the location as they grow.

League play is completely unknown in many areas, and only slightly so in others. In order to help those operators (and other interested parties) who would like to start this type of promotion in their areas, The Billboard has prepared a special booklet entitled Here's How To Set Up a Shuffleboard League. In this booklet are suggested rules, constitution, league set-ups and promotion ideas which can be adopted by any operator to his locations.

Anyone who would like a copy of this booklet will receive it free by writing to The Billboard, 188 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Ill. Attention, Coin Machine Department,

Write for your copy today.

**CSC** Sets 1st **Major Meeting For Cleveland** 

To Award \$1,000 in Prizes

CLEVELAND, Oct. 22 .- The Cleveland Shuffleboard Congress (CSC) has started a Doubles Tournament here with a guarantee of \$1,000 to be given in prizes. James S. Ross, tournament chairman, said approximately 1,000 players would compete in 100

# Nation Wide in Chi Expansion; **Adds New Item**

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Nation Wide Novelties, Inc., is continuing its expansion program, it was announced by Charlie Gillard, president, with the current activity being centered in the local headquarters. Firm recently opened a plant in Canada.

A new steel spray booth, 26 feet long, 7 feet wide and 9 feet high, is being installed in the finishing room at the Chicago plant. Seven batteries of lights, new spray equipment, and an electronic heating apparatus are also included in the installation.

#### New Product

Nation Wide, after several months of laboratory and field tests, will shortly introduce a new product, Cle-Wax, to the trade. The product is a combination liquid wax cleaner and polish duced by Monarch. for use on shuffleboards. The product is said to provide a renewal to shipping quantity orders of scoreprocess for tops by its mere applica- boards, the Chicago plant has been tion without the usual process of first busy refinishing and servicing boards washing down the space. Cle-Wax for the anticipated heavy league and dries in one minute. Buffing is not tournament schedules now getting required and Cle-Wax is not inflammable.

# **House Leagues Now Promoted** By Nat. Shuf.

ORANGE, N. J., Oct. 22.-National Shuffleboard Company is concentrating its competitive-play promotion in the house-league field at this time, according to Sol Lipkin, field supervisor. This meets the objection of the making a wooden model as well. those location owners who are loath He says that the steel dispute has to see regular patrons visit other not been a factor yet but advises establishments on tournament nights, he said. National is furnishing a complete package for intra-tavern competition, including instructions, placards and streamers.

At the same time, Lipkin indicated that National may sponsor a State tournament in Texas later this year. Other State and sectional tourneys are in the works.

# **Monarch** Opens **Detroit Branch**

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- President Roy Bazelon announced this week that Monarch Shuffleboards has opened a branch office in Detroit in a move to step up service to Michigan operators.

Office is at 2998 Grand River Road, Detroit, and is managed by John Moss. He has been in the coin ma-At the same time Gillard revealed chine business for almost 20 years and in the shuffleboard sales field for the past two years, Bazelon said. The branch will be stocked with a variety of shuffleboard products pro-

Bazelon reported that in addition under way in most sections of the country.

# **Mero Delivers** Wooden Boards, Jr. Scoreboard

CHICAGO, Oct. 22 .- Mero Industries is now making deliveries on its 1950 wood shuffleboards and on its junior model scoreboard, Col. L. Lewis, publicity director, announced this week. Firm also produces allsteel boards.

The new model has a natural wood finish with no painted parts or sections. Its playfield is constructed of 34-inch laminated maple finished in May, will be either Detroit, Chiin heavy lacquer. The wood boards cago or St. Louis. The choice will be are delivered with a full accessory kit which includes chrome weights, plastic T square, scoresheets and holder All players joining ASLI before that and house rule signs. Lewis says that date, it was said will be eligible its price is competitive with the lower for the competitive events. The city priced boards.

The new scoreboard is mounted on the side rather than over the playfield, is compact in size and scores on the point system. Lewis said it be announced soon, the director dewas designed for locations which do clared. He left this week on an exnot require the larger type scoreboards and are in areas where the preliminary arrangements and name point scoring is used exclusively.

locations.

The CSC now has more than 500 player-members, it was learned, with each player paying \$1 in dues in order to be eligible for play in the tournament. As of Thursday (20), the Congress reported 46 of the 100 locations had completed their intratavern competitions, and the winning teams had been selected to participate in the Doubles Tourney, which will get under way October 31.

# **ASLI** Adds to State Events Set for May

UNION CITY, N. J., Oct. 22 .-American Shuffleboard Leagues, Inc. (ASLI), which last week announced plans to sponsor competitive tourneys in at least 25 States next April (The Billboard, October 22), has enlarged its program to include Kentucky, Idaho, Nebraska and Iowa.

Ken Poulsen, director, said this week that championship events have been scheduled for Louisville, Boise and Omaha. The tournament in the latter city will be open to players in both Nebraska and Iowa he added.

At the same time Poulsen announced that the site of the projected coast-to-coast tournament, to be held made after December 1 the deadline for player membership this season. eventually chosen will be the one most accessible to the majority of players signing up said Poulsen.

Additional State tournaments will tended trip thru the South to make league secretaries.

#### Shuffleboard Operators! Deperators! Depera

Here's great news for operators of all types of shuffleboards from coast to coast . . . an opportunity for you to participate in and cash in on the greatest shuffleboard promotion of all times.

Without it costing you a penny, you can now register and become an Operator Member of the American Shuffleboard Leagues, Inc. It makes no difference what make, model or size shuffleboards you now have. Your registration enables your locations to participate in all local, state and interstate contests for

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# **Turning Back the Clock**

15 Years Ago This Week

CHICAGO, Oct. 20, 1934 .-- Licensing of coin machines on the local level problems as a group rather than as was becoming a part of the coin machine picture. In New York the Metropolitan Skill Games Board of Trade was preparing to meet with the city's license commissioner to discuss game licensing for 1935. First licensing of ing Machine Operators' Association games took place in November, 1933, recommended 15 to 20 per cent comand most members of trade favored missions at its annual meeting. . . . the idea since it added stability to the Mills Novelty lost a plea and was deamusement game industry. . . . One nied a petition to enjoin Connecticut of the first pinball tournaments was law enforcement officials from intercompleted in New York under the fering with Mills bell products. . . auspices of D. Robbins & Company. British operators in London disclosed Matches were played on Stoner Super that profits were running 27 per cent 8 machines. All New York City loca- higher than 1933. . . . A. J. Stephens tions were allowed to enter one & Company, Kansas City, Mo., was

pitcher in 1934, entered the coin machine field as a game operator, Gerber & Glass, Chicago, were responsible Babe Kaufman, who in 1934 was for signing up the athlete. . . . A survey of New York locations by the Amalgamated Vending Machine Association showed that most equipment bore no association seal. Amalga-

operators join some body so that all trade operators could work out their individuals. . . . Manufacturers of venders reported a 20 per cent increase in sales over the first nine months of 1933.

In Los Angeles the Western Venddoing a land office business with a Big Jim Weaver, Chicago Cubs coin-operated beer barrel gimmick which was a combination beer sales stimulator and amusement game, . . . known as the only woman jobber in the coin field, opened new headquarters at 455 W. 42d Street, New York, under the name Babe Kaufman, Inc. ... New game prices averaged \$39.50 mated officials recommended that all and among those moving briskly at that tab were Exhibit Supply's Drop Kick, Gottlieb's Merry-Go-Round and Stoner's Super 8. Genco's Subway sold for \$32.50.

10 Years Ago This Week

CHICAGO, Oct. 21, 1939. - Los Angeles operators opened a campaign to inform the public on ethics prevailing in the trade and the high type of business man an operator must be to succeed. This broad public relations program was given a fine send-off by The Los Angeles Daily News which had numerous photos depicting the civic and social work of coinmen. . . . Sam Sachs, Acme Sales, Brooklyn, opened a large phono remodeling plant near the main office. . . . Kemo Novelty, a Milwaukee operating firm, entered into a joint promotion with, the Lawrence Welk band to push Welk records. At the time the band was playing a Milwaukee theater. Results of the tie-in showed increased play on Kemo jukes and increased sales on Welk disks. The most popular tune in the last week of October, 1939, was South of the Border. Meanwhile The Billboard's Record Buying Guide advised ops to stock up on My Prayer and Lilacs in the Rain, which the guide predicted would be top tunes before the end of 1939. Both songs made the predictors look good. . . . In Baltimore, meanwhile, free play games were approved by the court. . . Leading amusement units at the time were Gottlieb's Lite-o-Card, Chicago Coin's Nippy, Stoner's Clipper, and Daval's Follow-Up. All were in the \$89.50 to \$99.50 price class.... Moseley Vending Machine Exchange, Richmond, Va., opened a branch office in Charlotte, N. C. . . Jim Gilmore was making preliminary plans for the 1940 coin machine show. Gilmore, an old hand at handling trade shows for other types of business, joined the Coin Machine Manufacturers' Association (CMMA) just in time to put on the 1939 event, held in January. CMMA was a forerunner of Coin Machine Industries, later known as Coin Machine Institute (CMI). Officers of the newly formed Missouri Amusement Machine Operators' Association were Lou Morris, president; G. O. Miller, vice-president; John Beckman, secretary, and Al Miller, treasurer. The org was formed at Jefferson City. . . . Genco's Mr. Chips continued to be a hot game. It was in its 12th week of production.

NTIL the beginning of this summer the title Shuffleboard Manufacturer meant nothing. Distribution and selling prices were haphazard and disorganized. Jobbers, Wholesalers, Operators called themselves "Manufacturers" when in reality they were merely assembling-buying boards from one source, cabinets from another, accessories from still other sources. In many cases the same shipment did not contain two of the same products. Misrepresentation, inconsistency, inability to make shipments, sub-standard products threatened to ruin the entire shuffleboard industry.

Today operators are choosy-they have learned to discriminate between an inferior product and a well-made shuffleboard. Most of the so-called "manufacturers" have gone out of business and the others are going fast-just as fast as the shuffleboard buyer discovers with whom he is dealing. Our experience shows that the trade is now willing to wait for a quality board of superior construction rather than accept any more low-priced inferior products.

A Shuffleboard is not a thing of mystery-it is made of wood (various kinds), assorted pieces of hardware, and when assembled measures 31 inches wide, 22 feet long and weighs about .50 pounds The principle differences between boards is in the preparation and finish of the wood-the skill and materials of the cabinet-maker.

Nation-Wide Shuffleboards have been made by mass-production methods for quite some time, still maintaining the high quality and superior craftsmanship of individual production under the guiding hands of Nick Wurtz, plant superintendent,

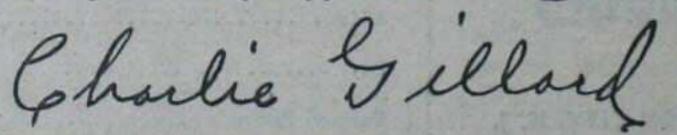
Nation-Wide experienced little of the "Summer Slow-Down" because our product is now a recognized and accepted one-built solidly like the Rock of Gibraltar, yet maintaining the graceful lines of a piece of furniture-attractively priced.

It is one thing to manufacture a product-it is still another to back up your product with "know-how"-service, promotion, merchandising and knowledge of your product. Nation-Wide distributors are Factory-Trained . . . he must learn how his product is made so that he can intelligently sell and service it . . . he must be equipped to handle any problem concerning a Nation-Wide Shuffleboard down to being able to refinish any boards in his territory . . . he must be able to instruct the operator and location owner in the proper care of a board because a well-kept board promotes play . . . he is encouraged to run tournaments and promote lengue play.

Service is the backbone of any successful organization. Nation-Wide's business is Shuffleboards . . . Shuffleboard Service means the "whole ball of wax" and therefore we not only manufacture boards, but furnish a complete Shuffleboard Kit as well as accessories.

Fred Spencer, director of sales, keeps his distributors constantly informed on new developments by means of correspondence, circulars, posters, photographs, newspaper and magazine advertising.

The Shuffleboard outlook for the future is bright . . . at the present time we estimate that there is less than 15% coverage throughout this country and with proper promotion and good management the shuffleboard market can be expanded many times over and be kept alive for many, many years to come.



NATION-WIDE NOVELTIES, Inc. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS



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# **PUCK PATTER**

(Continued from page 114) unforeseen developments in the steel gress rules, and the winner of the situation. Mero Junior Scoreboard was designed with the types of locations which do not need too much flash in mind. He said it should prove a reliable item for operators. since it is in the low cost bracket. soon as schedules and eligibility can

Nils Malmgren, Precision Puck exec, is filling inquiries on the firm's new puck. Firm has stepped up its output to be ready for heavy league ter. Location has a mixed team of requests which already are rolling three men and a like number of in. . . . Play in locations near the women which has been taking on all steel mills in South Chicago has slowed down but not as much as anticipated, operators from that area report.

# Union City, N. J.:

Ken Poulsen, director of American Shuffleboard Leagues, Inc. (ASLI), left last week on a trip south to promote league play. In less than three weeks he plans to speak in 15 cities, reaching as far west as Phoenix, Ariz.

# Orange, N. J.:

Sol Lipkin, chief field man for the National Shuffleboard Company, just returned from a biz trip thru ports shuffleboards have really New England. At the end of the clicked here, and are mushrooming week he took off for the South and almost by the hour. As of this week, West. Promoting league play, he almost all potential locations had will be gone at least until Thanksgiving Day. Another National exec who hit the road last week was John Runyon, office manager. He was off on a special mission to Toledo.

#### Chattanooga:

The Lookout Amusement Com- their boards on location and in firstpany has set up a 10-team shuffle-board league in this city. The league, it was said, will operate un-to this vacationland.

der the Standard Shuffleboard Con-10-team loop will be sent to Chicago next spring to compete in a major tournament to be run by the congress. Roy F. Williams, head of the Lookout firm, said play will start as be worked out.

The Southland Roller Rink has become an active shuffleboard cencomers on its boards, and faring better than average. Team recently edged out a strong group representing the Brainerd Cafe by the score of 4-3.

#### Detroit:

Maurice Feldman, head of the Central Coin Machine Exchange, is handling the new Tricentral Shuffleboard. He made a one-week trip thru State in the interest of this new product.

#### Miami:

Willie (Little Napoleon) Blatt rebeen covered, and boards placed. Regular boards, the 22-footers, are going into the average location, but smaller spots are getting their share of the play on shorter boards such as the rebound models. With the 1949-'50 season just a few weeks off now, operators expect to have all

# Shuffle Flack **On Upgrade**

(Continued from page 114) bulk of the load was carried by the in their respective areas.

#### few larger concerns.

However, with the strong possibility looming that the manufacturers will form their association, with its primary concern being the promotion of shuffleboard on a larger, and coordinated scale, operators feel the on the increase among operators, the real impetus of the program will be bulk of the promotion will have to be felt next spring. This will be espedone by the manufacturers, they be- cially true, they believe, if the manulieve, in order to be most effective. facturers select as their association The larger concerns have been most director, a man schooled in promotion, active in this regard, but as was who not only can direct the associapointed out at the manufacturers con- tion activities, but can take advantage ference in Chicago last August, the of the work already done by the ops



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Line-Up (straight novelty)-J. H. Keeney & Company, Inc., Chicago. King Arthur (five-ball)-D. Gottlieb & Company, Chicago.

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# New Addresses

Michigan Self-Service Laundry Association, 18250 Joy Road, Detroit. Seacoast Distributors, Inc., 1200 North Avenue, Elizabeth, N. J.

#### Personals

Nat Cutler, of State Amusement, elected chairman of board of directors of the Coin Machine Association of Connecticut.

appointed Nancy Applewhite public and operators to stock up on bell relations representative.

Mars, Inc., Chicago, announced appointment of G. B. Hurley, treasurer, as executive vice-president and general manager, succeeding H. H. Hoben who recently resigned; Victor H. Gies, director of sales and advertising, elected to board as a director; H. F. Zoelck, comptroller, succeeds Hurley as treasurer, and D. S. Farguharson was elevated to comptroller.

Joseph J. Mittler, executive of L. & M. Distributors of Venice, Calif., elected a director of the National Association of Tobacco Distributors.

Yale & Towne, Stamford, Conn., announced appointment of Richard H. Diesel as production manager; Frank S. Haniewich, assistant production manager; Diesel succeeds Frank C. Prucha, former production manager, who will retire in November. He will serve as associate production manager on special assignments. Haniewich succeeds James

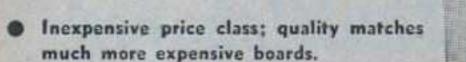
# Firms See Woe In Long Strike

(Continued from page 101) that while they knew business would improve in the fall, they were caught a little off guard by the amount of increased business.

In the automatic merchandising world, production chiefs were fretting about the possibility of running out of specific parts, which, tho they play a minor role in production under normal times, could cause delays and shutdowns during a prolonged steel strike. However, most vender plants figured they had enough steel supplies and parts to last the next 30 to 40 days, partly because over-all vending production has not been at capacity for a few months.

Bell manufacturers took a different view of the situation. They were Juice Bar Corporation, New York, advising their distributors, dealers, equipment while the completed products are available. Right now there is still an adequate supply of bells but this situation could change drastically if the strike carries over for another two weeks. A bell manufacturer said that one thing to be remembered in a strike of this type is that it takes a full two weeks for steel firms to get rolling after a shutdown, which means that if the strike lasted for another two weeks it would be a month before heavy steel production could be resumed. Another bell firm official said that the coal strike has already made it difficult to get castings for bell output and assembly. But all bell producers stressed the point that they would continue to fill requests in the order in which they are received.





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H. Lear, who returns to the industrial relations department as assistant director.

#### Distributors

Chicago Coin Machine Company appointed Sandler Distributing Company, Des Moines.

Covideo, Inc., New York ap-pointed Ralph Stern Associates, West Orange, N. J., for the New Jersey area.

Lawrence Manufacturing Company, Chicago, successors to Holli-Ware, appointed Ralph P. Ross Company, New York, to cover the Eastern half of the United States.

J. P. Seeburg, appointed Music Systems, Inc., Detroit, for the Michigan territory.

# Dr. Pepper Earnings Up for 3d Quarter

DALLAS, Oct. 22 .- Dr. Pepper Company's sales and net earnings have increased for the third quarter this year, ended September 30, over the first two quarters. For the September quarter profit was slightly above the \$208,000 returned for the three months ended June 30, but below the \$241,000 for the quarter ended September 30, 1948, the company reported.

Net income for the first nine months this year is figured to be \$525,000, a decline from the \$618.000 for the like period in 1948. Dollar sales for the nine-month 1948 period totaled \$5,629,416, according to firm's report to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

While officials state unit sales to date this year compare favorably with those of a year ago, lower dollar sales are explained by the lower selling price of Dr. Pepper sirup to franchised bottlers during 1949. Company reduced sirup prices 6 cents a gallon last November in a move to boost bottlers' profit margins, Another factor resulting in lower earnings for the firs: nine months of this year was the higher price paid for sugar, averaging about one-half cent a pound more over 1948.

# **Electro Showing**

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22.-Southern California cigarette operators were hosted by Al Weymouth, of Weymouth Service Company, at a showing of the late model Electro machines at the Biltmore Hotel.

With Lew Jaffa, Electro vice-president in charge of sales present, the cocktail party was given to further acquaint operators with the vender Weymouth distributes the C-8 machine and also Vendall in the West, including Alaska and Hawaiian Islands.



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# COINMEN YOU KNOW

#### Chicago:

Any member of the trade passing thru the lobby of the Hotel Sherman last week might have thought the annual coin machine convention was under way. Among those huddling were Dick Hood, H. C. Evans & Company; Roy McGinnis, J. H. Keeney & Company; Grant Shay, Bell-o-Matic Corporation; John Neise, O. D. Jennings & Company; Herb Jones, Bally Manufacturing, and Martin Nelson, Chicago attorney. Jones explained that it was "just an informal session on industry matters."

Nate Feinstein, Atlas Novelty Company, reports heavy activity in the novelty game field, with highscore units getting top attention. Too, a rising demand for reconditioned, refinished music equipment has been noted recently. Nate and Joe Kilne will be traveling thru Illinois this week and next, stopping off in Decatur for a two-day stretch to attend the Seeburg service school in the Orlando Hotel there (25-26).

Victor Vending Corporation personnel have their sleeves rolled up as the firm prepares to meet increased activity on the popcorn warmer front this fall and winter. President H. M. Schaef reports important hikes in orders for the Hot Pop unit over recent weeks, indicating a sales trend for the coming months. . . . John Conroe, J. H. Keeney & Company vicepresident, displays a pleased smile when cigarette venders are mentioned these days. The Keeney Deluxe electric machine is moving out at a swifter pace as fall buying enthusiasm grows on the operator level.

#### Washington:

Harold Klein, who had been with the Silent Sales System of Washington, stopped in town for a short visit recently. Since he has been in Orlando, Fla., for his health, he has been handling Watling scales in that area. Klein likes the traveling entailed in his present position and looks very well, according to Ira T. Byram Jr., manager of Silent Sales. . . . Firm has added two new pinball mechanics, William M. Schreiner and George R. Donahue. Altho both men are new to the coin machine field, they have had experience in radio and electronics. William F. Metz, head technician, is Street. training them in their new jobs.

Joseph Marsden, manager of the Bladensburg office of Silent Sales, is on vacation. During his absence, Henry W. Shields, Byram's technical assistant, has taken on the Bladensburg operations. Marsden has been with the company for 10 years.

Henry T. Greene, vice-president of the entire Silent Sales System, has has shown a marked improvement moved his headquarters to the Maryland field. He is now working out (See WASHINGTON on page 127)

#### Detroit:

J. R. Pieters, King Pin Distributing Company, was scheduled to visit the Detroit branch last week, coming from his Central Michigan head- Westfield, Mass., has taken under adquarters at Kalamazoo. . . . Art Levin, Lynco Coin Machine Company, is looking forward to a marked increase in activity in the field in the automatic coin devices. A hearing next two months. . . . Arthur J. on the subject was recently held by Twin Cities: Walege has withdrawn from the the commission following the repartner, George H. Forrester Jr. The washing machines, including daily pick-up and delivery service at a flat \$2 a day charge, has moved from the East End to the far Northwest July-September in 1948 and 1949, by part of the city, on Warwick Avenue.

#### Los Angeles:

Lewis Jaffa, vice-president and general manager for Eastern Electric Vending Machine Corporation, has returned to the firm's home office in New York, following a business confab with AI Weymouth, of Weymouth Service. . . . Jack Johnston, Long Beach operator, left for a vacation in the Deep South. He'll be gone for a month.

Jim Murphy, Inyokern operator, was down to pick up some new equipment and look over the local coin machine situation. . . . Perry Irwin, who hails from Ventura, made one of his frequent trips to Pico

Paul Laymon, of the Paul A. Laymon Company, reports that the Bally Clover Bell continues to be in the spotlight. He should know, he just got in another shipment. . . . Mr. Kripstein, factory representative for the Downey Johnson coin counter, was making the rounds recently.

Export vending machine business during the past few weeks, Jack Leonard, head of the vending department of Badger Sales, reports. . . . Judd Lilly was in from Monta-(See LOS ANGELES on page 120)

#### Hartford, Conn.:

The City Licensing Commission at visement the matter of adopting locally the recently enacted Massachusetts State law licensing so-called

#### New York:

Lew Braverman, chairman of the coard of directors of the Automatic Cup Dispensers' Association (ACDA), reports that the next meet of the org will be held at the Gramercy Park Hotel Thursday (27). Membership is open to all beverage machine ops in this area. Braverman heads the Drink Dispenser Corporation, one of the outfits with cup venders in the subways.

Charles Gondolfo, president of Futuramic Machines, Inc., and his associate, Bill Croli, report that tooling up for output of Koffee King, the firm's coffee vender, is about completed. . . . Kuno Hamann, president of Alkuno & Company, is about to break into the cigarette machine field. He will bow a four-column, 100-pack machine next month.

Al Blendow, of Blendow & Meyers, donating the use of his store next week for a charity bazaar. The affair will be run by the Daughters of Israel, who are raising money for the construction of a new building. Al plans to relocate the outlet, in which he is associated with Al Meyers, further down coinrow.

Rumors that Nash Gordon and Dorothy Wolk, of the Automatic Music Operators' Association (AMOA) staff, will do an apache dance at the org's affair Saturday (29) were denied. That part of the entertainment will be left to pros. Al Denver, president of AMOA, re-(See NEW YORK on page 122)

Burrel Brown, of the Watertown Amusement Company, Watertown, S. D., was in town telling other operators about his successful hunting trip to Northern British Columbia. He brought back a sheep, a goat, a moose and a wolf. The wolf's hide was turned in to the Canadian government and a \$25 bounty will be received by Brown. . . . Operators were seeking tickets for future home games of the University of Minnesota Gopher football team. After the Gophers defeated Ohio State 27-0, the Rose Bowl possibilities blossomed and coinmen are anxious to see their favorite gridders in operation in the remaining home games. . . . Many operators have been pheasant and duck hunting and report they've been successful.

Visitors at United Manufacturing last week included Harold Lieberman, Lieberman Music, St. Paul; Lou Casola and Al Antonetti, Rockford, and Lenny Goldstein, T & L Distributing Company, Cincinnati. Billy DeSelm, sales manager, says their visits are concerned with increasing their orders for the novelty game, Shuffle Alley. . . . Joe Caldron, AMI, spent last week visiting Southern music men. John Haddock, president, was in from the Grand Rapids, Mich., plant to discuss trade developments.

O. D. Jennings officials report business remaining at a high level. Tho this is normally a comparatively slow period for the bell field, he said that orders keep coming in at a steady pace, probably due to the anxiety over the steel strike. . . John Neise, sales manager, is back from a Western trip which included stops in Nevada. . . . Richard Groetchen, head of the firm bearing his name, is satisfied with the trade response to Bombshell, the coin-operated billiard table with all mechanical parts. Firm is also in full production on five counter games, Atom, Wings, Pok-o-Reel, Yankee and Klix.

The trend toward new games received added impetus with Williams' Quarterback, Keeney's Line-Up, and Chicago Coin's Bowling Alley bow-

(See CHICAGO on page 120)

#### **Houston:**

S. M. (Dan) Lynch, formerly of Dallas, joined Steele Distributing Company, Houston, early in October as sales representative. Lynch has had several years of coin machine sales experience in the Dallas area. Steele Distributing Company has exclusive Wurlitzer sales rights in South Texas territory.

C. M. Robertson, owner of Automatic Music Company, announced definite changes in his music operations effective October 15. W. Y. Carlton was named manager of all automatic music operations. All routemen and other employees were

Machine Company, reports the firm's department said it took in \$1,346,new building is now nearing completion and will soon be ready for oc- ages in the July-September 30, 1949, cupancy. . . . Harry Norton, Lincoln | period, \$35,175.46 more than in the Vending Company, flew to South similar 1948 period. Cigarette tax Dakota to visit his sister and do some stamp sales brought in \$2,165,447.22 pheasant hunting. . . . Jim Jeffrey, in the July 1-September 30 period

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Washer Rental Company, turning ceipt of a letter from Frank Zawsole ownership over to his former rotny, of that town, who led a strong one-man opposition campaign against firm, which specializes in rental of the licensing of such machines in Westfield.

A report, covering the months of the Connecticut State Tax Department, reveals that taxes collected on the sale of alcoholic beverages and George Rambaum, Lemke Coin cigarettes went up this year. The 637.73 in taxes on alcoholic bever-(See Hartford, Conn., on page 122)

**Calendar** for Coinmen

October 24-26-Popcorn Industries' convention and show, Palmer House, Chicago.

October 25-Western Vending Machine Operators' Association (WVMOA), meeting, Los Angeles.

October 26-Michigan Miniature Bowling Association (MMBA), monthly meeting, Jericho Building, Detroit.

October 27 - Michigan Self-Service Laundry Association (MSSLA), regular dinner, discussion meeting, Leland Hotel, Detroit.

November 3-Washington Music Guild, Inc. (WMG), monthly meeting, Washington.

November 7-Amusement Machine Operators of Greater Baltimore (AMOGB), regular monthly meeting, 2441 North Charles Street, Baltimore.

November 8 and 22-Amusement Machine Association of Philadelphia (AMAP), semi-monthly meetings, Broadway Hotel, Philadelphia.

November 10-Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association, Inc. (MAPOA), monthly meeting, Maccabees Building, Detroit.

November 10-Washington Coin Machine Association (WCMA), monthly meeting, Phillips Novelty Company, Washington.

November 14-17-American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages (ABCB), annual convention and exhibition, Convention Hall, Detroit.

November 27-30-National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA), annual convention and exposition, Convention Hall, Atlantic City.

November 27-30-National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools & Beaches (NAPPB), annual trade show and outdoor convention, Sherman Hotel, Chicago.

(Association officials are invited to submit convention and scheduled meetings information to the Coin Machine Editor, The Billboard, 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago 1, for listing in this calendar.)

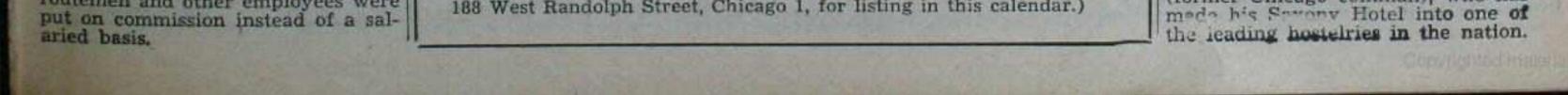
Kenny Glenn, wholesale coin machine salesman for 15 years, is opening his own distributing firm at 1933 University Avenue, St. Paul. As yet he isn't ready to announce his lines.

. Speaking of football, Harold Lieberman, Lou Ruben and Sol Nash, of the Lieberman Music Company, watched the Gophers beat the Ohio Buckeyes and already have three reservations in for Rose Bowl tickets next New Year's Day. . . . Hy Greenstein, Hy-G Music Company, and his wife, who have been on a two-month tour of Europe and Israel,

See TWIN CITIES on page 122)

#### Miami:

Coinmen here are getting ready for the start of the 1949-'50 season, reports Wilile Blatt, head of Supreme Distributors, Inc. Routes are being expanded in some cases, and equipment is being prepared for the expected rush. . . . Meanwhile, several coinmen who own hotels here are faced with a double problem of preparation, for not only must they take care of their coin machine biz, but they must have the hotels in order for the rush of vacationers. Among those coin machine figures who operate major hotels on the beach are Lou Koren, owner of the King Cole Hotel, and George Saxon (former Chicago coinman), who has



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Look To The GENERAL For LEADERSHIP	COINMEN YOU KNOW
*       tioned sat Unit.       S269.50       Caribbean	Chicago: (Continued from page 119) ing last week Meanwhile United Manufacturing's Shuffle Alley, Gen- co's Glider, Bally's Shuffle-Bowler and Exhibit Supply's Silver Bullets are reaching the quantity stage Ken Wilson, who has been an op- erator, distributor and manufacturer
Major League Temptation 89.50 *	during his long coin machine career, visited several Chicago plants this week. Ken lives in the Chicago area but has spent the past few months in the East. Jack Mell, new Amusement Sales staffer, left for a swing thru Oregon, Washington, Montana, Nevada, Wyo- ming and Idaho. Mell, 20 years in the trade, was with Baker Novelty in his most recent coin machine af- filiation, Harry Brown, president, re- ports. Patti Hilborn, in charge of Brown's office activities, says that Armusement Sales will continue to
SIGNALS 10-14-18! HOLD EVERYTHING! Williams OUARTERBACK	<ul> <li>Alvin Gottlieb, D. Gottlieb &amp; Company advertising manager, points out that his firm is the only one producing five-ball equipment exclusively. King Arthur is Gottlieb's current model and firm heads say that it is making a lot of new operator friends. Nate Gottlieb, who is a leading clubman in addition to holding down executive duties at the plant, lined up Marshall Goldberg, former University of Pittsburgh and</li> <li>Alvin Gottlied and firm heads say that it is making a lot of new operator friends. Nate Gottlieb, who is a leading clubman in addition to holding down executive duties at the plant, lined up Marshall Goldberg, former University of Pittsburgh and</li> </ul>
COMING	Chicago Cardinal backfield ace, as guest speaker at a recent meeting of members of his temple. AMI's loop headquarters was a busy place last week as Lindy Force,



busy place last week as Lindy Force, manager of general sales, played host to John Haddock, president. Also in town were Ed Ratajack, Western regional representative for AMI, and Bill Miller and Ben Newmark. Latter two have just formed the Miller-Newmark Distributing Company, with headquarters in Grand Rapids, Mich., and Detroit, and were in town to close a distributorship deal with AMI. The deal was arranged by Ratajack.

### Los Angeles:

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bello to see the latest in games and renew acquaintances on Pico Street. ... Phil Robinson, of Chicago Coin, making the rounds. Ditto for Art Crane, of Genco.

Bakersfield was minus one coin machine operator recently when Alex Koleopolus came down to look over the local situation. . . Charlie Cahoone was another coin operator seen on Pico Street recently.

Mary Solle, of the Leuenhagen Record Bar, is making plans for the firm's next big record preview party with the assistance of Bill Leuenhagen. . . W. J. Edmunds was in town from his nearby operation in Compton.

Frank Butterfield, of the E. T. Mape Company, reports a good sale in used music equipment. . . J. F. Cooper. Riverside operator, was in town for a looksee at the latest in games. . . Cliff Allison, of Lancaster, was down from his Antelope Valley headquarters to pick up some equipment.

Another Bakersfield operator, William Black, was in town for a tour of Pico Street. . . Mr. Nesbitt, who hails from suburban Arcadia, the home of Santa Anita, was on Pico Street recently. Another visitor was Dan Mohr, of Redondo Beach.

Norman Christ came down from Lompoc for a visit recently. . . Ditto for Lelia Smith, who hails from Bartstow.

Jack W. Warr and Emanuel Silverman teamed up to form the Automatic Salesman Company, with headquarters at 10504 West Seven Mile Road. . . Isaac Finkelstein, Paul Gold and Paul Chover, who operate the Michigan Vending Company, are branching into the new field with a hot dog steaming unit operation, servicing largely tavern locations. They have formed the new Hot Dog Service Company.



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#### COIN MACHINES 123

# ALBUM REVIEWS

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#### ON A BICYCLE BUILT FOR TWO 75 OPERATIC RECITAL BY EU-Dick Robertson Ork (3-10") 75 GENE CONLEY-Eugene Con--Dick Robertson Ork (3-10") Vocalion VP-1

On a Bicycle Built for Two: Two Little Girls in Blue; Little Annie Rooney; The Sidewalks of New York; In My Merry Oldsmobile; Sweet Roale O'Grady; Come, Josephine, in My Flying Machine.

Dick Robertson's ald-fashioned waltzes and very straightforward delivery of equally old-hattish songs cleaned up in the jukes in the late '30s. His sort of stuff has risen to popular heights in the past year or so. This gives this package of reissues a pretty good head start. In addition it is a low-price deal and comes in an envelope rather than an album. Should do its test biz in Midwestern areas.

JOCKS JUKES Where they like sides still All this stuff, few are worthy of a whirl. able to top Robertson:

SCHUMANN: Symphony No. 4 in 74 D Miner, Op. 120-Philharmonic Orchestra of Prague under Josef Keilberth (1-12") MG 15001

A worthwhile addition to the growing list of Mercury long-play disks is this imported reading of Schumann's Fourth, which is a most arresting and lyrical work. This is one of the series of releases which to date have been made available only via LP and sans shellac duplication. The recording has a good sound the it is not quite up to the superior quality which some of this company's previous long-play disks have achieved. The performance has plenty of guts and is accomplished with little departure from standard conceptions of the work. The orchestral sound achieves a fine quality.

JUKES Not suitable.

JOCKS For LP-equipped stations only.

ONWARD, CHRISTIAN SOL-DIERS AND OTHER BELOVED HYMNS-Robert Shaw, director RCA Victor Chorale-Carl Weinrich (3-7")

Victor (45) WMO 1314

Onward, Christian Soldiers; Holy, Holy, Holy: O God, Our Help in Ages Past; All Creatures of Our God and King; All People That on Earth Do Dwell; Now the Day Is Over.

Under Robert Shaw's superlative direction, the simple, familiar hymns emerge as rich, resounding church music. Carl Weinrich's organ background and the sonorous chant style of the fine choir enhance the reverential, cathedral effect. Truly classical music, in the best sense of the word, this package isn't headed for flash sales, but should prove a long-lasting family trade item. JOCKS JUKES

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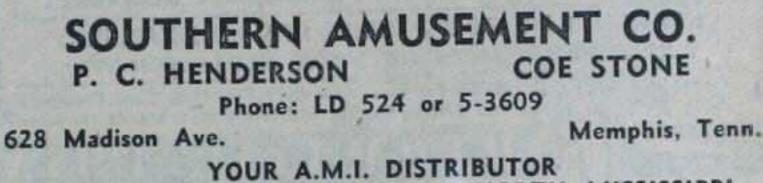
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EDITH PLAF SINGS-Edith Piat 76 (1-10") Vox Polydor PLP (33) 3050

De L'autre Cote de la Rue; Mon Legionnaire; Embrasse-Moi; Paris-Mediterrance; L'accordeoniste; Eile Frequentait la Rue Pigaile; Je n'en Connais Pas la Fin; Le Brun et le Blond.

Several of the scleetions on this LP platter were available previously, and enjoyed a lively sale on 78 r.p.m. disks. Others have never been available in domestic pressings. French Polydor, which made the first recordings of the great character singer, got much of her best material, as this set evidences, but at that time lacked top quality cutting equipment. In the dubbed LP remake there is a tremendous advance in quality. Every song here is an experience, whether or not one knows the language.

JUKES Not suitable.

JOCKS Any selection for an occasional nevelty-

JOLSON SINGS AGAIN-Vaughn Monroe, Phil Harris, Sammy Kaye, Tony Martin, Count Basic, Tommy Dorsey (3-12") RCA Victor P 254

Victor has packaged six hit standards from the Jolson flick: Monroe doing "Sonny Boy"; Harris, "Is It True What They Say About Dixie?"; Kaye, "Baby Face"; Martin, "Toot Toot Tootsie"; Basie, "After Vorting Control Tootsie"; Basie, "After You've Gone"; Dorsey, "I Only Have Eyes for You." Strongest job is "Tootsie." which, available as a single, figures to do well. Combined name power on album figures to pull sales in a good bid for competition with the original Jolson package. JUKES

JOCKS Can use. Can use.

SCHUBERT: QUARTET NO. 14 72 Maiden")-Fine Arts Quartet (1-12")

Long Playing Mercury Classics MG 10008 This is one of the several domestic longhair recordings turned out by Mercury. It appeared earlier on regular shellacs and was widely praised not only for the very substantial performance accorded this very lovely Schubert score but for its very excellent technical recording. What was excellent on shellac, turns up to be even more superlative in the long-play medium. This is one of the finest sounding chamber music recordings ever turned out on this side of the Atlantic. Excellent, too, are the David Hall notes.

JUKES Not suitable.

JOCKS LP-equipped longhair and FM stations will want this for chamber music shows.

Not suitable. Add a good "name" job on a fine work.

JOCKS

CAROLS AT CHRISTMAS -The 70 Sportsmen (3-10") Capitol CC 9005

of five sections each of which describes

either in part or in whole a well-known fairy tale. It is one of Ravel's best-known

pieces and is indeed one of his most charming. The Kostelanets performance is great-

ly enhanced by some superb recording and

a fine orchestral ensemble blend,

JUKES

We Three Kings of Orient Are; Away in a Manger; Good King Wenceslaus; O Little Town of Bethlehem; Silent Night; Wassail. With an organ background, The Sportsmen, the familiar radio foursome, dish out half a dozen Christmas carols and hymns with proper combinations of solemnity and spirif. Cover is unusual and attractive. Performances are okay and recording is creditable. But there are better carol waxings available and the Capitol's merchandising people will do much to sell these to the public, it's hard to conceive that this set could be more than an average sort of seasonal package.

JUKES JOCKS Not suitable. Passable carol singing for Christmas.

STARLIGHT SERENADES-Glenn Miller Ork (3-10") Victor P-255 82

The Story of a Starry Night; Stairway to the Stars; When You Wish Upon a Star; Starht Hour; A Handful of Stars; Shake Down the Stars.

The late Glenn Miller's album packages have been among the top selling Victor items of all time. The this one hasn't quite got the guts which a couple of the predecessors have had, there's no reason why this collection of songs about the stars shouldn't do well. The contents are six popular ballads of a not too distant yesteryear all done in the danceable and melodic style of the Miller hand and all spotting Ray Eberly vocals.

JOCKS JUKES Fine memory fare. Still good for play.

STRAUSS WALTZES - Berlin 74 Alois Melichar and Erich Kleiber (1-10")

Long Playing Mercury Classics MG 10008 Tales From the Vienna Woods; Intermezzo From 1001 Nights; Village Swallows.

Two by the most renowned Johann and one by brother Josef makes up the longplay recording of Strauss family waltzes. This collection is a bit off the heaten track inasmuch as the waltzes are played in their entirety and not with the deletions which most orchestras make. Particularly lovely in its entirety is the familiar "Tales From the Vienna Woods." Brother Josef's "Village SwaHows," the single selection conducted by Eleiber in the set, shows that his talents certainly are too completely dominated by Johann's reputation for it is a most charming slice of music. Recording

is very good. Available only on LP. JOCKS JUKES Not suitable.

FM and longhairs with LP on hand will like the fulllength "Vienna Wooda."

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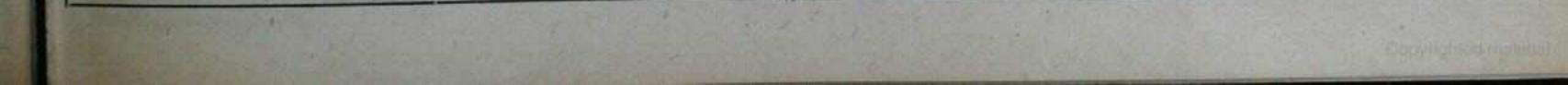


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	Up not confuse our Reconditioned Games with so-called "Close-Outs" or "As Is" Games. Every machine we sell is in	ANNE SHELTON	COMMENT POPULAR The Hours I Spent With You Miss Shelton's ringing tones do much to sell	72757070	
	BAZAAR (Conversion) \$ 39.50 BERMUDA 44.50 CARNIVAL 69.50 CATALINA 49.50 CINDERELLA 59.50		a likely English ballad. Johnny Bach Miss Shelton, a chorus and ork serve up a beautiful etching of a Welsh folk tune which the jockeys will like and could help sell.	74807370	HAVE YOU GAINED
	CONTACT         54.50           COVER GIRL         49.50           CRAZY BALL         54.50           DEW-WA-DITTY         94.50           FLOATING POWER         109.50           HOLIDAY         104.50           HUMPTY DUMPTY         49.50           LARIAT (Conversion)         39.50	ART LUND (Leroy Holmes Ork) MGM 10542	So Blue A pretty oldie is revived handsomely by Lund with vocal group aid and a tasty ork backing helping to sustain a mellow mood. Bye Bye Baby Lund's alone and in top form for this lilt- ing and infectious rhythm ditty from the	85878385	
	MAGIC         84.50           MARDI GRAS         64.50           MERRY WIDOW         69.50           MONTERREY         59.50           ONE-TWO-THREE         104.50           SALLY         69.50           SCREWBALL         69.50           SHANGHAI         49.50	ROSEMARY CLOONEY Harmony 1074	"Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" acore. Chicago With vocal group and ork production, Rose- mary sings fine to make a good disking of the standard.	70736967	51" HIGH
	SPINBALL         49.50           ST. LOUIS         149.50           STARDUST         74.50           SUNNY         49.50           THRILL         69.50           TRADE WINDS         59.50           TRINIDAD         49.50		There's a Broken Heart for Every Light on Broadway The thrush gets a chance to strut her best for this beautiful oldie which is being flick- revived.	82858080	
	TRIPLE ACTION 54.50 TROPICANA w/f 34.50 VIRGINIA 54.50 YANKS 49.50	HAMPTONE ALL STAR ORK International \$20	RHYTHM & BLUES Good Evening Corrine Wynonie Harris shouts the blues in his own distinctive style with a rock-ribbed backing. Masters were sliced several years ago and are being issued out of a new Coast diskery.	8384-8283	
	Scott-Crosse Co. 1423 Spring Garden Street		In the Evening Blues This old blues is a current hit and this version should catch some of the money with Harris' fine shouting doing the attracting.	83838383	
	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Rittenhouse 6-7712	HAMPTONE ALL STAR ORK International \$22	Lonesome Blues Fine instrumental with much beat and mood spots tenor (probably Arnett Cobb) and growl trumpet. If the new label gets distribu- tion this could be a big rhythm winner.	82828084	25"
	Will Accept		Be Alone Another rhythm item but not up to the topside's infectiousness. Spots Camille Howard on the last chorus vocal.	76777577	k- 131/2"
	in Trade! Exhibit DALE GUNS	EARL BOSTIC ORK Gotham G-202	Wobbling Duck Modest, well performed swinging jumper features much clean ensemble and some boot- ing Bostic alto. Wild Man Bome neat swing figures set the pace for	69696870 66656567	SOE
	for The Sensational Target Game	CHAMPION JACK DURREE Apollo 413	Bostic's frantic alto sax work. Mean Mistreatin' Mama Polgnant Southern blues is chanted in strong, heartfelt style by the New Orleans shouter.	75757574	<b>ZJ</b> DOWN
	"Swingin' Monk"	JELLY BELLY &	One Sweet Letter The lads lay down a strong drag beat, and Jack makes a strong plea for his epistle. Sorry Woman Blues	76777675	Balance \$10 Monthly
	for Best Deal	SLIM SEWARD Apollo 412 BULL MOOSE	Run-of-the-mill Southern blues aide. Water Trough Blues Similar stuff.	57555957 81828280	PENNY FORTUNE SCALE
	CORPORATION 1346 Roscoe St. Chicago 13, III. GRaceland 2-0317	JACKSON King 4322	Jackson croons a likely looking ballad in vibrant, intense manner. Why Don't You Haul Off and Love Me? Live rhythm rendition of the folk hit, com- plete with honkin' sax section and hand-	84858285	NO SPRINGS WRITE FOR PRICES
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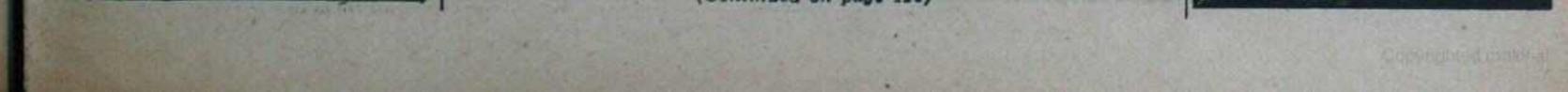
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CHARGE PHONOGRAPHS LISTED BELOW ARE COMPLETE AND IN GOOD WORKING ORDER		Five Foot Two, Eyes of Blue Cornhusked version of the revived oldie doesn't figure to have great impact on the pop or the country market.	66666468
WURLITZER         ROCK-OLA         SEEBURG           750#         \$149         Commando         \$69           900         109         President         69           Hightone, R.C.         119	BILLY STRICKLAND G THE HILLBILLY KINGS	Hillbilly Wolf Completely citified warbling and jump boogle woogle orking mark this one as a hybrid. Little chance for appeal anywhere.	454545
S00         79         PACKARD         Hightone, E.S.         99           600K         69         Twin 12         539         Colonel—Major         99           600R         64         AMI         AMI         Colonel—Major         99           24         69         AMI Singing Tower         539         MILLS	Regal 5067	All Because of My Jealous Heart Same lack of the real country conception puts the finger on flip, tho tune could impress if done in the proper style.	555555
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C.O.D. WE SPECIALIZE IN EXPORT TRADE.	V 21-0123	Tear Drops A so-so weeper doesn't get the needed con- viction and sincerity from Campbell.	58585660
DAVIS REBUILT PHONOGRAPHS	JEFF DURHAM & HIS KENTUCKY BOYS Fortune 123	Another contribution to the rose fever rampant in the music bis. Song is okay, but rendition doesn't have the homespun country touch.	A MARKET PART
DISTRIBUTING CORP. 738 ERIE BLVD. EAST SVRACUSE NUX PHONE 5 5194		Okee Doaks Swinging Western stomp, with an infectious Tex Williams type recitation. Tune's an engaging hunk of nonsense.	73737175
SYRACUSE, N.Y.—PHONE 5-5194 Branches in Buffalo, Rochester, Albany	BOB WILLS & HIS TEXAS PLAYBOYS	When It's Christmas on the Range Wills's Christmas entry is a Tin Pan Alley type Western ballad. Rendition is slow.	60606060

	MGM 10512	type Western ballad. Rendition is slow. Santa's on His Way Switch on "Here Comes Santa Claus" doesn's pack much charge.	62626262
In Any Conference	PAUL HOWARD & HIS ARKANSAS COTTON PICKERS King 814	Hora Sta Cotton Picker Despite the country beat maintained by guitars, this is pretty much of a hodge- podge hybrid, based of course on "Hora Staccato."	52545250
It's	King ola	Twelve o'Clock Waltz Forceful, yet warm warbling of a pretty, danceable country waltz.	75767474
Williams	THE STRING DUSTERS-JERRY BYRD Mercury 6216	Steelin' the Chimes The champ steel guitar man makes his box talk here, in tidy dance tempo. Wabash Wah-Wah Blues Novel talking-guitar treatment of the oldie "Wabash Blues", is a strong bid for jockey attention.	71737070 76817373
ALL-AMERICAN OUADTEDDACK	ZEB TURNER King 818	You're Gonna Be Lonesome, Downhearted and Blue Well-performed but commonplace side. How Can 1? Same smooth warbling of routine material.	70707070 68696868
QUARTERBACK	SPADE COOLEY V 20-3547	You Can't Take Texas Out of Me When the brass section swings out and smooth reeds follow, this jumper sounds like a straight dance piece. Needs more Western flavor.	62626064 56525660
		I've Got a Heart Filled With Love Same applies here—plus fact that tune is of mediocre pop caliber.	
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# Candy "Bars"

BALTIMORE, Oct. 22 .- New benefits attributed to candy continue to climb. Latest is the assertion by Dr. Robert V. Seliger, chief psychiatrist of the Neuro-Psychiatric Institute of Baltimore, that candy can fill an important role as a curative for alcoholism.

Dr. Seliger states that eating candy between meals is the best preventative for that tired, nervous feeling, which often leads to a desire for alcoholic stimulation. He recommends that borderline alcoholics always carry chocolate bars or other candy with them to pop into their mouths whenever they become restless or tired.

# **F.SebulskeNewHead Of Keystone Bottlers**

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 22 .-Fred Sebulske, general manager of the Pepsi-Cola Metropolitan Bottling Company, Pittsburgh, has been named president of the Keystone Bottlers Association (KBA) to succeed Clarence G. Stoner, of the Stoner Beverage Company here.

Other officials elected by the group were Morris Levin, Philadelphia, first vice-president; Wesley Woodson, Altoona, second vice-president; E. H. Browning. New Castle, third vicepresident, and George Derry Sr., Philadelphia, treasurer.

The election was held at the close of a strong convention fight against the State's soft drink tax (The Billboard, October 22).

#### Washington:

(Continued from page 119) of the Annapolis office. He was for-

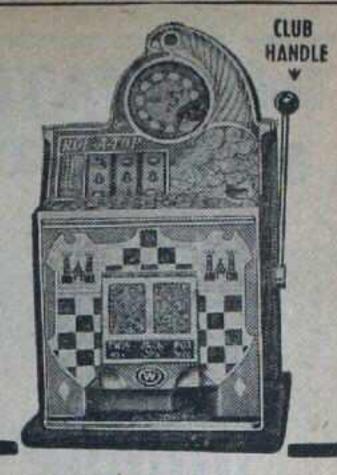
# **Collection Box** Safeguard Made By Conn. Firms

HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 22 .- Two local manufacturing companies have co-operated to produce a device which makes stealing by collectors of coins from parking meters and other types of coin vending machines impossible, it has been revealed. The two concerns are M. H. Rhodes, Inc., manufacturers of parking meters, and the Taylor & Fenn Company, one of the country's oldest machine tool manufacturers.

The machine was developed by Taylor & Fenn at the suggestion of the Rhodes organization. It both seals and unseals the coin collection boxes, and, it is said, the coin collector never touches the money, bringing the coin boxes to a central agency where they are emptied and resealed by the machine for further use.

It was also revealed that the idea for the device came from M. H. Rhodes, who is president of the organization bearing his name. He requested Taylor & Fenn to develop the sealing device and also to produce it in volume. The development is a small, electrically operated machine which automatically opens a full coin box to be emptied of coins, and then seals it for use again. The machine can complete the opening and resealing in a matter of seconds.

According to the two concerns, two inexpensive coin boxes will be needed for each parking meter or other vending machine, one to be carried back to the central headquarters to be emptied, and the other to be utilized in the parking meter or other vending machine.

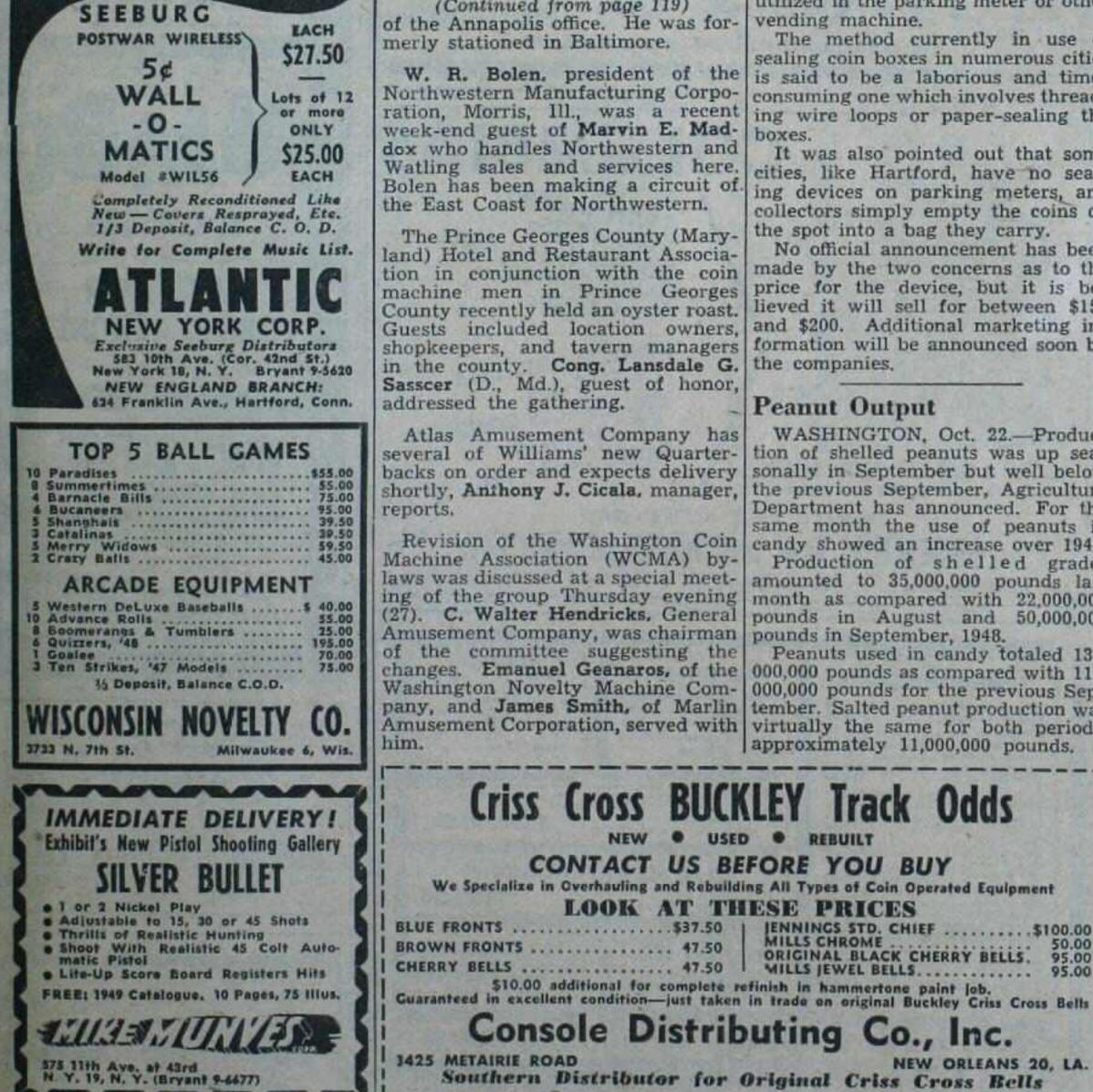


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W. R. Bolen, president of the Northwestern Manufacturing Corporation, Morris, Ill., was a recent week-end guest of Marvin E. Maddox who handles Northwestern and Watling sales and services here. Bolen has been making a circuit of. the East Coast for Northwestern.

The Prince Georges County (Maryland) Hotel and Restaurant Association in conjunction with the coin machine men in Prince Georges County recently held an oyster roast. Guests included location owners, shopkeepers, and tavern managers in the county. Cong. Lansdale G. Sasscer (D., Md.), guest of honor, addressed the gathering.

Atlas Amusement Company has several of Williams' new Quarterbacks on order and expects delivery shortly, Anthony J. Cicala, manager,

Machine Association (WCMA) bylaws was discussed at a special meet-(27). C. Walter Hendricks, General Amusement Company, was chairman pounds in September, 1948. of the committee suggesting the changes. Emanuel Geanaros, of the 000,000 pounds as compared with 11,-Washington Novelty Machine Com- 000,000 pounds for the previous Seppany, and James Smith, of Marlin tember. Salted peanut production was Amusement Corporation, served with virtually the same for both periods,

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The method currently in use of sealing coin boxes in numerous cities is said to be a laborious and timeconsuming one which involves threading wire loops or paper-sealing the boxes.

It was also pointed out that some cities, like Hartford, have no sealing devices on parking meters, and collectors simply empty the coins on the spot into a bag they carry.

No official announcement has been made by the two concerns as to the price for the device, but it is believed it will sell for between \$150 and \$200. Additional marketing information will be announced soon by the companies,

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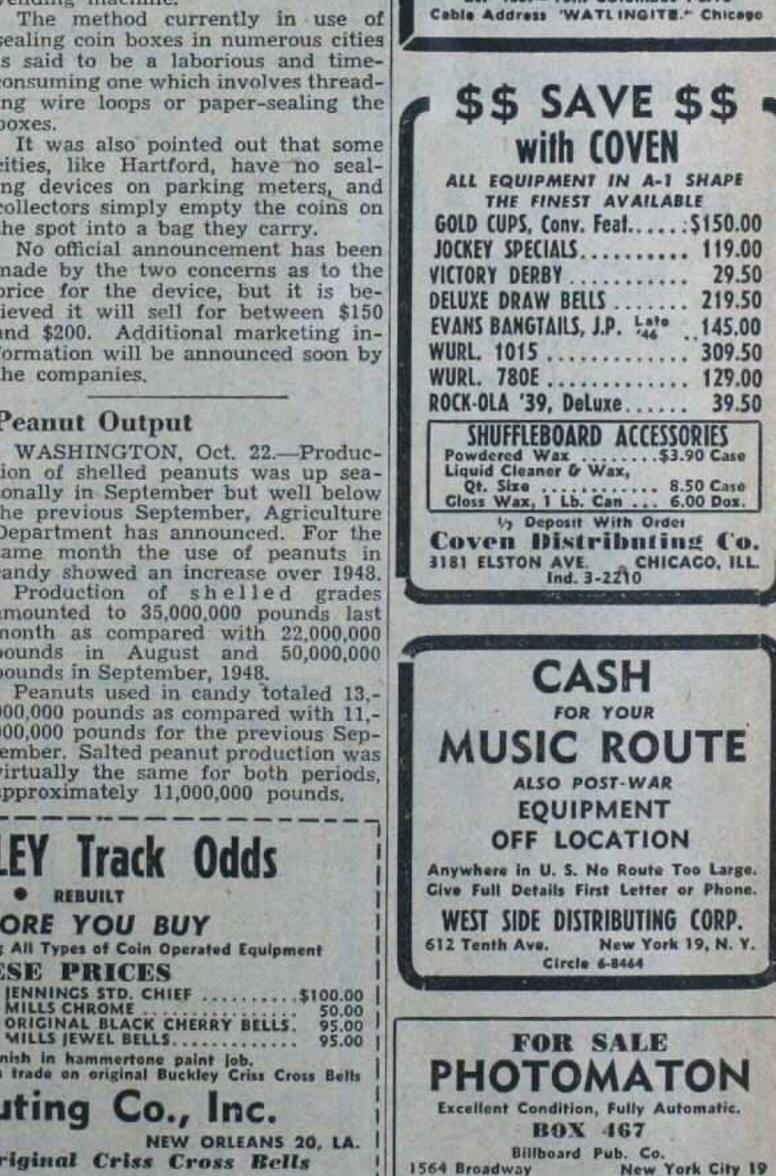
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WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.-Production of shelled peanuts was up seasonally in September but well below the previous September, Agriculture Department has announced. For the same month the use of peanuts in Revision of the Washington Coin candy showed an increase over 1948. Production of shelled grades amounted to 35,000,000 pounds last ing of the group Thursday evening month as compared with 22,000,000 pounds in August and 50,000,000

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I	Fast Ball	14.50
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I	Harvest Moon	129.50
1	Holiday	109.50
ł	Humpty Dumpty	49.50
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l	King Cole	89.50
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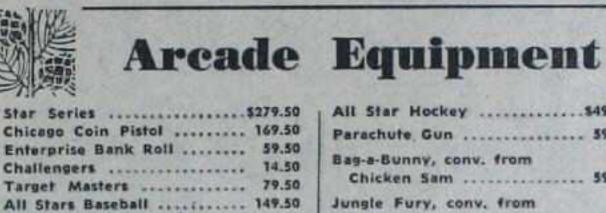
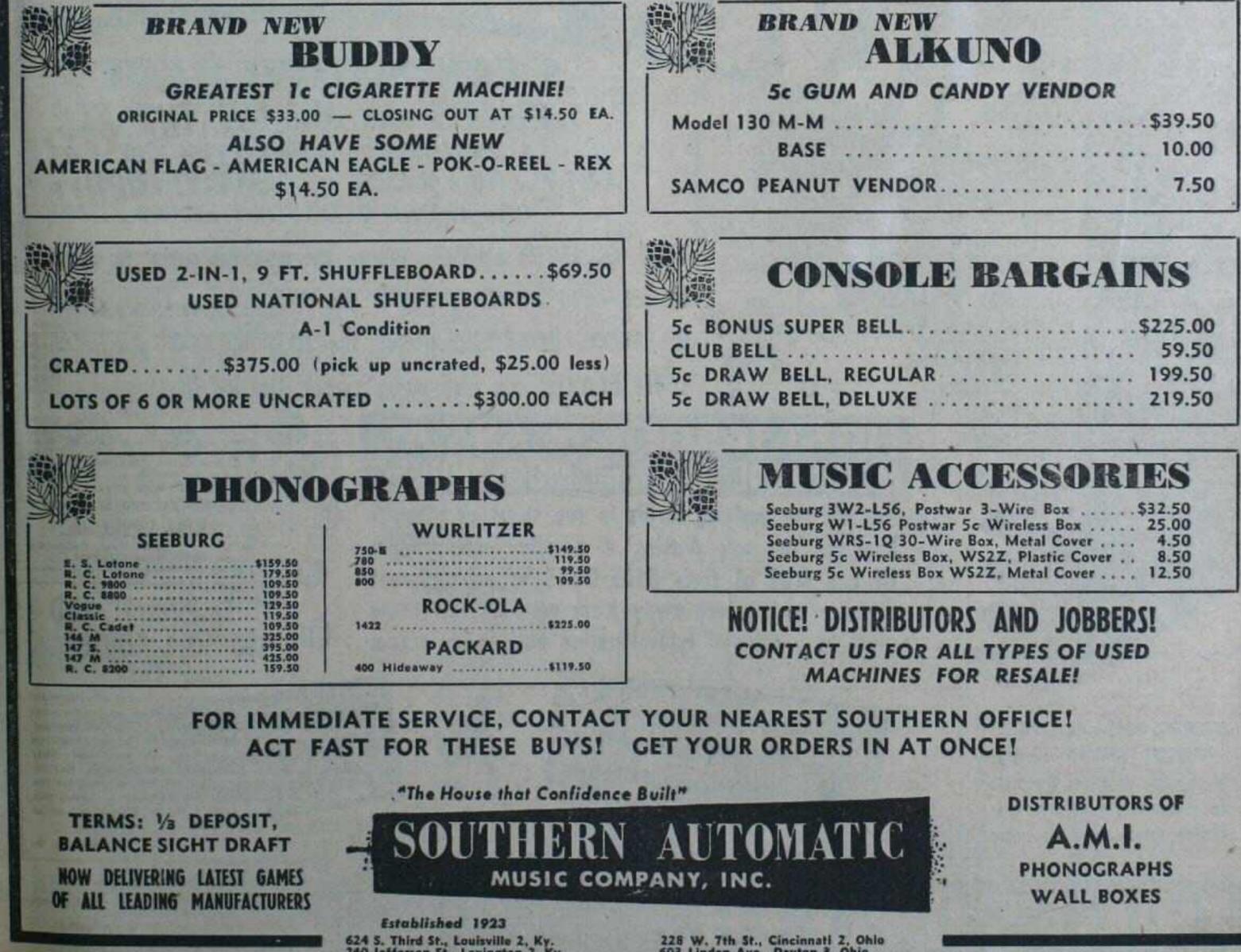


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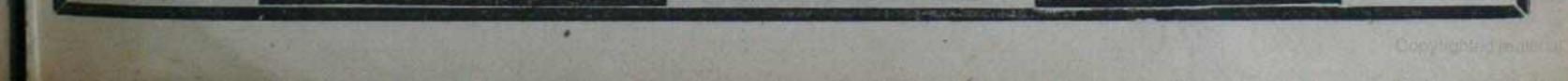




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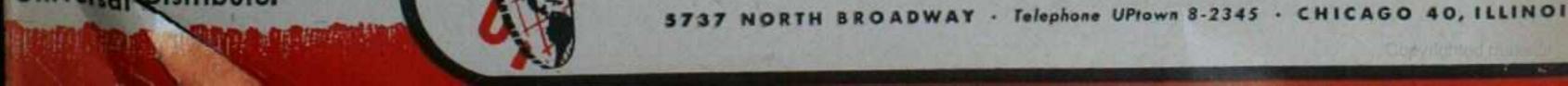
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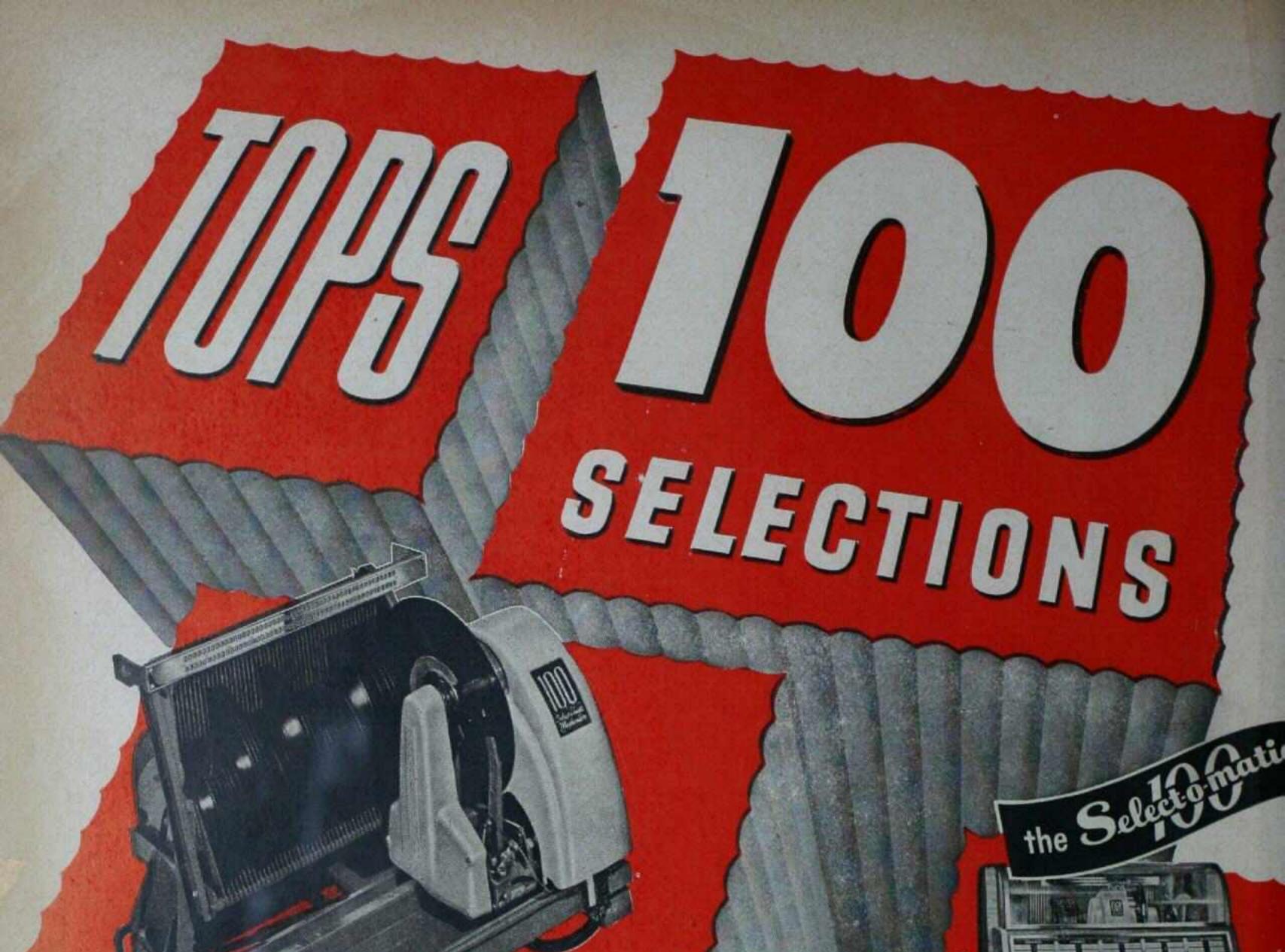
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