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Ratph Flanagan rehearses the band he organized six months ago in preparation for the crew's first road trek which opens March 15 at Wrentham, Mass. On March 23 he opens at Frank Dailey's Meadowbrook for a six-week run, to be followed by a 2,000-mile tour of colleges and ballrooms. For his first half year on records, Flanagan's RCA Victor disk sales are above the half-million mark on such releases as "My Hero," "Where or When," "Rag Mop" and the Rodgers and Hammerstein "Designed for Dancing" album. Flanagan's tour is being booked by General Amusement Corporation (GAC), and his personal managers are Herb Hendler and Bernie Woods.

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TV'S HOTFOOT TO AM JOCKS

Philly Movie Giveaway Game To Be Syndicated Nationally

PHILADELPHIA, March 11. - month or two will be syndicated na-Highly effective use of FM broad- tionally. casting is being made by a local group which has been testing a movie headed by Max Ingber, head of Store cash giveaway game, called "sce- Broadcasting Corporation here. nario," at 25 nabe theaters in this area. Linked with WIBG-FM, participating The game completes a nine-week theaters tune monitor sets on the test this week and within the next



NEW YORK, March 11.-The Childrens' Record Guild, a new record club recently formed here by John Stevenson and Milo Sutliss, has launched a heavyweight national promotion drive for mail-order subscriptions and now plans an early invasion of retail stores as well.

Stevenson and Sutliss, experienced hands at mail-order club selling, have earmarked \$375,000 for national advertising between now and next January 1. Last Sunday they broke a large ad in The New York Times, which is followed this week with a full-page spread in Life. Others are skedded for Parents' Magazine, McCall's, Womman's Home Companion, New York Herald Tribune, San Francisco Chronicle, Chicago Sun-Times and Parade.

Group promoting the game is stage to the FM station. The questions which the movie patrons answer, along with instructions to play and cast. While all FM listeners to the station can hear the program, only those in the movie houses are able to play and participate in the prizes. According to Ingber, the game will be revised to allow for award of merchandise instead of cash. Plan for national syndication is to use both (See Plan To Syndicate on Page 8)

Cloud Worries Douse Solons, **But Law Is Lax** WASHINGTON, March 11 .- Is a rain cloud engaged in interstate com-

A Squeeze

NEW YORK, March 11 .---George (The Real) McCoy, quondam man-on-the-street interviewer and man-about-town (he's driving a hack nowadays), has come up with a new idea for a radio show. He wants to do a series, no kiddin', called Breakfast at Nedick's.

McCoy, 'tis understood, comes from Northern Ireland—an Orangeman, begorry.

Speeds Sesqui Plans in D. C. **Massman Entry**

WASHINGTON, March 11.-Preparations for the 1951 Freedom Fair and for extensive showbiz activities this year marking the capital's 150th anniversary took on new life this week in Paul M. Massman's debut as director of the celebration.

As a coincidence to Massman's appearance here in his first week as director-general of the sesquicentennial celebration, committees repre-

Sell or Scram Edicts Shake Loose Jockeys

Need P. R. Job

NEW YORK, March 11.-Radio's golden boys of the current era, the disk jockeys, are regarded by tradesters as approaching the make-orbreak crossroads at breakneck speed. The onrush of TV as a major city evening audience factor is making other radio broadcast hours loom much more importantly in the plans of advertisers and agencies.

With big-time programs beginning to edge into the daytime hours as competition to the disk jockey, bankrollers are reassessing the use of participations in platter-spinning shows in the light of the many criticisms which frequently have been voiced against them. Facing a new balance sheet, already in the making, the jocks have a heroic task confronting them if they are to make their pro arguments overcome the cons.

A prime project of the deejays, senting the governors of the 48 individually as well as collectively, will be to beat down strongly worded charges of irresponsibility, advertising-wise, levelled by a goodly (See TV'S HOTFOOT on page 6)

Young People's Pattern

The Guild, in its advertising, repertoire and gimmick enticements, follows the pattern set a couple years back by Young Peoples' Records. Subscriptions are sold for \$12 per (See RECORD GUILD on page 15)

Radio Firm?

ASCAP-ers Want To Stay

By Jerry Wexler

of veteran American Society of Com-

posers, Authors and Publishers'

(ASCAP) pubbers into the Broadcast

Music, Inc. (BMI), fold is beginning

to look like an industry trend, with

the latest candidate for the switch-

over rumored to be E. H. Morris,

plaintiff in the suit against films and

film pubberies that has set Tin Pan

professional department and Morris's

counsel, Lee Eastman, both state in

the strongest possible terms that no

BMI deal is in the works or even being contemplated, reports to the (See BMI Better Mousetrap, Page 14)

Altho a spokesman in the Morris

Alley agog.

NEW YORK, March 11 .- The trek

merce? This intriguing question is getting preliminary attention from some congressmen and may eventually develop into a major problem for the amusement world.

Curiosity among members of congressional judiciary committees over the legal questions involved in making rain is being renewed by New York City's plans for tapping clouds in the hope of filling depleted water reservoirs. A country club at Ellenville, N. Y., has already filed for a (See Cloud Worries on page 50)

BMI a Better Mousetrap?

States notified the National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission that plans are being rapidly shaped for participation by the States not only in the exposition next year but also in observances this year on special days honoring each of the States.

The sesqui celebration will get its kick-off April 14 at a joint session of Congress which President Truman has been invited to address, followed April 15 by a Salute to Freedom pageant on the Capitol Plaza, with (See Speeds Sesqui Plans on page 53)

Comic Cuffs Dates To Plug Kid Disks

NEW YORK, March 11.-Comic Dick Collier, star of the Mr. Jolly Show on ABC-TV and a Columbia disk artist, has skedded a slew of personal appearances at RKO theaters here to push his disks in the moppet market. The venture is being launched this week by his flack, Arthur Kenn, in conjunction with Times-Columbia, local Columbia distrib, and will bring the Mr. Jolly Laugh Party to two different theaters every Saturday.

Collier is appearing gratis, and in each instance 100 disks will be handed free to the first 100 kids entering the theater. The bill for these will be footed co-operatively by a neighborhood dealer and Times-Columbia. The dealers are touting the appearances via window streamers, and the theaters are filming trailers for a week in advance and using lobby displays. The disks are also being played in the lobbies.

Disks being featured are The Laughing Polka and the forthcoming Bubble Gum Polka. Both have been cut in kidisk and international versions.

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Magic Merchandise Music Days, Meet Me Tonight in Dreamland, I'd Love To Live in Loveland and a host of other million-copy sellers. Un-der his nome de plume of W. R. Wil-

MorrisJoining Tributes A-Plenty Skedded for Will Rossiter, Music's Old Man **Pubs'** Trek to

NEW YORK, March 13 .- Radio | liams, he wrote his own good share audiences are going to hear a lot of "Uncle" Will Rossiter's tunes this week-and many a dedication to Uncle Will from the nation's orksters and disk jockeys.

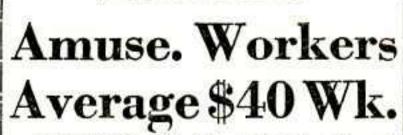
ica's oldest active music publisher-60 years in the song business-still at his desk in his Chicago office every morning and preparing to celebrate his 83d birthday Wednesday (15). Rossiter, who began publishing and writing pop tunes in 1890 and who since has befriended many a performer and songwriter, has carved himself a deep niche in the affection of show business.

Some of the tunes which first saw light under the Rossiter imprimatur include Turkey in the Straw, Darktown Strutters' Ball, Some of These Days, Meet Me Tonight in Dreamland,

of hits, beginning with Sweet Nellie

It's all by way of tribute to Amer-

Bawn in 1890 and including I'd Love To Live in Loveland. Uncle Will was a pioneer contact man, plugging his own tunes in vaude (See Tributes A-Plenty on page 15)



ALBANY, N. Y., March 11 .- A survey of the amusement and recreation industry in New York State, completed by the State Labor Department late in 1949, reveals that the average worker earned \$1.09 an hour, or \$40.06 a week, according to Industrial Commissioner Edward Corsi.



GENERAL NEWS AGVA Stirs on Mixing Rule

Preps Clamps On Line Gals Selling Drinks

Violations Uncovered

NEW YORK, March 11 .- The nomixing rule, long a part of the regulations of the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA), will get new teeth in the immediate future as the result of a survey made by that union in the past week.

Spots hiring lines and making their mixing a condition of their employment will be placed on the unfair list, and if that doesn't do the trick, they'll be reported to the police department and the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (ABC), both of whom forbid mixing of "female performers with customers."

The police and ABC rules apply only to New York State, where the anti-mixing rule is part of the law. AGVA officials charged that there wasn't one spot on 52d Street which didn't have mixing, with the exception of Leon and Eddie's. In some swing street spots girl singers are hired to sell drinks by direct solicitation, it was charged.

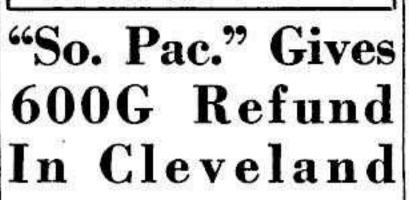
A recently reopened Greenwich Village club is another offender, a condition which forced a line owner to pull his line out of the spot.

No Drugstore Siesta

The owner of the spot phoned the line boss complaining that too many "were going to the drugstore between (See AGVA Stirs On Mix, Page 44)

"Tower" for Stem HOLLYWOOD, March 11 .--Tele version of the Gordon Jenkins Manhattan Tower, performed several weeks ago on the Ed Sullivan Toast of the Town videocast, has created new interest in the musical work from unexpected sources. Lou Levy, whose Leeds Music controls Tower copyrights, said he had turned down pic offers from both Columbia and RKO studios. Instead, Levy said, Jenkins will raise dough needed to do a Broadway musical next fall based on the Tower album.

Decca Records, which has rated Tower among its top album sellers for several years, will get behind the tele break to promote additional sales. Plattery is said to have sold nearly 500,000 albums since the work was released several years ago.



CLEVELAND, March 11 .-- An indication of the reception in store for the road troupe of South Pacific is reported by Milton Kranz, who booked the show into the Music Hall here for a two-week stand starting April 24. A deluge of mail orders for tickets totaled a fabulous \$738,000. Since the capacity gross for two weeks adds to only \$135,000, over 600G had to be returned.

Martin Into TV With "Band" as **Talent Scouter**

The Billboard

HOLLYWOOD, March 11.-Freddy Martin will invade video with a talent hunt show, tagged Band of Tomorrow, to be televised here live via KTTV and then be moved to other TV areas as Martin goes on the road. Shows will be kined for airing in other tele towns. Furthermore, kined versions of the show will serve as "trailers" in towns where the Martin band will appear to boost interest in the competition. Show is skedded for mid-April kickoff, with series running here for 13 weeks.

Talent quest will aim at youthful, non-professional musicians who possess teleworthy talents in addition to music. Winners will eventually become sidemen in a Martin Band of Tomorrow and will remain here for local bookings while Martin moves (See MARTIN INTO TV on page 16)

AmusementBuilding Slumps in Jan., Feb. WASHINGTON, March 11 .- New construction activity in the amusement field is in a slump so far this year, according to figures announced by Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) this week. The data shows new starts in the first two months of 1950 to be 8 per cent behind 1949 despite heavy increases in other types of building. New a musement construction

started during February was estimated by BLS at \$17,000,000 as compared with \$19,000,000 in January. For the first two months of 1950 new construction activity totaled \$36,000,same 1949 period. In contrast, total private construction starts were up 18 per cent in were up 24 per cent over-all, with public housing showing a high increase of 200 per cent over January-February, 1949.

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"Variety" Dies

NEW YORK, March 13. - Sid Silverman, 51, president of Variety, theatrical trade weekl; and Daily Variety, published in Hollywood, died at his home in Harrison, N. Y., Friday (10). He had been ill for some years.

Sid Silverman of

Sid was the son of the late Sime Silverman, who founded Variety. His first contact with the theatrical weekly came when he was seven years old and his father took him to vaude shows to report a child's reaction. Young Silverman's reviews were signed "Skigie," and in one of them he noted that he enjoyed the soda pop more than he did the acts. Years later he became half owner of the paper and, subsequently, upon the death of his father in 1933, publisher.

In 1924 Silverman married Marie Saxon, of the Saxon Sisters, musical comedy team. She died in 1941. Surviving Sid Silverman is his mother, Mrs. Hattie Silverman, and a 19-yearold son, Syd. It is presumed ownership of the properties will pass to the latter.

Services were held Sunday (12) at the McMahon Funeral Home in White Plains, N. Y., with cremation following.

La Henie Pulls 249,457

In Det., Season's Last Stand

DETROIT, March 11 .- The 1950 Sonja Henie Hollywood Ice Revue played to a total of 249,457 paid admissions in a 21-performance stand which closed Sunday night at Olympia Stadium, running about 3 per cent under the 1949 total, when there were 22 performances. Gross figures were not available, but, with seats scaled the same as last year, comparison with available data for 1949 indicates a gross of around \$470,000 (after taxes).

Admish Tic Bite Has Even Chance for Cut

WASHINGTON, March 11. - The House Ways and Means Committee begins its excise tax deliberations behind closed doors Monday (13) after Republican and Democratic members spent this week in separate huddles to devise strategy. With a 15-10 margin on the committee, the Dems expect to beat down a motion to concentrate on excises and let the rest of the President's tax recommendations hang over until a later date.

The vote on this particular motion is likely to be the only one on which most of the Dems will stick together. Their meetings produced some sharp clashes over what excises to cut. The admissions tax, especially, resulted in sharp disagreement. More harmony was apparent in GOP get-togethers, with most of the Republicans ready to vote for an admissions tax cut and deeper **plices** in transportation levies and in some of the retailer excises.

Admish Tax Cut?

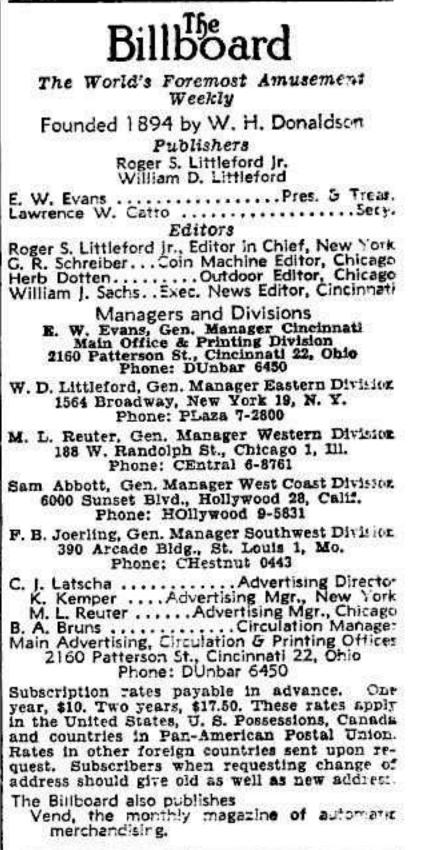
Of the various excises affecting showbiz, only the admissions levy is currently being given an even chance for a cut.

Liquor and coin machine taxes are considered in the hopeless category, but the cabaret bite is a little better off. A reduction in the manufacturers' levy on radios, phonos and parts is a long-shot. In a similar category is President Truman's proposal to include TV sets in the excises.

The timetable on excises is indefinite, but with the House preparing to take a 10-day Easter vacation, it looks as if the excise bill won't be acted on by the lower chamber before mid-April. Then the slow-acting Senate will take over and spend another couple of months kicking the measure around.

Practically all leads for Pacific's national company are set. Janet Blair 000, a decrease of \$3,000,000 from the is its Nellie Forbush, Dickinson Eastham its Emile De Becque, Diosa Vodyrllo its Bloody Mary, Roy Walston its Luther Billis, Bob Held its value over the first two months of Lieut. Joseph Cable, Norma Calderon 1949. New starts in public buildings its Liat, Robert Emmet Keane its Captain Bracket and Alan Baxter, who signed Thursday (9) for the role of Commander Harbison.

The show closed here for the season, with the company disbanding, and Miss Henie heading for Florida.





Richards Case, Finally Open, May Set Testimony, Record WASHINGTON, March 11. - The | now a practicing lawyer in Washing-

oft-deferred Los Angeles hearing in ton and New York. Fulton has tried the G. A. Richards case, slated to to stave off the Los Angeles hearing open Monday (13) before Federal with a series of eleventh-hour de-Hearing Examiner J. Fred Johnson, is | was rejected yesterday (10) by Johnexpected to last several weeks, with a strong prospect of piling up a record-size mass testimony for hearings of this kind.

With FCC legalists expected to introduce several hundred pages of documents into the record, besides taking direct testimony from several witnesses, a prolonged cross-examination phase of the hearing is anticipated. According to Johnson, a recess might be called after two or three weeks if Richards' lawyers request time to digest the testimony and prepare for cross-questioning of witnesses. Plans currently call for moving the hearings to Detroit upon completion of the proceedings in Los Angeles, with Cleveland listed tentatively as a site subsequent to the Detroit hearing.

Ford To Present Case

At the Los Angeles hearing, RCC Legalist Frederick W. Ford will be in charge of the Commission's case, pitted against a battery of Richards' legalists headed by Hugh Fulton, former chief counsel to the Senate in its hearing of the G. A. Richards War Investigating Committee and

Communications Commission (FCC) ferment motions, the latest of which son preparatory to flying to Los Angeles. Fulton's motion was stoutly opposed by Chief FCC Counsel Benedict Cottone, who, himself, is not planning to be on hand to direct the Commission's staff at Los Angeles. Cottone was upheld by Johnson in assailing Fulton's latest deferment plea as "little more than a repetition of matters already considered."

The FCC is emphasizing that the L. A. hearing is in the nature of a license renewal proceeding, with the Commission aiming to determine whether Richards, who has been accused of ordering slanting of news programs, is qualified to have controlling interest in his three stations, KMPC, Los Angeles; WGAR, Cleveland; and WJR, Detroit.

Ford will be aided by John Edgerton, also a legalist, and Investigator Ray Lewis.

Hollywood, March 11. - Federal Communications Commission (FCC) anticipates considerable local interest (See Richards' Case on Page 12)



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NAB Schedules 7 **Confab Speakers** Instead of One Pilot, Skycoach Team To Test "Captive" TV

M-TV

NEW YORK, March 11 .- The annual convention of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) this year will have seven top speakers, rather than one, as has been the practice heretofore. This year's management confab starts April 16 at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago, with Gen. Carlos P. Romulo, president of the United Nations general assembly, already set as the key speaker.

The basic theme of the convention will be "American broadcasters' responsibility in the world today," and each speaker will confine himself to a phase of that theme. General Romulo will discuss broadcasters and world affairs.

Others who will speak include Herman Steinfeld, president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, on broadcasters and industry; Wayne Coy, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on broadcasters and government; Paul Hoffman, head of the Economic Co-Operation Administration (ECA), on broadcasters and economics, and H. E. Babcock, noted Cornell University authority, on broadcasters and agriculture. The other two speakers, one of whom is to discuss broadcasting and advertising, haven't been lined up yet.

One of the major trade events of

Brief and Important

Last-Minute Digest of AM-TV News

PARITY

A novel experiment joining video and aircraft was under way last week-end, under the auspices of the Pilot Radio Corporation and Skycoach Airtravel, Inc. Pilot installed a regular 16-inch TV receiver on a Skycoach CW-20 passenger plane for a flight to Los Angeles and back. Purpose was to test reactions of "captive" passengers, in view of the recent uproar over radio at Grand Central Station. Also to be determined is whether it is feasible to follow one network's programs continuously as the plane gets out of range of one station and enters into another's area. Result of the test is expected to determine the possibilities of mass installations of tele receivers in all commercial aircraft in regular use.

CBS To Produce TV Show From Stork Club

CBS last week came to an agreement with Sherman Billingsley to produce an across the board 15-minute TV show from the Stork Club. The program will go on at an early evening hour and be patterned after "Luncheon at Sardi's." Billingsley will appear on every show but will not be the emsee. CBS will set up telecast facilities at the Stork Club for the program.

Ommerle To Manage CBS Program Sales

Harry G. Ommerle last week was appointed manager of program sales at CBS. He replaces Tom Connolly, who moved over to the TV side of the operation where he will have the same duties. Ommerle is a veteran radio talent and agency executive, most recently operating his own talent agency.

Prockter To Film Doc Series on "T-Men"

"T-Men," dramatizations of actual cases from the files of the Treasury Department, will be filmed by Bernard Prockter shortly for presentation to potential TV sponsors. Several agencies have had options on the package, but the feeling is that a sale can more easily be made if the show is on film. No leads have been cast.

E. J. Graff Takes V.-P. Post With Kaufman & Associates

E. Jonny Graff, program director of WBKB, Chicago, March 20 will

Average Size **Of Audience To Be Equal**

The Billboard

1954?

AM Strength To Be Rural

NEW YORK, March 11 .- The potential audience viewing an "average" evening television show in January, 1954, will be virtually the same numerically as that listening to an "average" evening network radio program, according to projections made by Arthur C. Nielson, president of the A. C. Nielsen Company research firm. At the same time, according to Nielsen's projections, the importance of radio in reaching small town and rural markets, presumably by use of either spot campaigns or especially built networks, will be much greater. Correlatively, TV's importance in covering metropolitan markets will be greater, too.

Nielsen's hypothesis involves the certain assumption that radio set and TV set use will follow patterns now established. For the purposes of his forecast, Nielsen, basing his approach on the Nielsen Radio Index (NRI), assumed a 20 per cent program share of the sets-in-use for both AM and TV, these percentages being, respectively, 46 per cent for radio and 70 per cent for tele.

Basis of Prediction

Thus, for the "average" radio program reaching a total NRI home figure of 3,422,000 in October, 1949, Nielsen forecasts a comparable radio audience, January, 1954, of 2,628,000. The TV program, on the other hand, will, Nielsen predicts, reach 2,257,000 homes by January, 1954. Thus, television, by 1954, will have an audience-in the case of this imaginary program-of only 371,000 homes less than a radio offering. In other words, even the circulation is concentrated in metropolitan areas, TV will have built a circulation in about five years comparable that reached by radio in a quarter of a century. Of the 1954 TV audience, Nielsen sees 51 per cent centered in large cities, 25 per cent in medium cities and 24 in small towns and rural areas. By contrast, of the 1954 AM audience, 44 per cent will be in rural areas, according to Nielsen's estimate, 36 per cent in medium citles and only 20 per cent in metropolitan areas. The metropolitan areas, as of 1949, account for 31 per cent of the AM audience for Nielsen's "average" program.

the convention probably will be the naming of the new NAB general manager, with Justin Miller and a committee of the board of directors scheduled to hold a meeting in New York next week to go over candidates. The new general manager, in all likelihood, will not be unveiled until the April convention.

LBS Coast Ball Casts Make DL Shift Schedule

HOLLYWOOD, March 11.-Forthcoming West Coast invasion by the Liberty Broadcasting System (LBS) of Dallas was being carefully watched this week by Don Lee Broadcasting System (DLBS), the Coast's largest regional skein. Deal set by LBS President Gordon McClendon to air both American and National League baseball games would cut into the Mutual Game of the Day airings to a point where LBS live and re-creations would scoop Don Lee by several hours daily. To combat Liberty's threat, Don Lee is currently plotting to revise its powerful daytime sked here and reshuffle any and all network airers which stand in the way.

A Coast spokesman for LBS claimed the network had already sold baseball to over 20 California stations, including KALI, Pasadena, which is right in the front yard of KHJ, the Don Lee flagship station. Volume drama, Theater of Today, on CBS at sale to low-watters in three Western noon Saturdays, is reported as having States would enable Liberty to stand line charges and peddle shows locally on a fairly reasonable basis.

Liberty can compete with Don Lee's | Dave Garroway show on NBC. bargain rates. With the MBS parent network paying for long-haul line charges across the nation, Don Lee is offering games to member stations for 100 per cent of Class A time weekly, or an average of \$8 per game daily. Liberty rates, it is understood, will (See LBS Coast Ballcasts on page 11)

become vice-president in charge of radio and television for Kaufman & Associates, Chi agency. Kaufman is making a determined bid to become an important TV agency and at present has about three shows on the air, with plans for many more. Included in its plans is an attempt to buy as much time as possible on Chi TV outlets for programs it plans to sell to participating advertisers. At WBKB, Graff's former position will be taken by Red Quinlan, former public relations director. Quinlan's successor has not been named yet.

Haymes, Stafford To Co-Star on Carnation Hour

Dick Haymes and Jo Stafford last week were signed as permanent singing stars of the "Carnation Contented Hour," beginning March 26. The show is on CBS Sunday evenings 10-10:30. Since the death of Buddy Clark the show has been using guest stars. Haymes leaves "Club 15," but Miss Stafford joins that show, beginning March 28. Erwin, Wasey is the agency.

Packard Inks Edward Everett Horton for TV Show

Talent line-up for the new Packard video show, "Holiday Hotel," which preems March 23 over ABC, was completed last week with Edward Everett Horton set as star, legit actress Lenore Lonergan as the hostelry's telephone operator, dancers June Graham and Don Saddler and vocalist Betty Brewer. Production-wise the program lines up as follows: Producers, Carl Schullinger and Monte Preser; diector, Peston Wood; continuity, Tom Adair; scenic, James Mc mighton; orchestra conductor, Bernie Green, and music, Gordon Jenkins.

Armstrong Asks **BBDO** To Prep **Debut on Video**

NEW YORK, March 11 .- Armstrong Linoleum this week instructed its agency, Batten. Barton, Durstine & Osborn (BBDO) to prepare the firm's entry into video. Armstrong, which bankrolls the veteran radio the inside track for the business because of the AM show. The move follows the TV entry of Congoleum, It was questionable, however, if rival firm, with sponsorship of the

The likely starting date for the Armstrong bow is the latter part of May, and the show is said to be geared to run thru the summer and continue on a permanent basis. Production would be by BBDO and the sponsor. Armstrong would remain on the air with the radio show.

TV Sells Cars

PITTSBURGH, March 11 .---Potency of video as a sales medium has been forcibly demonstrated to the county Studebaker dealers' association here and their ad agency, Walker & Downing. The dealers recently began a six-week test locally of DuMont's Rocky King, Inside Detective, on WDTV, Pittsburgh. Twenty Studebaker dealers each offered identical models of a used car a couple of weeks ago, intending to use this as a continuing offer for the test series, a Wilbur Stark-Jerry Layton production.

The dealers discovered last week that the offer would have to be withdrawn and other commercial material substituted. Seems they all ran out of the used cars. It's regarded extremely likely, if somewhat anti-climactic, that the dealers will renew sponsorship.

Tillstrom Starts 'Oz' Production, **Maybe for NBC**

NEW YORK, March 11. - Burr Tillstrom this week started production of a new half-hour video series called the Wonderful Land of Oz. Based on the Oz stories written by the late Frank Baum, the program will be of an ambitious nature which will use between eight and 10 puppet and marionette characters and several sets. Fran Allison is to be in the cast.

No commitment has been made to a web as yet, but it is believed because of Tillstrom's connection with NBC that the network may get a first look at the show A kine version is expected to be ready for showing next month. The series will also be filmed in color. Al Levy is coowner of the package.



March 18, 1950 The Billboard RADIO-TELEVISION TV'S HOTFOOT TO AM JOCKS **Sell or Scram Paves Way for New NARBA Edicts Shake** WASHINGTON, March 11 .- An ex- on 640kc., 670kc. and 830kc.; givchange of notes between the Ameri- ing up NARBA rights on 890kc., as **Loose Jockies**

Need P. R. Job

(Continued from page 3) number of bankrollers who have had bitter experiences with participation shows. One such is Salada Tea Company, Inc., of Boston, which some time ago had an emsee start plugging its product on the heels of a discussion about cleaning toilet bowls. This is an example which some soured sponsors label as typical.

Minor Morgans

A real deejay public relations job is needed to knock down the feeling that the vast bulk of platter spinners are lads fresh out of school or some other business, with little real education and almost no advertising knowledge, who have drifted into the field thru personal followings or some background in music or the record field. Result is that they generally are said to feel commercials are a necessary evil but actually beneath them, and project little sincerity or understanding in their sales pitches. A goodly number in fact, try to be minor league Henry Morgans, giving the plugs the flip treatment.

The waxmen must seek ways and means to capitalize on those firms which are sold solidly on jocks. One such is the Dolcin Corporation, a comparatively new firm, which has skyrocketed its sales thru such participations. Its president, Victor Van Der Linde, takes personal charge of radio time buying, traveling extensively and listening closely to jocks while sounding out their local appeal and ratings. He spends an average of \$2,000,000 annually on participations, and finds them about his most as the Club 15 and Ed Murrow news valuable ad medium. What's called for, on the positive side, is a constant stressing of the ardent following built up locally by the better jocks, and the real authority gained from personal recommendations spieled ad lib in their rendering of plugs. It must be pointed out that some jocks have exhibited talent which has boosted them into the big-time class, such as Arthur Godfrey, Bob Smith, Dave Garroway, Art Ford, Bob Poole, Rayburn and Finch, and Robert Q. Lewis.



LEE FONDREN

KLZ National Sales Manager

Radio time buyers know Lee Fondren, KLZ National Sales Manager, as the man who gets 'em results on Denver's No. 1 Hooper Station-KLZ.



Cuba-U. S. Accord on Clears

can Embassy at Havana and the Cuban foreign office will be the final step in cementing an interim agreement granting Cuba concessions on certain U. S. channels, but providing that domestic stations on the channels be protected by directional antennas. The pact, paving the way for a resumption of the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement (NARBA) meetings, was formerly approved by the State Department this week. At close of business at the agency here yesterday (10), officials were awaiting word from Havana of Cuban acceptance.

FCC Commissioner Rosel H. Hyde, chairman of the American delegation to the Havana bilateral meeting, made a hasty trip to Washington this week to secure an okay for the agreement, and reported that Cuban delegates appeared ready to accept it.

Chief channels involved in the agreement are 1-A clears, with Cuba gaining permission to install stations



well as pirated use of 660kc. and 760kc. Another dozen U. S. regional channels are also involved.

The agreement will not be subject to Senate ratification, according to State Department officials. It will be in effect until a new NARBA is signed. In the event that no new NARBA is negotiated, the agreement will be expanded into a bilateral U. S.-Cuban tready, and then will be subject to a Senate vote.

State Department chiefs are hopeful that accord with Cuba will remove the last stumbling block in the way of a new NARBA. They point out that the wrangle with Cuba was the direct cause of failure of the last NARBA meeting in Montreal. The next meeting is scheduled for Washington this summer. The U.S. wants to set July 1 as the opening date, but Canada and Mexico are holding out for August 1.

DuMont Alters Policy, Set-Up **On Production**

NEW YORK, March 11 .- The Du-Mont TV network this week reorganized its program and production setup, under Jim Caddigan, head of the department. The web, meanwhile.

Neither Ay, Nor Nay

There also is a vast in-between ground of sponsors and agencies who are neither sold nor undersold, and with whom the real fate of disk jockery lies. These can be convinced by a good station sales story, including rating, availability, type, time, price and audience type. Many of these bankrollers have reservations, depending upon the campaign to be waged.

The rigidity of disk jockey shows is regarded as two strikes against them by some sponsors. They cannot get the same type of show attracting the same type of audience in every area where they want to push their product. Level of production also varies from show to show. For this reason, there has been some movement into use of transcribed programs of various types, which can be ex-tended market by market as the sponsor shifts his emphasis.

Among users of e. t. shows instead of disk jockeys are proprietary medicine firms, which have special problems. These concern exact handling of verbiage because of legal commer-

(See Record Riders on Page 12)

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individual reviews of the medium and to submit recommendations. The latter will not, at this time take the form of suggestions concerning time period or network, but only as to the form and content of programs.

It is expected that Campbell's will follow closely in TV the AM formula which the soup company feels is paying off. Campbell's has just renewed Double or Nothing on NBC, as well shows on CBS. Thus, the video blueprint will call for multi-weekly impressions, probably on more than one web, covering varied time periods. One Campbell's official said this week that the firm has held off from TV thus far, but sees its entry coming soon "either because we are being forced in because of the competition, or because we think it will pay off." | network show.

may eventually result in a network TV sports show, Philip Morris Cigarettes this week joined the ranks of tobacco firms sponsoring sports when it bought Dizzy Dean to do a commentary on the Yankee baseball games on WABD here. Starting April 21, the former St. Louis Cardinals pitcher will be on 10 minutes before game time and 10 minutes after for day contests. On night games he will be on 25 minutes before and 10 minutes after the Yankees play.

This is the first time that Phillip Morris has gone into sports programing, which has paid off so well for other cigarette firms. Since the tobacco firm leans generally toward network programing, and the Dean show will only be on a local basis, indications are that if Dean clicks, he may get a

changed its policy by integrating production under a group of program department staffers instead of under local studio heads, as heretofore.

Four major sections have been created in the program department: Program development and procurement. production, studio supervision and training. Production facilities are to headed by Al Hollander, and Miss Duncan MacDonald will head up the training section. Other section heads are to be named later.

The program development department will also include a film division, under Andrew Jaeger; casting office, under Elizabeth Mears, and news, under Marion Glick.

Frank Bunetta, DuMont's top prcducer, will continue as program stpervisor and will be in charge of directors, assistant directors and floor Other assignments include men. Harry Coyle as remote manager, Ben Fox as assistant to Caddigan, Saul Abraham as studio head at the Adelphi Theater, Miss MacDonald at the Madison Avenue studios and Harry Krivit at the Wanamaker studios.

Coast NBC Auditions Close; Some Segs to Hiatus Slots

a \$50,000 audition spree sometime in April, marking the greatest new talent and show hunt in the network's Coast history. Before tests have been concluded, NBC Coast Program Dipresent season. Auditions will top venture. last year's record of 45 new shows, built to web specifications and financed with NBC money and talent.

emanating from Hollywood, as combuilt for permanent airing if possible,'

HOLLYWOOD, March 11 .- NBC | and all new packages will carry low Hollywood programers will conclude | tags, averaging \$3,500 to \$5,000 each. Several have already made the commercial grade, notably Halls of Ivy, Richard Diamond, Screen Directors' Playhouse and Dragnet. With the exception of Ivy, all were given rector Homer Canfield will have sustaining test runs during which sampled over 20 new shows, over bugs were ironed out. Ivy, because and above stanzas cut for the web of its top prestige and talent (Ronald during the fall and winter. In addi- | Colman and Benita Hume), was withtion, other shows are being lined up held from the sustaining market and for auditioning before end of the launched as a \$10,000 commercial

Following shows are already waxed and are being considered by top brass for early debut: One Hour To Kill, Results will be evident by early 60-minute whodunit; Hedda Hopper summer, when the best of the lot are Show; Out of .This World, science given prime time slots as hiatus fillers. fiction drama, with Marvin Miller as NBC currently has 11 house shows narrator; The Doctor, medico-documentary; Tex Williams Show, Westpared with only three web-owned ern drama-musical; A Slice of Life, stanzas last year. Shows are being dramatic airer, with Tony Leader as (See NBC Auditions on Page 12)

4 Coast TV Outlets Pitch Gal Softball

HOLLYWOOD, March 11. - Now it's girls' softball which has Coast tele men in a dither. The distaff side of sports, as showcased in several professional and amateur softball leagues in Southern California, is being romanced by four tele outlets. Bidding for video rights are KFI-TV. KNBH, KTTV and KLAC-TV, all of whom are after full coverage.

Sport of iems, which has Leen nourished over the years locally, has never been viewed on tele. At least one and possibly more tele outlets will definitely carry the series this spring, competing with pro baseball, boxing, jai alai and possibly wrestling, if the current wrangle with grunt and groaners is settled.



U-I 1st Major Fee for AM-TV Licences? **Producer Into** Film for Tele

HOLLYWOOD, March 11. - Universal-International Pictures (U-I) may become the first major film studio to enter competitive production of films for television. Sources would soon announce its entry into field in direct competition with such video pic firms as Hal Roach, Jerry Fairbanks and Filmtone.

U-I has previously made tele commercial film spots for Lever Bros. thru subsid United World Films (UWF). Studio is now viewing the tele market, studying costs, and examining Coast production facilities in line with tele's demands.

So far, however, U-I has made no bids for an existing tele film work. In view of the success of competitors such as Fairbanks (whose recent oneshot filming of Silver Theater earned him a contract to produce 13 additional shows), U-I is now reported determined to invade video, albeit studio expects plenty of squawks exhibitors and film distribs. At press time U-I spokesman would neither confirm nor deny the report.

UWF previously has syndicated for TV films taken from the U-I shorts library and recently made known its intention of invading the live TV package field. Among TV shorts sold were a football series and Stranger Than Fiction. Live plans include selling a package based on the U-I film hit, Three Smart Girls, with a preview showing a'red last week on Chevrolet Tele Theater over NBC. Other series expected to be built from old pic successes include The Leather Pushers, My Man Godof these, however, may be shifted over and placed on film if the U-I plans mature.

Brief and Important

Last-Minute Digest of AM-TV News

The Billboard

close to the tele pic biz said U-I Gillette May Bankroll 4th Night of Cage Tourney on TV

Gillette last week-end was on the verge of signing to sponsor a fourth night of tournament basketball over the ABC video web. It previously had inked to bankroll the last three Saturday nights from Madison Square Garden, covering the finals of the invitation tourney, the Eastern finals of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) meet, and the East-West all-star charity game. ABC will carry tonight's opening round double-bill sustaining. The fourth sponsored night likely will be Tuesday, March 28, involving the Eastern and Western NCAA champs.

KECA-TV Goes to Full Week Operating Schedule

ABC-owned KECA-TV, Hollywood, will go to a seven-day-perweek sked starting Tuesday (13). Heretofore, Tuesday was the station's dark night. Outlet, which had been on a five-day-a-week sked since it bowed last fall, went to six nights last week after selling its entire Monday night time to Chevrolet Dealers' Association. With addition of Tuesday nights, station's air time reaches 341/2 hours. Tuesday time will be filled with a feature film and a full hour audition participation show emseed by Bill Welsh.

SSCB Hollywood Operations in Curtailment

With axing of "Hollywood Star Theater," the Sullivan, Stauffer, Colwell & Bayles (SSCB) agency will sharply curtail Hollywood operations. Jack Van Norstrand, Coast SSCB topper, will move to New York, with Virginia Reed staying on to supervise the Jimmy Fidler air show, agency's only current Coast origination.

WOR-TV Plans To Syndicate Programs Via Kinescope

WOR, New York, is formulating a plan to syndicate its TV programing, via kinescope, to other video stations thruout the country, according to Jules Seebach, WOR program director. No details are set, since the project is still in the preparatory stage, subject to the station finding a flicker outfit for the kinescope chore and working out price color hitting its own surface.

frey and Stella Dallas. Some or all Garrard Enters 3-Speed Disk Player Race

Another three-speed record changer was announced last week when Garrard introduced its model RC+80 "priced lower than any previous Garrard model." Features of the new changer include separate spindles for LP or 78 r.p.m. disks and 45 r.p.m. records, a heavy drive shaft for LP's and 45's disks and interchangeable heads. The units are sold to dealers less cartridges.

Solons Mull Charges for Applications

RADIO-TELEVISION

Pay-as-Go-FCC

WASHINGTON, March 11. - The Senate Expenditures Committee is considering recommending that Congress authorize the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to charge fees for radio and TV licenses and for handling applications. The committee is looking into the FCC angle as part of a study of ways to put some of the government's service agencies on at least a semi-paying business.

By placing a nominal fee of \$2 on every applicant for filing any type of bid, the committee figures the Commission could collect \$500,000 annually, basing the estimate on the 224,000 bids received by FCC during the 1949 fiscal year.

During the same fiscal year, FCC granted licenses to 856 commercial AM, FM and TV stations. A license fee of \$100 on each would have brought in \$85,600 last year, and would probably yield about the same in coming years, with TV licenses expected to take up the slack in AM and FM licenses.

May Exempt Safeties

Fees on licenses in other than the public broadcast bands, however, would bring the greatest amount of revenue. The licenses for safety services would probably be exempt. a \$10 fee on radio licenses for taxis, busses, private autos, and other Class 2 experimental stations would bring in somewhere around \$500,000 annually. Another \$200,000 a year could be realized from a \$2 fee on licenses for amateur, radio-telephone and citizens' radio authorizations. The sums realized from license fees would, of course, be increased if each existing licensee were forced to pay the fee the first time he renews a license following enactment of such a law. On the basis of the indicated sample rates, this would bring Uncle Sam a non-recurring total of around \$1,500,000. It is expected to be a couple of months before the committee finishes its studies and issues a report. Even should the group recommend a fee system, there is no certainty that Congress would authorize it.

Colgate Renews Day On NBC; Nixes TV Technicolor Pitching for Color Video Biz

NEW YORK, March 11.-Putting an end to rumors about a shift, Colgate-Palmolive-Peet this week renewed Dennis Day on NBC. CBS had pitched a time slot on Wednesday evenings at the sponsor, but is was decided that the discount structure afforded by the coupling of Day and Judy Canova on NBC Saturday evenings made a change unwise. While CBS would have granted a similar discount, putweb would have meant putting all of the sponsor's eggs in one basket, since the bankroller already has two shows on CBS.

Meanwhile Colgate has tabled its plans to put Dennis Day on TV this season. The radio ratings of the program have been holding up, and so the sponsor is loathe to make the plunge for fear he might disturb Day's position in radio. Ted Bates, the Colgate agency, still favors rotating Day and Miss Canova in filmed TV programs on alternate weeks but everything will wait until next season.

On Toni TV Package

NEW YORK, March 11.-The Foote, Cone & Belding (FC&B) Agency this week was reported negotiating with the Music Corporation of America (MCA) for the latter to produce a young professional talent TV package for the agency's Toni account. FC&B already has bought the 9 p.m. Wednesday slot on CBS, following Arthur Godfrey. The program is expected to tee off April 5.

Toni execs are said to feel that web packages proffered by CBS will not fill its bill and thus have been seeking an outside-produced show. MCA is regarded as a likely outfit to get the business because the talent agency has access to a considerable file of youthful talent.

Technicolor Corporation, pioneer motion pic film tint firm, will invade the color video field, as indicated in its purchase of patents to the color tube invented by University of Southern California physicist Dr. Willard Geer. Dr. Herbert Kalmus, Technicolor topper, said his firm will invest approximately \$500,000 into research in further developing the Geer color process for practical application to present-day video. Tube is expected to facilitate conversion of black and white receivers to color by splitting electron streams into the three basic colors and focusing the electrons on a triple-surfaced screen, each color hitting its own surface.

ting two more Colgate shows on that CBS Program Chief Chills Deal for Lord Package

The CBS deal to buy out the Phillips H. Lord packaging operation last week appeared to be cold. Negotiations had been under way for several weeks between the packager and James M. Seward, program operations chief of the web. Seward, currently in Hollywood, is reported to have notified CBS toppers that he no longer regarded the proposition attractive for the network. Talks had been going on in New York, Florida and California until Seward's reneging. Lord still is believed in the market to sell his office, including AM and TV packages. Among the reported bidders are Music Corporation of America and Bernard L. Schubert.

Chevvy Hunts TV-er For Hayes Next Fall

NEW YORK, March 11.-Chevrolet Motor Car Company this week indicated an interest in purchasing a TV program starring Peter Lind Hayes next fall. CBS-TV is working on a format that it can submit to the prospective sponsor.

While Chevrolet has canceled Inside U. S. A. on which Hayes stars, effective next Thursday, the bankroller did come away enthusiastic over the talents of Hayes and his wife, Mary Healy. Meanwhile, CBS is trying to keep Chevrolet on its video network for the rest of the spring season. The car company may latch on to This Is Show Business, if Lucky Strike doesn't buy the property. Luckies already has bought the 7:30 to 8 p.m. time Business now occupies.

final clincher for their system. RCA of its new three-way color tube which is expected to announce the showing

FCC Wants Tint TV \$ Data; FC&B Asks MCA Aid Celomat Pitches CBS Gadget

ing Wednesday (15), Federal Communications Commission (FCC) officials indicated they are ready to demand anew a "brass-tacks" accounting from the major color TV rivals on the estimated costs of color sets, adapters and converters.

lack of detailed information on the question of the economic feasibility of color reception, conversion and com- Columbia Broadcasting System patibility from the viewpoint of protecting currently operating sets from "undue obsolescence" and protecting the general public from "undue financial hardship" in buying sets.

Members of the commission yester-

WASHINGTON, March 11 .- With | color system of Color Television, Inc., the color television hearing resum- on invitation of the latter company, which is claiming considerable improvement in its picture.

Meanwhile, the FCC announced a decision to permit an additional witness in the color hearing, the Celomat Corporation, of New York. Celomat has informed the commission that The FCC is openly distressed by its it wants to testify on experiments with a converter for viewing color TV after a set has been adapted for (CBS) reception. Celomat claims its unit could be retailed for \$9.95.

Among upcoming developments is a long-anticipated demonstration by Radio Corporation of America (RCA) day (10) took another look-see at the RCA bigwigs figure should be the of the new tube shortly.



RADIO-TELEVISION

NBC - TV, Kine Quality Stir Plan To Syndicate KFI-TV, Agency **CBS** Study of Sat. Night Sitch

NEW YORK, March 11.-Indica- the kine, as a result of sponsor agitions this week were that CBS-TV was giving close scrutiny to its Saturday night line-up with a view toward a revamp. Two things have brought about this state of mind at the web: NBC-TV's programing the same evening has cut sharply into the CBS-TV ratings, and the belief that the kinescope quality of the Ed Wynn show has hurt its viewer potential.

One tip-off on the situation was given this week when Budweiser Beer, sponsor of the alternate-week Ken Murray show, decided not to keep the program on during the summer, the height of the beer season. The program will now continue until June 17, with fall renewal not set. However, since the warm months are important to beer companies because of the large volume of business they do, Budweiser's decision is regarded as an indication of dissatisfaction.

Murray's Pay Costly

Murray is one of the costliest packages in TV, with the price for time and talent around 25G every two • weeks. A Murray cancellation would also leave CBS on the hook for the \$2,750 weekly salary which the web is committed to pay the comic irrespective of whether he performs.

Camels, sponsor of Ed Wynn, is also unhappy over its current 7 rating for the high-priced video show. Negotiations are now in progress which would either slice its cost or else give the cigarette bankroller an out. Wynn's low rating can be attributed in part to putting the program on kine. Several stations in the Midwest have notified Camels that they have had complaints from listeners. CBS has sent out special stooge comic. NBC has hopes that have been pulling in more sales.

tation.

Hollywood Kine Sitch

While it is possible to move Wynn East, the web has a big stake in kine because without the process its Hollywood TV programing operation would be in a bad way. However, CBS brass is now out West looking over film studios for possible purchase. This might mean that the net might use the Jerry Fairbanks film method instead of kine.

(Continued from Page 3) AM and FM stations, depending upon availability in a particular locality, which would have coverage over a 30 to 40 mile radius so more theaters can have patrons participating in the game simultaneously.

Use of FM locally, according to Ingber, was highly successful. However, save for the difference in card rates and the fact that no closed circuit is used, AM could serve the purposes of the game as well.

NBC-TV Plans To Get Into Daytime Swing by Autumn

The Billboard

are that NBC will go into daytime tele Brenneman show. on an extensive basis next fall. While the decision hasn't been set finally, the web is currently considering such a move, with the daytime operation to be based on two programs. One is the Kathi Norris shopping program, just taken away by net from the DuMont net, and another is a new audience participation show being produced for NBC by Martin Stone.

NBC now starts daytime operations at 5:15 p.m., and should it expand into daytime, it will open up at 10 a.m. The Kathi Norris show will air from 11 to noon across the board when it Fur Corporation, one of the largest shifts from DuMont, with the new participation show, also to air for an hour daily, to precede it at 10 o'clock.

Stone's daytimer will originate in a restaurant, with Ed Herlihy as emsee. It will also use a male vocalist and a

NEW YORK, March 11.-Chances of feature ABC had in the late Tom

sooner it gets into the daytime web picture, the sooner it will be able to insure its position in that field. The step will also help the web recoup its investment in the Norris program. which is reportedly getting a guarantee of \$125,000 annually.

Furrier Measures AM **Pull Vs. Newspapers**

NEW YORK, March 11.-Canadian local spenders in New York radio, has just completed a survey of sales originations which it plans to use as a guide to future advertising. Essentially, the account is trying to find out whether newspapers or radio

engineers to the Coast to work on the show will develop into the sort Survey was made in both the New- account.

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Philly Movie Game In H'w'd Block **Time Sale Deal**

HOLLYWOOD, March 11.-KFIusing a station on an exclusive basis TV will launch "block time" sales on a local basis in April with the peddling of a two-hour Monday night Class A time segment to the Bogerts Agency, local commission house. Agency, in turn, will sell half-hour segments to four food clients, bringing a total of \$800 to \$900 in extra weekly billing to KFI-TV.

> Deal came about as result of KFI-TV's decision to remain dark on Mondays when station returns to nighttime television next month with baseball coverage.

Station execs closed the deal with Bogerts for the two-hour block at full rates. Advantage to advertisers is that control of the longer time seg NBC is said to figure that the affords agency a more impressive two-hour layout at reasonable cost.

> Deal is the second such sales gimmick to be pulled locally, following on the heels of KECA-TV's recent sale of a complete Monday night sked to Chevrolet. In the case of the latter station, bankroller is devoting air time to films, building the layout as Chevrolet's Triple Feature Theater. KFI-TV bankrollers, however, will combine both live and film programing.

ark, N. J., and New York stores, as well as among some 500 customers who'd bought in either outlet during the past year. Preliminary reports are that radio is leading in the New York picture, while there is a virtual tie in the Newark results.

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CTC Hears Plea for Radio Rate Cut in Tele Markets To Pay for Audience Loss

LO Fay for Autoincence Loss CHICAGO, March 11.—A general feeling of optimism for the future of television, tempered with a realiza-tion that there are still many weak for the second annual television Council held here this week. While advertisers such as John Mc-taughlin, advertising manager of the sales effectiveness of advertising used on the Kraft Television Theater, other sales effectiveness of advertising used on the Kraft Television Theater, other the medium was paying off and cited specific case histories to prove the sales effectiveness of advertising used on the Kraft Television Theater, other the medium kas an economical mover of consumer goods. Inderlying the tone of the speecher delivered at luncheon and panel dis-terecord expressions of station man-agers, agency account exees and showy producers that many a hurdle had to be leaped before the medium could

agers, agency account exers and show producers that many a hurdle had to be leaped before the medium could take its place as one with a clear horizon of predictable costs, profits and advertising effectiveness.

Subjects Vary

This mixed feeling, optimism versus sober analysis of the need for growth and stability, ran thru all sessions. These included discussions of color TV, phonevision, station operations, agency practices, advertisers' -view-points, production problems, film's future in the medium, TV research ord cat cales and set sales.

and set sales. Initially, or at least for the first two days of the three-day meeting, Monday's luncheon keynote speech delivered by McLaughlin seemed to indicate a condition of general health for the industry, now and in the fu-

for the industry, now and in the fu-ture. The only beef made by McLaughlin (and this was resounded by other ad-vertisers during subsequent sessions) was that sponsors of network shows were taking a beating by having to pay for programs on which other bankrollers caught a free ride by spot announcements between important network shows. During McLaughlin's speech and often later during the conference, the so-called "evil" of double spotting was condemned. It was the consensus of advertisers and agency men that the station practice of double spotting between net shows of double spotting between net shows was unfair and would have to be eliminated to keep the national net bill payers happy.

Waddington Highlight

A veritable bomb shell was dropped in the ranks of station and network representatives during the Wadding-ton address. After voicing his doubts that TV paid off now for makers of low-cost consumer goods such as that TV paid off now for makers of low-cost consumer goods such as those put out by Miles, Waddington asked for a general reduction of net-work AM rates in TV markets to compensate for radio audience shrinkage resulting from TV viewing inroads. Station and net spokesmen countered during informal discus-sions later that advertisers with Wad-dington's theories were merely trying

connected thing informat discus-sions later that advertisers with Wad-dington's theories were merely trying to get a "free ride" on TV's growth and were not willing to pay their own way to help the industry grow. It was said that they want the sales ef-fectiveness of TV but are not willing to pay for obtaining these results. Another theme of the meeting was that TV was paying off for the manu-facturer of high-price products, such as cars, radios, TV sets, and refrigera-tors, but it still had not proved itself for consumer product sellers trying to push items such as foods and drugs. It was said over and over again that high priced items could be sold ef-fectively on a basis of dollar return for money invested in TV advertis-

ten presented conflicting and seem-ingly paradoxical viewpoints about industry matters, were definite in their beliefs and showed thought di-rection which indicated that minds had been made up along certain lines, and that definite industry develop-mental lines could be expected.

During a discussion of the future of color TV and the possible lifting of the freeze, there was no conflict of thought, however. During the ses-sion devoted to these topics at Tues-darks lunchery meeting concentration day's luncheon meeting, consensus was that color was still a long way off-not before 1953-and that the freeze should be lifted as soon as possible.

possible. This meeting, moderated by Clif-ton Utley, NBC news commentator, was highlighted by a speech by Mar-tin Codel, editor of *Television Digest*. It also featured Richard Graver, vice-president of the Admiral Corpo-ration: Carl Meyers, chief engineer of WGN, Inc., and High Davis, ex-ective vice-president of Foote, Cone & Belding. & Belding.

Davis added to the general feeling that color was not needed now by saying that advertisers were paying just about as much as they-could stand now for black and white TV with its present limited markets and audiences. If color, with its added production costs, were offered to agencies, he predicted, most of them, except a few with products neces-sitating color display, would turn thumbs down on non-monochrome transmissions. Davis added to the general feeling transmissions.

FCC Okays KBTV **Transfer to WFAA**

DALLAS, March 11 .- The Federal DALLAS, March 11.—The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has approved the transfer of KBTV, Dallas tele station, to *The Dallas* Morning News for \$575,000. Martin Campbell, general manager of *The* News' station, WFAA, said call let-ters of the station would be changed to WFAA-TV after the radio and tele-vision onerations are integrated

ters of the station would be changed to WFAA-TV after the radio and tele-vision operations are integrated. Campbell said no radical changes in personnel are contemplated. Bert Mitchell, formerly WFAA production head, will supervise the integrating process. One of first moves will be to put the tele station on a seven-day operation. The station now is off the air on Wednesdays. KBTV has NBC, ABC and DuMont services. Oilman Tom Potter, who built the station, said he was selling because he wanted to give more time to oil activities, and he felt station could be run better by experienced radio men. All three tele stations in the Dal-las-Fort Worth area now are operated by newspapers: KBTV by The Dallas News, KRLD-TV by The Dallas Times-Herald, and WBA-TV by The Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

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Talk of New York

Reviewed Thursday (9), 2-2:15 p.m., EST, across-the-board. Sustaining via WABD, New York. Director, Bob Loewi; assistant director, Don Rosenquest; writer, Norman Baer, Cast: Mrs. Quentin Rey-polds Sandra Deel Norman Baer. Cast nolds, Sandra Deel.



Mois, Sandra Deel. Mrs. Quentin Reynolds's new TV show, Talk of New York, was origi-nally tagged Ladies in Waiting, and, judging by last week's broad-cast, the latter title was more apt. Utilizing an attractive home setting, the show spotted Mrs. Reynolds, a sophisticated blond, pouring tea for three haus fraus and a guest artist. The idea of giving so-called "little people" a chance to chat with celebrities could evolve into a delightful TV airer. Un-fortunately, tho, this program isn't it. Ladies Waiting Ladies Waiting

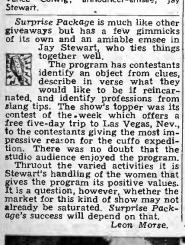
Latice Waiting The Addition of the show caught, Mrs. Reynolds, a former legit actress and wife of the well-known writer, spent most of the time gabbing eagerly with guest San-dra Deel, Mary Martin's understudy in South Pacific, while the three non-prover virtually ignored by hostess and with Pacific, while the three non-proversation. Occasionally Mrs. Reynolds deigned to toss them a curt sentence or two, but her man-ner was hardly designed to ease the stuation. Her mood-shifts from sweet to tart may not have been per-eptible in the studio, but the lens potlighted them unmercifully, and the over-all effect was anything but curt, the tele-watcher. Mrs. Boel, however, was charming, md it's highly probable that Mrs. Reynolds's imperious demeanor can be chalked up to nerves. If this is to the show should simmer double a relaxed pace as soon as the lostess does like-wise. *June Bundy.*

June Bundy.

Surprise Package

Reviewed Tuesday (7), 4-4:30 p.m., EST. Sustaining via American Broadcast-ing Company (ABC). Produced and di-rected by Harfield Weeden; scripter, Vance Colwig; announcer-emsee, Jay Stewart.









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The Billboard

Sports for All

Billboard

Reviewed Thursday (9), B:30-8:55 p.m., EST. Sponsored by Mail Pouch Tobacco Company thru the Charles W. Hoyt Company via the Mutual Broad-casting System (MBS). Producer-director, casting System (MBS). Producer-director, Raymond E. Nelson; script, Bob Bogardus; emsee, Bill Slater. Panelists: Gale Borden and Guy Kibbee, Guests: Bob Edge and Jug McSpaden.

The addition of Guy Kibbec to the panel of Sports for All helps give the program a needed comic lift. This is not to say that Kibbee is a gagman, but he has a light chucklesome way and also seems to know sports. His an-swers to questions on hunting and fishing established that fact,

The other members of the panel are Bill Slater, headman, and Gale Borden. Guests Bob Edge and golf pro Jug McSpaden were also on the program, which consists of answer-ing questions from listeners and giv-ing them tips. Tho Sports for All seems to be try-

ing to swing away from its emphasis on rod, reel and rifle, the bulk of questions were about those activities. McSpaden experied on golf, but not too much knowledge was gained be-cause questions were posed that cannot easily be answered. It seems a putter must always be sure that he hits the ball at the correct speed, a difficult formula to follow. Slater's emseeing is as smooth as ever, and with Borden and Kibbee,

the show has a nicely balanced panel. The Mail Pouch Tobacco Company praised the virtues of two of its prod-ucts. Kentucky Club pipe mixture and the Melo-Crown Cigars.

Leon Morse.

After Hours Club

Reviewed Friday (10), 11-11:15 p.m. EST. Sponsored by Philco and Winston Television Stores, on WCBS-TV. Pro-ducers, Ford Bond, Albert Black. As-sociate producer, Ken Hart. Cast: Fra-Robbins, Joe Bushkin. Guests: Kay Ballard, Betty Betz, Tom Drake.

Informality is a highly desirable but elusive quality to capture on tension-building TV. However, this 15-minute airer turns the trick neatly and creates a thoroly believable impression of an uninhibited, smoky nitery, via and the personable relaxed presences of disk jockey Fred Robbins and pianist Joe Bushkin.

and planist Joe Bushkin. Robbins, a fugitive from radio, is (See After Hours Club on page 50) is

BETTY ANN



The Ben Grauer Show

Reviewed Tuesday (7), 11 to 11:15 p.m. Sponsored by Doubleday & Com-pany over NBC-TV. Producer-writer John Munhall; director, Alan Neuman. Cast, Ben Grauer and guest. Guest this week, John Gnagy.

Always a personable and enter-taining fellow, Ben Grauer should really bloom in his own TV show. On the show caught, how-ever, Grauer was trapped in

ever, Grauer was trapped in a situation not of his own mak-Gnagy, who has been telling viewers that they can be artists for a good long spell. It just happens, by coincidence perhaps, that Gnagy's art instruction book is pub-lished by Grauer's sponsor, Double-day. This made the commercial a cinch, of course, with Gnagy plug-ging his own book at length. However, since the body of the

ging his own book at length. However, since the body of the show called for Gnagy to prove that even Grauer can be an artist, it was necessary for the bearded charcoal wielder to virtually dominate pro-ceedings. This he did to such an ex-tent that this particular edition might better have been labeled The John Gnagy Show since it resembled very closely Gnagy's own stanzas. very closely Gnagy's own stanzas. In this instance Gnagy again showed the viewers how to turn out a draw-ing based on simple geometrical fig-ures, with Grauer following along on a twin easel. Ben's not bad, either.

Grauer ran things himself only briefly at the start of the opus, when he went thru a sketchy interview with Gnagy. Thereafter, to all in-tents and purposes, it was all Gnagy. Grauer showed, in the limited time he was in charge, that he has the wit and personality to do well. He should be given more scope on this show, and he doubtless will get it.

Sam Chase.

Up for Parole

Reviewed Friday 9-9:30 EST. Sus-taining via CBS. Director, John Dietz. Writer, Allan Sloane. Cast: Chester Stratton, Arthur Vinton, Rod Hendrick-son, Susan Douglas, Mary Michael, Jim Lipton, Joe Julian, Ed Latimer. Music, Harry Salter.

Up for Parole, based on actual case histories of prisoners appealing to State boards for their freedom, may or may not be an attempt to cash in on the recent flurry of judicial headlines in the dailies. In any case the preem show, which dramatized the parole appeal of a medical student jailed for aiding a criminal, dovetailed neatly with the "not guilty" verdict handed down in the East's "mercy slaying" trial last week.

East's "mercy slaying" frial last week. Script-wise tho, the series could have teed off with stronger case ma-terial. The story of a boy's decision to patch up his delinquent younger brother and his subsequent convic-tion for the service didn't jibe with the show's obvious desire to win sympathy for the parole board. In view of the controversial nature of the crime and the prisoner's ultra-subservient lick-your-boots-sir dia-log, the parole board's pompous at-titude and hair-splitting interroga-tion technique were difficult to take and hardly calculated to build good will for the parole echelon.

Aside from this master-slave slant, however, the show was uniformly well acted and pace moved along at a smooth albeit undramatic pace. June Bundy.

American Labor Party Program

Reviewed Sunday (5), 6:15-6:30 p.m. Sponsored by the American Laboy Party over WINS, New York. Cast: Congressman Vito Marcantonio,

It is interesting that in a period when the number of so-called liberal commentators on the air has de-creased to the vanishing point, it is almost as difficult to buy

it is almost as difficult to buy time to voice a nonconformist point of view as it used to be to secure it without payment. Thus it is odd and regrettable that WINS is to be commended for selling (not donating), in this non-election lull, a brace of six time periods to the American Labor Party, generally regarded in New York as leftist. Regardless of whether the station or its listeners agrees with what is aired on the show, it is important that channels of public speech be kept free for full expres-sion, no matter how unpopular. As speech be kept free for full expres-sion, no matter how unpopular. As the Federal Communications Com-mission often has pointed out, the airlance belong to the people, and the listeners may show their criticism by switching the dial. This station has rendered a service to the industry and to its own integrity by adhering to this policy when others have turned their backs on it. their backs on it.

The first show of the series fea-tured a 15-minute talk by Congress-man Vito Marcantonio, State chair-man of the American Labor Party, Marcantonio spoke about the current moves to change the rent control laws. His contention was that federal, State and city rent control laws must State and city rent control laws must be in force together to furnish suf-ficient protection to the tenant. Moves to shift to any one of these alone, he contended, is a form of buck-passing. He said neither Republicans nor Democrats wanted to assume responsibility for administering rent control, for neither wants to be blamed in case of failure. Mar-cantonio added that if federal con-trols are lifted, New York State cannot hold out alone as an island of rent control surrounded by dc-controlled areas. controlled areas.

Commercials took the form of plugging an ALP dance and offering the services of the organization's local divisions to help tenants in need local divisions to help tenants in need of advice or assistance, regardless of current party affiliation, "whethcr Republicans, Democrats, Socialists or Communists." This was the most revolutionary of the doctrines uttered. Much harsher words are used by all candidates during the heat of elec-tion campaigning, yet there is no difficulty then in procuring time from stations. If outlets now will sell time only to those with whom they agree, we may eventually find ad-vertisers discriminating against sta-tions according to the political out-look of their managements. Sam Chase.

Juanita Hall

Reviewed Sunday (5), 1:15 p.m, EST. Sustaining via WNEW, New York. Producer, Ted Cott; director, Jack Gro-gan; script, Robert Stewart; announcer, Lonnie Starr; orchestra conducted by Roy Ross: singer Luanita Half Ross; singer, Juanita Hall.

Juanita Hall does full justice to her

Juanita Hall does full justice to her 15-minute solo singing spot. The deep-voiced singer, now in South Pacific, has a distinctive singing style that enhances the numbers. Her How Deep Is the Occan? Don't Cry, Joe and I'm In the Mood for Love were notc-worthy efforts in this day of singers who sound like one another. She also tied her tumes together by commenting between numbers on

commenting between numbers on their common subject-love. The result was a mixture of soap opera sentiment and common sense phil-osophy that, no doubt, consoled some of the women. But the chatter is also important because it helps establish her as a personality, not just a voice that singe

Her as a provide that sings. Roy Ross and his ork gave Miss Hall strong backing. Leon Morse.

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Brief and Important

Last-Minute Digest of AM-TV News

CBS-TV Ready To Syndicate New Film-Live Show

The CBS film syndication division is about to offer its stations a combined film-live 15-minute program tentatively titled "Hollywood Operator, Please," which would identify the local stations airing the show with Hollywood movie names. The show will have the local TV outlet's top personality interview movie stars live. They will answer him on film, with the result clipped together. The format leaves the program wide-open for local sponsorship, as film or live commercials can easily be inserted. The first six shows contain interviews with Barbara Britton, George Raft, Virginia Bruce, Gene Raymond, Roddy MacDowell and Philip Dorn.

Hotpoint Adds Mother's Day to Holiday Buys

The Hotpoint Refrigerator Company last week purchased still another hour from CBS for a dramatic program on Mother's Day, May 14. The radio show will be on from 5 to 6 p.m. This is the fourth consecutive holiday show that Hotpoint has bought on CBS in the last six months. Maxon, Inc., is the agency.

"Inside USA" To Be Revamped for Low Budget

Plans are under way to revamp "Inside USA" so that it can be sold as a low-budget package next season. The revue is being dropped by Chevrolet after its March 16 telecast over CBS-TV. Revising the show would undoubtedly mean that expensive talent such as Peter Lind Hayes would not be used on it. CBS has an option to peddle the package.

CBC To Have Channels 2, 5, 9 for TV

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) has been assigned frequency channels two and five in Montreal and channel nine in Toronto for its proposed television operations in those cities. The CBC expects to start broadcasting in both cities by the fall of next year, but its Montreal airings will be restricted to channel two. However, the corporation eventually plans to operate both video outlets there, one in French and one in English.

Stopette To Alternate With Toni on CBS-TV Sked

Jules Montenier, Inc., for its product Stopette, a dedorant, last week purchased "What's My Line?" on CBS-TV, beginning April 12. The package, owned by Mark Goodson and Bill Todman, goes into the 9-9:30 spot on alternate Wednesdays, sharing the time with Toni. John Daly emsees the program, which deals with the occupations of its contestants. "Abe Burrow's Almanac," now in the Wednesday evening slot, will be rescheduled.

Emerson Hunts Replacement for "Inner Sanctum"

Emerson Drug, on behalf of Bromo-Seltzer, last week was hunting for a suitable replacement for "Inner Sanctum," which is to be dropped when the current cycle ends. Altho nothing has been set yet, new stanza is probably to be another whodunit type. Sponsor plans to originate in Hollywood. Show airs Mondays at 8 p.m. on CBS thru Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn.

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Philadelphians Succeed New York Symph on CBS

The current New York Philharmonic concert broadcast, which winds up in April, will be followed on CBS with a series of transcribed Sunday afternoon concerts by the Philadelphia Orchestra. The Philadelphia Ork series, airing at the same 3 p.m. time, will be transcribed. The new series will run as a sustainer.

SHORT SCANNINGS

Jerry Layton, of the Wilbur Stark-Jerry Layton program combine, will become a benedict Friday (17), when he is wed to Sherrill Cannold. A swift Cuban honeymoon will be held down to one week so that the groom can get back to peddling air shows.

Charles B. Issacs, formerly with WCAO, Baltimore, has joined WOV's sales staff. The foreign language station has also appointed the John E. Fearson Company as its national representatives, and the Pearson firm, in turn, has commissioned John P. Rohrs to act as WOV's special rep in the Midwest. . . . Gov. Thomas E. Dewey has tagged Ben Duffy, Batten, Barton. Durstine & Osborn prexy, as chairman of a commission planning New York State's role in the Washington sesqui celebration. . . . World Video, Inc., has re-elected Henry S. White as president, John Steinbeck and Richard H. Gordon Jr., as veepees, and Irving G Oppenheimer, secretary-treasurer.

Charles Henderson and Mitzi Mayfair, of "Stop the Music" on TV, take a six-week hiatus from that show in May and head for Europe. . . Ed Evans, WPIX film program director, is father of a boy, born Saturday (3)... Al Foster, TV veepee at the William Esty Agency, was due back from Europe last week. . . . John B Gambling, veteran WOR broadcaster, celebrated his 25th anniversary in radio Wednesday (8). . . . Stanton M. Osgood has been upped to co-ordinator of CBS-TV production services, in charge of program production planning and budget advice. . . . William D. Shaw, formerly assistant sales manager for the Columbia Pacific Network, joins the New York office of Radio Sales, effective April 1, replacing Milton F. Allison, who vacates the post to take over as assistant sales manager of WBBM, Chicago.

Scott Donahue Jr., ex-WPIX staffer, has been appointed to the New York TV sales department of the Katz Agency, station representatives. ... Mal Boyd planes out to Hollywood Wednesday (15) to survey the West Coast video field for his firm, P.R.B., Inc. Boyd, who returns to New York April 5, will meet with the Television Producers' Association, of which he is prexy, while on the Coast. . . . Bob Dailey, radio and TV director of McCann-Erickson's Cleveland office, and Jean Kane, radio and TV copywriter of the same office, to New York last week to confer with agency execs in preparation for an expected increase in TV activities for the Ohio branch office this year.

How Does Your Garden Grow "He who casts seed into wind and retires overlong to quaff fall cool ones harvests only headaches," Broadcasting is like that. For productive broadcasting, like productive gardening, requires honest husbandry. Radio isn't magic. But it can work wonders if sown in fertile ground and carefully nurtured. In broadcasting, the seed of thought must be carefully planted-then cultivated and fed with aggressive, wellplanned promotion. This kind of radio gardening has brought WNAX an annual crop of blue ribbon advertisers-and a bouquet of industry awards. In the 1949-'50 BILLBOARD **MAGAZINE** competition WNAX harvested honors in four classifications-the only station in the nation

How Does Your Garden Grow?

5,000 Watts-750 KC **A** Cowles Station **Represented by Katz**

to do so.



The BIG AGGIE Station Yankton-Sioux City Affiliated with ABC



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Record Riders Approaching Make or Break Crossroads

(Continued from Page 6) cial restrictions. Such bankrollers are particularly concerned about ad libbing jocks. They utilize three methods of handling the plugs: (1) If they are certain of a jock, they will send him live copy and let him ad lib around it-the preferred method; (2) they may send half live copy and half commercial plug, with the ticklish matter on wax, or (3) they may use a completely transcribed plug, something not willingly done ordinarily, since it loses the effectiveness of the personal endorsement to the jock's following.

Check Spiels

Usual procedure here is for the sponsor, unbeknownst to the platterman, to have an outside firm take an aircheck of several of his renderings while letting him spiel ad lib on a temporary basis. Results of the checks determine method to be followed in future plugs, or whether the sponsor will continue at all. Some drug accounts send special instructions with their live copy explaining just how the touchy material should be read, along with phonetic pronunciations of



the component ingredients where mentioned. Samples also are sent so the jocks can get personally acquainted with the products.

Regional Factors

A big problem, particularly to agencies, is the regional differences of jocks. The usual 175-word plug can prove far too long in Southern markets, where pace and tempo of delivery is much slower. Copy content, too, must be altered for some areas. By the same token, careful watch must be kept on progress of most jocks. Thus WCKY, Cincinnati, with a night hillbilly show, switches announcers almost monthly. The station sometimes has to yank jocks assigned to a phony "Uncle Zeb" manner, which listeners immediately can spot as put on. Straight, personalized, non-hysterical readings are musts for jocks.

Education of the jocks to the facts of advertising life also is deemed important if it can be arranged. Stations are urged by agency men to brief their platter spinners on the meaning of their jobs and their relation to the advertisers. The latter, and their agencies, seek more and better methods of gaining the jocks' interest in the spiels for more effective rendering. Thus, the Savings Bank of New York State hired a special copywriter to turn out material for Godfrey. On the other hand, Paramount Theater, which also used Godfrey, did not get desired results from straight plugs. Paramount sent Godfrey its exhibition books, which enabled him to do terrific five-minute sells because he was himself interested.

Stations use various devices for keeping their jocks on the ball. Staheavy jock programing, often sends ingly relaxed in front of the mike. segs. for them immediately after a show and asks them to explain the commercial and the product. If the plug did not register enough on the spieler so he knows these details by memory. he is fined \$5. All these points will get increasing consideration from talent and buyer alike, and on their resolution depends whether disk jockeys will thrive or die as TV grows.

PROGRAM COMMENT

Radie Harris' Chatter

The Radie Harris 15-minute chatter program about life among the luminaries is the usual offering of entertainment gossip. Miss Harris' style is knowing, easy to listen to and she actually does mention a number of things about celebrities which are newsworthy. Her major attraction this show was an interview with Jack Benny. The comedian made a good guest and got off a number of gags. The fact that she can snag big name guests should help build Miss Harris's audience. The commercials for the Dari-Rich chocolate drink told about its nourishing and refreshing qualities, a bit this show when they begin to assume too persistently for the short stanza.

Queries Still \$64

"Double or Nothing" (NBC, 2-2:30 p.m., EST., Monday thru Friday) has been around for a long time and its 10-year-old audience participation format (\$64 question and all) is beginning to sound pretty tired. However, Emsee Walter O'Keefe has an easy, good-natured approach to his emsee chores and, consequently, the broadcast runs along at a fairly smooth pace, shaping up as satisfactory entertainment bait for early p.m. listeners.

Last Wednesday's (22) show, melodramatically tagged "Baltimore Against the World," pitted a group of Baltimoreans, specially flown in for the airer, against two members of the New York studio audience, representing the "world." The questions were on the dull side, but the Western States, or the temporary fadtion manager of one outlet, with contestants were bright and surpris- ing of game to sustain noon news

unstable but brilliant Vincent Van Gogh, the stanza maintained its tension to the final fade-out. The series, which more often than not has been forced to resort to adaptations of contemporary pot-boilers, this time at least hit real pay dirt.

Any dramatization using Van Gogh as its central figure, could not help having some moments of intense drama. That this particular show was filled with such moments was due primarily to Sloane's taut characterization. Believable at all times, even when acting from a prone position, Sloane was virtually the whole show. The adaptation, direction and remainder of the cast were also helpful, of course, but basically this was a tour de force. It only goes to prove that even video can't throttle real talent, despite what some of the harsher critics have said. More TV work definitely is a must for Sloane.

LBS COAST BALLCASTS

(Continued from Page 5) be based on market size plus line charges, hence the new net may not readily compete with the Don Lee coverage, cost-wise.

Originally, Don Lee planned to begin games at 2 p.m. PST, or three hours after Eastern release. With Liberty's early broadcast, however, Don Lee will delay such network shows as Queen for a Day and Women Are Wonderful, plus lesser Coast airers. By launching games at 11 a.m., Don Lee will cut into noontime news segments which practically every one of the 45-odd network affiliates now carries. Clearing this time headache alone means wholesale reshuffle by outlets in seven

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Richards Case, Finally Open, May Set Record

(Continued from Page 4) case skedded to kick off Monday (13). Commission Counsel Frederick W. Ford, in charge of the FCC's legal battery here, ordered the hearings moved from Room 229 in the Federal Building to the State Building's Room 115, an auditorium seating 300. Lid was clamped tight at all quarters in the final pre-hearing hours with neither Ford nor Hugh Fulton, Richards' chief counsel, willing to divulge any info. Neither side would reveal plans or procedure to be followed during the first day's session.

Both sides expect local sessions to last anywhere from two to six weeks. Unlike previously skedded hearings (which were deferred), this hearing will be based on renewing of license for Richards' 50-kw. indie, KMPC, with projected license-renewing hearings probably to be held in Detroit and Cleveland where Richards owns WJR and WGAR, respectively. FCC's Ford will present news slanting complaints brought against the station owner, with Richards then presenting his side of the story to prove why he is qualified to retain his license. Previously skedded hearings were to have been held on the basis of investigating charges brought against the licensee.

Chief FCC witnesses will include former KMPC news commentator Clete Roberts and the station's former | ter Schumann, a musical-choral show news editor, George Lewin.

O'Keefe deserves plenty of credit for his slick handling of nonpros on the show.

Commercial-wise, the program doesn't miss a bet. The regular plugs, which pitch a different kind of Campbell's soup each day, are neatly phrased and shrewdly weather conscious (i.e., "Warm up and cheer up a husband with Campbell's Bean and Bacon, a hearty heman soup."). In addition, the broth outfit garners extra attention by gifting each contestant with a case of his favorite flavor during the broadcast. Additional listener interest is pegged on a "write-in-on-a-Campbell-label" sweepstake gimmick.

Sloane Clicks on TV

Last week's production of "Philco Playhouse" was one of the best, from every aspect, that this series has yet turned out. With Everett Sloane doing a remarkable job as the harried,

NBC AUDITIONS

(Continued from Page 6) writer-director-actor, and Sara's Private Eye, comedy-mystery, with Sara Berner.

In addition, following shows are set for audition within the next month: The Daley Family, with Cass Daley: Bunco Detail; Mrs. Mike, based on the Benedict and Nancy Freedman best-seller and directed by Edna Best; Court of Last Resort with Erle Stanley Gardner as writer; Penny, Starring Penny Singleton; Tim Holt Show, Western adventure series; Steve Grayce, House Detective. written by Raymond Chandler; Undercover Bureau, adventure series, featuring a gal gumshoe; Girl Detective, another fem hawkshaw, with Celeste Holm as the star and stories by Octavius Roy Cohen; The Carriage Trade Supper Club, variety show produced by Joe Rines; Major North, mystery-adventure series; Mr. Digby, comedy-mystery series, with Paul Douglas, and The Voices of Walfeaturing augmented choir and ork.

Final outcome will depend on the exact number of Coast outlets carrying LBS games. If airings are in scattered markets only, Don Lee will ignore the competition. If, as is claimed by Liberty, over 20 California outlets will carry the games, Don Lee has no choice but to fight the newcomer with revamped skeds. Web spokesman's only comment was that "we will not be scooped by Liberty or anyone at any cost."





RADIO-PHONO-TV MERCHANDISING

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

Philco, Sylvania **Deny FTC Claim Of Bias in Prices**

WASHINGTON, March 11.-Denials of Federal Trade Commission (FTC) charges of price discriminations in radio tube transactions were filed with the FTC this week by Philco Corporation and Sylvania Electric Products, Inc. Philco is charged with inducing discriminatory prices, and Sylvania with granting such prices to Philco.

Sylvania admitted that it sold tubes to Philco for resale at prices less than it sold similar tubes to its own distributors, but insisted that the differentials were justified because of cheaper costs of doing business with Philco. A second line of defense set up by Sylvania was that lower prices to Philco were made in "good faith to meet competition."

The tube maker flatly denied that the lower prices to Philco may have the effect of lessening competition or tending to monopoly. Sylvania declared that Philco is not competitively engaged with Sylvania distributors.

Lower Cost Justified

In justification of its lower cost defense, Sylvania pointed out that, in selling tubes to its own distributors, it has to "bear advertising, selling and other distribution costs" not incurred in sale of private brand tubes to set makers. Sylvania added: "Costs amounting to approximately 20 per cent of the sales price of Sylvania tubes to Sylvania distributors are saved by Sylvania in selling private brand tubes of like grade and quality to set manufacturers."

Philco also used the defense of cost justification. Its answer asserted that "it is informed by Sylvania and be-(See Philco, Sylvania Deny, page 50)

Stern Co. Announces monthly, and has plans for a Chicago Sales Staff Revamps

Private Home TV

NEW YORK, March 11. -Builders of low-cost private homes are now starting to include a television set as part of the equipment being sold with the new homes. "The world's largest builder of private homes," Levitt & Sons, announced this week, in full-page newspaper ads, that the new Levitt homes will be equipped with Admiral video sets.

Offered for sale at \$7,990, the Levitt homes also include such appliances as Bendix washing machines, G. E. stoves and refrigerators and Fasco exhaust fans.

Modern Diskery Named Distrib For K-H Video

CHICAGO, March 11 .- First record firm to expand into video set distribution was announced this week when Jules and Saul Bihari, owners of Modern, the Hollywood blues and rhythm diskery, made a deal with execs of the Kaye-Halbert video firm to take over the Culver City video manufacturers' national distrib setup. Up to now the K-H firm, which has been in the TV manufacturing biz for a year, has only had regional distribution on the Coast.

Execs of the K-H firm are Howard Halbert, Hollywood radio studio violinist; Vic Knight, radio and recording producer, and Harry Kaye, prexy of the firm, who has been in automotive distribution.

it is claimed, produces 10,000 sets solidated net profit of \$1,225,912. For

TV Set Manufacturers Hit Zoom Sales Curves; FCC's Freeze May Cool Hot Trend

vision business, at least at the manufacturers' level, is surpassing even the most optimistic predictions made at the beginning of this year. Firstquarter sales and earning figures released this week by several top video manufacturers were either recordbreaking or close to it. While no distributor or retailer sales figures are available, scattered reports tend to prove that TV sales are terrific right down the line.

Worrying some manufacturing executives, however, is the feeling that sales will take a fast dip within the next six months. These execs point out that the effect of the freeze on new stations imposed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will "have to be felt sooner or later. "A drop in sales is expected, also, because of "typical" seasonal factors.

For the first quarter of 1950, James H. Carmine, Philco executive veepee, reported that sales will be at the second highest three-month level in Philco's history. Only the last quarter of 1949, when the company registered sales of more than \$80,000,000, will exceed the first three months of this year. Crosley reported that sales are breaking all records in the company's history. While both companies included appliance sales in their figures. Crosley reported that TV businers in February was up 93 per cent and radio sales rose 175 per cent.

For the 13-week period ending K-H has a Culver City plant which, February 4, Emerson reported a con-

NEW YORK, March 11. - Tele- | a like period last year, the company's profit was \$808.845.

> Dealers, the reporting good video business, are fearful that they may be approaching a saturation point in some areas. The saturation applies, they say, to the quick sales created by general TV interest. From here on dealers expect to find extra sales efforts necessary in order to maintain volume. Lifting of the freeze by the FCC will have little effect on most of the present video markets. Only a few of the major TV areas are due for additional stations.

CINCINNATI, March 11. - The Crosley division, Avco Manufacturing Corporation, this week announced that its dollar and unit sales this year are breaking all records for the firm's 29-year history. Dollar volume in February, normally a low month for durable goods, exceeded the best month in 1949 and topped February of last year by a substantial margin. Television business for February rose 93 per cent and radio sales zoomed 175 per cent.

W. A. Blees, Avco vice-president and Crosley general sales manager, said that "the demand was actually greater than the sales figures indicated, since it has steadily exceeded our production."

John W. Craig, Avco vice-president and Crosley general manager, pointed out that since the first of the year production in the company" plants had been greatly increased to absorb the heavy demands for all Crosley products.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 11 .- A number of changes and additions to the sales force of Stern & Company, appliance and record distributors here, was announced this week by J. Donald Cohon, veepee and general manager. Milford Deitz has been shifted to Fairfield County, while Robert Demarest has been added to cover New London and Windham counties and part of Middlescx. William Weil will sell traffic appliances in Hartford County, and Sherman Chinkers, sales manager of the appliance division, also will cover the Western Massachusetts and Vermont territories as a sales supervisor for Zenith, Thor, Gibson, Toastmaster and Universal products.

Richard Gruber, sales rep in the appliance division, has been promoted to sales manager. In addition, he will supervise sales of Raytheon TV sets in Fairfield, New Haven and Middlesex counties.

Music Sales Takes Macy Sheet Counter

NEW YORK, March 11.-The sheet music department of R. H. Macy & Company, one of the few remaining outlets which still uses a piano-playing demonstrator reminiscent of the "old song-plugging days," has been taken over by Music Sales, it was learned this week. Macy's record department will still be owned and Notes on the Manufacturers operated by the department store.

While the Music Sales operation at Macy's will only involve sheet music, the rest of the company's 140 outlets include disk departments. Headed by Paul Gwirtz and Win Brookhouse, Music Sales operates the record departments in the H. L. Green and McCrory stores, in addition to department-store record sections.

Music Sales deals directly with publishers rather than thru sheet music jobbers

plant to be put into operation August 1. Presently the company is producing 14 models, ranging from a 12½-inch tube table job to a 16-inch console-type model for \$399. Altho plant is opened.

St. Louis; MS Distributing Company, Seattle.

local Mercury distributors, who will

set up two separate wings, one to handle K-H and the other to handle the projected Mercury video sets; Pan the firm does not presently make any American. Detroit; Jacobeon Tele-radio-TV-phono models, this type will vision, Cleveland; Gordon Heller be put into production when the Chi Television, Minneapolis; Melody Sales, San Francisco; Kaye-Halbert, Los K-H distributors set up thus far Angeles: Hoosier-Simples, Indianapoby Biharis include Roberts Tele Sales, lis, and Van Horne Distributing,

Brief and Important

Phono and AM-TV Receiver News Digest

Philadelphia Area Retail Activities

Almo Radio Company, parts distributor, is offering an unlimited number of prizes to the local trade for the best ideas on how the firm can be of more service to dealers, servicemen and industrial users of electronic products. . . . Adrienne R. Earley opened Bob's Television & Furniture in the Kensington shopping sector. . . . Raymond Rosen & Company, RCA Victor distributors, set up a display room of record shop fixtures in a campaign to modernize record departments in the territory.

Emerson Shipping Two New Low-Priced Radios

Emerson is making large-scale shipments of two new low-priced radio models, it was announced last week by Charles Robbins, veepee in charge of sales. Model 652 is an a.c.-d.c. set in a Bakelite cabinet priced at \$16.95, while Model 634 is a table model radio-phonograph with a three-speed changer and listed at \$89.95.

Victor Issues New 45 Catalog to Distribs

A new, revised 45 r.p.m. catalog has been issued by RCA Victor for distribution to retail record outlets. The catalog contains a listing of all 45 disks, including the Bluebird series, plus a five-page section devoted to RCA's 1950 line of 45 r.p.m. record playing equipment.

Bendix appointed Gerard Bregenzer as district merchandiser in the Minnesota and Northwestern Wisconsin territory. . . . Robert A. Starek has been named field engineer for the Sylvania Radio tube division. . . . Joshua Sieger has been elected vice-president in charge of engineering for the Freed Radio Corporation. . . . Capehart-Farnsworth elected Joseph C. Ferguson as assistant vice-president in charge of research and advanced development. . . . United Distributors has been named Capehart distributor in Louisiana and Southern Mississippi.... Sightmaster introduced a 16-inch table model receiver to list at \$299. The same set lists at \$399 with DuMont Imputuner and Sightmirror. . . . John Meck Industries appointed Harry S. Gould as director of merchandising. . . . Tele-Tone moved to expand its radio-TV development facilities last week with the establishment of a design engineering division under Henry Fogel. This One



NTDA Supports TV-Set Ad Code

WASHINGTON, March 11. --- The proposed TV-set advertising code being worked out by a committee of the Radio Manufacturers' Association (RMA) will be "strongly supported" by the National Television Dealers' Association (NTDA), the dealer group's executive director, Edwin Dempsey, told The Billboard this week.

Dempsey said, "It will be appreciated if RMA consults us before adopting the code." He added that he would take up the matter with RMA in the near future.

The proposed standards, which will probably be formally adopted by RMA at its June membership meeting, are expected to include bans on false claims of set performance and on the advertising of picture areas by playing up square-inch coverage. The code is also likely to recommend moderation in the use of ads depicting the efficacy of built-in aerials.

Bud Abbott Partner In TV Sales Outlets

CINCINNATI, March 11. - Bud Abbott, of Abbott and Costello, and Harry Ritoff, Springfield, O., manufacturer, this week filed papers for the establishment of a chain of stores for the sale of television.

To be known as the Bud Abbott Television Stores, outlets will be located in Dayton. Akron, Cleveland, Columbus, Springfield, Indianapolis and Cincinnati. The firm will be capitalized at \$250.000. with sales to be confined to video only

Ritoff is president of David's Gloves, Inc., industrial glove manufacturing firm of Springfield, where he opened the new firm's first store March 3.



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BMI A BETTER MOUSETRAP?

Morris Joining Pubs' Trek to **Radio Firm? ASCAP-ers Want To Stay**

By Jerry Wexler (Continued from page 3)

contrary persist-and they come from sources that are usually infallible in matters relating to BMI. It must be pointed out that the Morris litigation against ASCAP powers has given rise to trade speculation that Morris will be "dead" so far as ASCAP is concerned if he loses the case, and that a BMI deal provides him with a natural out. Some observers see the suit as a lever for a classification raise for Morris, neatly timed for the submittal of the new ASCAP consent decree for federal court approval.

The ASCAP powers are reported to have their backs up, however, and that includes at least one powerful indie publisher as well as the flickerconnected defendants. The indie, owner of one of the heavyweight show catalogs in ASCAP, is reported to have urged strenuously the young pubber to hold off with the suit until the consent decree was in the books, and is reportedly ready to throw his weight in with the ASCAP filmery phalanx against Morris.

Pubbers On Move

Whether Morris is tailing BMI, and whether he comes to terms with the radio-owned organization, the fact is FIELDS PKGS. TV SHOW that recent months have seen a number of solid music business veterans making the BMI gambit. If Morris moves in he will be another in the parade that has included Dave Dreyer, George Simon and Henry Spitzer. The fact is also that a raft of other pubbers-and not fly-bynighters, but men of equivalent experience and trade stature to those mentioned above-have been approaching BMI for deals, but have (BMI Better Mousetrap? on page 43) Chambers, vocalist.

"Talk" Is Neiburg's NEW YORK, March 11 .- In last week's Honor Roll of Popular Songwriters, the song It's the Talk of the Town was incorrectly credited to Al Hoffman, with co-writers Marty Symes and Jerry Livingston. The tune was written by Al Neiburg, along with Symes and Livingston, and copyrighted in 1933 by Santly-Joy.

Flanagan Fills Fem Vocal Slot

been selected for the fem vocal slot with the Ralph Flanagan ork. Harry Prime, who has been singing with the Flanagan recording ork, will continue as the band's male warbler.

All chairs were filled as the band finished rehearsal licks this week preparatory to its bow Wednesday (15) at Wrentham, Mass. Curious sidelights to the sideman selection was the filling of the drummer's spot. One applicant flew in from Oregon at his own expense to try out, failed to get the job and returned by the next plane. Another, from Canonsburg, Pa., whose father reportedly owns the barbershop mady famous by Perry Como, also missed out. A third applicant, from Atlantic City, also was turned down.

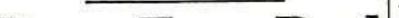
Last Steps Due **Before Consent Decree Signing**

NEW YORK, March 11. - Final steps preparatory to formal signing of the consent decree will be taken early next week-probably Monday -when execs of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) confer with Judge Vincent Leibell. The consent decree document, prepared after long negotiations between ASCAP and Department of Justice brass, is already in New York and presumably has been NEW YORK, March 11. - Thrush gone over by both ASCAP and Evelyn Joyce, of Irvington, N. J., has Leibell. However, the session early next week is considered as additional insurance that the decree will be acceptable to all parties.

In the event there are no changes or serious objections put forward, the document will be forwarded to Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard, who presumably would specify a date for a formal signing in open court. Judge Goddard signed the original decree, which will be revised by the one forthcoming.

Barring unforeseen hitches, the formal signing could materialize shortly after the ASCAP-Leibell discussion.

What the decree will cover and how it will affect the Society's operations has been handled in the last several issues of The Billboard.



Move Up a Month

NEW YORK, March 11.-Mercury Records' Veepee Joe Carlton, in a tizzy to come up with quick coverage on the fastbreaking Why Do They Always. Say No?, which makes use c: piano-roll sounds, "created" a "new" piano star for the label in the process. He did the tune with a group called "Feb September and His Bay Rum Boys." Thru the maze of honky-tonk a discerning ear word make out that, tho his style may have depreciated, the performer's name simply has been forwarded one month: on each end from the original—Jan August.

London To Hyp **Longhair Speeds**

NEW YORK, March 11.-London Records' longhair disk catalog, supervised here by Remy Farkas, will be expanded considerably this month with large releases in the LP, 45 and 78 r.p.m. categories. Altho the major product of the classical division is the 331/3 long-playing type, the 45 line, originally intended for pops, will now be broadened to include some classics as well. Within the next couple weeks 13 classical sets and a number of singles will be reissued on 45 r.p.m. platters. Eighteen new singles will also be issued simultaneously on 78 and 45. Meanwhile the heavy LP schedule will continue unabated, with 13 new microgroove releases scheduled for this month also. Among the titles to appear on 45 are Scheherezade, Schubert's Sixth Symphony, Beethoven's Emperor Concerto, Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto, Schelomo, Kalman Suite, Ballet Egyptienne and Strauss Waltzes.

NEW YORK, March 11.-Irving Fields, Victor recording artist now playing the Park Sheraton. has packaged a 30-minute TV show, produced by Arthur Modell. Titled Melody Cruise With America's Musical Ambassador, the program would feature music indigenous to different countries of the world. The format features Irving Fields's Trio, a dance team as yet not chosen, and Madeleine

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Decca Term Deal Inked by Bailey

HOLLYWOOD, March 11.-Mildred Bailey was inked to a term pact by Decca Records' topper Dave Kapp this week.

Thrush begins disking next week in Hollywood, marking her first record date since recovering from a lengthy illness.

Carle Gets Big RCA Disk Plug

NEW YORK, March 11. - RCA Victor will undertake a big promotion for Frankie Carle. The diskery is planning to push both the Carle ork in the Victor dance band program and the Carle piano recordings, which long have been established merchandising items.

Carle last week recorded his first disks for RCA, slicing 14 sides. Six etchings were done for a Design for Dancing album, with Frank Loesser songs serving as the material. Carle cut a piano and rhythm album of six sides which will be issued as Frankie Carle's Sweethearts. His ork alto sliced a couple of current pops, Spaghetti Rag and A Little More Time.

Coral Inks Coleman Trio, Folkster Day

NEW YORK, March 11 .- Coral Records this week signed two new artists and renewed its pact with another. The Cy Coleman Trio and folk warbler Jack Day, who formerly waxed for the other Decca subsid, Vocalion Records, were the new attractions for the label.

The diskery also drew up a fresh two-year paper with Kenny Roberts, country warbler who produced the as pop, Western and rhythm and label's first big hit with I Never See Maggie Alone.

500 Ops Make U. S. Rights Go to Study, at Chi Shapiro - Bernstein Capitol Catalog HOLLYWOOD, March 11.—Capito

Stress Diskery Relations

CHICAGO, March 11.-Merchandising and promoting music via the nation's juke boxes was thoroly explored by over 500 registrants at the first national convention of the Music Operators of America (MOA) at the Palmer House here Monday thru Wednesday (6-8). Also high on the agenda of visiting operators were per-(See Jukemen Probe Tune, page 42)

Additional information on the sessions at the juke box operators' convention in Chicago will be found in the Coin Machine section of The Billboard.

MOA Conclave NEW YORK, March 11.—Shapiro-Bernstein & Co., this week acquired the American sales rights to Where Can I Go?, tune which virtually every leading American publisher had been angling for. Song, which deals with the plight of displaced persons thruout the world, has set of lyrics by Leo Fuld and Sonny Miller. Music is by Sigmunt Berland. Fuld, noted international singer, is Dutch by birth, but is now an American citizen. He has been working in England, France and Scandinavian countries the last few years.

> Deal was concluded via transatlantic telephone, the American rights being obtained from John Firmin, managing director of B. Feldman & Company, original publishers in England.

Where Can I Go?, a melody in a minor key, is credited by tradesters with having tremendous potentialities.

To Aid Dealers HOLLYWOOD, March 11.-Capitol will soon issue a new catalog, claimed to be the first of its kind in purpose and design. Primary use will be in serving dealers, but its simplified format will permit ts -e as a consumer reference piece. It will not be issued directly to consumers, but is so designed as to allow patrons to look up disks while salesclerks are

Accent is on eye appeal, with catalog covers in red imitation leather and gold stamped lettering. As a three-ring binder, it will permit easy insertions of monthly supplements. It will be sold to subs 'bers at \$4 per year. Basic change in the new catalog is a simplified numbering system in which the diskery las elin nated all unnecessary prefixes heretofore used to determine disk category. Furthermore, the new system lumps logether a number of categories into a single group such (See CAPITOL CATALOG, page 43)



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ASCAP MULLS NEW PUB RATE

Dixieland Tunes

HOLLYWOOD, March 11 .- Mills Music is dusting off its Dixieland catalog in an all-out drive to cash in on the current levee music craze. Boasting several hundred Dixieland tunes in its storehouse of oldies, Mills's Coast topper, Paul Mills, said pubbery is currently contacting all Dixieland orks and record companies to "remind them" of Mills's properties.

Among Mills's Dixie properties are such standards as Floating Down the Old Green River, which will be featured in a forthcoming 20th Century-Fox musical; How Come You Do Me Like You Do?, My Honey's Loving Arms, Riverboat Shuffle, When My Sugar Walks Down the Street and Does the Spearmint Lose Its Flavor on the Bedpost Overnight, recently recorded by Benny Strong on Capitol.

With diskers looking for new material and building Dixie combos, Mills feels that many of the oldies are ripe for a second shot at the best seller ranks. Only danger, which might kill off the new bonanza, is that many artists and diskers may rush Dixieland too fast. Caution and calculation are essential to prevent mushrooming success and sudden death, Mills holds.



NEW YORK, March 11.-MGM Records will celebrate its third anniversary this month with a series of special promotions thruout the parent Loew's organization. Loew's theaters will bring the anniversary to the public in the guise of special MGM disk lobby displays. In the two years of its existence the diskery has made a decided impression in the wax business structure, having built a list of imposing payment of the 20 per cent cabaret record names such as Billy Eckstine, stipend. Hank Williams, Art Mooney and Blue Barron. The diskery also introduced National Ballroom Operators' Assothe movie sound track disk album, which will soon be employed again for a pair of packages taken from coming MGM flick musical specials, Nancy Goes to Rio and Annie, Get Your Gun.

Mills Resurrects Tributes A-Plenty Skedded for Tune's Age, Will Rossiter, Music's Old Man Perfs Basis

(Continued from Page 3) houses, night clubs, restaurants and in the affairs of Rossiter Music. radio stations in the crystal-set era. Today most of his plugging is done by the colorful "Kishwaukee" Jack Harmer, who reckons that he's contacted for Uncle Will in 47 States and the territory of Hawaii. Rossiter still operates a large catalog of standards, hymns and marches. His kid brother, Harold, who has retired to Florida, is in his late 70's. Harold sold out his catalog to Paull Pioneer after divvying with Uncle Will some years back and called it a career. Mrs. Will Rossiter, who is still on the sunny



CHICAGO, March 11.-Treasury Department execs last week appealed the January 10 decision of U. S. District Judge Henry H. Graven, as was previously predicted in The Billboard. Appeal was filed March 8 in Des Moines. Judge Graven's decision reversed a previous decision by Judge Sherman Minton in the case of the Avalon Ballroom Corporation, La Crosse, Wis. In the Minton decision, it was held that Ted Jankowski, Avalon op, was responsible for the 20 per cent cabaret tax payments. Using the Minton decision as a precedent, certain collectors of the

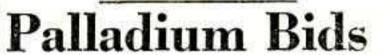
side of 80. maintains a keen interest

By way of a plug, be it known that Uncle Will's current song, written and published by himself, is called You Haven't Changed, a grand title for Uncle Will by our way of thinking.

Art Mooney Inks Pact With ABC

NEW YORK, March 11. - Art Mooney late last week inked a management pact with the Associated Booking Corporation (ABC), thus dispelling much trade speculation over the orkster's eventual booking affiliations.

Mooney, who currently is working at the Capitol Theater here, is readying a road package which will house a number of acts. Emphasis will be on hillbilly type entertainment. Mooney originally was booked by ABC but left that agency about six months ago to go with Music Corporation of America (MCA). Some financial difficulty killed that deal and the orkster moved into the General Artists Corporation (GAC) fold. When the GAC deal didn't work out, Mooney worked dates secured by himself and/or independent booker sources.



For Pay-Off

End Squawks?

NEW YORK, March 11 .- A new plan of publisher-classification, based entirely on performances, has the backing of some of the most highlyrated music publishers within the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP). The plan was broached at a publishers' classification meeting Wednesday (8), during a session attended by nine of the 12 members of the classification committee. Four of them, representing top rank indie and film publishing firms, plumped for the projected plan. It was stated that the remaining five offered no strong objections.

Currently the publishers' classification is based upon performances, availability and seniority, each of these factors counting, in the order given, for 55 per cent, 30 per cent and 15 per cent.

The projected plan would do away with the above break-down. Instead, each song in a publisher's catalog would receive a rating, this rating to be based upon the song's seniority value. In other words, it is felt that a song which has persisted for many years should have a higher rating than one which is relatively new. What each song pays off would be dependent upon the total number of performances multiplied by the tune's basic rating. A tune three years old, for instance, might have a basic rating of three, as against 15 for a number 15 years old. Granted that each was performed 100 times, the first would get a pay-off on a base of 300, while the oldie's base would be 1,500.

Internal Revenue Department in various parts of the country started collecting 20 per cent cabaret tax payments from ballroom ops.

Graven ruled that ballrooms were never meant to be classified under Section 1700 (E) of the amusement tax statute, specifying that cabarets and roof gardens were liable for

Tom Roberts, legal counsel of the ciation, told The Billboard that he is currently preparing a brief which will be filed with the court, after be set.

25G for Sinatra

HOLLYWOOD, March 11.-Frank Sinatra has been offered a deal for two weeks at London' Palladium, beginning June 6, at a flat \$25,000 for the date, plus transportation expenses. Deal is currently being negotiated here, with final papers expected to be inked shortly.

Also in the works is a two-week stint at the Chicago Theater, Chicago, beginning May 19. The Voice will get \$20,000 per frame as a packaged which a hearing on the appeal will price, out of which he pays for ork and supporting acts.

Details of the plan are not yet worked out, but of course the different types of performances would have different values. That is, a commercial airing would be worth more than a plug on a sustainer, etc., as is the case under the present system.

Rate Tune, Not Pub

The concept of song seniority, it is pointed out, varies from the principle of seniority in the present publisherclassification system. In the latter method, seniority has reference to the length of time a publisher's works have been available to ASCAP. The new plan would rate the individual song.

The projected plan, in addition to doing away with the current factor of publishers' seniority, also does away with the concept of availability as it is now understood and determined. Availability, which counts for 30 per cent in the present classification method, attempts to place an accurate value upon such intangibles as "vogue," "nature," "character" and "prestige" as applied to songs.

Publishers and ASCAP classification committees have attempted for years to arrive at a fair, mathematical yardstick for the determination of availability, but this has been impossible. As a result, the factor of availability has given rise to countless squawks on the part of publishers, each publisher being under the impression that his catalogs should have a stronger availability-rating than that fixed by ASCAP.

Availability has also been a bone of contention between those publishers with strong standard catalogs, and those who are potent in the pop field. Latter have always felt that performances should be the primary (See ASCAP MULLING on page 43)

Guns at Kidisk Mail Order Biz

(Continued from page 3) year, entitling the buyer to one disk per month. The ads offer a free disk to each joiner, who may, however, cancel his membership within excitement in the trade this week. 10 days if not satisfied. The disks do It was learned that a number of not have to be returned, in the event songwriters, some in high classificaof a cancellation. A 16-page booklet, Your Child Is Musical, written by key authorities, also is given free. Other bonus disks will be worked into the set-up gradually.

The repertoire is divided into two groups: One for the two-to-four age the Warner music enterprises, stated group, the other for the five-to-eight it would be "silly" to aignify the group. One release will be issued Morris charges with a statement. Starr each month in each classification. This week a session is skedded with film publishers had a preponderant David Wayne, of Mr. Roberts and Finian's Rainbow. Another set has been commissioned with music by Bernard Wagenaar.

Plans are under way for conventional trade distribution thru regular jobbers and salesmen. This operation would supplement the direct mail plan.

Record Guild Aims Trade Excited Over Morris **Suit: Others To Join Action?**

the Buddy Morris suit against film companies and their subsidiary music organizations, charging restraint of trade, continued to raise a froth of tion brackets and several indie publishers, offered to join Morris in his action.

Meanwhile little officia; comment on the suit was made by film-publisher brass. Herman Starr, chief of termed "ridiculous" the charge that control in the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP). "There's only Abe Olman (Metro Music chief) and myself," said Starr, referring to the fact that no other representatives of film companies were on the ASCAP board. "If they don't vote for me, I don't get elected." he continued. He added that

NEW YORK, March 11 .--- Filing of | ASCAP's board meetings are battles, that nobody controls anybody, that individualism is rife and everybody says what he wants to say-and finally: "I don't represent picture companies-I represent everybody-ASCAP."

Indies Divided

Altho it is known that a number of indies-both writers and pubsare sentimentally and philosophically in accord with Morris's suit, it was also ascertained that a number of large indie music men stalwarts in the Society, disapprove of the Morris action. Apropos of Morris's claim that film-controlled pubs have a stranglehold on top writer talent, one noted indie pubber pointed out that a flock of top-grade tunesmiths, including Oscar Hammerstein II, Richard Rogers, Irving Berlin and others were not under contract to film companies. It was also claimed that the number of song hits stemming from films and published by film subsids has been rather sparse in recent years.



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LET'S GO BACK TO THE PLUG Pubbers Plot New Sunday Jazz Songs-on-Wax

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Seek Return of Focus

Contact Plan

By Hal Webman

NEW YORK, March 11.-Some pubbers, who have watched Tin Pan Alley become subservient to the demands of the mechanical recording firms, are laying the groundwork to make use of the commercial disk as a means of again establishing the publisher as the vital force in the music industry.

The recalcitrant pubbers are hatching a plan to place men strategically in key record markets. These men, to be spread in at least the 10 key markets in the country, will make personal contact with juke box ops, disk jockeys, key retail outlets and distributors in respective territories. The publisher field men would promote their employer's waxed tunes in each type of local disk market and would attend to any other type of localized exploitation which could hypo a song in the given territory.

Pubbers' Set-Up

Economically, it is pointed out, the publisher investment would be on a par with the maintenance of a medium-sized pubber's professional P. Higgins, with Columbia Records staff. Under the projected plan, the since 1938 as assistant to the dipubber would hire collegians at salaries of between \$50 and \$75 per week and allow for incidental expenses averaging between these same figures per week. The top cost per territory would run approximately \$150 and the 10 territory total would border on \$1,500 each week. "That \$1,500 would just about cover the pay roll of a professional staff and the expensive proposition (these days) of drawing live plugs," said one pubber. In addition, this type of organization has a flexibility which would allow a pubber to make use of the field men only at such times as he has tunes to peddle. In interim periods the pubber could either fire or lay off his field agents until such time as new material is available for the territorial hypos.

Sessions May Hyp Nitery Biz in D.C.

WASHINGTON, March 11 .- In the nation's capital where nitery business is little better than fair and Sunday is a virtual blank spot on the calendar, an enterprising disk jockey and a club have combined to launch a series of Sunday afternoon hot jazz sessions which may turn out to be the current nitery season's best stunt.

With Willis Conover, WWDC, providing the emseeing as well as the band, and Louis and Alex's the locale, the first session Sunday (5) drew a packed house of stamping, shouting hot-music fans, despite the fact that Conover's plugs on his air show were the only publicity. Louis and Alex's, one of the better clubs in the capital's Negro district, pursues a non-segregation policy, and the audience was about 60 per cent white. Music was provided by a five-piece ork, the Capital City Jazz Band, whose Dixieland style was lapped up by the crowd. Dinah Washington, an added attraction, also went over big.



NEW YORK, March 11 .- Joseph rector of pop a. & r., and for a time in charge of Columbia's Hollywood pop a. & r. division, was named associate director of the organization this week. Goddard Lieberson, who announced the promotion, also named Percy Faith as musical director.

Move On for Disk Dealers' Confab at NAMM Convention

be sent within the next three weeks swift shift of retailers, especially on to approximately 12,000 record retailers in the nation, asking their suggestions and co-operation in organizing a national disk dealers' convention in conjunction with the 1950 confab of the National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) in Chicago July 10-12. The letter, together with a four-page questionnairebrochure, was recommended at a meeting of the local Record Retailers' Association (RRA) Tuesday (7).

While the RRA has talked of a national convention to jell retailers' ideas and comments on current trends in their segment of the disk biz, first concrete suggestions were made at the meeting last week. Following a discussion of current evils in the retail side of the wax biz, it was decided to try to co-ordinate nationally all record retailers in a concerted cooperative program with diskeries. The letter is currently being prepared by Ted Raynor, legal counsel for RRA. It will be mailed in conjunction with the weekly mailings of two different disk directory services. Included in the questionnaire will be queries as to what retailers feel are current problems of the retail and of the biz and organization questions. RRA members passed a motion to send letters to all record makers, asking that they consider a 10 per cent return privilege, which would double the current 5 per cent rebate plan.

CHICAGO, March 11.-Letters will tected. Dealers pointed out that the the part of the smaller indie labels. has left them holding the bag or. return disks and credit allowances in many instances.

A central grievance committee is being formed to investigate all complaints by members and dealers of unethical business practices, either on the part of the retailer, distributor or maker. Committee was formed after it was reported that dealers are being forced to take tie-in sales of merchandise. Other dealers reported that certain dealers are being favored in not having to pay cartage for suburban delivery, while others must fork over to the truckers. It was also reported that certain diskeries are opening up new franchise holders in the immediate vicinities, which threaten to overcrowd certain parts of the local market.

D. C. Sets NAMM Regional Confab

WASHINGTON, March 11. - A heavy turnout is anticipated for the East Central States regional conference here of the National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) March 27-28. The conference's opening luncheon March 27 will feature an address by NAMM's Rowland W. Members feel that this should espe- Jones Jr., on The Need for an Ex-

Approach to Disker

With such an organization under his belt the pubber is fortified to approach the disker and contend that efforts to keep intact the Househe is participating in the merchandising of a waxery's product. And the pubber can show that his tunes are being given a maximum exploitation effort. In this way the pubber believes that he can create some sort of control on the music market as well as in the selection of material at a diskery.

As the business is constructed today, a pubber's uncertainty as to what a disker will go for or what the jockeys will spin has led to a point where the publisher's plug song has virtually disappeared. The average pubber, as a result of the uncertainty, has taken to a practice of submitting as much material as he is able to find to the diskers, leaving the latter to do the picking. As a consequence, some believe, the music business has fallen into the grasp of sounds and gimmicks and away from the legitimate type of Brill Building product.

No "Cut-Ins"?

In addition, the pubber, in an effort to draw as many recordings as he can. has resorted to lowering mechanical royalty rates, "cut-in" deals with artists and diskers, etc. But the pubbers who are seeking to bring the focus of the business back to them- textile firm or a shoe business.

Both men will work under the direction of Mitch Miller, director of Columbia's pop record division.

cially be the concern of those firms which are releasing disks on all three speeds, thus forcing the retailer to handle three separate inventories on the same release. In addition, the letter will ask that all manufacturers send retailers a 30-day notice when they propose a change of distributors. so that the necessary credits and allowances to these dealers can be aro-

AFM May Skip Appearance At Social Security Hearing

ican Federation of Musicians (AFM) will skip a public appearance at the Social Security hearings and confine itself to a written statement in its approved section legalizing the outlawed Form B contracts, Senate Finance Committee staffers told The Billboard this week. The off-stage tactics are in complete contrast to theater and ballroom operator representatives who appeared in person before the committee Monday (6) to oppose the section.

Finance committee will close public sessions on HR 6000, the Social Security bill, March 24 and then meet for two or three weeks behind closed doors to discuss testimony and vote on various provisions of the measure. In view of the extreme controversy raised over the section to shift back to band buyers the responsibility for

selves-"and let us not forget that we are still the primary source of song supply," they say-point out that "we can't make a living out of cutins or similar types of deals."

These publishers, aware that they are bolting the music business convention, contend that the mechanization of the industry has pushed aside the glamour and forced the publisher to take steps to build business organizations which will parallel that of a

WASHINGTON, March 11 .- Amer- | the Social Security tax, it appears certain that a separate committee vote will be held on this provision. The AFM statement will call upon the committee to keep in the bill the definition of employer - employee which was put in by the House Ways and Means Committee for the stated purpose of reversing the Supreme Court decision ruling illegal the Form B contracts which made the location the band's employer rather than the band leader.

> The high court decision came in the case of Bartels vs. Birmingham and made the leader responsible for collecting the pay roll tax from sidemen, contributing the employer part of the tax, and handling the maze of bookkeeping involved. The House version of HR 6000 would again place these chores on the location.

The chances of ballroom operators to get the committee to reject the House version were enhanced this week when Warner Bros., Paramount, Radio-Keith-Orpheum (RKO) and National Theaters Corporation joined the operators in opposing legalization of the Form B's. Speaking for the theater outfits, which hire numerous bands for vaude appearances, Carter T. Barron urged the committee to reject the House section. Representing the National Ballroom Operators' Association (NBOA), J. A. Osherman voiced the group's opposition to the the show and is reportedly dickering House language.

panding Economy.

The first afternoon's business will highlight talks on markets and selling methods. The March 28 morning session will comprise Basic Instruction in Music, with a class piano demonstration and speakers on instrumental and choral music. A promotion film, Moving Ahead With Music, will be presented at the luncheon that day, and the afternoon session will present discussions on wholesaling, advertising, television and electronics teaching.

The Washington committee is cochaired by Earl Campbell, of Campbell Music Company; Hugo Worch Jr., of Hugo Worch Company, and Robert P. Isbell of Jordan Piano Company.

Martin Into TV Via Talent Seg

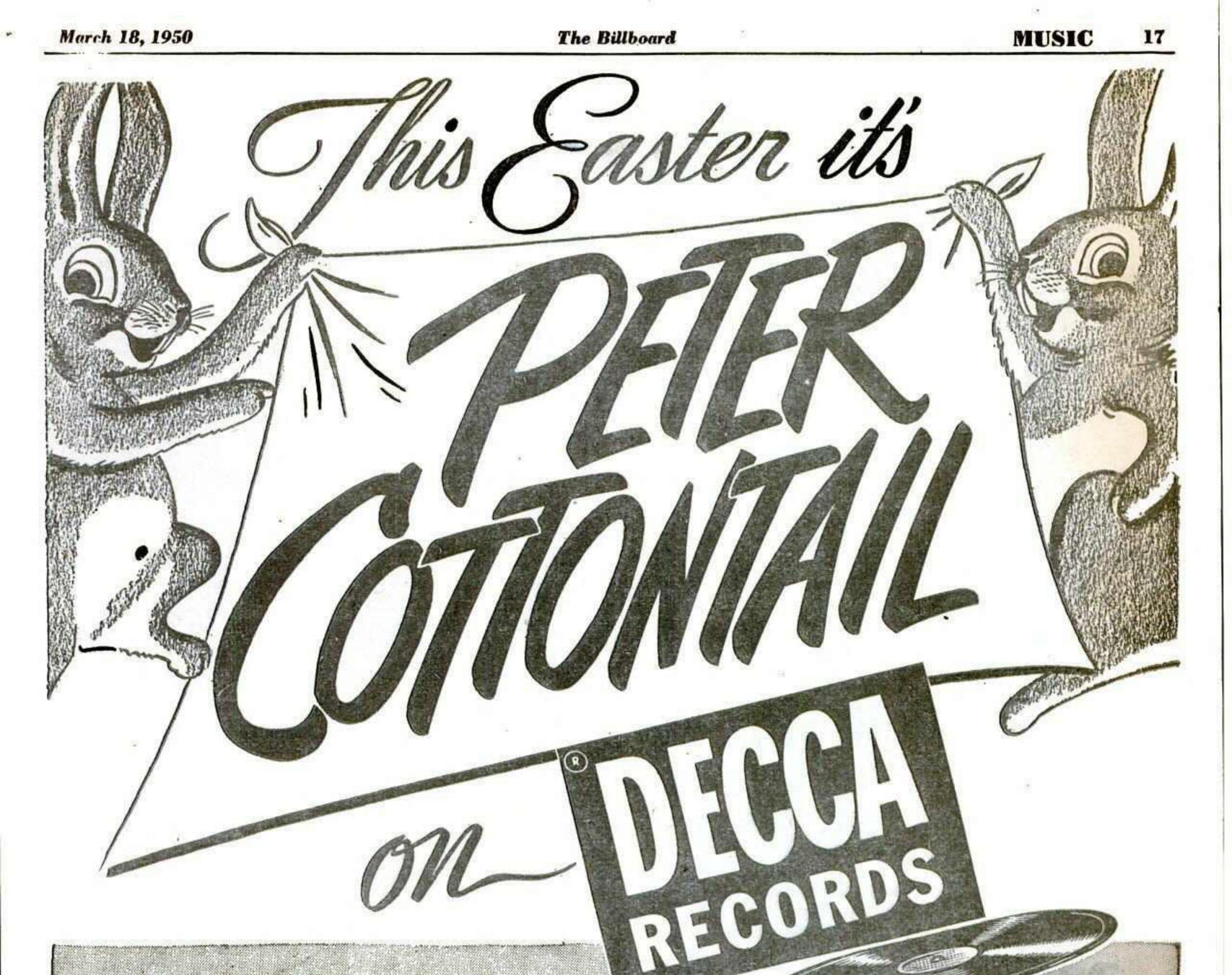
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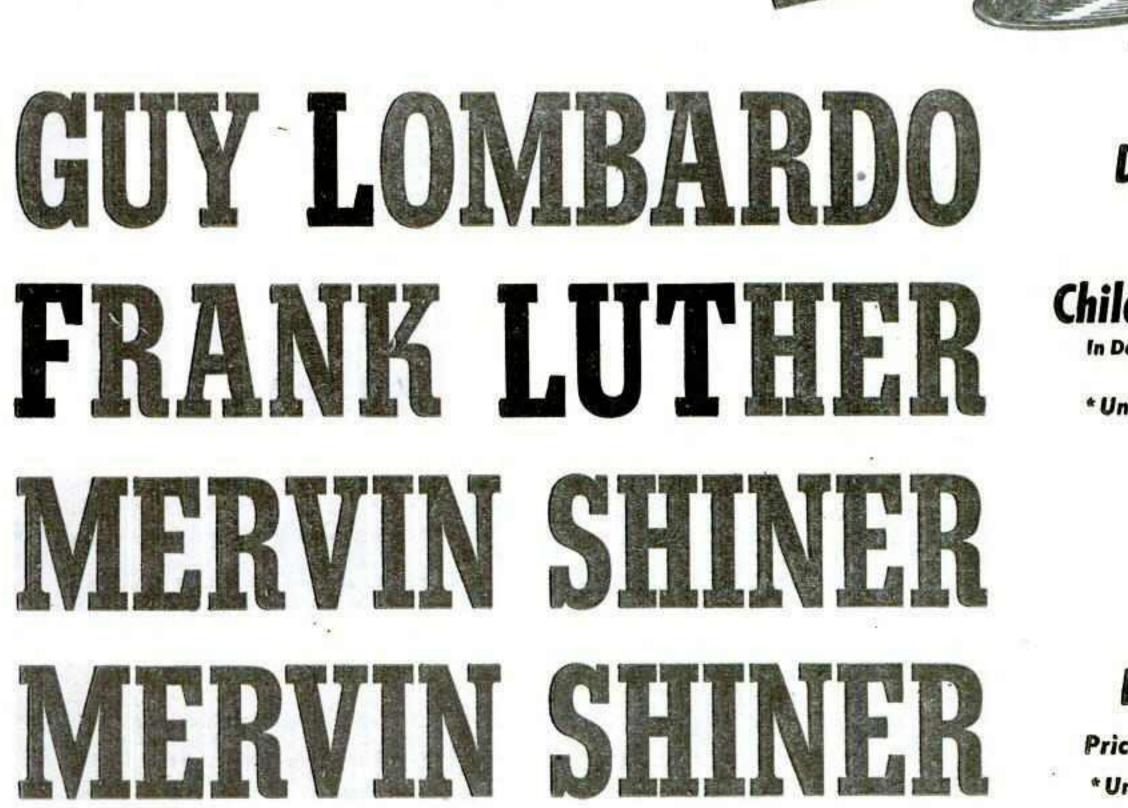
on to another tele town where bandbuilding process is repeated. Martin intends to build a number of bands thruout the nation and will eventually stage a competition between all the bands for selection of the tor aggregation.

Project is the brainchild of Martin's personal manager, Arthur Michaud, who with KTTV topper, Harrison Dunham, mapped the entire program. Winning bands will be handled by Michaud. Bands will be built gradually by sections from one week to the next. Sidemen will be replaced thru the weeks as new contestants prove their superiority to previous winners. Board of judges and studio audience will select the winners. Participants will be paid for their time. Also in the works, are plans for an all-girl Band of Temorrow created via similar means.

Negotiations are currently under way with other tele outlets to serve as origination points for the show when Martin plays those areas. KTTV will handle kined versions of with a sponsor for the series.







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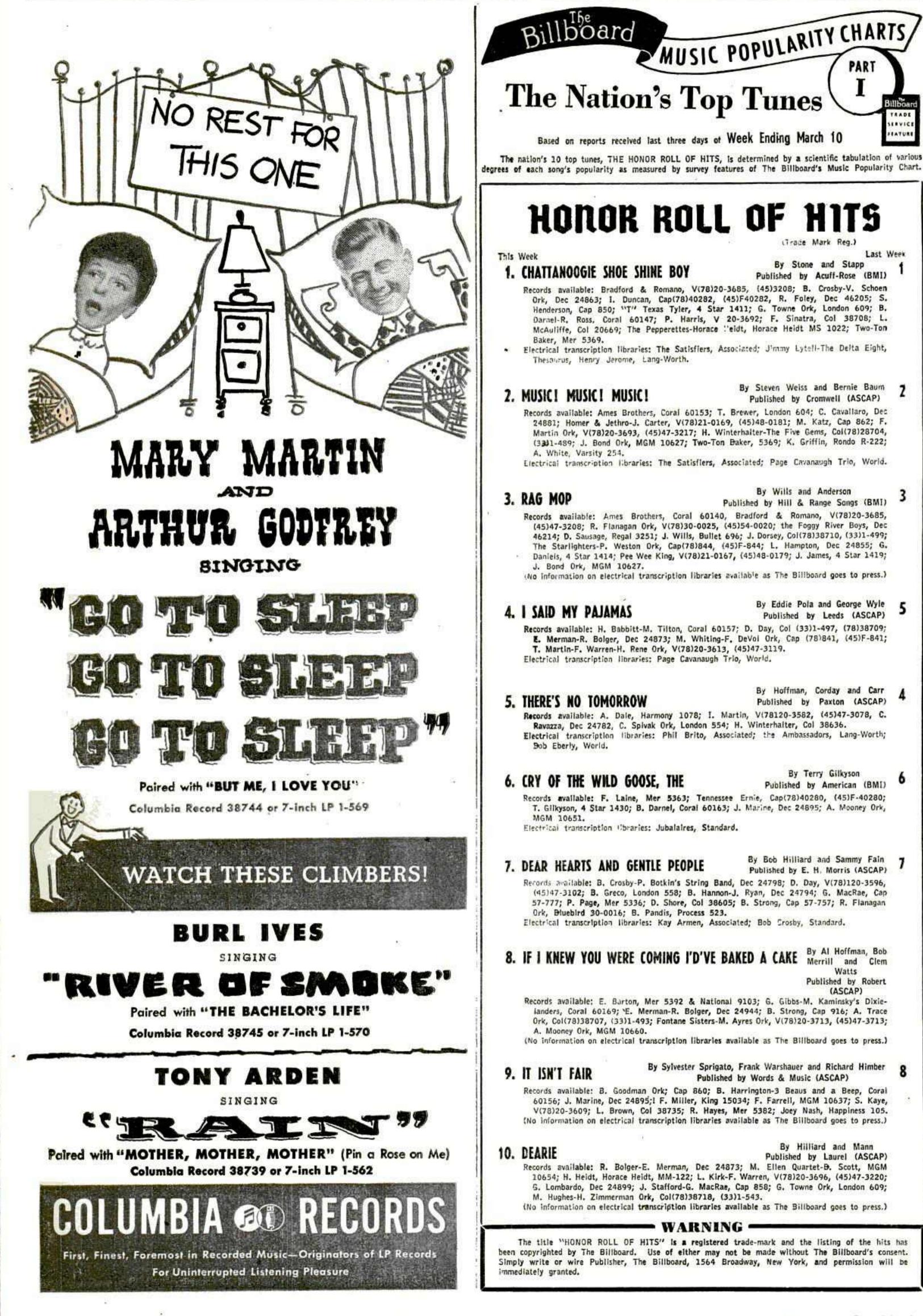
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AMERICA'S FASTEST SELLING RECORDS







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MUSIC 19

This week's *Eur Heleases* ... on RCA Victor RELEASE 50-11 POPULAR MINDY CARSON AND DON CORNELL Go To Sleep, Go To Sleep, Go To Sleep Ask Me No Questions (and I'll Tell 20-3718-(47-3718)* You No Lies FRANKIE CARLE Spaghetti Rag A Little More Time 20-3719-(47-3719)* THE HONEYDREAMERS Silver Dollar Plaything (To You) 20-3720-(47-3720)* GENE KRUPA Dust These Foolish Things Remind Me of 20-3721-(47-3721)* You THE THREE SUNS Blue Prelude I May Hate Myself in the Morning (for Falling in Love Tonight) 20-3722-(47-3722)*

NOTE:	All records in this panel are listed alphabetically by song title. indicates records which, according to actual sales, are recognized hits. The trade is urged to keep ample stocks of these records on hand, or to reorder promptly when current stocks begin to approach the "sold-out" stage. designates that record is one of RCA Victor's "Certain Seven"—among the leading	
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BLUEBIRD

LUCYANN POLK

It's So Nice To Have a Man Around the House

(If I Knew You Were Comin') I'd've Baked a Cake 30-0027-(54-0027)*

POP SPECIALTY

MERRY MUSETTE Chug-a-Lug Polka Chalet in the Valley 25-1152-(51-0059)*

ELTON BRITT AND ROSALIE ALLEN Acres of Diamonds (Mountains of Gold) Prairieland Polka 21-0302—(48-0302)*

HANK SHAW

I Wonder Where You Are Tonight The Drunkard's Son 21-0303—(48-0303)*

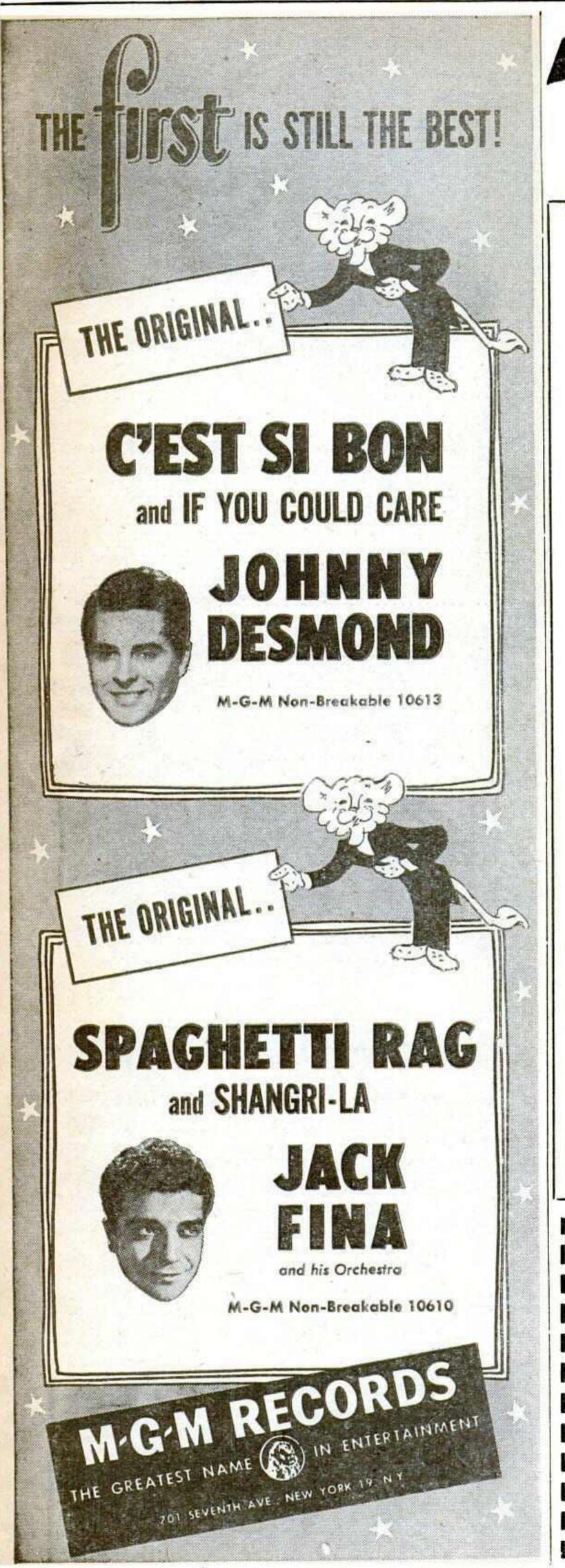
BLUES

THE FOUR TUNES Am I Blue? There Goes My Heart 22-0072-(50-0072)*











G SHEET MUSIC

Tunes listed are the national best sheet music sellers. List is based on reports received each week from all the nation's sheet music jobbers. Songs are listed according to greatest number of sales; (F) indicates tune is "n a film; (M) indicates tune is in legit musical- (P) indicates tune is available on records.

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13	5	5.	THERE'S NO TOMORROW (R)Paxton
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1		7.	IF I KNEW YOU WERE COMIN' I'D'VE BAKED & CAKE (R)Robert
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6	10	10.	DADDY'S LITTLE GIRL (R)Beacon
4	15	11,	ENJOY YOURSELF (R)E. H. Morris
7	8	12.	RAG MOP (R)Hill & Range
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7	15	15.	SCOTTISH SAMBA
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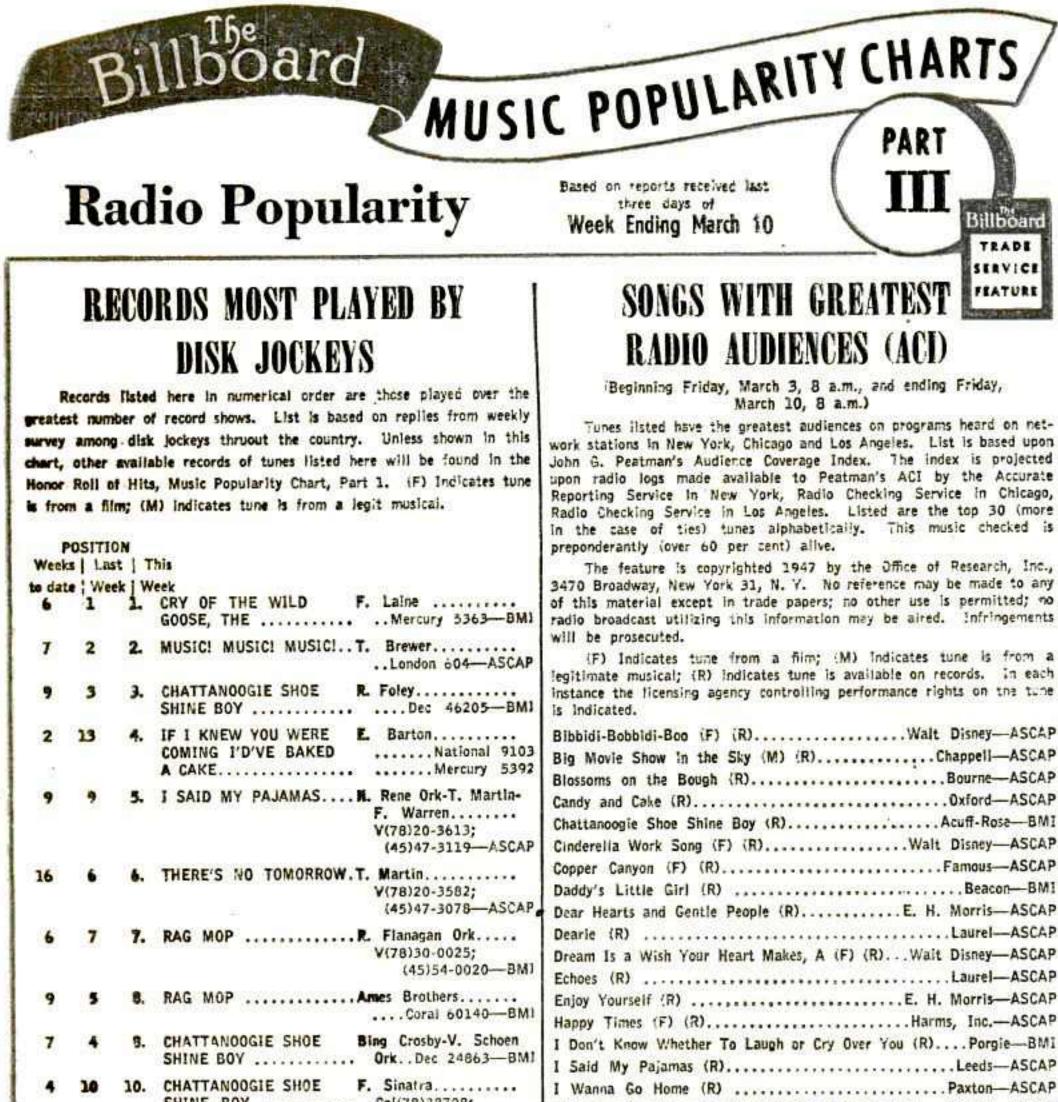
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JUMP 'N' JIVE . . . Ned (Jack the Bellboy) Lukens, WEAS, Decatur, Ga., is now running the lengthiest rhythm and blues show in the Southeast, from 2:35 to 5:25 every day. . . . Action on the Larry (Doc Jive) Shields show, WFRP, Savannah, Ga., includes setting a \$1,000 March of Dimes quota for listeners, a guest appearance by Bull Moose Jackson and the naming of Shields as "jivemaster" by Georgia State College students. . . . Chazz Roye, WHBO, Sulphur Springs, Fla., is spinning the disks on three shows a day, TNT; Jive, Jump and Jazz and Club 1050. . . . Jesse Price, Jay Mc-Shann and Walter Brown guested on the Lloyd Harvey Mostly Music show, WGEM, Quincy, Ill. . . . Johnny Martin, WERD, Atlanta, recently started a half-hour gospel music show in addition to his rhythm and blues opus, and still makes his regular Saturday series of phone interviews with artists.

CONNECTICUTTINGS . . . Mindy

Carson, in Hartford for personal appearances at the State Theater, took time out to gab with Elliott Miller, WTHT disk jockey, and Sid Byrnes, WCCC program director-disk jockey, on their air shows. . . . Some 100 junior disk jockeys and their guests attended a party given them by WCCC the other afternoon in the station's studios. Two representatives from each of some 20 Hartford area schools participate in WCCC's daily Junior Disk Jockey Show. . . . Leif Jenson, WDRC, Hartford, and Jack Downey, WONS, Hartford, are back at their respective stations after vacations. . . . Gene Vallon is handling a new request show, Winsted on Parade, over WLCR, Torrington, Conn. The show, aired Monday thru Friday from 1:05 to 2 p.m., is aimed at residents of nearby Winsted. . . . Fred Allen, WNAB, Bridgeport, launched an unusual contest on his Just Reminiscing program. Inasmuch as no Pulitzer prizes are awarded for songs, he is undertaking to ascertain which song, in the opinion of listeners, would have received such an award in past years if such awards were given. Using Decca's Songs of Our Times albums, containing tunes from 1917 to 1943, he invites listeners to send in 50-word letters naming one song on his program and explaining, in the writer's opinion, why that song merits an award. . . . Lou Brooks, WCNX, ve Baked a Cake (R)....Robert-ASCAP Middletown, has a tie-up with the Palace Theater in that city, offering guest tickets to listeners guess-.....Chappell—ASCAP ing the correct titles of tunes played under theCromwell—ASCAP heading of "Mystery Tunes" on Brook's morning Santly-Joy-ASCAP 1150 Club show. . . . Carter Clements is handling Moonlight Matinee, aired from 9 to 12 p.m., MondayE. H. Morris-ASCAP thru Saturday on WHAY, New Britain. . . . Allen Brown, formerly on WMMW, Meriden, has launched Shapiro-Bernstein-ASCAP a new WHAY disk show, called The Allen Brown Show, aired from 3 to 4 p.m., Mondays thru Fri-(R).....Chappell—ASCAP days. . . . Kris Martin and Joe Fennessey are han-dling a 7:15 to 8:15 a.m. disk show on WACE,Paxton—ASCAP Chicopee, Mass. Martin, incidentally, is also airing Advanced—ASCAP -----Famous-ASCAP a show called Lunchtyme, broadcast from the Hotel Bridgeway, Springfield, Mass., from 12:35 to 1 p.m., Monday thru Friday. . . . Ross Miller, disk jockey on Juke Box Jingles, WTIC, Hartford, went down to New York to record interviews with the stars of the greatest number of key radio plugs ac-Broadway musical, Texas L'il Darlin'. He used the d by the Richard Himber (RH) logging I are computed as follows: 1 point per recordings-along with music from the show-on his nts per sustaining vocal; 3 points for program. . . . Bill Elliott, WLIZ, Bridgeport, Conn., ints per commercial vocal. Thus, comhas launched a daily three-hour stint, from 6 to York, Chicago and California would re-9 a.m., with the program interrupted only for fiveminute newscasts at 7 and 8 a.m., for Manning film; (M) indicates tune is from legiti-Slater's early-morning sportscasts at 7:15 and the local weather bureau report at 7:30. . . . Bill Murphy, who has been doing the early disk show on WLIZ, has left for an announcing job at Tot. P. WAVZ, New Haven, Conn. . . . Eric Powers, who has emseed Jazz Band Ball over WBRY, Water-bury, Conn., for some time, has left on a West Coast trip, with Don Lowe relieving on the air show. . . . Wamp Carlson is now doing a disk show on WHAY, New Britain, Conn., at 9:30 a.m. e.....E. H. Morris......129 daily.

			(LP)1-496-BMJ	If I Knew You Were Comin' I'd've Baked a Cake (R)Robert-ASCAP
7	11	11.	IT ISN'T FAIRS. Kaye Ork	Little Gray House (R)Chappell—ASCAP Music! Music! Music! (R)Cromwell—ASCAP
1.57			V(78)20-3609;	My Foolish Heart (F) (R)Santly-Joy-ASCAP
			(45)47-3115—ASCAP	
2		12.		Old Master Painter, The (R)Robbins-ASCAP
			SHINE BOY V(78)20-3692;	Quickselver (R)E. H. Morris-ASCAP
			(45)47-3216-BMJ	Rag Mop (R)BMI & Range-BMI
4	¥	13.	SENTIMENTAL ME Ames Brothers	Sitting by the Window (R)Shapiro-Bernstein-ASCAP
			Coral 60140-BMJ	Some Enchanted Evening (M) (R)Chappell—ASCAP
		-		There's No Tomorrow (R)
6	23	14.	RAG MOP L. Wills	With My Eyes Wide Open (R)Advanced—ASCAP You Missed the Boat (R)Advanced—ASCAP
		1.22.12.2	Bullet 696—BMI	You're Wonderiul (F) (R)
2	12	15.	RAG MOP Dorsey	OH OVORTHIN
			Col(78)39710; (LP)1-499-BM1	(RH SYSTEM)
5	27	16.	CRY OF THE WILD Tennessee Ernie	Tunes listed received the greatest number of key radio plugs ac-
			GOOSE, THE Cap(78)40280; (45)F40280-BMI	cording to information supplied by the Richard Himber (RH) logging
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			(45)47-3217-ASCAP	Songs Publisher Tot. P.
2	25	20.	IT'S SO NICE TO HAVE D. Shore	Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo (F)
			A MAN AROUND THE Col(78)35689; HOUSE	Candy and Cake 36
5	12	21.		Chattanoogie Shoe Shine BoyAcum-Rose
2	-		Starlighters	Copper Canyon (F)
			Cap(78)844;	Dear Hearts and Gentle People E. H. Morris 129
			(45)F844—BMJ	Dearie
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			GENTLE PEOPLE Col(78)38605; (LP)1-368-ASCAP	God's Country
2		99	I SAID MY PAJAMAS F. DeVol Ork-M.	I Can Dream, Can't I? 62
*	1.1		Whiting	I Don't Know Whether To Laugh Or C-y
			Cap(78)841;	Over You
			(45)F481-ASCAP	I Said My Pajamas
1		22.	DEARIE Kirk-F. Warren	a Cake
			V(78)20-3696; (45)47-3220—A5CAP	It Isn't Fair 63
2		25	QUICKSILVERDoris Day	Jumisun nay
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			(LP)1-497-ASCAP	
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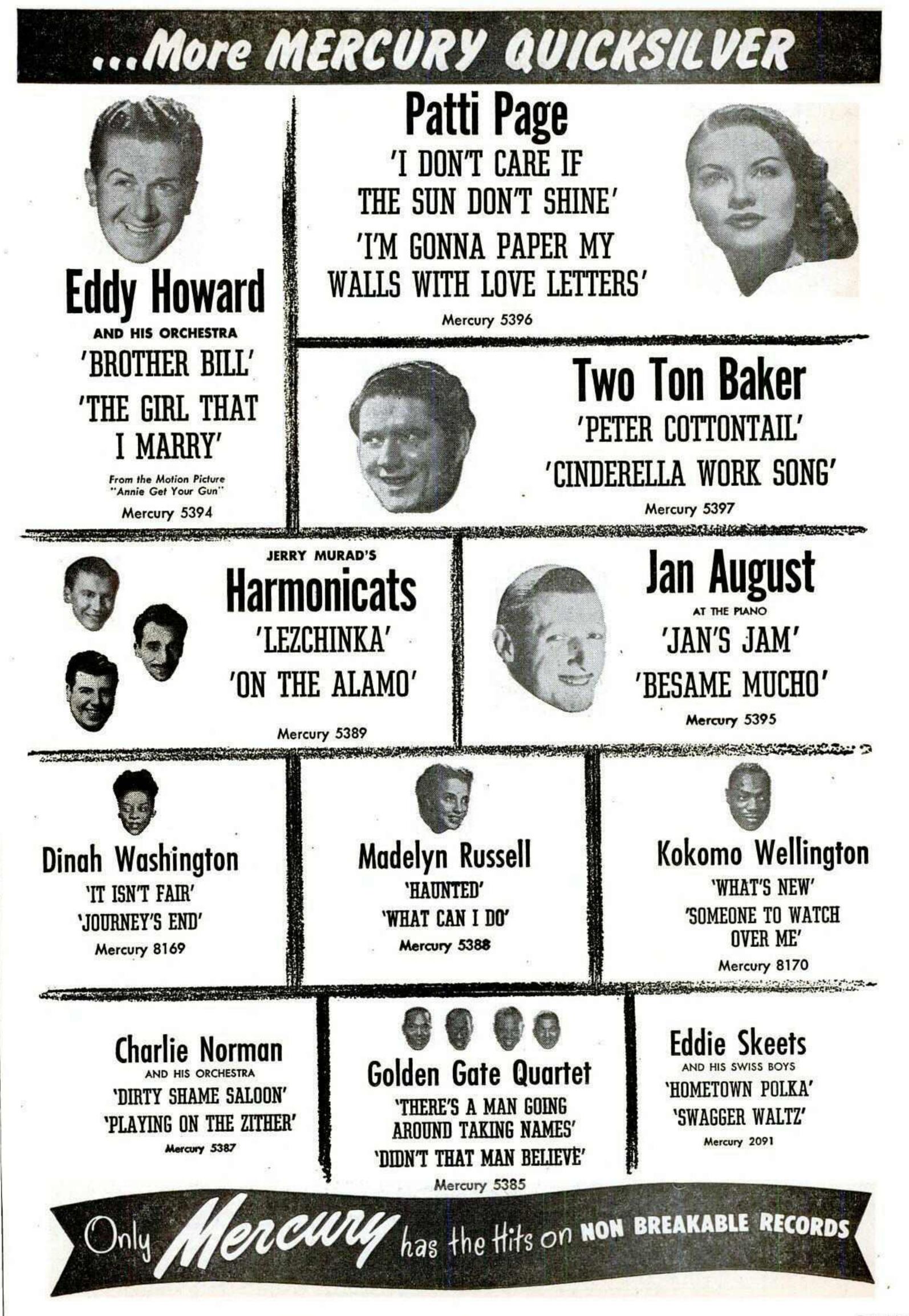
PHILLY PHADDLE . . . Ramon Bruce (WHAT) has been inked by the Ivory Record label to etch his jive verse on wax. . . . Sheri Horton, latest of the gal spinners on local radio, does a Sunday night Sheri show on WPEN. ... A local nitery is making overtures to Barry Grav to leave his Miami Beach deejay chores for a spot here. . . . LeRoy Miller (WFIL) emseed the Shamokin Club of Philadelphia's annual banque: at the Robert Morris Hotel Saturday (25). Bosh Pritchard (WDAS) raised \$500 for the March of Dimes. . . . Eddie Newman (WPEN) is plugging the membership drive of the Philadelphia Fellowship Commission. . . . Bob Benson takes the morning Musical Clock spot on KYW now that ST: Wayne has switched to WPEN during the same a.m. hours. . . . George (Bon Bon) Tunnell (WDAS) and Ramon Bruce (WHAT) cmseed the benefit matinee at the Click for the March of Dimes drive.





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CHATTER . . . "I have found that I get many potential hit records before the juke box operators, so I have a list of juke box locations that like to keep their machines working. I call up and let them hear the records over the phone. If they want the record, they buy it and have it charged to the operator. I find that my initial sales are now stronger."-The Record Shop, Janesville, Wis. ... "We have promoted the sale of hundreds of kid records on the Peter Pan 10inch line and the Varsity 59-cent records. They seem to hit a heavy and untouched market and overcome price objections. They've out-sold all other kid records in dollar volume."-Ware House of Music, Seattle, Wash.

MERCHANDISING TIPS . . . "w.

seem to sell most of our records by suggestive selling and just letting the customer listen to anything he wants."-Moran Appliance Company, Sherman, Tex. . . "When distributors send thru their new release sheets or just a list of top-sellers, we paste the sheet right on the counter next to a demonstrator. In that way a customer can't help but see the list, and he usually sees a record he wanted but couldn't think of off-hand. It works, tool" -Cudahy Record Shop, Cudahy, Wis. . . . "Our sales tips consist of using some newspaper advertising, radio plugging, and keeping records playing when there are people in the store."-Brown and Meidl, New Ulm, Minn.

CHATTER . . . Summit Radio & Appliance Company, Summit, N. J., selling out its entire stock of 78 r.p.m. disks via a "1-cent sale" that offers customers a record or album for one penny when the equivalent is purchased at full price. A postcard mailing being used to promote the sale. . . . Makers of rhythm and blues records are lax in sending out regular release sheets, according to Radart Electric Rochester, N. Y. "We believe it would be a great help to us," writes Radart, "and would help them sell more of their records. It would also help us reorder before we run out of stock on a number." ... "There's still album price confusion in our store. Why can't all companies include excise tax in all album prices, particularly LP sets? Capitol's system is the best-by looking at the letters you can automatically tell the price." -Modern Music Centre, Tamagua, Fla. PHILADELPHIA ... Shryock Radio & Television Company offered the 79-cent pops at 19 cents in an "over 50 per cent off" sale of 78's. . . . The Record Shop added the Fisher line of radiophonographs. . . . H. Royer Smith Company announced a "choice" shipment from abroad of HMV, Cetra, Parlophone, French L'Oiseau-Lyre and other foreign labels. . . . The "big ten" dealer group first to bally RCA Victor's Here Comes the Bands albums, coupling the copy with the \$12.95 45 attachment. . . . Felix Valdera, of the Paramount Record Shops, helping promote a Lionel Hampton March 17. COKETAIL PARTY . . . Doris Boyd, Grinnell Bros.' record department, Benton Harbor, Mich., reports a successful personal appearance staged for Frank Yankovic. The local Coca-Cola distrib supplied the drinks for the "coketail party," and pianos were pushed aside to make room for the polka dancers. In addition to autographing disks, Yankovic handed out photos of himself and his band. The build-up for the party included a Yankovic window display, newspaper and radio ads, and co-operation with the local dance hall where the band was playing. Dick Jurgens also made such a personal appearance at the store. and Tommy Dorsey is due in this month. Miss Boyd says that Yankovic and his group have always proved to be most co-operative and friendly.

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				Speak a Word of Love (LP)1-368-ASCAP	
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100	2.	Sleigh Ride Boston Pops Ork, Arthur Fiedler, conductor
2	3.	Jalousie Boston Pops Ork, Arthur Fiedler, conductor
5	3.	Chopin's Polonaise
а н	5.	Jose IturbiV(78)11-8848, (45)49-0134 Bachianas Brasileiras B. Sayao Col 71760-D
		CLASSICAL ALBUMS
1	1.	Bach: Well-Tempered Clavicord (Six Records)
	2.	 W. Landowska(78)DM-1336; (45)WDM-1338 Beethoven: Concerto No. 5 in E. Flat Major for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 3 (One Record) C. Carzon, London Philharmonic Ork, G. Szell, conductorLondon (LP) LLP 114
5	3.	Scheherazade (Five Records) Philadelpina Symphony, Eugene Orwandy
3	4.	Memories of Carese (Three Records)
2	4.	Enrico Caroso
		POP ALBUMS
1	1	SOUTH PACIFIC (Seven Records) Mary Martin-Ezio Plaza
2	2.	GENTLEMEN PREFER BLONDES (Seven Records)
	,	Original Broadway Cast
	-	A. Jelson
	•	SONGS BY BILLY ECKSTINE (Three Records) Billy Eckstine
7	5.	CINDERELLA (Two Records) I. Woods and OthersV(787Y-399, (457WY-399
6	6.	DIXIE BY DORSEY (Four Records)
4	7.	J. Dorsey Ork
-	8.	RALPH FLANAGAN PLAYS RODGERS & NAM- MERSTEIN (Three Records)
,	9.	R. Flanagan
	10.	FAMOUS BARBERSHOP BALLADS (Four Records) Mills BrothersDec(78)A-742; (LP)DLP-5051
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NEW DEEJAY A disk dealer who really believes in radio advertising is Rense Manola, Carlisle Radio & Record Shop, Carlisle, Pa. A letter from Carlisle states: "A newcomer to the disk jockey field is our local WLXW man. George (Madman) Morey. His Turntable Time certainly has plenty of listeners. We find it a good policy to get our distributors to supply him with pop records, and we also advertise on his show every day. We find the tie-in with our store and the program has really paid eff. He's a hard working fellow and has made many a hit disk for us on his program. He's not mad, either. We're glad to have him here."

PERSONAL APPEARANCES . . . Over 800 showed up at the record department of Kahn's, San Francisco, when Jack Fina made a personal appearance at the store. The event was preceded by newspaper ads for a full week. . . . R. H. Irwin, Irwin Radio Service, Pensacola, Fla., reports: "Had extremely successful Hank Williams personal appearance. Resulted in two broadcasts on local stations, and even stopped auto traffic on the street. It was the most successful p.a. we've run since Eddy Arnold."





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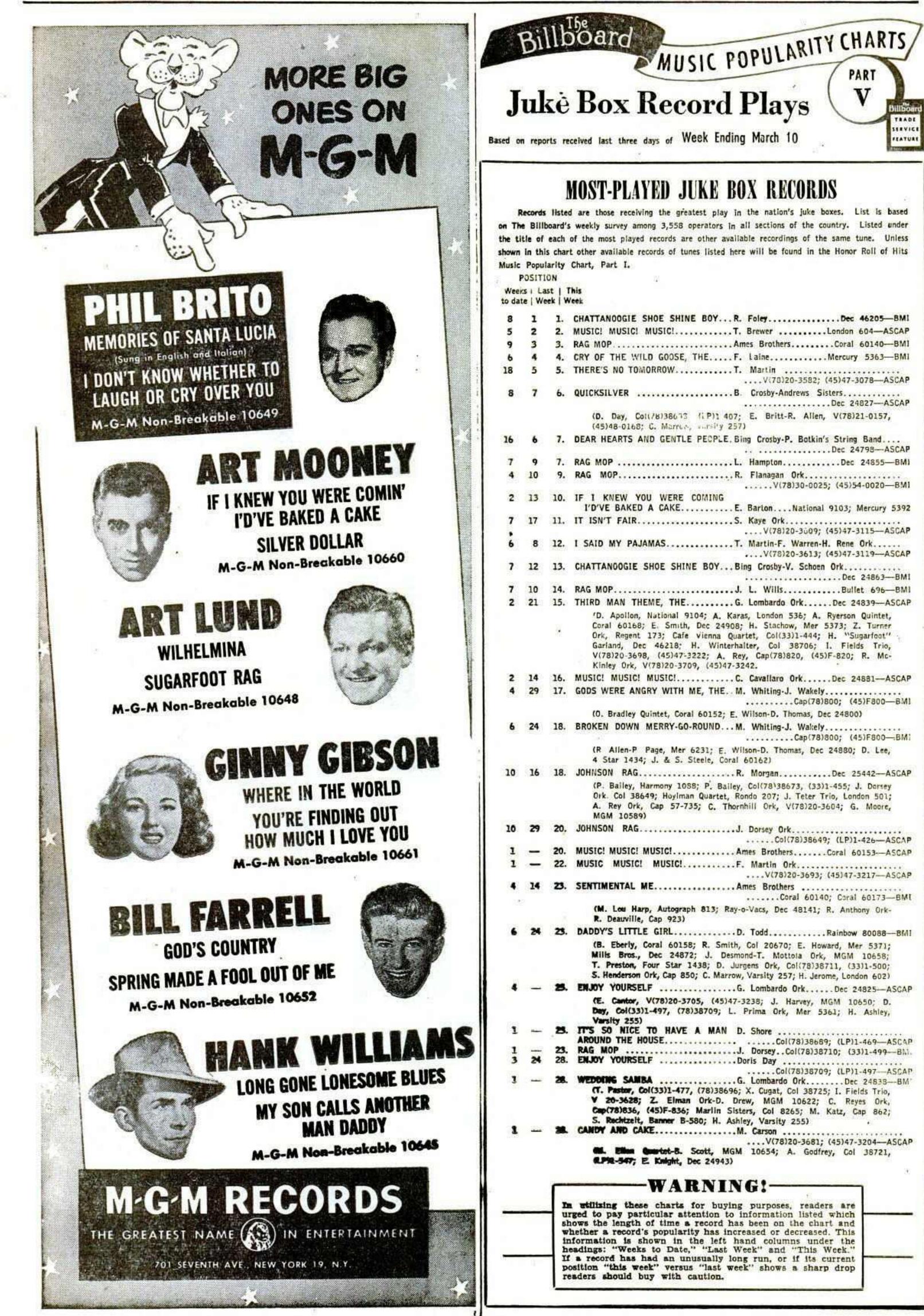
AND HIS ORCHESTRA Capitol Record No. 869 (on 45 rpm No. F869) becked by "THE PAPOOFNIK POLKA"

- and don't forget his "(Put Another Nickel In) MUSIC! MUSIC! MUSIC!" Capitol Record No. 862 (on 45 rpm No. F862)



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Just in Time for Easter



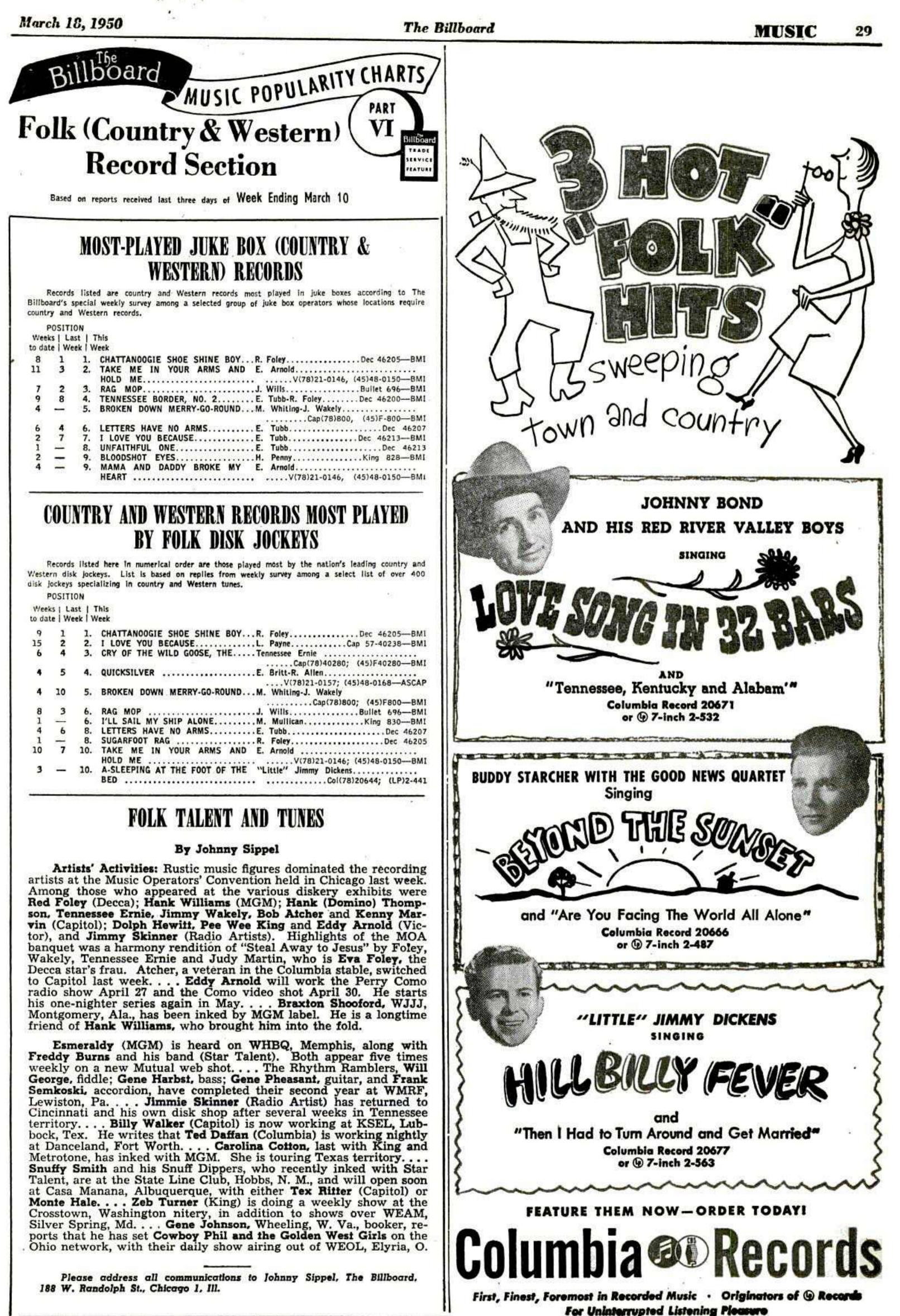
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			Cap(78)800; (45)F800-BMI
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10	7		TAKE ME IN YOUR ARMS AND E. Arnold
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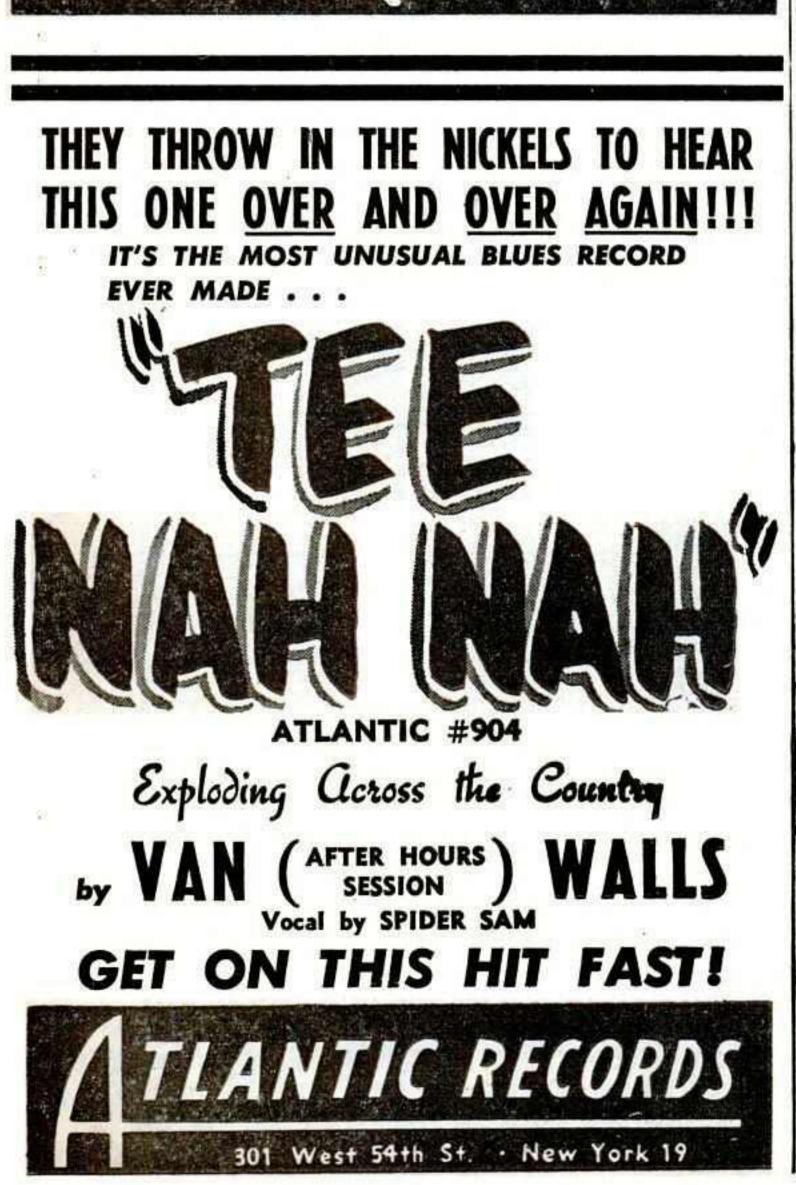






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MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RHYTHM & BLUES RECORDS

Records listed are rhythm and blues records most played in juke boxes according to The Billboard's special weekly survey among a selected group of juke box operators whose locations require rhythm and blues records.

POSITION Weeks | Last | This to date Week Week 1. I ALMOST LOST MY MIND Ivory Joe Hunter MGM 10578-BMI 1 11 2. DOUBLE CROSSING BLUES.....J. Otis-Little Esther and The Robins... 7 1 - 3 2Specialty SP 349-BMI 5. 16 5. RAG MOP Dec 24855-BMI 7. 8 7 11 SCHOOL DAYSDec 24815 12 9. 14 14 13. I'LL GET ALONG SOMEHOW (Parts I and ID......Regal 3236

ADVANCE RHYTHM & BLUES RECORD RELEASES

Hurricane Blues

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E. Bostic (All On) Varsity 5013 E. Bestik Marricane Camel Walkin' I'd Rather Be a Rooster "Scat Man" Crothers (Television Blues) London C. Singleton Ork Chard Vis Dear Old Southland 17008 I'm a Highway Man M. Allen (Ride, Red) Brom Distrustin' Blues J. Williams (P. Vine) Col 30191 Little Esther-M. Walker-J. Oth Ove (Misery) Island Girl Savoy 735 Audrey Calypso Troubadours (Why I) Arco 1230 Don't Try To Explain It Can Never Be That Way S. Churchill (Savannah Slage) Arcs 1229 C. Brown (I've Been) Peacock 1508 It's Too Late Now Everybody Get Together The Treniers-G. Gilbeaux Ork (Why Did) London Tampa Red (Please Try) V(78)22-0071, 17007 (45)50-0071 Four or Five Times I've Been Mistreated J. Lunceford (Margie) Varsity 5012 C. Brown (It Can) Peacock 1508 Hard Times Are Coming (Continued on Page 120) G. Singleton Ork (Camel Walkin') Star 719





Ork)	this two language reading of one of four versions of		
MGM 10649	"Santa Lucia" now making the rounds. I Don't Know Whether To Laugh or Cry Over You Brito does a warm unaffected job with a new ballad of merit.	70707070	Martiere TRULY Great a masterpiece Jim Hamilton WIND, Chicago
JANE HARVEY (Russ Case Ork) MGM 10650	Enjoy Yourself Jane applies her deliberate style to this slowly-rising chunk of honest philosophy. Fine coverage for the label, the it's much late.	75767474	Martiere's TRULY smooth, solid, beautiful Dick Haynes KLAC, Hollywood
	Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend Late too is this bright reading of the "Gentleman Prefer Biondes" material ditty. Jame does it pleasingly.	71727270	TRULY magnificent Don Otis KLAC, Hollywood
ART LUND (LeRoy Holmes Ork) MGM 10648	Sugarfoot Rag Lund sparks a swingy treatment of a country item turned pop which sooms to be cetaling on in some sectors.	84848434	TRULY a classic a masterpiece Ira Cook, Los Angeles
	Wilhemina Another neat performance by Land, this time on an infectious item from the "Wabash Avenue" flick score	823183	TRULY best instrumental in a decade Stuart Lindman WMIN, Minn.
ELLA FITZGERALD- SY OLIVER Decca 24917	Don'tcha Go 'Way Mad Ella and Sy don't make ideal mates for waxing pur- poses. They try to sell a set of windy but smart	69716967	TRULY Martiere's masterpiece
	lyrics set to a tune once known as "Black Velvet." Baby, Won't You Say You Love Me? Ella does the first chorus and starts things off righteously. Sy's second chorus is the spoller for this	75757575	Jack Thayer WLOL, St. Paul Martiere's TRULY too good for words
DICK JURGENS ORK	ballad from the "Wabesh Avenue" flick. We'll Build a Bungalow	73717375	Maurice Hart, KFWB
Columbia (33) 1-500	A bright happy rendition is similar to the earlier versions except that more emphasis is placed or danceability than the unison-vocal novelty aspect. Daddy's Little Girl	70 70 70 70	Martiere's TRULY tops Johnny Morris WLOL, Minn.
	(Ray McIntosh) Straightforward readition, like Skp, is almost at the dance crowd. Stress is on steady beat with com- petent warbling by McIntosh and chorus.		Martlere's lush horn is a charmer for the soft eyed ones TRULY. Dave Garroway NBC, Chicago
LISE KIRK-DON CORNELL (Henri Rene)	Have You Ever Been Lonely? Duo achieves an excellent blend in a smooth close- harmony rendition. Nice nostalgin effect with the oldie.	78787274	
RGA Victor (45) 47-3218	· 이상 같이 같은 것 같이 같은 것 같은 것 같이 있는 것 같이 많은 것 같은 것 같이 가지 않는 것 같은 것 같이 많이 있는 것 같이 많이 있는 것 같이 있다. 것 같이 있는 것 같이 없는 것 같이 없다. 것 같이 있는 것 같이 없는 것 같이 없는 것 같이 않는 것 같이 않 않는 것 같이 않 것 같이 않는 것 같이 않이 않이 않이 않는 것 같이 않는 않 것 같이 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않 않	70707070	miy
PEARL BAILEY- TONY PASTOR ORK Columbia (33) 1-475	Mamie is Mimi Miss Balley and the prester cut up a few touches on one of the production stems from "Gentlemon Prefar Blondes." Talky and diffuse.	64	Meneung
	For You, My Love The blues-rhythm hit gets a get orushover. The needed drive and spirit are abea	64646865	has the Hits on
GLORIA VAN (The Veivetones) Life L-A-1002	Bamboo Thrush warbles the jungle epic stra-, and clear, with rhythm combo beating rumba rhythm. Nothing here but a literal, unimaginative conception to compete with the Monroe original.	50 505050	NON BREAKABLE RECORDS .
124	Knock, Knock, Knock (Gloria Van-Russ Grilley) Boy-gal duet waste their time on a meaningless and thoroly dull "novelty." (Continued on page 30)	404040	MERCURY #5337





March 18, 1950 32 MUSIC The Billboard THE ORIGINAL RECORD BY **Record Reviews** RATINGS 9 0 (Continued from page 31) 5 < ~ -Þ 70 ARTIST TUNES 0 CKEY Þ -LABEL AND NO. COMMENT -20 -EEDVENDE POPULAR BILLY ECKSTINE 83--84--82--82 Free Eckstine sings this pretty thing wonderfully but, tho (Buddy Baker Ork) it's effective in spots, the Baker background is too busy MGM 10643 and detracts. Should do well with the Eckstine legions. Baby, Won't You Say You Love Me? (Russ Case Ork) 87--88--87--87 11 2 Eckstine's warmth and rich tones consume a simple down-to-earth ballad from the "Wabash Avenue" flick in winning fashion. He is aided effectively by vocal group and ork. KAY ARMEN (Earl I Will Love You Forever 86--86--85--85 Sheldon Ork) Thoroly schmalzty adaptation of a rich Italian folk London 615 ballad is rendered most sympathetically by Miss Armen in an impressive return to records. WITH RHYTHM ACCOMPANIMENT 77--80--75--75 Sure Thing Kay's return to wax is rounded out with a simple effective rendition of a pretty ballad from the "Riding High" movie. MARGARET WHIT-It Might As Well Be Spring 76--78--75--75 ING-PAUL WES-Maggie's classic rendition of this inspired Rodgers-Ham-No. 665 merstein ballad is reissued. TON ORK Capitol 874 How Deep Is the Ocean? 72--75--70--70 Weston's ork takes up the first chorus of what is essentially a dance disking of the Berlin fave. Maggie 75c plus tax sings the last chorus with her usual bell-like clarity. RUSS CASE ORK 78-80--78--77 Symphony of Spring (The Quintones) Beautiful etching of a lovely theme reminds of the best of David Rose. Disk jockeys should go for this in a big MGM 10644 way. Certainly a major credit to Case. With My Eyes Wide Open I'm Dreaming 76--77--75--77 Excellent coverage on the revival hit is accomplished in a polished arrangement for ork, vocal group and an unbilled solo voice. ALAN DALE 86--86--85--86 You're My Treasure Columbia 38720 Dale is emerging as a brilliant balladeer as his performance on this Italian folk tune adaptation will testify. An excellent disking. This is Heaven to Me 85--86--85--85 Dale takes some of the edge off this pretty tune by

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My Baby Is Blue The dance band revival bug must have bit here. James apparently is returning to his pre-war success formula.

doing all of a lengthy verse. Nevertheless it makes a

plus disking for the young singer.

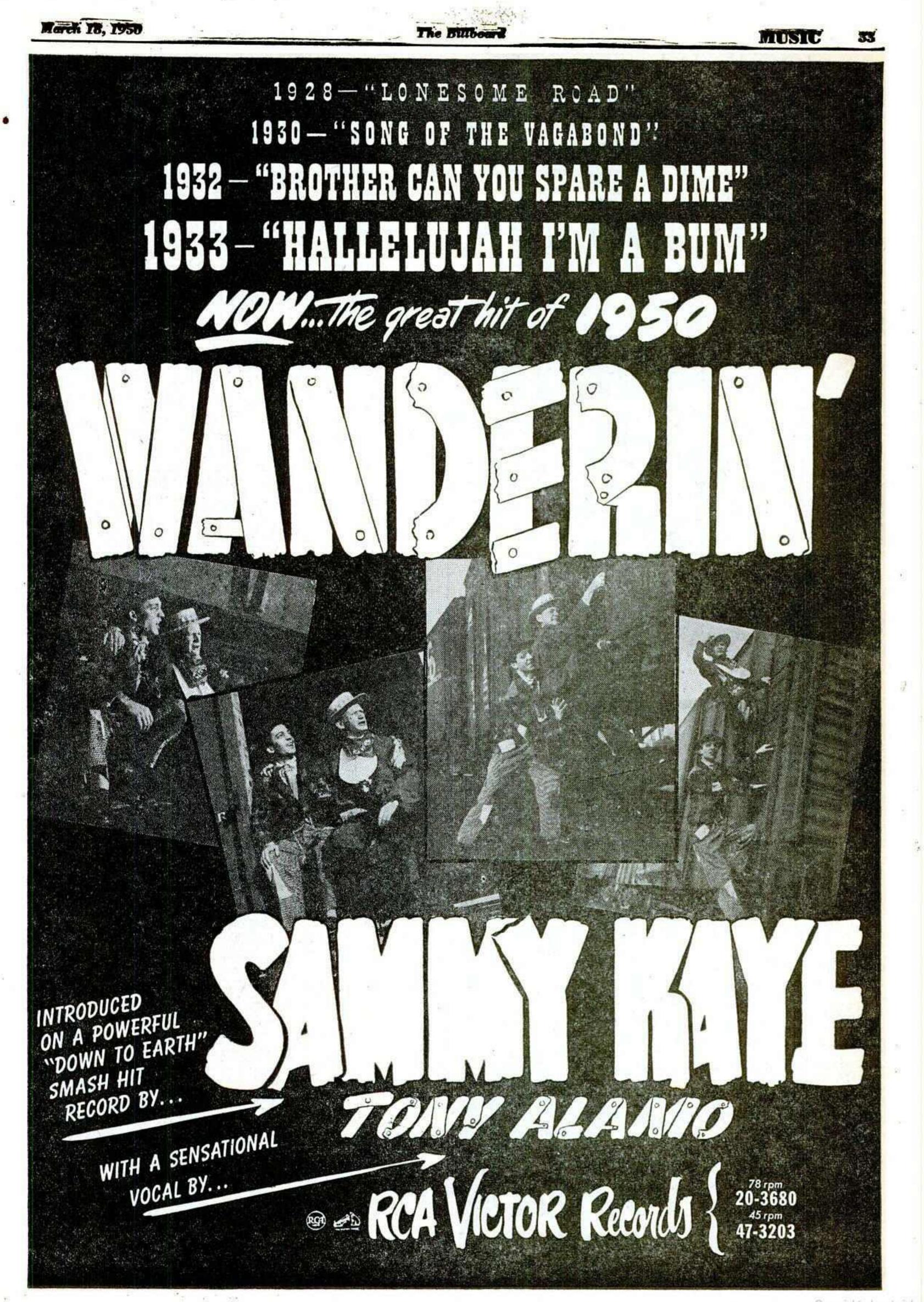
HARRY JAMES ORK

(Dick Williams)



	His trumpetooting sounds great but Dick Williams' last half chorus takes some of the sharpness off a neat new tune.	
	You're a Sweetheart The James' band sounds wonderfully fresh in a smart, danceable, simple treatment of an oldie being revived. Skylarks handle the lyrics.	79807878
"PIANO" LER ORK W 60077	Chug-a-Lug The tavern crowds should take to this catchy drinking song which is performed with much zip and vinegar by a group and Miller's plano-roll style.	828282
55	I'm Gonna Paper All My Walls With Your Love Letters Zippy new ditty is spiritedly waxed with a shuffle beat of infectious proportions.	77787678
MOONEY ORK ty Harris-Art ney Choir) 10660	If I Knew You Were Comin' I'd've Baked a Cake Excellent coverage on the fast-breaking hit should catch a share of the coin headed in the direction of the song.	81828180
	Silver Dollar Mooney may have himself a winner in this live reading of a novel ditty which has been attracting attention via a Johnny Long plattering.	868585
G FIELDS TRIO	The Third-Man Theme Okay coverage of the movie theme music.	75757575
	Poet and Peasant Rumbature Fields' displays his facile keyboard technique in another of his rumba adaptations of a classic, this time the "Poet and Pleasant Overture."	73757272
ROWN ORK ampy Brown 4 & a Miss)	Solid as a Rock Expert dance orking by Brown and crew of a new rhythm tune with infectious qualities.	79807781
bia 38735	It isn't Fair Heat donce conception of this revived standard figures to catch a small amount of the coin headed toward the song.	76777675
NDO ROS ORK	The Scottish Samba Clever, refreshing approach to a Latin-type ditty is dampened somewhat by low level recording which muffles a good deal of the proceedings.	81838080
	More and More Amour! A paraphrase of "Amor, Amor, Amor" is treated vigorously and happily by the hot Mr. Ros and his zingy Latin crew.	81818181
LIE SPIVAK (e Stardreamers) m 619	Loveless Love Refreshing dance band disking in the old Tommy Dorsey tradition is accomplished in this Sy Oliver treat- ment of the W. C. Handy oldie. Could revive Spivak on wax and be a handsome winner.	87888635
	Mona Lisa Ear-attracting arrangement of a pic ballad of some merit.	80808080
Y KAYE ny Alamo) Victor 20-3680	Wanderin' Alamo is superb in his stellar singing of this slow, evocative song of the open road. Ork and chorus support is tops.	888888
	The Bicycle Song (Laura Leslie-Don Cornell) Lilting waltz tempo lends the illusion of carefree cycling in this pleasant novelty.	78787680
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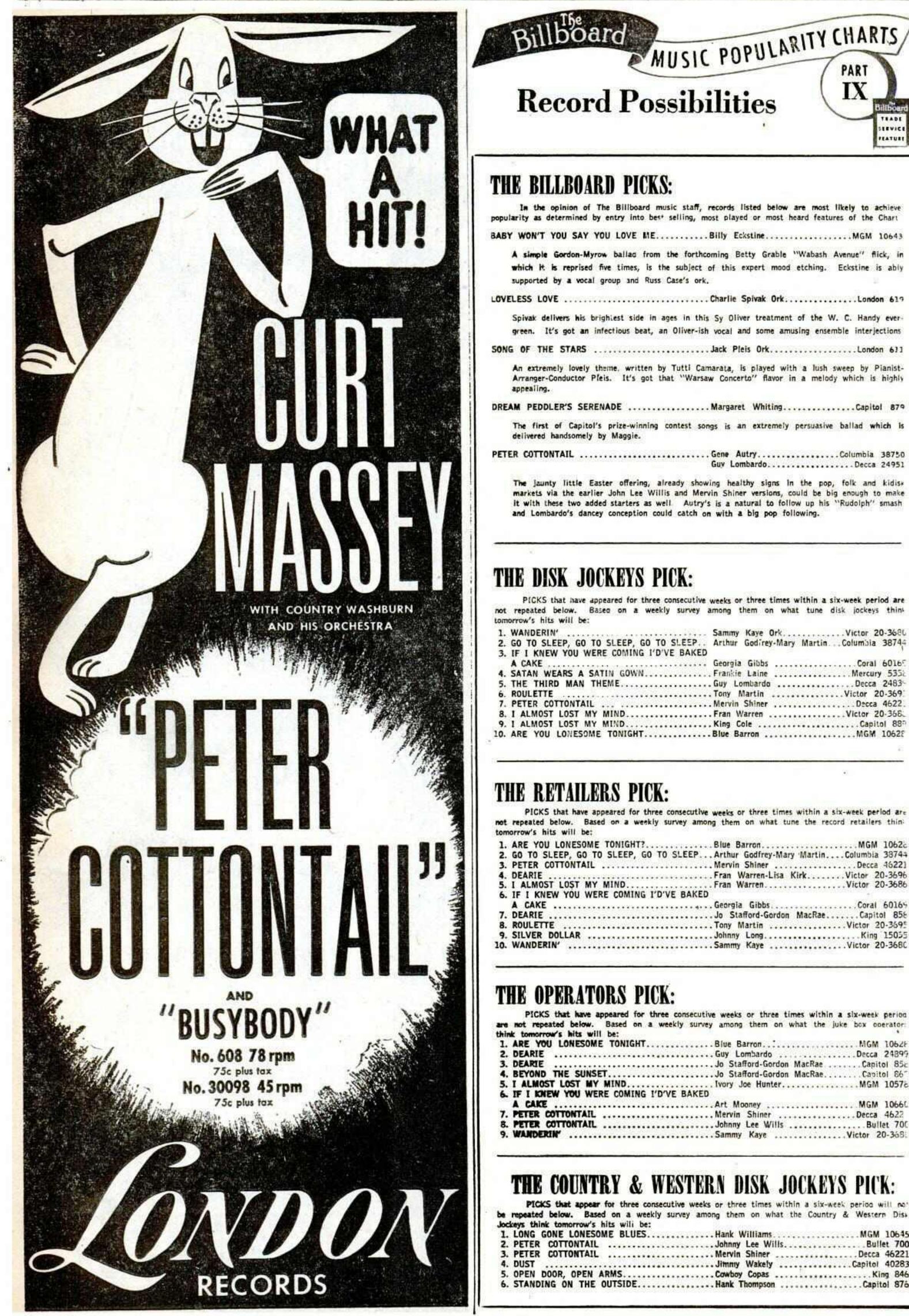


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3.	IF I KNEW YOU WERE COMING I'D'VE BAKED
	A CAKE Coral 6016
4.	SATAN WEARS A SATIN GOWN Frankie Laine
5.	THE THIRD MAN THEME Guy Lombardo Decca 2483-
6.	ROULETTE
7.	PETER COTTONTAIL
8.	I ALMOST LOST MY MIND Fran Warren
9.	I ALMOST LOST MY MINDKing Cole
10.	ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT

PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive weeks or three times within a six-week period are not repeated below. Based on a weekly survey among them on what tune the record retailers thin:

1. ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT?	.Blue BarronMGM 1062c
2. GO TO SLEEP, GO TO SLEEP, GO TO SLEEP	. Arthur Godfrey-Mary Martin Columbia 38744
3. PETER COTTONTAIL	. Mervin Shiner Decca 46221
4. DEARIE	.Fran Warren-Lisa Kirk Victor 20-3696
5. I ALMOST LOST MY MIND	. Fran Warren
6. IF I KNEW YOU WERE COMING I'D'VE BAKED	
A CAKE	. Georgia Gibbs
7. DEARIE	. Jo Stafford-Gordon MacRae Capitol 858
8. ROULETTE	. Tony Martin
9. SILVER DOLLAR	. Johnny Long
10. WANDERIN'	.Sammy KayeVictor 20-3680

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1. ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT	MGM 10628
2. DEARIE	Decca 24899
3. DEARIEJo Stafford-Gordon MacRae	Capitol 85c
4. BEYOND THE SUNSETJo Stafford-Gordon MacRae	Capitol 86"
5. I ALMOST LOST MY MIND Ivory Joe Hunter	MGM 1057c
6. IF I KNEW YOU WERE COMING I'D'VE BAKED	
A CAKE Art Mooney	MGM 10660
7. PETER COTTONTAIL	Decca 4622
8. PETER COTTONTAIL	Bullet 700
9. WANDERIN'	Victor 20-368

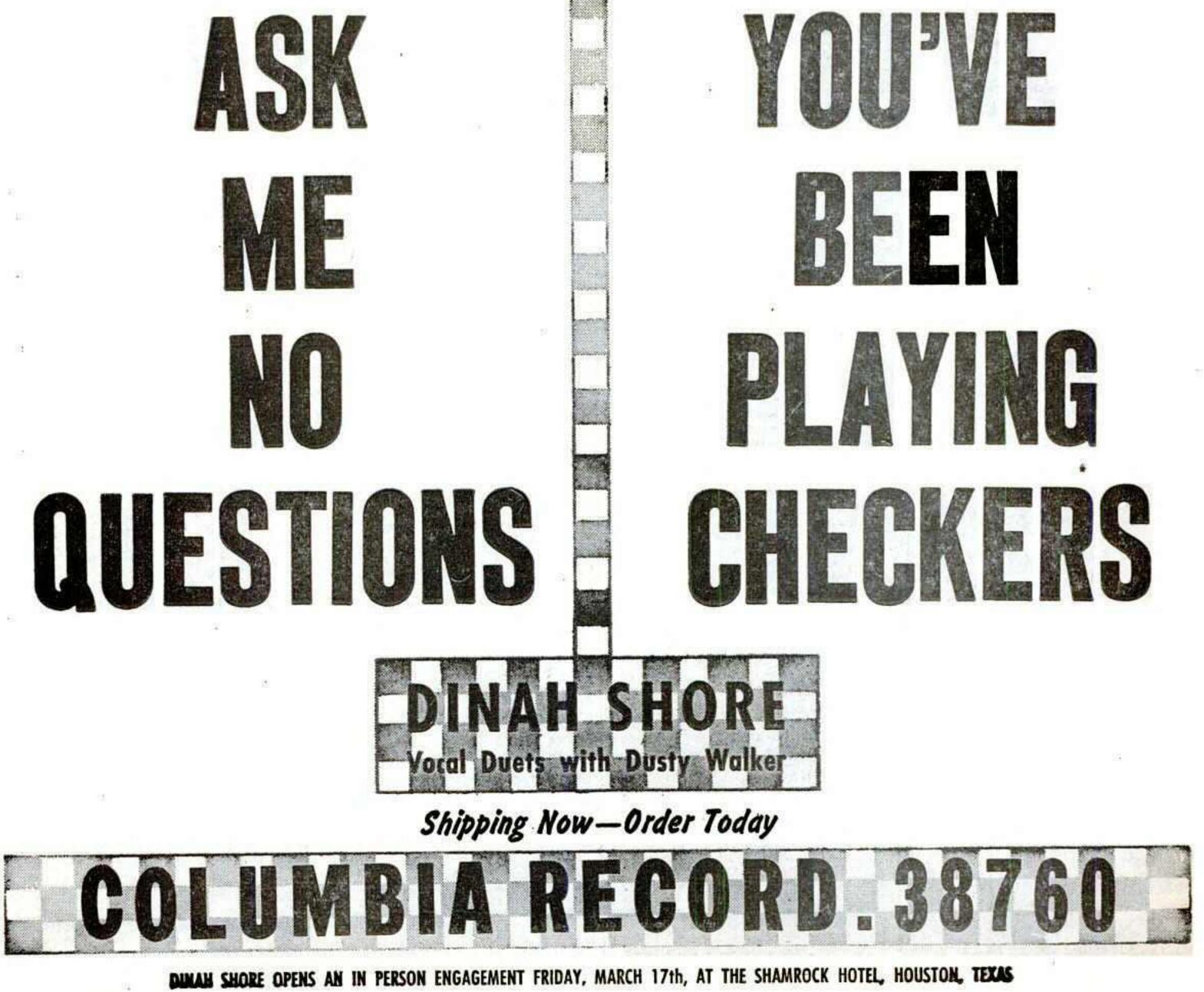
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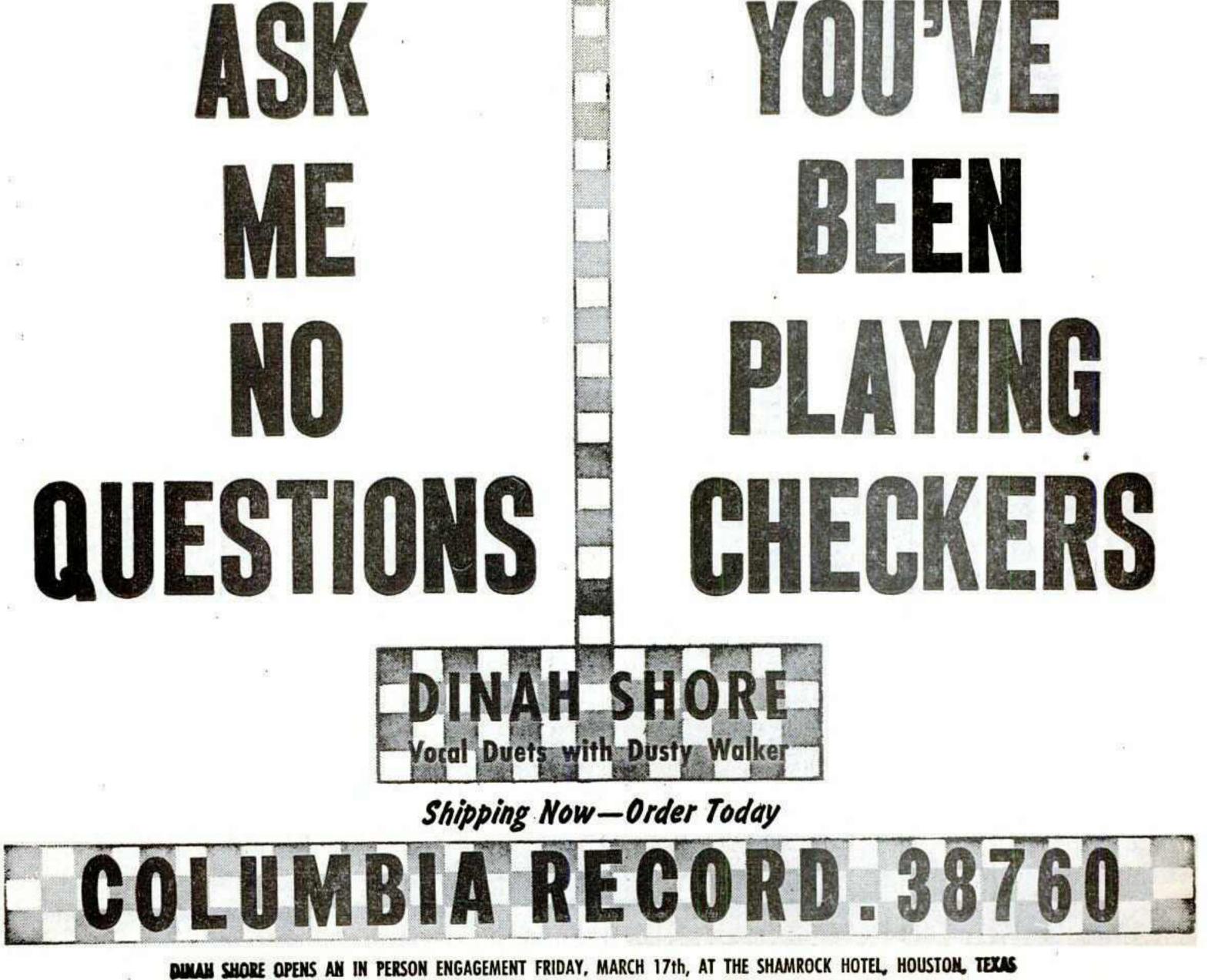
1. LONG GONE LONESOME BLUES	iame MCM 10646
2. PETER COTTONTAILJohnny Le	
3. PETER COTTONTAIL	iner
4. DUSTJimmy W	akelyCapitol 40283
5. OPEN DOOR, OPEN ARMSCowboy Co	opas
6. STANDING ON THE OUTSIDE	







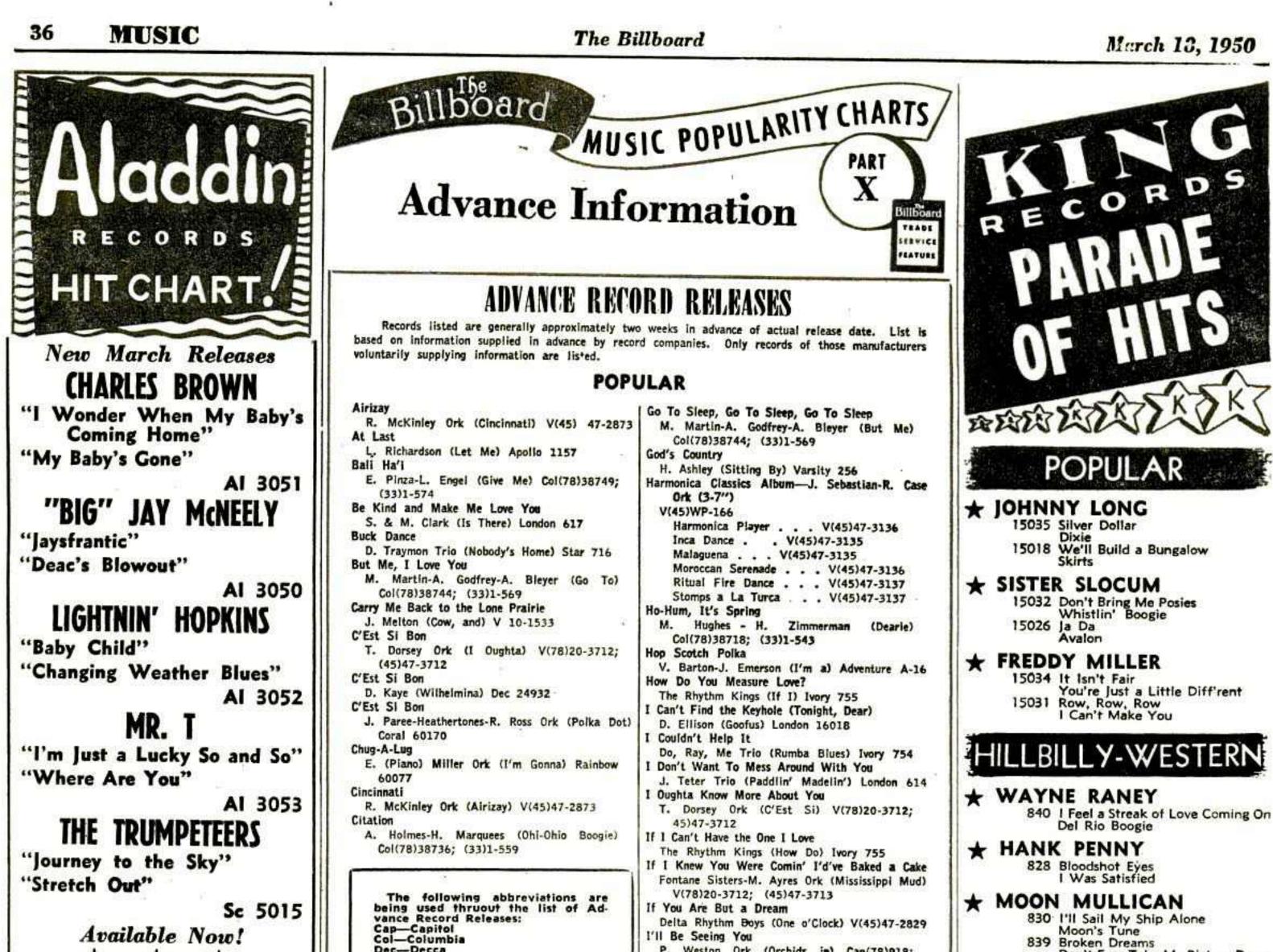








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* * × **Getting Hotter and Hotter** AMOS MILBURN "Johnson Rag" "Walking Blues" AI 3049 "Tell Me How Long Has the Train Been Gone" "I'm Just a Fool in Love" AI 3043 HERB KENNY "Key to My Heart" "Why Do I Love You" AI 3048 CHARLES BROWN "Tormented" "Did You Ever Love a Woman" AI 3044 CALVIN BOZE "Waiting and Drinking" "If You Ever Had the Blues" AI 3045 "Satisfied" "Working With My Baby" Sc 4008 SOUL STIRRERS "Seek and Ye Shall Find" "One of These Days" AI 2029 SAUNDERS KING "Misery Blues" "Blues About Midnight" AI 3046

Dec-Decca Mer-Mercury V-Victor All other labels will continue to All other labels will continue to be spelled out. Where 78, 45 and 33's (LP) r.p m numbers are listed, the speed is in-dicated in parentheses preceding the record number. For example: V (78) 20-1941; (45) 47-2354, etc. Cow, and a Plow, and a Frau J. Melton (Carry Me) V 10-1533 **Cross Your Heart** J. Owens-Three Beaus and a Peep (You're a) Dec 24935 Daddy's Little Girl C. Marrow (Quicksilver) Varsity 257 Day by Day J. Stafford (When April) Cap(78)914; (45)F-914 Dearie M. Hughes-H. Zimmenman (Ho-Hum, It's) Col(78)38718; (33)1-543 Deep in the Heart of a Rose R. Goff (Western Range) London 628 **Doing What Comes Naturally** J. Leonard (They Say) Varsity 259 Don't Say Good-Bye J. Wayne (No, No) Col 38719 Down in Henky Tonky Town R. Bauduc (Sesie) Cap(78)919; (45)F-919 Eddy Duchia Plays the Masic of George Gershwin Altern E. Dechin (1-20") Col(78)C-52; (33)CL-4305 Embraceable Yes Love Walked In 'S Wonderful Semebody Lowes Me Someone To Watch Over Me Summertime The Man I Long They Can't Take That Amer From M Ecohes A. White (Musici Musici) Varsky 294 Enjoy Yourself H. Ashley (Wadding Samba) Varsity 255 Fantasia Mexicana A. Goodman Ork (Them From) V(45)51-0065 Favorite Songs From Famous Musicals Album-F. Greer-J. Carroll-D. King Ork V(45)WP-177 I'll Follow My Secret Heart . . . V(45)51-0081 I'm Falling in Love With Someone . . . V(45)52-0083 A Kiss in the Dark . . . V(45)52-0083 Love's Rondolay . . . V(45)52-0083 Make Believe . . . V(45)52-0082 Someone To Watch Over Me . . . V(45)52-0080 Yours Is My Heart Alone . . . VI45952-0002 Zigeuner . . . V(45)52-0081 Give Me Your Hand E. Pina-L. Engel (Ball-Ha'l) Col(76)38740; (33)1-573 Goofus D. Ellison (I Can't) London 16638

P. Weston Ork (Orchids in) Cap(78)918; (45)F-918 I'm a Little Teapot V. Barton-J. Emerson (Hop Scotch) Adventure A-16 I'm Gonna Paper All My Walls With Your Love Letters E. (Piano) Miller Ork (Chug-a-Lug) Rainbow 60077 Is There Somebody Else? S. & M. Clark (Be Kind) London 617 It Isn't Fair L. Brown (Solid as) Col 38735 It's Easter Time V. Monroe Ork (Over and) V(78)20-3711; (45)47-3711 I've Got the World on a String R. Young-J. Pleis Ork (Please Treat) London 608 Just a Kiss Apart E. Pinza-S. Dell'isola (Te Ame) Col(78)38748; (33)10573 Key to My Heart H. Kenny (Why Bel Aladdia 3048 Let Me Dream L. Richardson (At Last) Apollo 1257 Loveless Love C. Spivak Ork (Mone Line) London 629 Magic Man Song, The J. Day (Peter Cottonialit) Corol 6-9036 Milate Too Count Basie fat No and V(78)20-3005; (45)47-3235 Mississippi Mud Fontano Sisters-M. Agree Cole W78)20-3713; (45)47-5715 Moments With You R. Bruce-Michelle (My Book) Ivery 799 Mone Lisa C. Spivak Ovk (Lovelass Love) London 60 More and More Amount R. Ross Ork (Scottish Samba) Landon 448 Music! Music! Music! A. White (Ecohoes) Varsity 254 My Baby is Blue H. James Ork-D. Williams-Skylarks (You're at Col(78)38717; (3371-542 My Book R. Bruce-Michelis (Beaments With) Ivery 799 My Foolish Heart M. Whiting-F. Deen's Ork (Stay With) Cap 935 Ry Reward Ink Spots (Ves Left) Dec 24933 Never Ask a Man If He's From Texas D. Sharbutt (What a) Carnival 705 Ne, Ne, No J. Wayne (Don't Say) Col 38719 Nobody's Home at My House V. Barton-J. Emerson-D. Traymond Trie (Buck Dence) Star 716 Ch. Baby, What Can I De? A. Shelton (Without That) London 645 Obl-Ohio Boogie W. Carlisle-A. Hoimas (Citation) Col(78138736; (33)1-559 **Old MecDensid Nud a Farm** R James Sisters (Stranger In) Dec 20107

Don't Ever Take My Picture Down ★ HAWKSHAW HAWKINS 838 Wanted Someone To Love Me There's a Teardrop in Your Eye COWBOY COPAS 846 Open Door—Open Arms More Precious Than Silver or Gold *** YORK BROTHERS** 852 Gravy Train Take a Number DELMORE BROTHERS 803 Blues, Stay Away From Me Goin' Back to the Blue Ridge Mountains 826 Troubles Ain't Nothin' But the Blues Pan American Boogie **# REDD STEWART** 843 I'm Worried Cause I'm Losing You Little Wild Rose of the Hills SEPIA-BLUES * WYONIE HARRIS 4342 | Like My Baby's Pudding | Can't Take It No More 4330 Sittin' on It All the Time Baby, Shame on You LONNIE JOHNSON 4336 Confused Blues, Stay Away From Me **BULL MOOSE JACKSON** 4335 Must You Go? Not Until You Came My Way * JOE THOMAS 4339 Wham-a-Lam Artistry in Moods **TINY BRADSHAW** 4337 Teardrops Gravy Train **IVORY** JOE HUNTER 4326 | Quit My Pretty Mama 1306 Guess Who Landlord Blues EARL BOSTIC 4343 Choppin' It Down No Name Blues SPIRIT OF MEMPHIS QUARTET 4340 Days Passed and Gone Blessed Are the Dead

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One o'Clock Jump Delta Rhythm Boys (If You) V(45)47-2829	CLASSICAL		
Orchids in the Moonlight P. Weston Ork (I'll be) Cap(78)918; (45)F-918	Addinsell: Warsaw Concerto Album-London Sym- phony Ork-M. Mathieson, Cond. (Bath: Cornish Rhapsody and (Bax: Oliver Twist)	THE RECORD WITH THE	TOMMY
Over and Over	(1-10")	With the	
V. Monroe Ork (It's Easter) V(78)20-3711; (45)47-3711	Col(33)ML-2092	RECIPE!	CARLYN
Paddlin' Madelin' Home +	Bath: Cornish Rhapsody Album-H. Cohen-London	13 KECIPE 3	
J. Teter Trio (I Don't) London 614	Symphony Ork-H. Bath, Cond. (Addinsell: Warsaw Concerto and Bax: Oliver Twist)	3	
Paper Full of Fish and Chips (Have a Ba-Nah-Na) P. Donald (Whadda Ya?) Col(78)38738;	(1-10") Col(33)ML-2092	-	and his orchestre
(33)1-560	Bax: Oliver Twist Album-H. Cohen-Philharmonico	with	his fi rs t
Peter Cottontail	Ork-M. Mathieson, Cond. (Addinsell: Warsaw Concerto and Bath: Cornish Rhapsody)		
J. Day (Magic Man) Coral 64036	Col(33)ML-2092		DELEACE
Please Treat Her Nicer R. Young-J. Pleis Ork (I'we Got) London 608	Haydn: Divertimento No. 82 in C Major and Di- vertimento No. 6 in D Major Album-D.	RONDO	RELEASE
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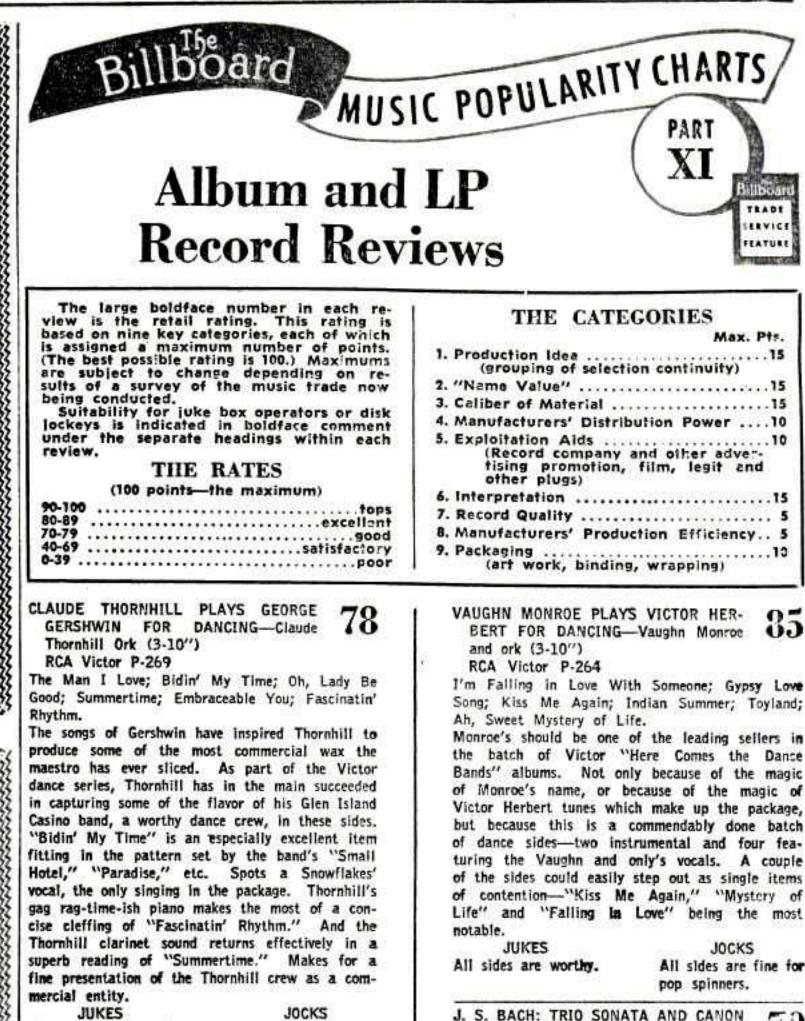
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WHISTLING FOR YOU-Fred Lowery 65 (1-10") Columbia (33) CL 6091 La Golondrina; La Paloma; Star Dust; Song of the Islands; Caprice Viennois; Old Folks at Home; Song of India; Trees. The popular whistler doesn't resort to flash or tricks in this collection. In fact, it's possible that the folks who prefer this easy-going, oldfashioned fare have not yet hopped on the LP bandwagon. Nevertheless, the sale should be fairly steady outside the big-city districts. JUKES JOCKS Not suitable. Good bait for day-

FRANK SINATRA CONDUCTS MUSIC OF ALEC WILDER AND ALEC WILDER OCTETS-Frank Sinatra conducting the Columbia String Orchestra and the Alec Wilder Octet. (1-12") Columbia (33) ML-4271

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Air for Oboe; Air for Bassoon; Air for Flute; Air for English Horn; Slow Dance; Theme and Variations: Such a Tender Night; She'll Be Seven in May; It's Silk, Feel It; Seldom the Sun; Her Old Man Was Suspicious; His First Long Pants; Pieces of Eight.

The fragile charm of the short pieces of Alec Wilder has found itself into the homes of a too select few, mostly musicians and collectors with ambidextrous tastes. The Wilder works are just as much steeped in jazz as they are in classic concept. They are certainly unlike anything which may have preceded them. Two collections previously issued on shellacs have been merged here to make up a single long-playing disking. The rerecording has helped to give the slicings an extra vibrance. The Sinatra sides, done as a work of love by the crooner, certainly reflect this sincerity In the warmth of performance. The octets, longtime treasured collector items, are all here save one of the original eight recordings.

JUKES

Not suitable.

JOCKS Pop, jazz and longhair spinners can make excellent use of these selections. (Continued on page 115)





No Defense as Yet

NEW YORK, March 11 .- J. J. Robbins & Sons, Inc., this week initiated a State Supreme Court suit against Al Ashley and Al Wise, doing business as Amsco Music, with the charge that A-hley and Wise have been attempting to "palm off" folios and song books on the trade as the Robbins Music for Millions series.

According to the complaint, Abeles & Bernstein, plaintiff's counsel. notified Amsco last November, asking them to cease and desist publishing and selling the material in question, but were ignored, with the defendants "contemptuously persisting." Robbins has been "irreparably" damaged, the complaint continues, and has no adequate remedy at law. The plaintiff is asking immediate restraint.

Complaints

The complaint traces the alleged piracy back to Ashley and Wise's jobbing business as the Music Supply Company, which gave up the ghost last year. Music Supply had sold the Music for Millions series extensively. Robbins alleges, and now Ashley and Wise have been giving the trade the impression that they are offering the same product again, featuring in their promotion and advertising the slogan "Ashley is back to serve you again—this time as a music publisher." The complaint goes on in great length and detail to describe the similarity of the Ashley-Wise material to the Robbins series, dwelling on parallels of printing, make-up, color and contents. The Billboard

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Robbins Sues 7 Music—As Written 5

Leeds, long a holdout, finally signed with Songwriters' Protective Association (SPA) last week. Chappell, Paramount and Southern are the important remaining dissenters.

Radio Jingle Grows to Cromwell Size by Request

Cromwell Music bought the Miles Shoes radio jingle, written by Roy Ross, and a lyric set by Al Stillman. Song will be called "Happy Feet." Deal was stimulated by radio listeners, who reportedly had been requesting plays of the jingle.

Donahue, Slated for Par, Signed for Dana Waxing

Sam Donahue's ork signed with Dana Records and cut four sides last week. Donahue is slated for the Paramount Theater, New York, starting March 29.

ASCAP-TV Groups Meet To Talk Per-Program

Committees for TV and American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) meet on the per-program licensing question March 15. The interim per-program arrangement has been extended to April 1.

London Records Take Option on Command Talent

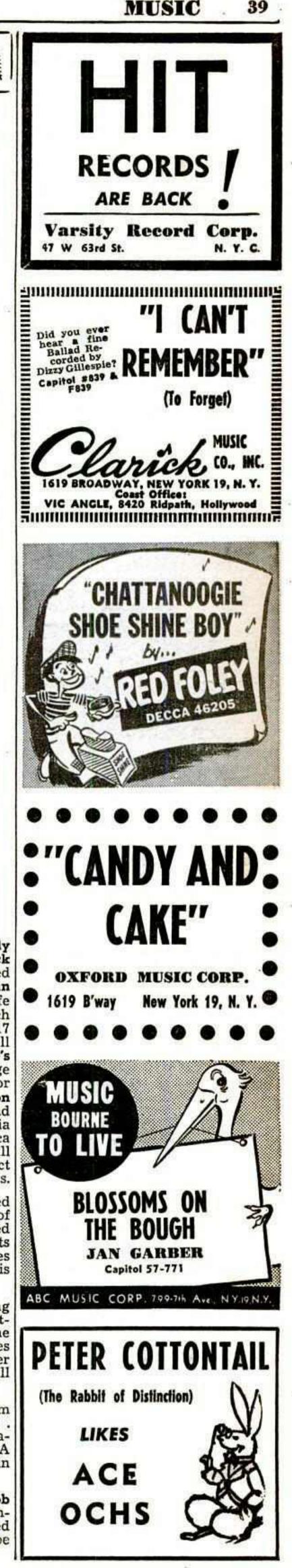
Murray Seidman, head of Command Record Company, Buffalo, was in town last week negotiating a master-leasing deal with London Records' Tutti Camarata. Arrangement gives the Britsh-based diskery first option on material cut by Seidman with up-State artists including the Mickey Dee and Skinner team and crooner Russ Bates. London last week took over two sides cut by the duo.

Philly Pub Launches Two New Labels

David A. Grimes, head of Grimes Music Publishers, Philadelphia BMI firm, will launch a subsidiary pair of record labels tagged Vod-Vil and Hokem, using his own catalog material. First out will be the Hokem label, which will be devoted entirely to comedy material. First four sides, cut by the What-Four Quartet, will take in "That's the Wimmen," "It'll All Come Out in the Wash"; "Gimme, Gimme, Gimme Some Gefilte Fish" and "I've Got a Date in the Keystone State."

Mellin Acquires Roberts's and Nichols's Tunes

Bobby Mellin returned here last week from the Coast with two recorded tunes acquired from the writers. They are Allen Roberts's "My Reward," cut by the Ink Spots for Decca and Dinah Washington for Mercury, and Red Nichols's "Walking With a Wiggle," waxed by Nichols for Capitol and Phil Harris for Victor.



According to Robbins, the Amsco books and folios are designed to look like the Robbins series, particularly as they appear in a music rack. Front and back covers are especially convincing, Robbins alleges.

Special Material

The material, largely public domain instructional pieces for piano, violin and voice, was specially arranged for Robbins by Hugo Frey and Domenico Savino, and were printed, designed and bound in unique fashion, according to the plaintiff. The series was extensively promoted and advertised at considerable cost, and over a period of time had acquired status as standard and important educational material under the Music for Millions monicker. Robbins maintains, with over 70,000 copies sold.

Ashley when contacted by The Billboard said that he had no comment at this time, inasmuch as he had just received the summons and complaint and had not yet appointed counsel.

Stone Declines 12G for "Angry"

HOLLYWOOD, March 11. - Cliffie Stone turned down \$12,500 for The Gods Were Angry With Me, tune owned by his Century Music. Offer was made by Hill & Range. According to Stone, next highest bid came from Mellon Music, who offered \$10,000. Stone said he i ad standing offer from Hill & Range to top any offer with \$500 if he decides 'o sell.

-Tune was cleffed by San Francisco disk jockey (Station KYA) Foreman Bill and his wife, Roma. It was first waxed by Eddie Krik three years ago and received solid reception from Western field. However, real hypo came after the pop-styled plattering by Margaret Whiting and Jimmy Wakely, released three months ago. Tune was backside of Broken Down keep tune in his Century catalog.

MGM Buys "Rain," "Precious Thing" From Delila

MGM Records has purchased two sides from Delila Records, Pittsburgh indie, and has scheduled the disk for immediate release. The material is the Frank Petty Trio cuttings of "Rain" and "A Precious Little Thing Called Love."

New York:

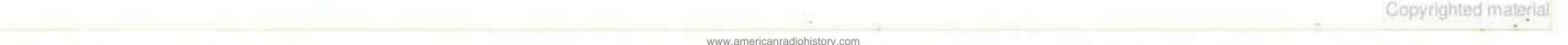
The Three Suns and Nat Brandwynne's ork will follow the Rudy Vallee-Larry Green ork package into the Hotel Roosevelt here. . . . Dick Noel, who formerly warbled with the Ray Anthony band, has been inked to a Columbia recording pact. . . . Pianist Dick Carey replaced Al Waslohn in the Jimmy Dorsey ork, which is currently at the Hotel Statler's Cafe Rouge here. . . . Mel Torme goes into the Paramount Theater here March 29. . . . Mindy Carson will go into the Atlantic City Steel Pier June 17 for eight days for a reported \$2,500. . . . Artie Shaw and his new ork will play the Apollo Theater here the week of April 21. . . . Sammy Kaye's ork will probably follow Ray Anthony into the Hotel Statler's Cafe Rouge here. Anthony follows current tenant, Jimmy Dorsey. . . . A benefit for Tess Gardella will be held at the Latin Quarter nitery here, with Milton Berle and other such luminaries due to participate. . . . Merv Shiner and Decca's Mike Conner held a whirlwind exploitation tour in Philadelphia last week to promote the former's disking of "Peter Cottontail." . . . Decca Records last week renewed its deal with Peter Lind Hayes. Hayes will do both pop and kid waxing. He sliced his first sides under the new pact last week, with his wife, Mary Healy, joining him for a couple of duets.

The Mystery Quartet, Philadelphia male vocal group, has been signed to a six-month exclusive by Palda Records. Deal calls for a minimum of 10 sides to be cut. . . . A new diskery, Rebelle Records, has been formed in Birmingham by Raymond J. Rowell. Artists contracted are organists Jim Griffin and Talmadge Anderson and Thomas Brown's Maroon Notes ork. LP and 45-r.p.m. releases are planned. . . . Jimmy Lytell and His Delta Eight, Dixieland group, have been inked for a Thesaurus series.

Gene Krupa, currently playing one-nighters in the Midwest, taking a voluntary five-day vacation the end of March to spend time at his Westchester County home. Then rejoins band to circle thru Texas to the Coast. . . . Both Spike Jones and Jerry Gray putting on extensive drives aimed at collegians to push their "Charleston" and "Stormy Weather Blues March" albums, respectively. Both sending personal letters to all university radio stations and all fraternity and sorority houses.

Marjorie B. Tahaney appointed sales rep for the RCA Victor custom record sales division. She will specialize in slide-film recordings. . . . Constance Hope, now acting in a consultant capacity for Radio Corporation of America and for six years director of artists relations for RCA Victor, opening her own office. Will handle merchandise promotion in addition to publicity.

Mildred Goody, daughter of disk dealer Sam Goody marries Bob Menashe Sunday (26) at the Franklyn Manor in Brooklyn. Menashe manages the Goody shop here. . . . The Bill Gals had a daughter, christened M:rry-Go-Round. Stone intends to Mary Ann. . . . Norman Granz, whose scheduled departure for Europe (See Music as Written on page 41)



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By Jack Burton

NO. 52—J. FRED COOTS

Sometimes dreams come true.

isn't. Instead, it's a cold statement of fact, to the truth of which J. Fred Coots's mother would have subscribed. For before she became a busy housewife in Brooklyn, where Fred was born May 2, 1897, Mrs. Coots, an accomplished pianist, had had aspirations of being a composer. Such in 1917. It was entitled Mister Ford, an ambition, however, was never realized, and so when she gave Fred his inspired by the efforts of the Detroit first piano lessons she tried to instill in him the idea of making music his profession in order that her frustrated desires might find fulfillment in her son.

Fred Coots, however, had other ideas about a life career when he finished school at the age of 16. He wanted to be a banker like his Uncle George. So instead of heading for Tin Pan Alley with Walter Donaldson, Dave Dreyer, Mabel Wayne and other embryo Brooklyn-born songwriters of that day, he got off the for \$500. subway at the Wall Street station and "I figu went to work for the Farmers' Loan & Trust Company at \$130 a month me," is the way Coots explains this plus lunches free.

Then came a fateful day in 1914 During the next two years Coots wrote special material for vaudeville when Fred Coots dropped into a music store on Van Cortland Street and artists and managed to save enough came under the spell of a professional to join the Friars. There he struck in Harlem. planist who was plugging If I Had up an acquaintance with Jack Glea-My Way, Mammy Jinny's Jubilee, In son, dean of the organization and that Coots discovered a 75-cent-an- and he has no reason to regret giving My Harem and other smash hits of Tex Rickard's partner, who intro- hour pianist in whom he sensed great up his \$130-a-month job with a bank 36 years ago. Then and there Fred duced him to Eddie Dowling. This promise as a comedian provided he in 1914 to become a songwriter at \$15 lost all interest in banking and the comedian was about to produce a was given the right material and a week.

golden security it promised. He not This sounds like a song title but it only decided his mother had been right, but started to make her dream come true by leaving the bank to work as a stock boy and planist for the McKinley Music Company at \$15 a week and no free lunches except at a neighboring barroom.

> Coots's first song hit the music racks You've Got the Right Idea, and was automobile manufacturer to end World War I by sending a peace ship to embattled Europe. The song was published by A. J. Stasny, who bought songs whose titles would make ornate covers and not on musical merit. Coots and his lyricist, Ray Sherwood, received \$5 for their maiden opus. They spent it all on a dinner to celebrate their entry into Tin Pan Alley. Ten years later when Stasny was down and out, Coots handed the publisher of his first song a check

"I figured I owed the guy that much for the encouragement he gave generosity.

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 1894 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.

musical he had just written called | could be induced to talk. His nose, The Plumber, and Coots asked him if he might furnish the score.

First Show

"Sorry, kid, but I can't take chances with unknowns," Dowling told him. "I want a marquee name—either Victor Herbert or Rudolph Friml."

But neither Herbert nor Friml was available, and so a month or so later Coots maneuvered Dowling into a corner near a piano and talked him into listening to several tunes he had composed. Dowling liked the music, too, and also Fred's suggestion that he change the name of the show from The Plumber to Sally, Irene and Mary and thus capitalize on the popularity of three feminine names that had made Broadway musical comedy history.

As a result Fred Coots got the contract to write the score for the Dowling show. Sally, Irene and Mary hung up a 312-performance run on Broadway, and the dream of the composer's mother finally came true.

The success of Sally, Irene and Mary both on Broadway and the road earned Coots a contract with the Shuberts that ran for nine years. During this time he supplied songs and acted as director of musical numbers for their Broadway revues. In addition he furnished special material for such famous night spots of the prohibition era as the Pekin, Moulin Rouge and Tokio on Broadway and the Alamo

which rivaled that of Cryano de Bergerac, was his crowning glory, and Coots finally prevailed upon him to team up with Eddie Jackson and Lew Clayton, both of whom were looking for a partner. If you haven't already guessed the name of Fred's discovery. it is Jimmy Durante.

Coots also doubled in vaudeville during the lush 20's, and after the Yankees' victory in the 1927 World's Series he confounded the critics by teaming up with Waite Hoyt, whe had pitched two winning games in the baseball classic, to pack the Palace at every performance while they were headlined there.

As a musical comedy composer, Coots's Broadway career ended just as it had begun-with a smash hit. His Sons o' Guns ran for 231 performances in 1929. Then when the sound track lured the nation's millions from the legitimate playhouse to the movie theater, Coots turned his talents to the writing of popular songs, and it is in this field that he has gained his greatest and most enduring fame.

Of the many popular songs Coots has written during the past two decades, at least three have become standard numbers of timeless appeal: Beautiful Lady in Blue, You Go to My Head and Santa Claus Is Coming to Town. The royalties he receives from them year after year from sheet music sales and recordings are a safer and more dependable annuity than

J. FRED COOTS'S BEST KNOWN SONGS AND RECORDINGS AVAILABLE Perry Como; MGM 10523, Blue Barron orches- | 1947-I CAN'T BELIEVE IT WAS ALL Phil Baker, Jay Brennan, Herbert Corthell and POPULAR SONGS tra; Victor 20-3067, Three Sons; Victor Frances Williams. MAKE BELIEVE LAST NIGHT 1928-DOIN' THE RACCOON 47-2973, Tommy Dorsey; Capitol 57-90012, MAID OF THE MILKY WAY Lyrics by Sam Lewis. Bregman, Vocco & Conn, Lyrics by Raymond Klages. Remick Music CELLINI'S DREAM Jan Garber orchestra. Corporation. Inc. TAKE A LITTLE BABY HOME WITH YOU FOR ALL WE KNOW 1929-PAL OF MY SWEETHEART DAYS 1948-ENCORE, CHERIE MOTHERS OF THE WORLD Lyrics by Sam Lewis. Leo Feist, Inc. Lyrics by Benny Davis. Words & Music, Inc. Lyrics by Alice D. Simms. Miller Music Cor-FOLLOW YOUR STAR A PRECIOUS LITTLE THING CALLED LOVE 1935-BEAUTIFUL LADY IN BLUE poration. THE MAGIC GARDEN OF LOVE Lyrics by Lou Davis. Remick Music Corpora-Lyrics by Sam Lewis. Chappell & Co., Inc. ORIENTAL MEMORIES 1949-IT'S TOO LATE NOW tion. This song was introduced in the Para-(Available on Decca record 24073 in A-1935, Lyrics by Tim Gayle and Matt Furin. Bourne, mount film, "Shopworn Angel," starring Nancy 1925-JUNE DAYS Nat Brandwynne orchestra.) Inc. Book by Harry Wagstaff Gribble and Cyrus Carroll in a cast that included Gary Cooper THIS TIME IT'S LOVE STAGE MUSICALS Wood, lyrics by Clifford Grey, and presented and Paul Lukas. Lyrics by Sam Lewis. Leo Feist, Inc. by a cast headed by Elizabeth Hines, Jay C. **1930-I STILL GET A THRILL THINKING** 1922-SALLY, IRENE AND MARY 1936-COPPER-COLORED GAL Flippen, Roy Royston and Millie James. A musical comedy with book by Eddle Dowling OF YOU Lyrics by Benny Davis. Mills Music, Inc. Harms, Inc. and Cyrus Wood, lyrics by Raymond Klages, Lyrics by Benny Davis. Words & Music, Inc. UNTIL TODAY REMEMBERING YOU and starring Eddie Dowling In a cast that **1931—LOVE LETTERS IN THE SAND** With Oscar Levant. Lyrics by Benny Davis. WHY IS LOVE? Included Edna Moon, Jean Brown and Kitty With Charles Kenny. Lyrics by Nick Kenny. [Marlo Music Corporation. ALL I WANT IS LOVE Flynn in the title roles. Remick Music Cor-YOU STARTED ME DREAMING Bourne, Inc. By Hal Dyson and James Kendls. poration. Lyrics by Benny Davis, Marlo Music Cor-1933-I WANT TO RING BELLS JUNE DAYS KID DAYS poration. Lyrics by Maurice Sigler. Mills Music, Inc. Music by Stephen Jones. TIME WILL TELL I'LL STAND BY TWO TICKETS TO GEORGIA PALS 1925—GAY PAREE Lyrics by Benny Davis. Crawford Music Cor-Lyrics by Joe Young and Charles Toblas. STAGE DOOR JOHNNIES With Al Goodman and Maurice Rubens. Book poration. Bourne, Inc. I WONDER WHY by Harold Atteridge, lyrics by Clifford Grey, ONE MINUTE TO ONE 1938-YOU GO TO MY HEAD DO YOU REMEMBER? and presented by a cast that included Chie Lyrics by Sam Lewis. Leo Feist, Inc. Lyrics by Haven Gillespie. Remick Music HOW I MISS YOU, MARY Sale, Billy B. Van, Jack Haley and Winnle Corporation. 1934-SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO WHEN THE RIGHT BOY COMES ALONG Lightner. (Available on the following records: Decca TOWN OUR HOME, SWEET HOME A STUDY IN LEGS 23140 in A-675, Marlene Dietrich; Decca Lyrics by Haven Gillespie. Leo Feist, Inc. 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Book by Harry Wag-FLORIDA MAMA and orchestra; Columbia 38545, Doris Day; Dorsey orchestra; Victor (20-1969) in P-161, staff Gribble, lyrics by Harold Atteridge and TODDLE TROT MGM 10605, Billy Eckstine.) presented by a cast that included Frank Gaby, BAMBOO BABIES THERE'S HONEY ON THE MOON TONIGHT Mabel Winter and Trini. By Ballard MacDonald, Joe Meyer and James Lyrics by Haven Gillespie and Mack David. ARTISTS AND MODELS Hanley. SONGWRITERS Miller Music Corporation. TOMORROW'S ANOTHER DAY GIVE ME THE RAIN SUMMER SOUVENIRS WHAT A BEAUTIFUL FACE WILL DO **COMING UP!** By Lester Allen, Henry Greamer and Maurice Lyrics by Charles Newman. Bregman, Vocco OFF TO GREENWICH VILLAGE Rubens. & Conn, Inc. DUKE ELLINGTON I LOVE TO DANCE WHEN I HEAR A MARCH MY SUGAR PLUM I'M MADLY IN LOVE WITH YOU In Subsequent Issues The Billboard PULL YOUR STRINGS By B. D. DeSylva and Joe Meyer. Lyrics by Benny Davis. Mills Music, Inc. 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SUNDAY

I FELL HEAD OVER HEELS IN LOVE By Donovan Parsons and Pat Thayer.

1926-A NIGHT IN PARIS With Maurice Rubens. Book by Harold Atteridge, lyrics by Clifford Grey and presented by a cast that included Jack Osterman, Jack Pearl, Norma Terris and Yvonne George. SARGENT'S DREAM POSTER GIRL ZULU THE NEWPORT GLIDE IN CHINATOWN IN FRISCO IN THE GARDENS OF THE KING POWDER PUFF LOUISIANA THEY SATISFY DANCE MAD WEDDING DAY

1927-WHITE LIGHTS

Book by Leo Donnelly and Paul Gerard Smith, lyrics by Al Dubin, and presented by a cast that included Rosaile Claire, Sam Ash, Jimmy Steiger, Tammany Young, Florence Parker and Leo Donnelly. Edward B. Marks Music Corporation. I'LL KEEP ON DREAMING OF YOU AN EYEFUL OF YOU

DON'T THROW ME DOWN SITTING IN THE SUN WHITE LIGHTS ROMANY ROVER TAPPING THE TOE SHOW GIRL BETTER TIMES ARE COMING By Dolph Singer and Jimmy Stelger. 1929-SONS O' GUNS A musical comedy with book by Fred Thompson and Jack Donahue, lyrics by Benny Davis and Arthur Swanstrom, and starring Jack Donahue and Lliy Damita in a cast that included William Frawley. Words & Music, Inc. THE YOUNGER SET MAY I SAY "I LOVE YOU?" I'M THAT WAY OVER YOU WE'LL BE THERE

THE CAN-CANOLA WHY? CROSS YOUR FINGERS RED HOT AND BLUE RHYTHM OVER HERE IT'S YOU I LOVE LET'S MERGE SENTIMENTAL MELODY THERE'S A RAINBOW ON THE WAY THE VICTORY PARADE



New York:

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Sunday (5) was postponed when he took sick, left Sunday (12). . . . Dana Records is now being handled by the Cosnat distribbery here. Dana is currently featuring the "Coal Miner Polka (Dig, Dig, Dig)."

Ben Selvin, Columbia a. and r. chief in Hollywood, father of a daughter, March 1. . . . Bud Fraser and Ed Bugai, of Capitol Records, are working up a big promotion in Detroit for the first appearance there of Stan Kenton's band. Group opens at the Masonic Temple March 19. . . . Morton Downey goes into the Waldorf for four weeks starting April 13.

The Hy Reiters (he's in BMI's publicity and promotion department) had their third boy Friday (9). The name is Elliot. . . Robbins Music acquired the tune "You've Been Playing Checkers" from Eli Oberstein's · Hit Records and obtained a Dinah Shore disking in short order. . . . Doug Arthur, deejay at WBIT, Philadelphia, is the composer of "The Kid's a Dreamer," getting attention via Rosemary Clooney's Columbia waxing. ... WNEW's Art Ford leaves for a European trip Monday (20).

Johnny Clarke is managing the Jaxson Sisters, teen-age group recently inked by Decca. Their first waxings, "Old MacDonald Had a Farm" and "Stranger in the House," went out last week.





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Tunesmith Bob Merrill, writer of "If I Knew You Were Comin' I'd've Baked a Cake," "Candy and Cake" and "Lovers' Gold," has been signed to an exclusive writer's pact by Santly-Joy. . . . A new label, Roland Records, has been formed by Joe Roland, arranger-vibist. First sides feature contemporary jazz. . . . Savoy-Regent disk topper Herman Lubinsky returned recently from a "secret" trip to the Coast, where he cut Redd Lyte and Mel Walker sides. The Savoy caravan, starring Little Esther and the Johnny Otis band, plays the Apollo Theater the week of April 16.

Hollywood:

According to Capitol's sales charts, the Hopalong Cassidy "Singing Bandit" kid album has passed the 150,000 mark after one's week release. ... The Pilgrim Travelers (5), Specialty Records' spiritual-gospel vocal group, landed in Palm Springs, Calif., Community Hospital following a highway auto collision. All suffered minor injuries and were forced to cancel Southland personal appearance dates. . . Crystalette's Mae Williams set for her Sunset Strip nitery debut May 1 when she bows at Mocambo.

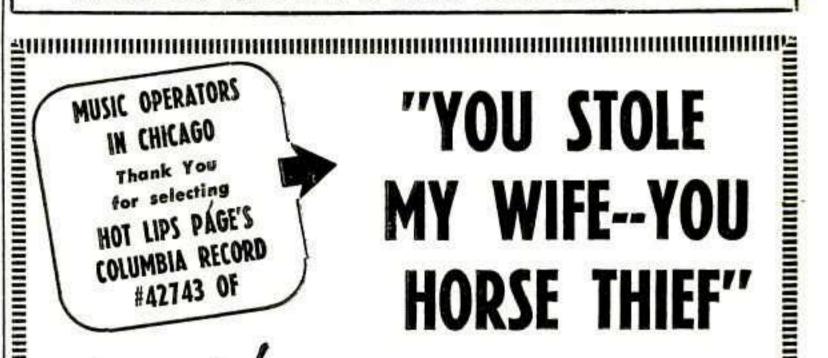
On the soundtrack: Academy Award winner Morris Stoloff will direct music for the Friars Frolic of 1950. Tony Martin, Al Jolson and Frankie Laine have been set for the event so far, among many screen celebs who will participate in the Motion Picture Relief Fund program. . . . "Every Baby Needs a Da-Da-Daddy," an Allan Roberts-Lester Lee cleffing, has been set by Columbia Pictures for Lucille Ball to warble in the burlesque theater sequence of "The Fuller Brush Girl" flicker. . . . Indicative of film makers' increasing realization of disk importance in exploiting films, Selznick Studios held a special screening of "The Third Man" and invited more than 200 top record dealers in the area. "Third Man Theme" has 15 diskings.

Philadelphia:

Louis Prima follows Bill Darnel into the Click for a two-week stand, with Steve Gibson and The Red Caps set to come in late in April following their current stay at Chubby's in North Collingsworth, N. J. . . . A jazz concert tentatively booked for May 2 will bring George Shearing, Yardbird Parker and Slam Stewart and their units to town. . . . Jimmy Preston and His Prestonians are set for week-end dancing at Dreamland at near-by Lawnside, N. J. . . . Harry Dobbs, Latin Casino maestro, suffered a stroke which left his right side paralyzed. He's confined to St. Luke's Hospital. ... Chris Scott, former canary with Gene Williams, is making her bow as a singing single at the Embassy Club. . . . Tex Beneke is one-nighting at the Broadwood Hotel on March 26. . . . Art Foster is booked for the Friday night sessions at Danceland in the Kensington sector of town. . . . T-Bone Walker, blues guitarist making his first personal in these parts, drew 84 patrons for a concert promoted by Reese DuPree at the Lansdown Hall in Camden, N. J. . . , Victor Hugo goes into the new Smith Sho-Bar. . . Eileen Byrne, coming out of Dick Barlow's band, is singling at the BR Club.

Cincinnati:

Ruby Wright, wife of Barney Rapp, local agent and ork leader, has waxed "Thanks for the Buggy Ride" for King Records, accompanied by Burt Farber, Al Jordan, Jimmy Wilbur and other local musickers. . . Stan Kenton's "Innovations in Modern Music for 1950," with June Christy on vocals, set for next Saturday night (18) at Taft Theater. . . . Al Morgan is slated to enter a local hospital this week-end for an operation on his proboscus to rectify a sinus ailment.



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Sorry We Apologize!

Due to an error in composition, in the ad of Lulu Belle & Scotty that appeared in the March 4th issue, the copy indicated that Scotty had written "Schrudle Du."

Scotty wrote the words and music

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(Continued from page 14) sonal contacts with record company officials in an effort to better working conditions between the two arms of the industry.

Most significant were those meetings held between operators and diskery reps in the exhibit rooms, when the former took their complaints, ranging from lack of personal contact at the distrib level to title strip discussions and per-record costs, directly to the source in an attempt to start a chain reaction which might eventually lead to closer harmony between the two.

17 Associations Attend

With 17 State and city operator associations represented, as well as leading indie juke operators from almost every State, the matter of diskery representation with the operator was a subject of considerable debate. Many felt that the move by Decca, in appointing Bob Arcutt as sales manager for the juke box operators, would establish a trend which all majors would follow within the next six months.

Importance of the music pubber was stressed in the business session devoted to merchandising and promoting music play in jukes. Pointing out that thousands of songs are published annually, and that only a comparative handful ever reach the hit class, Hirsh de La Viez, president of the Washington Music Guild (WMG) said that ops should determine which tunes will be No. 1 plugs when they shop for their disks. Only by purchasing platters which will receive top national promotion, can the operator make money on each record he puts in his machines, La Viez stated. To be profitable, a disk must receive a minimum of 150 plays, thus bringing into the coin box a minimum of \$7.50.

tion between juke ops and disk jockeys was noted during the course of the merchandising talks. While the former do not actually buy radio time, by sponsoring portions of d. j. shows they, in turn, can offer the latter on-location promotion via posters, placards and by using d.-j. names on special title strips.

In Newark, N. J., the Music Guild of America has found this promotion extremely profitable, while the WMG now ties in with three jocks on pop, blues and folk tunes. In Yankton, S. D., the tie-in between WNAX and the South Dakota Phonograph Association, whereby the ops use disks of local artists and bands and feature special title strips prepared by the radio station on their boxes, was also cited as a top promotion.

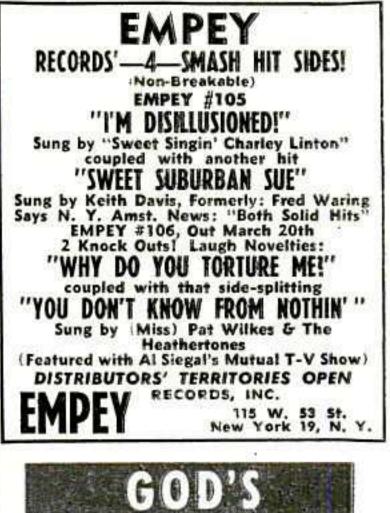
One of the most frequently heard discussions was concerned with the use of title strips. While some ops were of the opinion these should be supplied by record companies along with new releases, diskery reps were able to offer some concrete reasons why the title strip deal was not feasible. Among these was the vast bookkeeping involved, making the deal so costly it was almost prohibitive. Some reps felt they would rather cut the price of a disk 1 cent than furnish title strips made at approximately the same cost. Also the fact that today, with multiple-selection phonos ranging from 24 to 100 titles, and many of them hooked up with wall boxes, they pointed out the use of a number of special title strips could conceivably mean switching as many as 1,000 strips within a comparatively short time in each location.

At the conclusion of the convention operators expressed the opinion that being an exclusive music meet, more constructive work had been accomplished between pubbers, diskers and operators than at any previous coin

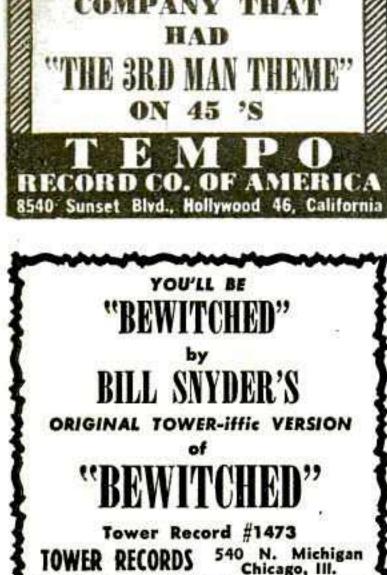
Boom Col Sales

NEW YORK, March 11.-Columbia Records, now operating its pop disk department on a sped-up and livewire promotion and sales system, claims that the first two disks to undergo the acceleration treatment iss resulted in combined initial sale totaling around 425,000. Go To Sleep, Go To Sleep, Go To Sleep, by Arthur Godfrey and Mary Leartin, has built a sale of 250,000 since its release February 23. Gene Autry's version of Peter Cottontail is claimed to have hit 175,000 in its first five days on the market.

These sales marks are claimed by Columbia veepee in charge of merchandising, Paul Southard, to be sales records for the industry.







A growing trend toward co-opera- machine show.	RALPH SIGWALD Magnolia
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The Billboard **BMI a Better Mousetrap? Morris Rumored Switching**

(Continued from page 14) been finding that the deals aren't as lush or easy to get today as they were a year or two ago. Jack Robbins states quite openly that he would be amenable to a BMI arrangement, if, of course, the price were right, "because they just starve you out in ASCAP unless you have one of those mammoth catalogs."

Where's ASCAP Pay?

Robbins' statement about sums up trade feeling-that a small or moderate publishing operation can't stand the gaff in ASCAP. Without availability and seniority ratings, the payoff in ASCAP doesn't go very far in keeping a pubber in operation. In contrast, the BMI advance guarantees, with relatively small pubbers receiving as much as \$40,000 per year, and larger ones getting sums up to and over \$100,000, are mighty attractive. Many small and middling ASCAP copyrights are going to be available pubbers plead the same rhetorical to all for free. question: Why doesn't the Society do something to encourage us and help us keep our heads above water between hits? One of this group would like to see a sum, say \$1,000,000 taken out of the ASCAP pot every year to help accredited pubbers meet the rent not performable in BMI. But songand phone bills.

Another source of woe to the middle group in ASCAP is the long time between short raises in availability points. A few weeks ago what they regard as one of the "favored" firms got a substantial boost, and a raise is on the agenda for another firm. This is as salt in the aggrieved ones' wounds-but even merited raises invariably smoke out backbiting and jealousy from those who don't get hiked. A further gripe is that catalog availability sometimes seems to depend upon who owns the catalog; at least two pubbers have told The Bill-

with BMI; supply the radio stations with tunes and recordings that can be played and never mind the worth of the songs. Many BMI pubbers went along for years on sheer "activity"nary a hit but continuous additions to the BMI catalog-and were felicitated for doing a job. Doubtless some of these will continue in the same fashion, and BMI will carry them because of their long years with and loyalty to the organization. Newcomers, however, must definitely promise talent.

Public Domain Hits

With BMI's ascendancy in the race for hits and growing pop, hillbilly, rhythm and blues and Latin catalogs, another factor looms importantly in the competition. That is the impending passage into public domain of the early ASCAP songs. In a few years some of ASCAP's esteemed

The new consent decree may also shed new light on the struggle. At present songs may not be arbitrarily removed from ASCAP when the pubber moves over to BMI. Many tunes in the E. B. Marks catalog are still writers are reportedly guaranteed freedom to leave the Society-perhaps that will facilitate the simultaneous withdrawal of pubbers.

The dominant feeling among ASCAP-ers of every degree, despite all this, is that the Society should and must be preserved. Make it livable and workable for the little contributor, they say; we don't want BMI, you're driving us there.



Top Swingsters **Enlarge** Crews

NEW YORK, March 11 .- The fullsized jazz band, which was leveled in the past couple of years owing to slack business, appears to be coming back for another fling. At least four of the top swingsters are in the process of either putting together or planning a large jazz crew.

Woody Herman, who broke up his big band late last year to work with a small unit, will reorganize his 17piecer and will work his Bop City engagement here, beginning April 12, with the new crew.

Illinois Jacquet heretofore noted for his small jump band, has formed a 17-piece ensemble which is breaking in at the Royal Theater in Baltimore this week.

Cab Calloway, who gave up big Cab Calloway, who gave up big bands in favor of a quartet, will again head a large organization when he starts for the hinterlands for a theater and one-nighter tour in April.

Charlie Ventura, who built a big jazz following with his small band via his voice-instrument blend gimmick, has formed a 17-piecer which broke in last week in a Chicago engagement,

Mimi Benzell Inks With Decca Records

NEW YORK, March 11 .- Mimi Benzell, Met opera soprano currently appearing at the Chicago Theater, Chicago, has signed a disk contract with Decca Records. The pact calls for the thrush to record operatic and pop material.

Following her Chicago date, Miss Benzell is booked into the Raddisson Hotel, Minneapolis, for two weeks.

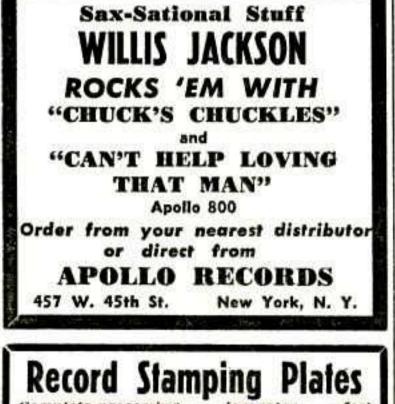


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board that catalogs they acquired got demotions as soon as they left the hands of the original owners.

BMI Shifting?

With BMI, which claims to have garnered 42 per cent of network performances in 1949, certain shifts in attitude and approach have become apparent in recent years. Their original join-us-and-name-your-price philosophy of the early 1940s has been replaced by an attitude of careful selection and dicrimination. Candidates now have to make out a strong case for themselves, and have to justify every cent of advance guarantee. At one time, quantity rather than quality of song was the byword



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yardstick, with availability counting for less than it does now.

Intangibles To Stay

It is noteworthy, however, that altho the projected plan does away with availability as it is now known, the very intangibles which comprise availability such as "vogue," "nature," etc., would inevitably affect a song's basic seniority-rating. That is, a tune lacking in these intangibles would not persist thru the years.

The ASCAP classification board has been meeting frequently the last six weeks in order to hear publishers' protests and requests for revisions. The new plan was suggested as a method whereby protests would be held to a minimum. This, it is felt, would result because of the fact that the projected plan, in toto, places a pub's classification upon a more mathematical basis than is now the case.

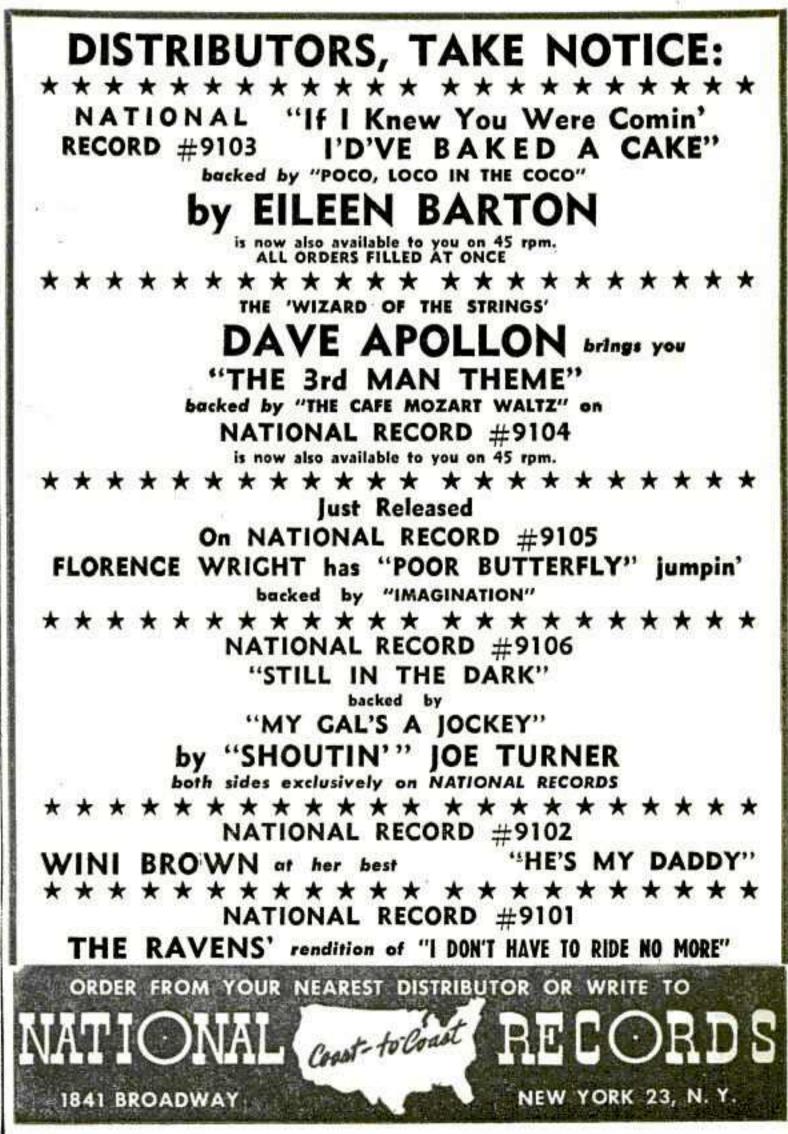
Pubs on the classification committee believe that all things considered, there is very little error in the current 55-30-15 plan; but they believe the constant bickering could never be stilled under the present plan.

The classification committee now has the new plan under informal advisement. It was stated that the thinking among the topmost ASCAP brass is to the effect that sometime within the year the new classification method will be blueprinted and become an actuality.

CAPITOL CATALOG

(Continued from page 14) blues into one unit. Other groups are folk and hilllilly as a separate category plus kidisks and classical.

New book offers cross references between categories and is also the first Cap catalog to list disk numbers for three-speed pressings. Basic ca alog contains 50 pages with plenty of room for monthly additions. Copies of catalog will be furnished to all Cap branches and sales rens.





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AGVA STIRS ON MIXING RULE **Preps** Clamps **On Line Gals Selling Drinks**

Violations Uncovered

(Continued from Page 4) shows. I want them here, and I want you to tell 'em so."

This mixing by the line and girl singers is a practice which has increased sharply of late. It is generally recognized by cafe ops that girls are hired for a double purpose, to work in the show and between shows to help sell drinks at the bar. If any girl complains, she is fired. Some clubs even keep a tally on how many drinks each girl helps sell. If she doesn't sell enough she's let out. tho the reasons for the discharge are usually "she can't dance," or "she doesn't look good."

According to AGVA rules all performers are required to show up a half hour before show time and may leave for home right after their last show. This applies to all performers, names or chorus. In actual practice the names can do as they see fit, but the girls have to stick around until closing time.

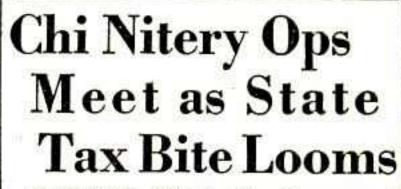
Owners on Spot

Line owners are quite aware of this but claim they can't sell their lines under AGVA conditions. They argue that if they obey the rule there is always a competitor who'll come in and get the job. If the competitor is called in by AGVA, he pleads that he can't control the girls, "they want to mix." In some cases it is claimed that the chorus are the main objectors to the non-mixing rule, because it interferes their gross receipts, they will pay with their private lives and cuts down their incomes. AGVA officials say that if there is any objection it has to be brought to the AGVA convention where a new rule will be written. Meanwhile, the rule is part of the union's laws, and every effort will be made to enforce it.

Reverse Yock

NEW YORK, March 11 .---Danny Davis, Miami Beach nitery op, received a phone call the other day from New York indie Jerry Rosen, submitting an act. After the talk lasted about 10 minutes, Davis interrupted, "This call is costing money. Tell your operator to reverse the charges. I'm making a lot of money down here, and I hear things are pretty rough for you guys up North."

The agent, who never had such a thing happen to him before, said he was struck dumb by the shock.



CHICAGO, March 11.-Because of an impending test case, the outcome of which might force some 17 local nitery ops to fork over \$331,000 in State sales tax refunds, the Chicago Cafe Operators' Association (CCOA), almost dormant for the past two years, has reorganized with a vengeance. The CCOA notified local cafe ops of a meeting at which the case was discussed two weeks ago, with Ted Raynor and Tom Rosenberg, cocounsel for the group, reporting the best turnout since 1947.

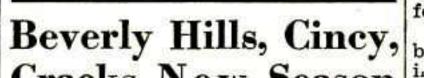
Palace Is Latest To Weigh Stem 2-Week Show Policy

ace is the latest among the Stem houses to consider seriously a twoweek booking policy. In the case of this theater, the reasons are two-fold, the hope of getting better pictures and the increasing difficulty of getting acts, particularly comics.

Right now practicaly every house on Broadway is on a two-week policy, with few shows doing enough to warrant holding on longer. Where contracts were issued for three weeks and an option of one or more, they are now for two weeks, or less, and options. In practically every case the reason is poor pictures with resultant dismal box office. Theater men claim that only in a rare case, Bob Hope for example, does the stageshow make any real difference. It's the picture that brings 'em in, tho it's a good combo, flesh plus flick, that makes for big takes.

New Poser

The Palace has a different problem on its hands. When it started flesh it made no pretense of bringing in "A" flickers. It used the small budgeted Westerns and similar pot boilers. Its major attraction was the live show, the eight acts. But the initial impetus has now worn off and increased competition from the major houses using "A" pictures has grown increasingly



NEW YORK, March 11 .- The Pal-| severe. Also the Palace, with its comparatively small flesh budget, necessitated by its 1,700 capacity, can't bid for the top standard acts-names are out of the question—so its attempt to get new acts has become tougher and tougher.

In order to lick this, RKO toppers admitted they were dickering for better pictures, ones capable of holding up for two weeks, and if successful will try to put on a strong enough stageshow so both can stay two weeks.

RKO heads indicated that a shift in its one-week policy would be an experiment. If it proved itself they might continue, but meanwhile everything was in the dickering stage.

New Brit. Deal Subs Date Bait **For Low Dough**

NEW YORK, March 11.-The latest device to get acts to work London is one that calls for performers to pay their own passage and get little money on their initial date-in the hopes that they'll do well enough to permit them to stay and make new deals for themselves.

This method is now being followed by Bernie Delfont, British per center, i.. conjunction with Baum-Newborn,

preme Court reversed a previous Circuit Court of Appeals decish, which exempted cafe ops from payment of the 2 per cent sales tax on their receipts. In the switch, cafe ops have now been notified that instead of paying 2 per cent sales tax on 2 per cent on double their grocery and liquor bills each month. Previously, ops thought they would become liable only for 2 per cent of their gross receipts (The Billboard, January 14).

Despite a story to the contrary, the (See Chi Nitery Ops on page 47)

Early this year, the Illinois Su-reme Court reversed a previous Cracks New Season

CINCINNATI, March 11.-Beverly Hills Country Club, leading nitery in this area, reopened last night after its usual winter hiatus which begins each New Year's night.

Heading the first show are Arthur Lee Simpkins and Frank Libuse, with Margot Brander. Gene Griffin, WLW tele and radio singer, is emsee, with the Lindsay Lovelies (8), produced by Cecile Lindsay, back for another season. Deke Moffitt's 13piece crew occupies the bandstand.

The Three Suns top the next Bev-

erly show opening March 24.

local indies thru whom he bought several acts to appear in the Moss Empire theaters.

Acts bought are tied together in a package and get six weeks. The first such package opens in Leeds, March 27, with Leo Fuld, who will headline the bill. Initial show will have the Catron Brothers and their wives, Jocelyn Loy, singer, and Connie Mack, dancer. Fuld will get 55 per cent of the gross, out of which he'll pay the acts.

Idea of this booking is to offset the deals made by other London buyers for bigger dough which sometimes end in smaller takes. Freq ently an American performer, bought for a London date for \$1,000, is talked into staying longer for half the salary after his initial run, "because the passage is already paid, so what do you have to lose?"

The Baum-Newborn-Delfont idea is to offset this arrangement. They say that if an act goes over for a comparatively short run for short dough, and pays its own passage, it is not tied to any contract or any agent if the act clicks. It can then make its own deal and come out ahead.

Al Burnett, op of the London Stork Club, is in on the operation. He will represent the Baum-Newborn office in London and will book for Delfont. Burnett is said to be Delfont's silent partner.

Summing it up, this plan amounts to a showing date for American acts desirous of breaking into the foreign field.

Dallas B'port Club Burns

DALLAS, March 11 .- The Bridgeport Club, owned by Al Dexter, writer of Pistol Packin' Mama, was destroyed here by fire on the night of March 6. The club, which is closed Monday nights, was unoccupied at the time of the fire. Damage was estimated at \$38,000. Dexter said the building was insured for only \$10,000. Included in the loss were musical instruments owned by the Rowe Brothers' band.

Shrimp Find Waldorf Dinner Hour Drops Tax **Paves** Route

Two Niteries Bear Traffic

To Big Buck

By Bill Smith

NEW YORK, March 11 .- Key West may not sound like the new bonanza for showbiz, or for that matter any other kind of business. But the fact remains that it is one of the few places in the country that is in for a major shot in the arm for the immediate and forseeable future; a for show business as well as other activities.

The Southernmost city in the U.S., (See Key West Showbiz on page 46)

NEW YORK, March 11 .- The Waldorf-Astoria's Wedgwood Room is the latest of the class hotel rooms to drop the 20 per cent amusement tax for the dinner hour which ends at 8:15 p.m.

The official reason is that people who drop in for dinner prior to going to a theater have no time or interest in dancing and therefore should not be penalized by a tax. Unofficially, the reason is that business for the dinner hour has not held up, and the elimination of the tax bite is an effort to hypo the trade.

Eddy Duchin, who opened Thurshypo that can well bring added lures day (9), will play chamber music until 8:15 nightly to which there'll be no dancing. After that hour, the 20 per cent tax will go into effect. From Key West recently has found a new | 10:30 until closing the room will conand, according to the navy, unlimited tinue to operate on a \$2 cover basis. (See Waldorf Dinner Hour, Page 47)

Key West Showbiz Bonanza "Night of Stars" **Picket Planned;** No AGVA Okay

> NEW YORK, March 11 .- The annual Night of Stars, the benefit show run for the Israel Orphan Home at the Madison Square Garden, set this year for March 20, may be picketed by actors who claim that the sponsors can "afford to pay for the show."

Tho the actors are all members of the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA), the picketing would not have the union's okay. AGVA has disclaimed all responsibility, and at least one member of the union's national executive board said, "We can't control our members."

Alan Corelli, Theater Authority (TA) exec, said the show had been cleared by that org and everything was in order. He further said that court injunction will be sought, and anybody picketing the Garden the (See "Night of Stars" on Page 47)



Palace, New York (Thursday, March 9)

Capacity, 1,700. Price policy, 55 cents-\$1.20. RKO chain booker, Dan Friendly. Number of shows, four daily; five Saturdays.

Sporting new travelers and new drops, the new show opened with a bang, kept the pace going most of the way, except for deliberate tempo changes, and closed with equal zest, making it one of the best run shows the theater's had in a long time.

The bill started with the Cathalas Trio, a circus act from Denmark out of the Ringling-Barnum circus, a clean-looking, well-wardrobed twoboy-and-a-girl group, doing a series of fast balances on big balls, shoulder stands out of full flips and perch bits ending in a feet on shoulder leaps, making for a great act and an equally great hand.

Dietrich and Diane, marionette act, use all black light effects in the handling of various dolls, ranging from a Latin opener to a precision flveman clincher. The act works against starting with Vaughn Monroe and a black drop, and both performers wear dead black outfits so attention is focused on the dolls. It made an excellent impression.

Ford and Harris

Ford and Harris probably fractured them in the old two-a-day Palace when the act was Ford, Harris and Jones. Today they do a melange of talking-singing-dancing with stress on the latter. It's a fair act today but could become better if there were more comedy. Their hoofology, good as it is, seems to be the backbone of their act, but it's their talk which gets the giggles.

Jan Rubini, a short, dapper grayish man, did an outstanding violin act using long-hair and semi-long-hair Riders in the Sky. The latter, tho tunes. Playing what is claimed to be a \$25,000 Galiano, he displayed artistry of a high order, tho the house wasn't impressed. It wasn't until he brought on a stacked blond amazon for comedy fiddle bits that he registered.

VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

Capitol, New York

(Friday, March 10)

Capacity, 4.627. Price policy, 55 cents-\$2. Four shows daily; five Saturdays. Loew chain booker, Sidney Piermont. Show played by Art Mooney band.

There's a lot of action in the stage show. Sparked by an ebullient Art Mooney, dapper in light tweed suit, the show gets plenty of drive and power from his cheer-leader tactics. The Mooney outfit (4 trumpets, 3 trombones, 5 sax and 4 rhythm) opened with a breezy American Patrol followed by Wild Goose with Johnny Martin on the vocal. Martin, a goodlooking, husky youth, gave it the full treatment with a pair of excellent pipes, finishing to a good hand. Jimmy Gross, another Mooney song spieler, a thin, pleasant lad, did a series of vocal take-offs of singing names, ending with Frankie Laine, throwing in Jolson for added effect.

With Black Hand on the screen, Mooney got the spirit by throwing out many Italian phrases in between his numbers. Ork's biggest was Toot, Toot, Tootsie, which the lean house (opening show) recognized with enthusiasm. To keep the band in action Mooney has a running bit with his guitar player that makes for occasional chuckles.

Comedy load is carried by Harvey Stone, who came in with a batch of new material, most of it plain socko. His opener is a tough neighborhood routine ending in a parody of Dear Hearts and Gentle People, followed by a race track routine built around funny, would seem better material for a cafe that draws bettors, rather than a theater. His army routine, sharply pruned, just about killed them, as it always does. All in all, Stone is rapidly becoming a top comic. He shows up with new stuff, keeps routines but additional polishing enough of his old to satisfy, and sells seemed necessary. the whole thing with gusto and assurance. The house loved him. Eileen Wilson, the Lucky Strike pretty blond, obviously nervous and throat, she started with a couple of standards and went into a medley of Lucky Strike hit tunes, gradually improving as her throat opened. By the time she finished with Man Around the House she was way ahead. She came back for the current hit, I'd've Baked a Cake, and left no doubt of her ability. With a full house she'll murder 'em. Her only handicap was a purplish gown, the same shade as sight values. A black gown would've made her stand out better. The Fountaines, two boys and a girl, were obviously nervous with their standard act on the small working space. However, their tricks, with gal as chief understander, went as well as ever, getting pleasant recep-Bill Smith. tion.

Roxy, New York (Tuesday, March 7)

Capacity, 6,000. Price policy, 80 cents-\$1.80. Four shows daily; five Saturdays. House booker, Sam Rauch. Show played by the Roxy house ork.

Too many acts feature terping here and, while entertaining, the show lacks the variety of a well-balanced bill. Business-wise, the outlook isn't too promising, since the flicker, Mother Didn't Tell Me, isn't strong on marquee names.

In the closer, gravel-throated Beatrice Kay sold Gay '90 tear-jerkers in her usual raucous fashion and hit solidly with a murderous take-off on a coy baby-voiced modern canary. When she discarded her old-fashioned props and stepped out in a lowcut silver lame gown to warble a jump tune, her "runway" antics were more vulgar than funny.

Billed as an extra, the Beatrice Kraft dancers (a sly spoofing of East Indian dancing) were hampered by poor production and faulty backing. The colorfully garbed terpers were practically lost against the jumbled background of the band on stage. In spite of this handicap, the graceful Miss Kraft and her troupe turned in an excellent performance and got a fair share of applause from the sparse house.

Bill Norvas and the Upstarts (three good looking boys and two pretty gals) followed, and their fresh young personalities provided a neat contrast to Miss Kraft's exotic capers. The vocal group was well costumed and showed plenty of natural talent and showmanship prancing around the stage ala Kay Thompson. It takes top-drawer special material to sell an act like this, tho, and right now it's all showmanship and little substance. The youngsters have obviously worked hard on their current

RKO Albee, Cincinnati (Friday, March 10)

NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE

Capacity, 3,200 seats. Prices, 60, 75 and 85 cents. Four shows daily; five on week-ends. House booker, Dan Friendly. Shows played by house ork.

Show's good pacing, set up by the skating Roulettes, two lads and a gal, is maintained thruout. The youths display skill in a varied assortment of rapidly executed roller tricks. Dave and Dot Workman rang up solid applause with excellent Swiss bellblending, with the former also turning in a slick trumpet job. Both also palm out smart tonal effects from a raft of brightly illuminated musical glasses, and wind up playing an assortment of musical gadgets. It's a flashy turn smartly presented.

Ladd Lyons, with brother Bob serving as an audience plant, scored solidly with levitation antics that include an eye-catching handstand from a chair on a bottle base and an exciting hand tap. Think-a-Drink Hoffman amazes pew-sitters with his sharp magic bar legerdemain. Chatter is smooth and his drink-mixing propensities run the gamut from Manhattans and Martinis to soda pop. For the total abstainer, he's still dishing out coffee, with cream and doughnut.

Top-drawer is Rex Weber's tight-(See RKO Albee, Cincinnati, page 46)

Orpheum, Los Angeles (Wednesday, March 8)

Capacity, 2,200. Price policy, 50-65-95 cents. Four shows daily. House booker, Bill McIlwain.

House sidetracks vaude for a week in favor of the Dick Contino troupe, and judging by the top turnout and crowd enthusiasm, it's a welcome breather. Zing and zest with which these youngsters bounce out on stage to keep the show rolling at fast clip makes up for any lack of polish in performance. Tops in ability and showmanship is Dick Contino, who competently carries the load. Accordionist Contino puts plenty of flash and fire into his squeezebox and is a crowd pleaser. Others are overshadowed by Contino, but as young hopefuls serve as good filler fare. These include Pat Theriault, banjoist; Jerry Rothaus, on marimba and drums, who would sharpen act by skipping the tubs; the Three Ladd Sisters, who have only looks and can neither sing nor dance, and Glen Pigott, who does well at the Steinway. Comic-mimic Johnny Tulucci lacks gags and delivery on jokes but passes on imitations. Nadine Jensen offers piano, trumpet and vocal solos but is mediocre at all three. Irish tenor Johnny Mungall is so-so. Emil Mazanec combo (6) backs the acts in fair fashion. Pic, Spring in Paris Lane. Lee Zhito.

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George Conley did much better here than when first caught at the Roxy. His opening chatter was still as obvious as a belch, tho the house yocked it up. The middle of his act, how- canary, in her first Stem vauder, ever, was the strongest. It involved handled herself like a trouper. A clever take-offs done with a minimum of effort. The finish also was fighting what seemed to be a tight n. s. g. If the boy can get his opening and closing to be as strong as his middle, he'd have a real act.

Street and Hughes

David Street, working with his wife, Mary Beth Hughes, came on first for a well delivered Dear Hearts and Gentle People and then brought out Miss Hughes for a center fancy entrance. The couple did a very good job with their duets and special bits; the bandstands, detracting from her their comedy quarrel things were particularly effective.

Helene and Howard were in after they went into their standard comedy knockabout routine. Marcelli and Janice showed a fine tight wire rope act. The boy did all sort of balances and juggling aloft, ending in a flash bit during which his wife, Janice, was atop a unicycle and he juggled hoops while on one foot.

Pic, Mr. Lucky. Bill Smith.



Capacity, 2,700. Price policy, 55 cents-\$1.50. Number of shows, four daily. Warner Booker, Harry Mayer. Show played by Dave Schooler's house ork.

enough variety to attract all segments of humor also hurts. of the public, even tho the show is a little weak marquee-wise.

house band flag waver and a quick Smith Howard. Sol Grauman has segue into the Three Winter Sisters | revamped his musical stairs act, cutacro turn. The gals opened slowly, ting down to two girls. Both fems but warmed up with a series of solo are better than their predecessors and duet bids, including a hand-walk. from a looks and dance standpoint. flip-flops and back bends, going off Standard act got good send-off. to a good hand. George Andre Martin ran thru his standard finger dancing act in smooth fashion. Plenty of eye-appeal is inherent in his bit, warbler can sell a song and wound tho his reception was only fair.

Oriental, Chicago (Friday, March 10)

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

While this bill is varied and wellpaced, several lulls occur when acts do material that might hit better with The current Strand layout packs a smarter cafe clientele. Over-all lack

Carl Sands's house ork got things off to good start with a Gypsy med-The flesher opens with a short, ley, featuring drummer - vocalist

Young Richard Hayes has a future in vaude. Besides possessing virile baritone pipes, the collegiate-looking up to salvo with his rousing Mercury Roger Ray put the show into high rendition of The Old Master Painter gear. Introed as a marimba artist, Elsa and Waldo failed to hit the Ray Watkins house ork. (See Strand, New York on page 46) (See Oriental, Chicago on page 46)

Rounding out the bill were Buck and Bubbles, and the Dunhills, three competent hoofers. The former, a standard act, rated their usual appreciative hand while the latter turned in a good tap routine. June Bundy.

> Palomar, Seattle (Thursday, March 9)

Capacity, 1,200. Prices 50 cents to \$1.25. Number of shows, three daily; four on weekend. Show played by Ray Watkins house ork.

This week's headliner, Billy Eckstine, wound the faithful around the block at nearly every show.

"Mr. B," saved for the clinch finale, registers for heavy mitts from the moment of his quite carefully slow bleed entrance, until lad starts with Everything I Have Is Yours, followed by You're Driving Me Crazy and Bewildered. Weak spot of his current offering is Ol' Man River, which tends to drag. I'm Sitting by the Window leads Eckstine into excellent conversational rapport with audience, when plugging coming warbler Sarah Vaughan.

Foster Calls Shots

Show is emseed by Michael Foster, who has built up a local rep as a comic. This week, Foster features himself in a radio quiz gimmick, with the yocks strongest when the frustrated guizzee shoots the loudspeaker. Strong supporting bill is opened by solo drummer Jackie Walcott, who works with a green light and a Dracula laugh, while using his skin beaters all over the theater, climaxing with a strong broken-roll sequence on Hold That Tiger. Dale Hall is strong in three interpretive dances, two Mexican and one Sioux Indian. Gal uses colored swirls and black light effects to good advantage.

Tops on support bill are Berk and Hall, two tiny young tappists with acro trimmings. Using such numbers as April Showers, their routine is smooth and precise. Pair should go far.

Show received good backing from

Pic, Mrs. Mike. Wil Stevens.





NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

Cotillion Room, Hotel Pierre, New York (Tuesday, March 7)

Capacity, 265. Price policy, \$3-\$4 minimum. Shows at 9:15 and 12:15. Owners, Pierre Hotel. Booking, non-exclusive; Stanley Melba is buyer. Publicity, Nola Luxford-Don Coplin. Estimated budget this show, \$850. Estimated budget last show, \$1,200.

Some day Jimmy Carroll will hit and, instead of being a standard hotel act, will become an attraction that will sell tickets. Carroll has about everything necessary to make the grade. He has the voice, the selling style and ease of delivery. In fact he's about the best tenor around. He sells the low, middle and high notes with equal skill, getting rapt attention for practically every number. For this job Carroll brought in some wonderful arrangements to set him off. His routine consisted of standards, pops and one inevitable Irish tune with the crowd yelling for more as he wisely left them wanting.

The Talbots, a good looking dance team, with the gal's coloring setting off the boys' masculinity, got big hands for their no-hands shoulder spin seguing into a one-arm-lift-spin. Major faults of the Talbots was in the boy's too much milking and in their music. In a class room, such as the Pierre, they should've come in with arragements that help give them ear as well as sight appeal.

Bill Smith.

Cocoanut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles (Tuesday, March 7)

Capacity, 860. Price policy, \$1.50 cover week nights, \$2 Saturdays. Owner, Ambassador Hotel. Operator, J. E. Benton. Booking policy, non-exclusive. House booker, J. E. Benton. Press, Archy Loveland. Estimated budget, this show, \$5,000. Estimated budget previous show, \$4,500.

Songstress Evelyn Knight bowed

Wedgwood Room, Waldorf-Astoria, New York (Thursday, March 9)

Capacity, 282. Price policy, \$2 cover after 10:30 p.m. Owners, Hilton chain. Booking, Merriel Abbott. Publicity, Ted Saucier. Estimated budget this show, \$3,500. Estimated budget last show, \$2,500.

Dorothy Shay, tagged the Park Avenue Hillbilly, earns the title more than ever. Working with Eddy Duchin, who splits billing with her and backed by Russ Black on the 88, the sleekly gowned canary did a better entertaining job than ever.

Most of her routine consisted of cleverly constructed mountain tunes delivered with sly emphasis and youall drawl that got them practically all the way. After teeing off with You'll Be Another Notch on Father's Gun, she went into Pure as the Driven Snow (Columbia album), followed by Sagebrush Sadie, Dear Mr. Sears and Roebuck and some of her oldies to stay on for almost 50 minutes.

Shay Undersells

Miss Shay is sensible enough to undersell each number in letting the lyrics rather than the voice come and percentage basis and, according thru. Her gestures are toned down to a minimum. In fact, everything is so well contrived that it is difficult to see how she can miss doing a big job on the floor. This time around she works on a platform, and she's good enough to look at to stand up there.

The Eddy Duchin band, with the piano-maestro making with the teeth, does an excellent job both in backing Miss Shay and for the society dance sessions. His boy singer, Tommy Mercer, did an impressive job in a slot where few people paid attention. Nevertheless, his ballad work and rhythm deliveries mark him as one of the best band vocalists around.

The remarkable thing about the perennial Mischa Borr outfit is not that it goes with the lease, but how it got such a mob to prance to the Mexican Hat Dance played in folk song tempo. The way the customers enjoyed it, other hotel bands might put the tune into their libraries. Bill Smith.

Key West Showbiz Bonanza; **Shrimp Find Whets Business**

(Continued from page 44) source of shrimp. The navy found it by accident, via radar, while on manauvers. Key residents have estimated this new source already has brought them about \$100,000 additional weekly.

Niteries' Chunk

The immediate beneficiaries of this new source of income has been the retail trade and real estate, with what little showbiz there is in the region, getting a good chunk. Show business in Key West is limited almost entirely to two cafes, the Tropics and the Mardigras. The first, a 350seater, is run by Louis Finklehoffe, brother of Producer Freddie Finklehoffe, who started business down there in 1946. The spot operates with an emsee, who also does a novelty act, a girl singer and a stripper and books its talent thru Sammy Clark, Miami Beach, Fla., indie. Budget runs to about \$900 including the music. The Tropics, also has bought standard acts with box-office appeal on a guaranty to Finklehoffe, has made real money. Room, said Finklehoffe, is always ready to book similar acts. Among those used have been the Maxes Rosenbloom and Baer.

More Peelers

The Mardigras, located on the same street as the Tropics, tho some distance away, operates with strippers, a girl singer and an emsee. But unlike the Tropics, the Mardigras has three or four peelers. Room, a 300seater, spends about \$850 for talent. Spot operated by the Siegel brothers, also is booked thru Sammy Clark.

Most of the business comes from navy personnel, Key West being a naval station. Many naval officers, permanently station there, wear civvies at night, visit either of the cafes regularly accompanied by their wives. Practically everything closes at 2 a.m. when uniformed personnel must be back at the station.

on, Key West was as wide open as Reno. Both cafes had casinos and practically every saloon, and there are many here with juke boxes only.

Relaxation Limited

Because it is far away from anything, Key Westians are limited in their relaxation activities. There are a couple of small movie houses and the above described night clubs. Miami is 167 miles away of hard driving. In fact it is easier and quicker to go to Havana than Miami. The Q Line flys round trips to Havana, a number of times daily, for \$23 a round trip. Each trip takes about 45 minutes. There is no railroad between Key West and Miami. Transportation is either by car, bus or air.

While there are plenty of places at which to stop, swank motels, rundown hotels and boarding houses, the Key's class hotel is La Concha. The newest hotel is the Casa Marina. Both charge about \$12 a day.

Enterprising showmen should find the newly revitalized Key West a real place to make a buck. It now has a new industry, shrimp fishing. It is rapidly increasing in favor with tourists and in recent years, with President Truman visiting it so frequently, has become almost a second Washington.

ORIENTAL, CHICAGO

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terrific high set here two years ago when they did more comedy work. Their opener, a slow burlesque of the average waltz performance, lacked luster. It was when the Spanish duo went into their rubber-leg and slow motion bits that the yocks developed. Waldo showed some excellent eccentric and straight tap that should be

with a bang in her Grove debut. Crowd was with her from the start and proved extremely responsive to all her offerings. Her manner was easy and confident, and her betweensongs patter projected a warm personality and a refreshing sense of humor.

Miss Knight picked contrasting tunes, thereby avoiding sameness and displaying versatility. She was solid on all counts and was at her best working the ringside with a hand mike, getting some of the music biz first-nighters a bit flustered. Best ballad job was A Woman Likes To Be Told, her latest for Decca, and her top novelty was I'd Like to Find the Guy Who Flicked the Ashes. She was capably supported by Jimmy Rowles, piano, and Tony Rizzi, guitar. Jan Garber's ork supplied smooth terp tunes. Lee Zhito.

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Fireside Inn, New York (Sunday, March 5)

Capacity, 50. Price policy, no cover, no minimum. Shows at 10:30 and 12, except Saturdays. Owner, Louis Simon. Booking, nonexclusive, thru Murray Grand. Publicity, Lee Solter. Estimated budget this show, \$300.

This cozy, nabe spot is building a policy of continuous entertainment with acts spotted twice during the evening.

The current bill has a fine new piano-vocal duo, G. Wood and Alice Ghostley, who harmonize to special material by Wood, and modern, oftencomic arrangements of folk songs. Miss Ghostley is a stacked thrush with a big, rich voice, who adds her subtle comedy to Wood's hilarious mugging. With Wood at the piano, they got off to a good start with a modern Arkansas Traveler, bogging down on two successive numbers, but getting 'em again with an original Lady in the Window and ending with a sock comic version of Clementine and an encore of Sugar Coated Cookies, an original take-off of Red Riding Hood.

Work Smoothly

The pair work smoothly together, but the act needs more experience. Both voices are too big for this tiny place, but more work-outs should make them a fine class act for smart, sophisticated rooms.

The second act is Gladys Johnson, who 88's with great ease and, with an ermine voice, ripples out blues and rhythm. She has a style not too original, but sells a song in a free mellow manner. Some of her numbers, however, are in bad taste, ruining an otherwise well polished act.

Murray Grand plays neat piano arrangements of standards in fine style | Rain. thruout the evening.

Dennis McDonald.

Up to the discovery of the new shrimp bed, the major business of the town came from tourists and the navy. There are plenty of tourist accommodations in the area, with beaches that Miami boasts of, but Key West actually has. With the new source of income from shrimp, there will probably be less dependency on tourists, and the navy.

There is little the average native can spend his surplus dough on with the exception of gambling. Before the governor of Florida put the lid

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he slowly but surely warmed them up with his relaxed routine which RKO ALBEE, CINCINNATI included a hoked-up musical bit and a soft-shoe, with pratfall. It was his impersonation of Red Skelton's guzzlers' gin act which literally killed 'em.

Guizar Sings Repertoire

Neatly garbed in a white suit, Tito Guizar handled himself well. Getting in a plug for his RCA Victor records, he ran thru a repertoire which went from a boogie-woogie bit sung in Spanish to a Latin-American Maybe Manana, sung in English. Closing with El Rancho Grande, he got a nearrousing mitt.

The George Shearing Quintet, making its first Stem vaude house appearance, was obviously well-known via its MGM disks to a large portion of the house. Shearing's intricately arranged modern jazz numbers were well-received by what might be called a "square" audience. His patter between numbers, however. was lost. The advance bally created by his records was obvious when applause started after four bars of his unannounced disk hit, September In the

Pic, Perfect Strangers. Joe Martin.

developed into an entire solo bit for pacing.

The Continentals, five good-looking young male singers, do such an excellent harmonizing job that they deserve record firm recognition. They do an excellent variety of numbers, save for the hackneyed Donkey Serenade. Boys need one earthy comedy number to spice their stint.

Sugar Chile Robinson has improved his pianistics and singing greatly. Dimunitive Capitol recorder sings and swings on the piano as well as any adult disk star. His Teacher's and Numbers' Boogie grabbed show's biggest mitts. He's added considerably comedy to vary his offering, but it's about time he dropped the baby shoes and short pants, for he's outgrown the garb.

Pic, Nancy Goes to Rio. Johnny Sippel.

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lipped singing, especially effective when offered in a bit with his wife. His standard, Brother Can You Spare a Dime? dramatically delivered, won tremendous applause. Dead-panned a slick Hollywood diction lesson on Old Black Joe for a sock opener. Manuel and Marita Viera's Society Monkeys obtain excellent results with maracas, diminutive banjo and piano on a rumba tune. The ludicrous longtails are polished funsters, and one of the monk's Solovox pounding of People Will Say We're in Love was a decided hit.

Alan Carney is in the next-toclosing spot with his corny gags and quickie take-offs that garner huge palms. His soap-box dialectics, spiced with grotesque hats and ace mimicry, are big mirth-provokers. His easy delivery makes his varied bits surefire stuff. The Salici Puppets wind it up in fancy style. Expert string pulling puts the small characters thru exceedingly fine balancing turns, acro stints and a long-hair piano bit that sent them away big winners.

Pic, And Baby Makes Three. Bob Doepker.



Hope Hikes Stem to 375G; Para Leads All With 142G

gets the credit for bringing up the Quarter show and Chain Lightning total grosses of the Stem combo for its third and last week, after a houses last week. Takes in all theaters were down; it was only the Paramount which rose sensationally. The over-all figure last week was \$375,000 against the previous week's \$328,000.

Radio City Music Hall (6,2000 seats; average \$128,000) was down to \$104,-000 for its second week with Stage Fright, Vic and Adio and Lee Marx, after an opener of \$115,000.

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$76,0.) opened to a dismal \$50,000 for its initial week with Beatrice Kraft, Beatrice Kay and Mother Didn't Tell Me.

Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$56,-000) dropped to \$34,000 for its second week of a two-weeker with Malaya, Blue Barron's ork and Benny Fields. The first week's take on this one was \$61,000 . The new show (reviewed this issue) has Harvey Stone, Art Mooney and Black Hand.

Paramount (3,654 seats; average \$71,000) galloped home with a resounding \$142,000 for its first week with Bob Hope, Jane Russell, Les Brown's ork and Captain China.

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NEW YORK, March 11.-Bob Hope 000) melted to \$30,000 for the Latin preem of \$55,000 and a deucer of \$35,000. The new show (reviewed this issue) has the George Shearing group, Tito Guizar and Perfect Strangers.

> Palace (1,700 seats; average \$17,-000) slipped again when it got \$15,-000 for Chris Cross, the Appletons and Dakota Lil. The previous week's bill pulled \$17,000 . The new show (reviewed this issue) has Helene and Howard, Mary Beth Hughes and David Street, six other acts and Mr. Lucky.

CHI NITERY OPS

(Continued from page 44) State Supreme Court did not rule that the 17 ops return the \$331,000 refunded to them early in 1949. Instead of deciding this issue, the State's top jurists dropped this controversial issue completely from their decision. Instead, the State tax execs have notified the CCOA that they are readying a test case, which, if won, will serve as a precedent to demand payment from the other 16 involved bistro bosses.

The CCOA has set forth a 24-point program which will be processed during the next year. Primarily drive will be a campaign to eliminate a series of Illinois statutes which demand: (1) All beer be sold to ops on a c.o.d. basis; minimum. and (2) 30-day limit on payment of withdrawal of their liquor licenses. Paul Sander, veteran agent, has been appointed executive secretary of CCOA.

"NIGHT OF STARS" (Continued from page 44)

night of March 20 will be arrested. Performers say the TA okay is not binding on them, that everybody gets paid on the show and why should they be asked to work on the cuff. They point to a recent show at the Garden put on by the Home of Old Israel, the first show by that org in 21 years, where everybody got paid, and the home made as much money as if it had given TA its 15 per cent

Home Stand

cut.

Officials of the Home of Old Israel expressed themselves as "eminently satisfied with the arrangement. We don't have much money to pay, but in paying actors we were sure they'd show up. There was no obligation, and we did as well financially as we might have done by dealing with Theater Authority"

WALDORF DINNER HOUR (Continued from page 44)

The spot runs only one show nightly, starting about 12:15.

The Plaza's Persian Room, the Waldorf's nearest competitor, doesn't do any pre-theater business to speak of. Besides that, the room has two shows, dinner and supper, and charges the tax plus a cover. The Plaza's big pre-theater business is done in the Rendezvous Room which operates on a non-tax basis until about 9 p.m. The policy was inaugurated at the Pendezvous about two years ago and has paid off.

The Pierre uses its grill for the non-tax diners; its Cotillion Room has two shows, charges the tax plus a

The Sherry Netherland's comparaliquor bills, with violation bringing tively new Carnaval Room also operates on a non-tax basis until the theater business is out of the way. Thereafter the bands switch to dance music with the tax again in force.



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New York:

Jolly Joyce, Philly agent, has taken space in the New York office occupied by Fancho & Marco and Doc Howe. . . . More and more agents are squaring off daily because of the shortage of biz. One gimmick now used by a percenter is to lure acts away on the written promise that salary will be upped 100 per cent in six months. If the act hits, the agent has a real property; if it doesn't, he's collected for six months and if forced, gives a release.... Another agent is flirting with his franchise. An act has canceled checks to prove the agent collected but didn't pay off.

Jack Kelly, piano backer for Vic Damone, is readying a suit against the singer. . . . Billy Rose is off to Mantegua Bay, Jamaica, B. W. I. . . A benefit for Tess Gardella's destitute sister, emseed by Milton Berle, is set for the Latin Quarter March 19. . . . Bea Lillie is being romanced by Charlie Yates and may go into the Persian Room. . . . Phil Foster is up on charges before Associated Actors and Artistes of America. Alan Corelli filed the charges.

A guy billed as Al Bramson opens at Harry Aliman's Town Casino, Buffalo, and is called Sam (Morris office) Bramson's nephew. The latter denies any relationship, and says he never even heard of him. ... Ella Logan will play the Thunderbird, Las Vegas, April 13. . . . Lou Walters will run Saratoga Piping Rock this summer. J. E. Lewis already set for August 15.

Phil Rosen, owner of the Penthouse, wants to sell his night club part to a concessionaire who'll pay for the show and get 50 per cent of the liquor take after 10:30-no food. . . . Phil Farrell is off to England with his Mack Triplets. . . . Harry Steinman clicked at last with his Monday night fight promotions at the Philly Arena. The rest of the time he runs the Latin Casino. . . . Charlie Banks is out of the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) New York executive board; George Ross is the new man, with Billy Taft and Bonnie Mack alternates. . . . And Jimmy Lyons got a vote of confidence "for a good job well done," on the motion made by Carl Stoll. "And I don't even know the guy," said Lyons.

AGVA is talking to stage hands, scenic designers and musicians about its action against Ringling. If the boys all get together, there'll be a mass picket line around the Garden when Ringling comes in. . . . Thelma Carpenter filed suit against Hotel Shelburne for damages sustained when four gowns were taken from her dressing room last fall.

Philadelphia:

Club Del Rio sold its lease on the building to Howard Clothes with the owners moving to the closed Faun Club, which relights as the Del Rio. . . Blue Goose Cafe joins the after-dark scene with Conway Brown managing.... Celebrity Room will use a line with the Kay Karleton Girls.... Bill Layne, warbler turning comic in teaming with Don Hines, who quit as chairman of the AGVA executive board here. . . . Sam and Mac Lerner, owners of Lou's Moravian, plan to enter the Wildwood, N. J., resort nitery scene this summer. . . . Mickey Shaughnessy returns April 19 to Frank Palumbo's.

Here and There:

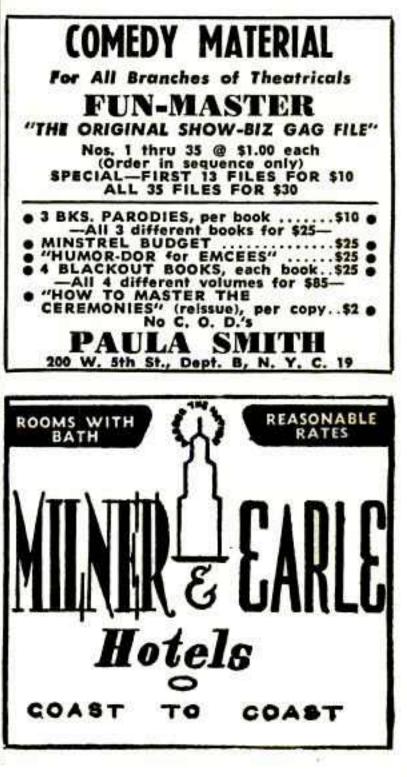
Gloria Gaye, dancer, recently closed a return engagement at Pete Herman's, New Orleans nitery, and began a theater chain tour last week. Later, she and her husband, Don S. Greene, plan to operate a girl show unit.





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"Barretts" Hypes In Washington

WASHINGTON, March 11.—On the basis of the first week's run of The Barretts of Wimpole Street at the refurbished Gayety Theater here, legit drama apparently is well on the way into getting back in a permanent groove for stage-hungry Washington. Big, enthusiastic turn-outs greeted every performance of the Barretts company, starring Susan Peters, and indications are that the troupe's second and final week will be good, too. Producer John Kenley, encouraged by the reception, skedding several follow-ups with A Streetcar Named Desire next on the slate.

The Gayety, which has been transformed from a burlesque house to the Capital's only legit theater, drew sell-out audiences the first two nights (Monday-Tuesday, 6-7), under its new policy, and the balance of the week found few empty seats. Starved for legit drama for nearly two years, Washington audiences sopped up the well-worn lines of Rudolph Besier's play with uncritical enthusiasm. Wednesday night's (8) pew sitters even burst out with applause at minor passages seemingly just to encourage (See "Barretts" Hypo on page 50)

BROADWAY Billboard TRADE SHOWLOG SERVICE Performances Thru PLATURE March 11, 1950 DRAMA Opened Perfs. All You Need Is One Good Break 2- 9, '50 (Mansfield) Amor of Light 2-23, '50 (Blackfriars) As You Like It 1-26, '50 (Cort) Caesar and Cleopaira..... 12-21, '49 (National) Come Back, Little Sheba.... 2-15, '50

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Sides and Asides

Equity Picks Nominating Committee

A final tab of balloting at Equity's membership meeting Friday (3) puts Walter Hampden, Gene Lockhart, Lee Tracy, Conrad Nagel, Edith King and William Tabbert on this year's nominating committee. Alternates elected are Victor Jory, Meg Mundy, Beatrice Straight, Julie Harris, Sam Wanamaker and John Randolph. The six members selected (or their alternates) will immediately function with councilors Dennis King, Barbara Robbins and Loring Smith in the preparation of the regular slate to be voted on by membership in June.

"Lifetime" To Get Musical Showcasing

The Fifty, new off-Broadway group, will showcase a musical version of the Kaufman-Hart farce, "Once in a Lifetime," at the Carnegie Recital Hall for two weeks beginning Friday (31). Music and lyrics are by Julie Mandel and dances by Vivian Smith.

McCormick Extends Visa With "South Pacific"

Belly-dancing Seebee, Myron McCormick, looks to be around "South Pacific" indefinitely. The actor has just extended his contract with the Rodgers-Hammerstein office to September, 1951. Incidentally, the producers announced last week that Robert Emmet Keane is the choice for the Captain Bracket role in the National Troupe. Martin Wolfson created and is currently playing the part here.

IATSE Moguls Meet in Canada

The general executive board of the International Alliance of Stage Employees (IATSE) and motion picture operators of the United States and Canada has set the week of Monday (20) for its regular, semiannual meeting. The meeting will be held at the Hotel Vancouver, Vancouver, B. C. International President Richard F. Walsh will preside.

Rodgers-Hammerstein Buy Steinbeck Play

A new play by John Steinbeck, described as a drama and titled "In the Forests of the Night," was acquired last week by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II. The office will announce details of production in the near future.

"Miss Liberty" Drops Her Tariffs

Beginning Sunday (12) the Berlin-Sherwood-Hart musical, "Miss Liberty," drops its \$6.60 top to \$4.80 Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. The tops for Friday and Saturday nights will be \$6.00. The show goes on a Sunday mat and evening schedule on the same date, with Monday night and Wednesday matinee performances eliminated.

Paper Mill Playhouse Wants Choristers

Calls for a permanent 1950 chorus for the "Paper Mill Playhouse" are skedded for the evenings of Monday (20) thru Wednesday (22) at the Malin Studio. Current plans call for the reopening of the New Jersey playhouse April 10. Its 1949 musical rep season ran to 40 weeks.

Broadway Review

TOBACCO ROAD

(Opened Monday, March 6)

48TH STREET THEATER

A drama by Jack Kirkland, based on Erskine Caldwell's novel. Staged by Evelyn Ellis. General manager, Maurice Costello. Stage manager, Vinnie Phillips. Press agents, Bill Doll, Dick Williams and Michael O'Shea. Presented by Jack Kirkland.

Dude LesterJimmy Wri	ght
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Jeeter Lester	
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When a reporter heard that Jack Kirkland was sponsoring a revival of his hardy perennial of the '30s, Tobacco Road, with a Negro cast, he hoped that something had been done to the original text to justify the change in color of that fabulously long-lived Georgia branch of the Jukes family. The Lesters, as white trash too shiftless and lazy to embrace opportunities to which they were born, are a matter for nauseated contempt. As Negroes they should engender a certain sympathy, since their situation could be a product of an environment over which they have no control.

Stripped of its more or less sensational sexiness and bad language, there was tragedy to be found in the plight of those filthy, amoral share croppers during the early days of the play's run, but it progressively developed into a three-ringed sex circus with all-out emphasis on socalled comic filth. Unfortunately, the current revival, black or write, is out of the same sty. As a stunt, to bring Jeeter and his family to life again, a Negro revival of Road may have looked like a profitable notion-altho from this reporter's pew that is more than a moot question. But in any event, its current restaging on 48th Street predicates nothing in the way of advancement of the colored race nor, for that matter, for the drama. Road is just old, dirty and a bore. Nor does it appear that the Negro Drama Group, which is credited with production of the revival, brings anything to Road which has not been done over-all better in the past. Certainly, nothing new has been added in the way of approach, and the troupe is evidently of the opinion that the same brand of backhouse didoes which carried it before can do so again. Powell Lindsay's Jeeter is as physically ragged and begrimed as any of his predecessors and his performance is a reasonable facsimile

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ICE SHOWS

Howdy, Mr. Ice of 1950.... 5-16, '49 (Center)

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(Week of March 13)

(Barrymore)

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21 The Bird Cage..... 2-22, '50 (Coronet) (March 11, 1950)

Five New Songbirds Inked for N. Y. City Center

The New York City Opera Company announces five new addditions to its songbird roster for its season at the City Center, beginning Friday (24). The new lead singers are Arelucia Turcano and Gladys Spector, sopranos; Walter Fredericks and Martin Drake, tenors, and Cesare Bardelli, baritone. Soprano Wilma Spence, tenor Frans Vroons and basso Desire Ligeti return to the troupe after absences of a season or more.

"Stalag 17" on Ice Until Next Season

Gant Gaither has put off rehearsals of "Stalag 17," originally skedded for this month, until late August. Dane Clark, who has been signed for the lead, won't be thru with a Paris pic assignment until late spring, so the Trzinski drama will have to be held over for next season. Meanwhile, Robert Willey has been appointed general manager.

Hartman Revue, "Tickets, Please!", in Rehearsal

"Tickets, Please!" the Paul and Grace Hartman revue, went into rehearsal Friday (10). Patricia Bright, Tommy Wonder and Stuart Wade are the latest additions to the cast, which includes Jack Albertson, Dorothy Jarnac, Roger Price, Bill Novas and The Upstarts. Sketches are by Harry Herrmann, Edmund Rice, John Roche and Ted Luce. Songs are by Joan Edwards and Lyn Duddy, with additional numbers by Mel Tonkin, Lucille Kallen and Buck Warnick. Joan Mann is responsible for the dances and Ralph Alswang for the sets. The show skeds an unveiling at the Coronet Theater the week of April 24, after a New Haven, Conn., and Boston break-in.

Center Theater Books Ballet for April 23

Back in January, 1940, the Ballet Theater raised its initial curtain at the Center Theater. Contracts were signed last week by the group's administrative director, Lucia Chase, and Russell Downing, exec vice-president of the Radio City Music Hall Corporation, for a 10th anniversary spring season by the troupe at the Center, starting April 23. The balleteers will follow "Howdy Mr. Ice," which ends its Center run April 15, and play thru May 14. A Tuesday-thru-Sunday schedule will prevail at pop prices ranging to a \$3.00 (tax inc.) top. Mats will be given Saturdays and Sundays.

Silo Theater Guide Out April 15

A 1950 supplement to "Blueprint for Summer Theater," silo bible authored by Richard Beckhard and John Effrat, will be off the presses April 15. The new edition features strawhat articles by Milton Stiefel, Theron Bamberger, Harold L. Wise and others. A novel inclusion this year are photographs of the sets of 35 Stem productions available for summer stock. Also included are preliminary and operating budgets and comparative costs of Equity guest stars, Equity resident and semipro types of barn theater, a 1949 silo list of new plays, revivals and guest stars and a detailed cataloging of operations for the coming summer. The new book may be ordered via the John Richard Press, 139 West 44th Street, New York.

(See Tobacco Road on page 50)





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THE BURNING BUSH

(Opened Thursday, March 2)

PRESIDENT THEATER

A documentary drama by Geza Herczeg and Heins Herald, adapted by Noel Langley. Staged by Erwin Piscator. Setting super-vised by H. A. Condell. Costumes by Don Finlayson. Stage manager, Richard Fallon. Presented by the Dramatic Workshop and Technical Institute.

Dr. Korniss, Presiding Judge....Robert Fuller Ernst Gruden......Jan Bouwmeester Seyffert, Prosecuting Attorney...George Smith Dr. Martin, His Assistant. Douglas C. Duclow Dr. Bary.....John Munson Baron Emmerich Onody.....Jack Burkhart Dr. Karl Eotvoes.....Claude Traverse Dr Bernard Friedman.....Alex Osena Joseph Scharf David Sheiner Abraham Buzbaum Arthur Cohen Leopold Braun.....Charles Jonas Lazar Weisztein.....Arthur Sanders Hermann Wollner.....Gregory Cahn Rabbi Emanuel Taub Marc Hendricks David Hersko......Reiken Ben-Ari Dr. SzaboBernard Roman Dr. DeriRobert Craig Professor ScheuthauerRobert Gibbons Moritz ScharfEdward Cohen Mrs. Maria SolymosiMargaret Bell Mrs. Julianna HuriLisa Baker Mrs. GrossbergJean Wolcott DarinkaElizabeth Ross Mrs. BuxbaumPhyllis Castle Bailiff Ernest Mann

After missing the Dramatic Workshop's original staging of The Burning Bush at its downtown Rooftop Theater last December, a reporter has finally had a peek at the group's current revival of the Herczeg-Herald drama on its little uptown stage on 48th Street. Bush, while too documentary in format to be a successful candidate for commercial success, packs plenty of solid drama and interest from curtain to curtain. As an experiment it is definitely something worth cheering and recommending for a visit to the President Theater during the remainder of its short run or a later revival scheduled about a month hence.

Bush is a searing plea for justice and tolerance, at times almost too searing to be credible. But since the authors have gone to the records for their data on the monstrously prejudiced conduct of the Tisza-Eszlar trial in Hungary (circa 1882), it may be presumed that only small liberties have been taken with the facts for the sake of dramatic unity. The celebrated trial, it may be noted, concerned accusations against a half dozen innocent Jews charged will a pre-Passover ritual murder of a young Christian girl. That the charge was ridiculous made no difference in a society overready to condemn, and only the heroic efforts of a devotedly unselfish defense attorney prevented a tragic miscarriage of justice via suborned witnesses, a bootlicking prosecutor and a judge subservient to political and class pressure. The crux of Bush's arraignment, however. lies not so much in the final exoneration of the defendants, as in the evidence, expressed in the summing up of their attorney, that their plight is individual, but their problem racially universal. His final words carry a ring of prophesy on the Europe of 60 years later-only the final banding together of men of understanding and good will may resolve it.

OFF BROADWAY REVIEWS

HOMECOMING

(Opened Sunday, March 5)

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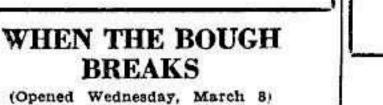
A drama by Horton Foote. Staged by Ella Gerber. Sets and lighting by Paul Bertelson. Stage manager, Richard Snider, Presented by Theater 108.

RoyWillie Hare Marie.....Susan Barnes Connie.....Mary Ann Weller Miss Agnes.....Blanche Collins Mrs. Murphy.....Portia Morrow Prather.....Sam Gilman Herman Douglas Gordon Mrs. Gray......Frances Ingalls Johnny......Harold Kramberg Male SingerJohn Orr Woman Singer Betty Black Edna May Mary Carver

Theater 108 presents Horton Foote's Homecoming via an interesting approach, but it is unfortunate that the interest is not sustained even thru the first of the two acts.

Foote takes us again to the Southwest, as he did in his brief Broadway try of a few years back with Only the Heart. This reporter believes that he will eventually write a play, but Homecoming is not it. He had little to say here and doesn't say it well.

Homecoming concerns a young married doctor with a silver cord complex. Afraid of future and present, he lives with dreams of the good old irresponsible high school days, even to the point of worshiping a town prostitute who used to be a sweet young thing in voile. Naturally, the little town finds out about their clandestine meetings, and eventually the doc tells mama, when he needs dough to help the chippie leave town. To end it all, mama refuses to give, the gal skips on the little she's made off the medico and the latter shoots himself. Since Foote is fond of tangents, there are side issues galore. But while they may add color, they the confines of a maternity hospital. serve little or no purpose toward plot advancement. Most of the cast suffers from direction, but the play fulfills its showcase purpose for a few playersprimarily Will Hare, who is a fine which portends all the elements of actor, individual in style and always a poignant drama. But Bough only true to his role's intent. Hare is the scratches the surface of their relawhole show, but there are others in tions, and the motivations which lesser capacities who acquit themselves well. Mary Ann Weller is ishness to humility are like someexcellent as the prostitute, and Portia Morrow handles the part of the mother with real artistry. In a play leaning to bit parts, some are played better than the more important assignments. Questionable, however, is Ella (Design for a Stained Glass Window) Gerber's direction, both from concept and execution. True, the play is disjointed and lacks focus, but no attempt has been made to conceal the faults. Instead, the pacing is pedestrian and the mood singularly heavy and dull. Her casting eye is good, but its potentialities are stronger than what she extracts from it. The fragment sets placed about the Weidman Theater dance floor are clever and extremely well done.



MASTER INSTITUTE THEATER

A drama by Robert S. Scott and John L. Gerstad. Staged by George Schaefer. Sets by Peter Wolf. Stage manager, Dean Whitmore. Presented by the Abbe Practical Workshop.

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Back in 1937 a little stinker by James Knox Millen unveiled at the Princess Theater to the consternation of practically all concerned both fore and aft of the footlights. It was called The Bough Breaks. Just what analogy the title bore to its irksome content, a reporter doesn't remember, but it had something to do with an illegitimately pregnant gal. Now the Abbe Practical Workshop offers a new play of almost identical title. When the Bough Breaks, by Robert Scott and John Gerstad. There is no intent at making a comparison, except to say that the Roberts-Gerstad effort is about 500 per cent better than anything that unveiled at the old Princess. But that doesn't add up to much praise, because Messrs. Scott and Gerstad haven't written a good play either.

The authors are likewise concerned with pregnancy-legitimate, however -and on a really wholesale scale, since they locale their entire action within Their theme is the bringing together of a hard-shelled, self-centered young husband and a somewhat browbeaten wife via the tragic birth of an abnormal child. It is a premise switch the boy overnight from heelthing out of a Christmas carol. In addition, the efforts toward occasional comedy leavening are amateurish and some of the boudoir cracks interspersed as laugh-bait are downright embarrassing. As a domestic tragedy perhaps, with family or outside influences at work, the theme could take on vast dramatic impact, but while the authors have doubtless covered the maternity field with authentic detail research, a pew sitter gets eternally sick of a hospital, and the sweetness and light which permeates this particular baoy menage. Production-wise, Abbe has done a good job. George Schaefer puts the student actors thru their paces as well as the static exigencies of the script permit, and Peter Wolf, who has been doing some fine imaginative background work at the City Center, has designed effectively simple sets for four scene changes. Apparently the cast includes some guest actors. However, they are not identified in the program. But guest or student, it may be reported that Toni Darnay does right well by the tortured heroine, and William Windom projects ably as the young husband. Priscilla Morrill makes a pleasantly sympathetic nurse, and Al Thaler gets the most out of an incredibly sweet taxi driver. In fact, the work of the cast as a whole is extremely creditable, considering that a lot of them draw some pretty dull assignments. Every once in so often the Abbe group comes up with something really good, but Bough only adds up to emotional clap-trap. Bob Francis.

Library Theater Review

MURDER IN THE CATHEDRAL

(Opened Friday, March 3)

LENOX HILL PLAYHOUSE

A drama by T. S. Ellot. Staged by Edward Greer. Set and lighting, Kim Swados. Costumes, William Yelton and Helen Herbert. Choregraphy, Betty Osgood and Carl Morris. Production manager, Joe Shank. Stage manager, Gwen Brown. Presented by Equity Library Theater.

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William DeTraliFritz Congdon
Hugh deMorville Lloyd Bethune
Richard Brito George Hoxie

As its experimental salute to Unesco's Theater Month, Equity Library Theater revived T. S. Eliot's poetic tragedy, Murder in the Cathedral. In the light of so auspicious an occasion it would be pleasant to report that it was well done. Unfortunately, it wasn't.

As may be remembered, Eliot's script centers on the conflict between spiritual and temporal power in medieval England, with Archbishop Thomas Becket heading the one faction and King Henry II the other. It is divided into two segments-the conflict within Becket as to whether he will fight the throne for his principles, and his subsequent resolution to accept martyrdom. Despite its poetic imagery, Murder is a wordy and repetitious play, an added source for smoke screens where more than enough befogging was already accomplished via the approach to the production.

Instead of emphasizing spiritual simplicity, Director Edward Greer elected to include ballet, choral recitative and other artily obscure embroidery. It is obvious that, under most favorable conditions, ELT efforts are drastically limited by space, budget, and frequently, talent. Imagination and a crafty use of resources must be their substitute. Mere pretentiousness, as in this case, only defeats the group's purpose as a showcase, and destroys any chance of production success. Leo Lucker, in the exacting role of the archbishop, acquitted himself with credit, perticularly in his more demanding scenes. However, to cast so young an actor for such a mature part seemed a bad choice; certainly a more diligent application of make-up was called for to convince a pewsitter that Lucker had the appearance of a venerable prelate. Of the four assassins, Fritz Congdon, Lloyd Bethune and George Hoxie were most noteworthy. Greer's staging must be charged with the prime responsibility for the failure of the revival. Kim Swados' simplified setting effectively indicated the depth and perspective of the cathedral in which such action as there is takes place. Leon Morse.

Aud. Part of Play

Erwin Piscator has adapted the script most effectively to the confines of small quarters. No curtain is us d. The open stage is the court room, and many of the actors make their entrances and exits via the orchestra, an obvious bid to bring the audience into focus as spectators at an actual trial rather than at a play. The skeleton cetting by the Workshop's students shows a lot of imagination, and Don Finlayson's costumes lend a fine period atmosphere.

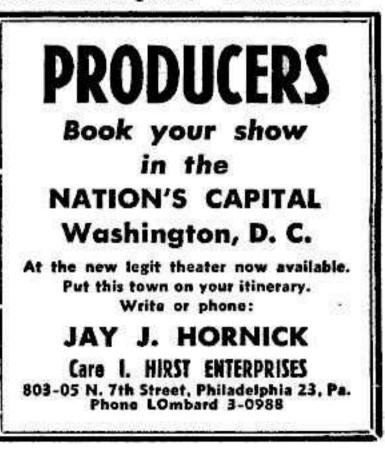
Actorwise, the students, for the most part, also give excellent accounts of themselves. Claude Traverse's defense attorney is a complete standout of fine underplaying in a play that offers a field day for overemotionalized bellowings. Robert Fuller do s well by the presiding judge, and Edward Cohen contrib- als.

In sum, the energy lavished on Theater 108's production of Homecoming is potential but not kinetic. Evident are the possibilities that the playwright can write a better play and the actors can do better jobs. Writing, directing and playing are off on the wrong Foote.

Dennis McDonald.

utes a poignant portrait of a young Judas, cajoled into betraying his father and his race. Over all, the cast has been meticulously drilled, but special bows should go to the medico of Robert Gibbons and the raftsman of Reiken Ben-Ari. .

If every effort of the Workshop were as good as Bush, it would likely be occupied with continuous reviv-Bob Francis.







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DR. DEL MONTE is set in Southern theaters with his mentalmagic-hyp turn until April 25, after which he is slated to open with one of the major carnivals with his own illusion show. Walter D. Nealand, veteran press agent, is handling the newspaper, radio and promotional tie-ups for the Del Monte attraction. . . . Bill Jameson, Columbus, Ind., postals under date of March 4: "Just caught Navo and Company, American Indian magician, in a full-evening show for the second time in the last few weeks. Who is he? He has one of the fastest and most interesting shows on the road for my money. He is assisted by his lovely wife and five red-skinned youngsters, all in authentic Indian costume and beautiful. He had full houses at both Medora, Ind., and Brownstown, Ind., where I caught him." ... Who is this William J. Van Berkel, said to be a magician, now lolling in a Los Angeles jail charged with 10 counts of morals offenses involving juveniles of both sexes? We've never heard of him. . . . Karrel Fox is set for a seven-week tour of Canadian theaters and auditoriums with the 'Just For Fun" unit, opening May 22. . Bobby Rew, 5-year-old Plymouth, Mich., magic lad, who has given 156 school performances and two tele shows in the past year, was the subject of photos and a story in The Sunday Detroit News of March 5. . . The Judith Johnson mental turn, piloted by Harold Laughon, is still holding forth at niteries in the Miami area, which Laughon says is loaded with magi, mentalists and hypnotists. ... Think-a-Drink Hoffman is current thru Wednesday (15) at the RKO Albee, Cincinnati. . . . Nardini and Nadyne, presenting their Magic Bar act, have just concluded their sixth week at Mike Conroy's Supper Club, Rochester, N. Y., and still holding on there. MARQUIS THE MAGICIAN, after a fortnight at Bill Goldie's Blue Ridge Club, Pittsburgh, is working theater dates down the Atlantic Seaboard, with the Sinclair Sisters as added features. . . . Walter F. Williams, Chicago trixster, now working as director for the John B. Rogers Producing Company, Fostoria, O., writes from El Paso, Tex.: "Magicians getting into this neck of the woods should visit the Mex-Tex Bar in Juarez, Mexico, and ask for Carlos, a whiz with dice and coins." The Yagers, with Lady Esther, . . . have shifted their mental turn from Andre's Supper Club, Syracuse, to the Chateau, Rochester, N. Y. . . .



(Continued from page 3) court injunction against the project. It is generally agreed that there are no laws at present covering the subject of rain-making, nor regarding any damage suits resulting from such activities. Among questions posed and unanswered at present are:

Could a New York theater or nitery sue the city for lost business if enough rain were to fall as a result of the experiment to drown out potential customers?

Could a Connecticut resort sue New York on the grounds that Gotham intercepted a cloud headed for the Nutmeg State and swiped the water necessary to keep a lake in good shape?

Could insurance companies with policies covering outdoor events sue the city in case of induced rain?

If New York decided to go ahead with the project, it is expected to push hard for enactment of a pending bill in its State Legislature giving immunity from suits for any rain damages. Such a law, however, would have no validity in out-of-State suits.

If rain, or clouds carrying it, are considered interstate commerce, then Congress would have the right to prescribe laws covering such experiments. During the last session the armed service committees kicked around a bill to give immunity to the army from any suits resulting from its rain experiments, but never bothered to pass the measure.

"Rain farmers" got their biggest spurt from scientist Irving Langmuir, who was reported to have tapped clouds for 300,000,000,000 gallons of water in a New Mexico experiment last January.



WINNIE GARRETT, while at the Emerald Room, Soundview Hotel, Milford, Conn., recently, suffered the loss of a mink coat, and \$150 in cash by theft from her room in the hotel. . . . Joan Torino is doubling in strip specialties and the Jack Monigomery line at the Hudson, Union City, N. J. ... Queen Robi, during her recent engagement at the Top Hat, Toledo, enjoyed a visit from Georgia Sothern, who was playing the Park, Youngstown, O., at the time.... Ginger Chrystie opened March 13 at the Terminal Hotel, Easton, Pa., for two weeks thru Mickey Owens. . . . Jackie Whelan is in his sixth week at Harvey Bell's Club Bali, Miami Beach, Fla. Other principals there are Billy Wee-Ping, Kate Gayle and June Edwards. . . . Mila, the Peeler, new Hirst Circuit strip, was formerly Elinore Mercen when she co-featured with Edith Anderson at Jimmy's Kelly's and other Greenwich Village, New York, niteries. ... Adaire Twins and Doris DeLaye

are at the Burbank. Los Angeles, where Shirley Stanley is a recent Ted Coyne booking. . . . Charles (Red) Marshall returned to burly March 10 at the Empire, Newark, with the Mike Sachs-Freddie Lewis unit.

RITA CORTEZ will use her own transportation, a new Cadillac, while traveling with her own revue on the Endy Bros.' Shows the coming season. . . . Betty Howard has completed a Florida season at the Colonial Inn and Club 22, Miami Beach, Fla., and moved to Havana with her manager, Harry Ryan, where she is now doubling at Club Nacionale and the Marti Theater. Local 59, of the International Alliance of Stagehands, will hold its 51st annual jamboree at the Hudson, Union City, N. J., at midnight March 29, when performers from MERCHANDISING PAYS burly, musicals and niteries will appear in addition to the current Springs Hotel, the Antlers Hotel, the week's bill. Paul DeSavino, electrician, is chairman. . . . Lotus DuBois, newly billed as the Shadow. Girl, has left a Hirst roadshow to open March 16 at the Palace, Buffalo, to be followed by a week at the Gem, Chicago, thru Milt Schuster. . . . Another Hirst unit to fold recently was the one principaled by Hank Henry, Sparky Kaye, Dick Dana, Joanne Malone and Mila, all of whom reopen in stock for two weeks at the Rialto, Chicago, March 17. . . Mickey Owens returns to Club 78, New York, March 17 as producer. Entertainers there include Eddie Chester, Jean Lollie, Joni Criss and Joe Durci's ork. . . . Monte Novarro is in his 17th week as dancer and straight to Nat Mercy in "Continental Varieties," touring the South on the Kemp Time. Shirley Sterling is in the chorus. . . . Mickey Markwood, comic, has retired from the road and is now a New Orleans resident.

TOBACCO ROAD

(Continued from Page 48) in the traditional "By God and by Geez" pattern. But there are only two outstanding contributions to current matters on the 48th Street stage -from Evelyn Ellis and John Tate. Miss Ellis, who directed the revival, brings real poignancy to the tragic predicament of Ada Lester, whose single remaining ambition is a decent dress to be buried in. Tate plays the confused Lov Bensey with fine understanding. Along with Miss Ellis, he evidently accepts his assignment as a challenge to bring a character to life in terms of honest simplicity and not to play a cartoon.

Commercially, a reporter would ordinarily give Road a fast week's span on the Stem, but on past performance the Caldwell opus can fool anybody. However, it does seem that by this time practically everyone, who wants to, has seen it. Kirkland should leave Jeeter on the shelf. Bob Francis.

PHILCO, SYLVANIA DENY (Continued from page 13)

lieves that the price differentials merely reflect cost differences." Philco further contended that, as a set maker and a supplier of replacement tubes, it is entitled under the Clayton Act "to receive a lower price from Sylvania and other tube manufacturers than distributors who purchase directly from such tube manufacturers."

Both Sylvania and Philco denied that Philco is enabled by the lower prices to undersell Sylvania, or that Philco distributors are enabled to undersell Sylvania distributors. Both admitted the substantial accuracy of FTC figures showing a price differential of 7 cents to 49.5 cents per tube in quotations, but held that the comparison "is not a fair one because it does not reflect the actual net prices paid."

(Continued from Page 42) Medical Center, the Alamo Hotel, the Alta Vista Hotel, the First National Bank and dozens of smaller restaurants. Ament's price for the commercial wired music service is the same as his competitor's. But because he has personally sold every installation, he has been able to gain the business of the leading tourist centers in this resort city.



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"BARRETTS" HYPES

(Continued from page 48) the troupers, and by the time the final scene was reached the demonstrative crowd was hissing tyranical Papa Barrett.

The non-Jim Crow Gayety, repainted and recarpeted, got a helpful nudge from Washington's social set which tendered numerous parties for opening night. First-nighters included folks from the embassy crowd. Capitol Hill, State department officialdom and plenty of high Pentagon brass.

Roy (Scrubboard) Wallace, hillbilly magician, is recuperating at his Indianapolis home after a hemorrhoidal operation at General Hospital there. He is readying his bag of tricks and musical novelties for an under-canvas trek thru the Pennsylvania and West Virginia coal fields beginning late in April. . . . The Baltimore Sunday Sun roto magazine section (5) carried Milbourne Christopher's "Magic Is a Child's Game," a fullpage story of how children livened up his performances, as well as those of Judson Cole, Bobo, Loring Campbell, Howard Huntington and Twamley.... Chang is slated to open this week at the Puerto Rico Theater in the Bronx, N. Y. . . . Rouclere Jr., daughter of the once-famous magic team of Harry and Mildred Rouclere, infos that she's keeping busy in and around her home base of Fair Lawn. N. J., specializing on children's programs at schools, churches and private parties. She also is a regular feature over WPAT, Paterson, N. J., and is prepping a turn for an early shot at television.



AFTER HOURS CLUB

(Continued from page 10) an amiable host, chatting easily with his guests, singing comedienne Kay Ballard, teen-age columnist Betty Estz and movie actor Tom Drake. Utilizing a studied casualness, Robbins somehow contrived to talk Miss Ballard into mugging her way thru a none-too-funny number; kidded Miss Betz about revealing telegenic qualities via costume and sandwiched in three wordy commercials for Winston Television all in 15 minutes.

The mainstay of the session, tho, was good-looking Joe Bushkin, whose off-the-cuff-styled vocalizing and soothing pianistics sparked the most genuinely spontaneous note on the show. The program's on-the-town mood was enhanced by an effectively simple stage setting (checkered table clothes, piano and interesting shadows on the wall).

When it came to the commercials Winston stuck to its usual conventional pitch . . . a boy, a set and a staid copy line. June Bundy.

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If Trouping's Tramping, Then Hugo Loves It

KEARNEY, Neb., March 11.—Harry Hugo this week took time out from his varied duties attendant to the shaping up of the Hugo Players for their annual tour to point out that he read with interest the recent stories from the pens of Will H. Locke, E. L. Paul and C. E. Duble. "Paul's yarn, especially, took me back to the years of 1907-'08 when the Applegate-Hugo Stock Company was struggling along," Hugo said. "We didn't ask for much then, just enough to eat and pay the bills and what big bills and big appetites we had. We only had to pay \$1 per day per person at the best hotels, and if business was good we ate at the table which bore the apples and oranges for 25 cents extra.

"Business was not easily lured, but it seemed to me that we always were happy and that's what makes a good trouper even in these days. To us oldtimers it looks like the beginners of today do not encounter the hardships which were so evident long ago.

"A non-professional once asked my son: 'Are you going out with your father's show again? Why don't you get into something permanent, or do you want to be a tramp all your life?' 'What do you mean, a tramp?' my son replied. 'My dad's been in show business over 40 years and he's certainly no tramp.' Altho proud of my son's reply, the little by-play started me to thinking whether the man could be right. However, it was trouping which afforded me the opportunity to meet so many fine people-both in and out of show business.

"My old-time partner, Uncle Joe Applegate, is now boss canvas man on the Clyde Beatty Circus. He was a good actor. In dramatic circles, he's referred to as 'The Monty Wooley of the Big Tops.' And, I dare say, he can still read lines with the best of them. I could name hundreds like him and if to have missed knowing them meant staying off the road-even if the man was right-I'm glad that I'm a tramp."

ATM Includes Drive-In Ops In Membership

DETROIT, March 11.-Allied Theaters of Michigan (ATM) voted to include outdoor theater operators in their membership, Charles W. Snyder, executive secretary, disclosed this week. In the past outdoor operators have been included because they have had one or more regular indoor theaters. New move is to avoid a schism and to act as a protective measure for the industry as a whole. Snyder pointed out that Michigan has fewer of this type of theater operation than most States.

Elaborating on the protective measure, Snyder pointed out that unfortunately in some cases the new ventures have gotten into the hands of inexperienced people who have not always observed ethical standards. Excess competitive bidding was one of the practices which Snyder singled out as poor policy, basing his criticism on unfortunate experiences of the "old school."

A special meeting will be called by the ATM in the spring prior to the opening of the season for the drive-in theaters. Jack Braunagel, of Kansas City, Mo., who has had vast experience with this type operation and who is also an old-time exhibitor, will be the principal speaker. Braunagel is drive-in manager for the Commonwealth Circuit.



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OTEEN, N. C., March 11.-Charlie (Slim) Vermont, rep. tab and minstrel blackface comic, who is still confined in Ward R-4. Veterans Administration Hospital here, this week recalled a number of star minstrel units and performers, his list running back as long ago as 1911.

"Long to be remembered," Slim says, "are the John W. Vogel Minstrels and the John Van Arnam Company. There also was the Neil O'Brien Minstrel, boasting such stalwarts as Happy Benway, Slu-Foot Gaffney and Pete Detzle, in addition to O'Brien.

"The J. A. Coburn Minstrel was a standout, as were such entertainers as Charlie Gayno, Bobby Gossans, Tommy Post, Fred Stowe; Carl Helman, of the Vermont & Helman unit, and Ollie Dillworth, who was among the great minstrel musicians.

"Then there was the Lasses White Minstrel, with a line-up that included White, Billie Doss, Skeets Mayo and Karl Denton, the Helen Morgan of the minstrels: Gordon Hunt and the writer. The greatest of them all was the Al G. Field Minstrel, with such performers as John Cartmell, Burt Swor, Bill Beard, Johnny Healy, Don and Al Palmer and Jack Richards and Billy Church, topnotch singers."

Arkansas Charter to Sky Vue FORT SMITH, Ark., March 11.-Sky Vue Drive-In Theaters, Inc., here has obtained a charter from the secretary of state at Little Rock. Authorized capital stock is \$150,000. Mose Smith Jr. and Claude C. Ward Jr., Fort Smith, and J. Fred Brown, Memphis, were listed as the incorporators.

Permits for two outdoor theaters here were approved by the Town Planning Board last week. The first permit went to Philip C. Cahill, East Haven, Conn., drive-in theater operator. The other was granted to James M. Sniffen, of this city.

Approval followed a public hearing, at which 150 persons appeared in favor of the petitions for the permits. Only two persons registered opposition. In both instances members of the Planning Board pointed out that the drive-in theaters will add about \$70,000 to the town grand list and will provide business on land now unoccupied and providing little tax return.

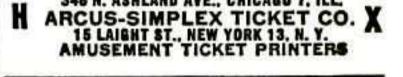
Each petitioner said he planned a 600-car capacity drive-in, properly screened by fences from highways and with private police to handle traffic. Cahill will operate the theater approved on his permit, while Seymour Levine, of Stratford, Conn., will operate the drive-in on the Sniffen property.

Drive-Ins Contemplated

For Batesville, Shreveport SHREVEPORT, La., March 11 .--Construction of a new drive-in theater here gets under way soon, it was learned last week. The new theater will be constructed by Joy Theatres, Inc., on land east of the Alamo Plaza tourists courts on Greenwood Road.

The Commonwealth Batesville Theater Corporation, operator of the Melba Theater, Batesville, Ark., will build a new drive-in theater near that city, Bill Headstream, manager of the Melba, reports.

PHILADELPHIA, March 11. - A new combine, 309 Drive-In Theater Corporation, has been organized here. Petition for a certificate of incorporation stated that the new corporation has been organized "to purchase, hold, sell, improve and lease real estate, mortgage and encumber the same, and to erect, manage, care for and maintain, extend and alter all types of buildings and other installations, including drive-in motion picture theaters, thereon."



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ACEVEDO-Alex, 55, circus performer, recently in Los Angeles. He originated the Acevedo Troupe and trained the present group working under that billing. During his years with circuses the act appeared with Russell Bros., Al G. Barnes, Arthur Bros., Cole Bros. and others. Survived by his widow. Aurora; two sons, Robert and Arthur, and a daughter, Betty. Burial in Calvary Cemetery, Los Angeles, March 3.

ARMSTEAD-George B., 66, newspaperman with many New England publications and recently managing editor of The Hartford (Conn.) Courant, March 7 in Wethersfield, Conn. From 1943 till 1946 he had been a news commentator for Station WDRC, Hartford.

ARMSTRONG-Thomas A., former music publisher in Philadelphia, suddenly at his home in that city March 3. A sister survives. Burial in Philadelphia, March 8.

BLOME-Mrs. Bernet, 52, wife of Charles Blome, Crosley Corporation engineer, March 9 in St. Mary's Hospital, Cincinnati. She also leaves a son, Clyde, two sisters and two brothers.

BOVIN-Anton, 81, father of Russ Bovin, manager of Loew's Theater, St. Louis, March 3 in Milwaukee. Burial in that city.

BROWN-Arthur Clayton, 79, former Metopera singer and more recently a New York soap manufacturer, March 15 in Orlando, Fla. He had sung in support of Enrico Caruso and Mary Garden, among others. His widow and a stepson survive.

CANNON-John J., 51, general representative of the Heart of Texas Shows, March 5 in Brownwood, Tex. (Details in Carnival Department.)

CARSON-Elmer L., 68, father of comedian Jack Carson, March 6 in Hollywood. His widow and another son, Robert, survive.

CORCORAN - Edward M., 61, nephew of the late Fred Ledgett and Dolly Julian, circus performers, recently at his home in Artesia, Calif. Survived by his widow, Josephine, and an aunt, Edna Ledgett, former pianist on the Keith-Orpheum Circuit. Interment in Calvary Cemetery, Los Angeles. DUGAN-Daniel, 46, former cookhouse worker with various outdoor shows, February 28 in Rochester, N. Y. ELLIS-Charles K., for five years chief electrician of the road show company of Oklahoma, March 1 of a heart attack while en route with the troupe to Kansas City, Mo. Survived by his widow, Fairy P. Ellis, known professionally as Bonnie Bee, costume designer. Burial in Los Angeles. EVANS-Jack, 57, film actor, and known as the Mayor of Gower Gulch, March 7 at his home in Hollywood. In silent film days he was a contract player at many studios. Survived by a sister, Mrs. Mozelle Gillis. GLICKEN-Jack, 49, midget doorman at the Copa City nitery March 5 in Miami Beach, Fla., when struck by an auto. He had formerly been with circuses and in the films before taking the Copa City job. His mother and five brothers and sisters survive. GOODEN - Charles, 50, former circus trouper and resort operator, recently at his home in Baldwin, Ill. In recent years he had operated a tavern in Baldwin. Survived by his widow, Minnie; his mother, Mrs. David Gooden, Cleveland; two brothers, Harold and Russell, Elyria, O., and a sister Mrs. Margaret Koehn, Cleveland. Burial in Baldwin. GORDON-Ray, 37, scale and age operator, March 1 at his home in Jamaica, L. I., N. Y., of a heart attack. Survived by his widow, Renee; his father, four sisters and two brothers. Burial in National Cemetery, Farmingdale, L. I. GRAUMAN-Sid, 71, well-known theater operator, March 4 in Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Los Angeles, of a heart ailment. He and his father opened theaters in San Francisco in the early 1900s. After the earthquake there in 1906 he went to Los also appeared in Bulls and Bears, Angeles and built the Million Dollar Spite Corner, The Gorilla, The Break-Theater. After that he built the ing Point and Chalked Out. His European Theater of Operations. As Father is owner-manager of Station Rialto and the Metropolitan theaters. | widow survives.

THE FINAL CURTAIN

the latter now the Paramount. In the early 1920s he moved his operations to Hollywood and built the Egyptian Theater and the Grauman's Chinese Theater. It was at the latter show palace that he originated the worldfamous "footprints of the stars" in the forecourt. Interment in Forest Lawn Mausoleum, Los Angeles.

GREENMAN-Samuel, 80, father of Harry Greenman, managing director of the New York Theater, March 6 in Buffalo. Four other sons and three daughters survive.

HOGUE - Earle H., 62, retired actor, March 3 in Miami. He had been a headliner at the old National Girard and Globe theaters in Philadelphia. His widow survives.

JUDSON-Oliver Boyce, 82, one of the incorporators of the present Philadelphia Orchestra Association, suddenly March 4 at his home in Philadelphia. He was one time manager of the orchestra and served as a director of the association from 1901 thru 1905. Burial in Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia, March 7.

KAY-Emily, 74, former wardrobe maker for vaude performers in New York and Miami, and mother of Gertrude O'Neil, of the O'Neil comedy act, recently in Miami of a brain hemorrhage.

KIEFER-Joseph, 73, bandmaster, March 7 in Atlantic City (N. J.) Hospital. He helped organize the Police Band in Philadelphia in 1912, and was bandmaster of the Police and Firemen's Band from 1918 until his retirement in 1947. His widow, Anna, survives, Burial in Greenwood Cemetery, Pleasantville, N. J., March 11. KLEIN-Henry K., 50, since 1948

a vice-president of Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn, Inc., New York advertising agency, March 7 in that city. He was formerly with the Columbia Broadcasting System and the J. Walter Thompson ad firm. His widow, son and mother survive. KOCIAN — Jaroslav, 67, Czech violinist, March 8 in Prague. He made his debut in the U.S. in 1902 when he was 18 and played 80 concerts in the U.S. and Canada. Kocian appeared with the New York Symphony in 1911. LAUDER-Jack, 74, vaudevillian and a second cousin of the late Sir Harry Lauder, Scottish comedian, March 9 in Rockford, Ill. Before buying the Mayer Hotel in Rockford, he toured on several vaude circuits, singing songs made famous by Sir Harry. LEHR-Lew, 54, comedian known as Doktor Lew, as well as a film exec, March 6 in Boston. Lehr was a Movietone newsreel commentator and editor of short subjects for that division of 20th Century-Fox. A dialectitian, he was formerly in vaude, tho he never Hotel, Birmingham, March 4, of used his dialects on the stage. Instead, Lehr did a chalk-and-blackboard act while hanging by his feet from a trapeze. Lehr's professional debut came as Simple Simon in J. C. Mack's Mother Goose act, where he met Anna Leonhardt, known professionally as Nancy Belle, whom he married. His radio appearances included a regular spot on Stop Me If You've Hear This One. His widow and daughter survive. LUDWIG-Charles O. (ZaZa), 51, well-known dance band leader in New England, February 28 in Manchester, N. H. His widow, mother, sister and two brothers survive. LYNCH - John (Pipes), former general agent for the Blotner Model Shows, recently in Calais, Me. Burial in Bangor, Me. MALEY - Stephen, 84, former comedian and character actor, March 8 in New York. He had appeared in many Charles H. Hoyt farces, including A Black Sheep, Montgomery and Stone's Wizard of Oz, David phant and Hazleton, Pa. Warfield's The Music Master and in The College Widow, by George Ade. Maley counted among his musical comedy appearances Oh, Boy!, and March 1 in that city. During the

MARSHALL - F. Stanley, wellknown Philadelphia musician, suddenly March 6 at his home in Upper Darby, Pa. Coming to the United worked as a clarinetist with the Ringling circus band. For a time he played with Victor Herbert's orchestra Brady and the Shuberts. and later with John Philip Sousa's Band. He was also a member of the Band of Gold, composed of members of the Philadelphia Orchestra, con-Survived by his widow, Mary; a ducted by Leopold Stokowski. For 10 daughter, Mrs. W. H. Brereeton, years he was a member of Meyer Easton, Conn., and a son, Arthur, Davis's orchestras, and several years Fairfield, Conn. Burial in Mountain ago returned to the Philadelphia Orchestra, also playing with the Robin Hood Dell Orchestra. The last few rector for Shuberts' Philadelphia years he had taught at the Wurlitzer theaters, March 8 at Saranac Lake, School of Music in Philadelphia, His N. Y. He also was publicity director widow, Sophie, and a son, Stanley Jr., survive. Burial in Fernwood Cemetery, Philadelphia, March 11.

McKENNA-William J., 69, composer, March 4 in Jersey City, N. J. An actor in minstrel shows, comedies and vaude before turning to writing, his many songs include Mandy Lane, Lady Love, Down in the Old Neighborhood and Has Anybody Here Seen Kelly? McKenna also wrote operettas and musical comedies, including The Bride Shop, The Midnight Kiss, The Mayor of Laughland, The Joy Rider, The Mazuma Man and The Road to Mandalay. He was also a radio director and scene designer, a writer on musical topics and a music teacher. His widow, daughter and two sons survive.

MENKEN-Mrs. Catherine, mother of stage and radio actress Helen Menken, March 13 in New York. Another daughter and a son also survive.

MURREE - Fred Bright Star, 88. champion Indian roller skater, March 6 in Lankenau Hospital, Philadelphia. (Details in Rinks and Skaters Department.)

NICKELL-Mrs. Jeanette, 75, sister Zant, actor, and Victoria Subovy, of Bert Chipman, well-known in out- ballerina, March 5 in Los Angeles. door show business circles and author the aunt of Harry B. Chipman, for- aire, recently in Paducah, Ky. mer circus press agent. RICCI-Giulio, one of Italy's oldest impresarios, in Forli, Italy, March 5 when hit by a motorcycle. Ricci was credited with having presented Gilgli, noted tenor, to the public in Forli 46 years ago. ROBERT - J. Muir Stewart, 45 husband of actress Mary Ellis, March 7 in Selkirk, Scotland, when he fell while mountain climbing. ROSE - William K., 44, former press agent for Cole Bros. and Dailey Bros. circuses, in Little Rock March 5. (Details in Circus Section.) SAVAGE-R. E., veteran carnival general agent with the J. J. Page Shows, in his room at the Gilbert a cerebral hemorrhage. Burial in Forrest Hill Cemetery, that city, March 6.

Earl Carroll's Sketch Book, 1931 to 1935, and in 1919 was with the Ringling Circus band. In Providence he had played in the Fays Theater orchestra and at the Biltmore Hotel.

WARD-Harold, 71, editor, author, songwriter and former press agent, March 1 in Sterling, Ill. With the States from England in 1912, he first late Arthur Gillespie he had written songs, sketches and plays and later did advance work for William A.

WARNER-Lucian T., 72, president of the Connecticut Symphony Orchestra, March 6 in Bridgeport. Grove Cemetery, Bridgeport, March 9. WILSON-Mark, 61, publicity difor the Steel and Hamid piers in Atlantic City, conducted his own publicity bureau, served as Philly rep for many nationally known showmen and for many years managed the Locust Street Theater in Philadelphia. His widow and daughter survive.

Marriages

GROSSMAN-ROZYSKA - Joseph Grossman, manager of the road company of High Button Shoes, and Rozyska, danseuse in the show, March 4 in Chicago.

HERBERT-SOLTESZ-Fred Herbert, assistant stage manager of the Kiss Me, Kate touring company, and Eve Soltesz, dancer in the same show, February 28 in Chicago.

STINNETTE-YANTIS-Ray Stinnette, owner of the amusement park at the Dallas Zoo, and also connected with State Fair Park, Dallas, and Ernestine Yantis recently in that city. VAN ZANT-SUHOVY-Philip Van

WHEELER-LANKFORD - Nelson

SILVERMAN—Sid, 51, publisher of Variety, in Harrison, N. Y., March 10. (For details see page 4.)

STAHLEY-Mrs. Mary, 78, former vaude performer for 20 years with the Musical Blacksmiths, March 6 in Rochester, N. Y. The act, which used blacksmith tools for instruments, was created by her late husband, Cass Stahley, and had been seen in Europe, Asia and South America. The act broke up when her husband died in 1941.

STUDIN-Charles H., 51, attorney prominent in music and theatrical settlements, March 5 in New York. His widow and two sons survive.

TANNENBAUM - Mrs. Mina, mother of Joseph A. Tanney, head of S.O.S. Cinema Supply Corporation, New York, recently in that city. Another son, Emanuel, formerly operated theaters in Scranton, Oly-

TATZ-Carl J., band leader and musical director of Station WEAN, Providence, from 1937 to 1944, war he was an accordionist-pianist arranger and leader he toured with WEDO.

of the book, Hey Rube, recently at Wheeler, New York, and Louise her home in Hollywood. She was Lankford, Centralia, Ill., concession-

Births

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John Pondfield February 24 in Baltimore. Father is film editor and chief projectionist for WAAM-TV.

A daughter, Sheila Sue, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Barker February 22 in Brownswood, Tex. Mother is the daughter of M. A. and Dorothy Johnson, formerly with Craig's Heart of Texas Shows.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henry March 1 in Hollywood. Father is KLAC and KLAC-TV's program director.

A daughter, Donna Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Snyder recently in Tri-State Hospital, Shreveport, La. Parents have the Motordrome on Crescent Amusement Company.

A daughter, Sandra Kay, recently to Mr. and Mrs. Sid Alcido in Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City, N. C. Father is owner-manager of the original Aerial Alcidos.

A daughter, Mayla Mea, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hanasaki recently in St. Anthony's Hospital, St. Louis. Father is a concessionaire.

A daughter, Lorelei, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Henrique March 8 in Osteopathic Hospital, Philadelphia. Father produces the chorus lines for the Hirst burlesque circuit,

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar De Mejo at St. John's Hospital, Santa Monica, Calif., March 1. Mother is Alida Valli, actress.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Selvin March 3 at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Los Angeles. Father is in charge of Coast recordings for Columbia Records.

A daughter, Cynthia Jane, to Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Kopp February 11 in San Jose, Calif. Father is an announcer at KCBS, San Francisco.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie with USO-Camp Shows in the Hirshberg February 20 in Pittsburgh.





OITDOOR

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

Gainesville Inks Seven Dates;

Wagner Inks Sally Rand **For Cavalcade**

Opens With Show May 2

TAMPA, March 11 .- Sally Rand will go out this season with Al Wagner's Cavalcade of Amusements, Wagner announced here today.

The fan dancer will open with a 20-people company when the org ushers in its season May 2 at Montgomery, Ala.

A new show front for the Rand unit will be built at Cavalcade's winter quarters in Mobile, Ala. New canvas, 50 by 150, has been ordered from the U.S. Tent & Awning Company, Wagner disclosed. New bleachers will also be constructed at winter quarters.

Massman Entry Speeds Sesqui Christi, Tex., Rotary Club, and 15-16, Dallas Fair Park, for the Woman's Plans in D. C. (Continued from page 3)

The Gainesville Community Circus Sims, is in rehearsal. will open its 21st season here April Circus Round-Up sponsored by civic organizations.

300G KIDDIELAND FOR

The big top will be pitched at Fair Park and a parade, with floats, will mark opening day. Six candidates are in the race for queen of the circus. A coronation ball, in the big top, will conclude the festivities.

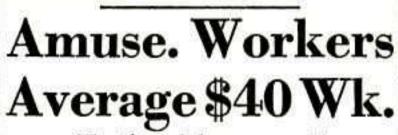
The Gainesville circus has all but one of its 1950 dates contracted. Consolidated-Vultee Aircraft Corporation, Fort Worth, has purchased the show outright for three night performances, April 27-29, in Will Rogers Coliseum, for its 25,000 employees and families.

Following the Fort Worth engagement, other dates are: May 4 and 5, McKinney, Tex., Quarterback Club; May 12, Paris, Tex., Kiwanis Club; June 2-3, Amarillo, Tex., South Amarillo Lions' Club; 9-10, Corpus Auxiliary of the Dallas Episcopal diocese.

One other engagement will be played late in June or around July 4.

GAINESVILLE, Tex., March 11.- back riding act, directed by Portis

This year's flying act will be fea-19-21, in connection with the annual tured as the "youngest in the world," consisting of five members ranging from 15 to 23 years. They were trained by Gus Bell and Harold Ward. They will feature a carrying trick and passing leap.



(Continued from page 3) bowling alleys, sports clubs, race tracks, stadia, and radio and television entertainers. It embraced 4,150 establishments employing 67,800 workers, exclusive of caddies. Sixtyfive per cent of the employees were men over 21, 25 per cent were women and 10 per cent were male minors.

Earnings varied greatly by occupation. Highest median hourly earnings -\$3.75—went to those in the managerial, professional and performer categories. Median hourly earnings were lowest for ushers, 53 cents. Almost two-thirds of the persons receiving less than 60 cents an hour were women or male minors. In most occupations wage levels in New York City were considerably higher than in the rest of the State. Median hourly earnings were \$1.26 in New York and 90 cents elsewhere. The work week averaged 36.2 hours. Median weekly earnings were \$40.06, with one-fourth of the workers earning less than \$20 a week and an almost equal number earning \$75 or more.

Doolan Plans Bows April 19 at Roundup Cele 20 Rides for 20 - Acre Site

Late Summer Debut Set

ANGELES, March 11.-LOS Mickey Doolan, Chicago Kiddieland operator, who winters here, this week revealed plans for a 20-acre 20-ride Kiddieland to be spotted near one of this city's shopping centers.

Altho purchase of the intended site has not been okayed, Doolan intimated he anticipated no trouble and said work will be started soon so the park will be in operation by late summer.

Plans are to operate nine months (See DOOLAN PLANS on page 79)

France To Promote Stock Car Racing At Langhorne

GREENSBORO, N. C., March 11 .--A 150-mile Grand National Circuit contest for late model autos with a \$5,500 guaranteed purse slated for Sunday, April 16, at Langhorne Speedway, near Philadelphia, will be the initial event of that track's season, it was announced here by Bill France, race promoter. France recently signed with Mr. and Mrs. John D. Babcock, Langhorne owners, to operate races at the track in 1950. Such races last September pulled a big crowd to the track. Other opening dates announced by France included Occoneechee Speedway, between Hillsboro and Durham, N. C., Sunday (19); Bowman Gray Stadium, Winston-Salem, N. C., a quarter-miler with a seating capacity of 13,400, April 1, with weekly races to be held Saturday nights; Martinsville, Va., every Thursday night, and Danville, Va., every Friday night, starting the first week in April; Atlanta Peach Bowl, early April; North Wilkesboro (N. C.) Speedway, Sunday (26), and Winston-Salem (N. C.) Speedway, Easter Sunday, April 9. France said his personnel again would include Houston A. Lawing, public relations; Bill Fair, outdoor advertising and concessions; Enoch Staley, steward and outdoor advertising; Mrs. Fair, public relations and business manager; Alvin Hawkins, in charge of Winston-Salem and Martinsville tracks and starter, and Joe Epton, in charge at Danville and scorer. Headquarters for Langhorne activities will be the office of Bill McGaw, general manager of the Joie Chitwood org, Philadelphia. France's races will be sanctioned by the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing.

stars of stage, screen and radio-TV being lined up as entertainment.

Massman spent his first week here surveying blueprints and plans, consulting with his aids on additional preparations and acquainting himself with his staff. Sesqui events are being arranged for every day between April 15 and November 22 this year, and the Freedom Fair itself is slated to open April 15, 1951. As a precursor to the exposition, this year's celebrations will feature the latest types of fireworks as well as numerous outdoor shows.

Massman will participate in his first meeting with the full sesqui commission shortly, and it is anticipated that this session will stage a full discussion of the question of a site for the Freedom Fair. Sesqui officials have been pondering whether to stick to the site originally proposed, on the Anacostia River, or seek a new and more extensive location, particularly since the availability of the Anacostia River site has not yet been determined.

As preparations moved along this week, it was announced that Gov. William Preston Lane of Maryland and Gov. John Battle of Virginia have been named as co-chairmen of a committee on States and territories. This committee will co-ordinate plans for the special observance days honoring the States.

No fall dates will be played, as has been customary in the past.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Morton Smith and Mr. and Mrs A. B. Garvin recently were in Sarasota, Fla., where they purchased wardrobe for the 1950 spec and a bareback horse from the Loyal-Repenski Troupe. A six-person bare-

Poppers Supply Co. **Opens New Quarters**

PHILADELPHIA, March 11.-Poppers Supply Company, Inc., has moved into its new and larger showroomwarehouse at 1211 North Second Street here. Lawrence S. Goldmeier, president of Poppers, says the guarters provide complete facilities for storage and shipment of supplies and equipment for popcorn, floss, candy apples, peanuts and snowballs. Repair and remodeling of popcorn machines also will be handled.

In addition to expanding its quarters, Poppers maintains an inventory of corn and seasoning in a Charlotte, N. C., warehouse.

Poppers was founded in October, 1945, by Goldmeier and incorporated in 1949.

E-C Corrals \$4,800

Bingh'ton Advance

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., March 11 .-With five weeks of promotion still remaining, the Evans-Childers Moosesponsored circus has registered \$4,800 in advance sales, Lee Barton Evans, co-owner, announced here this week.

Evans and his partner, Glen Childers, will present 11 performances, six nights and five matinees, from April 17 to 22 in the Armory. Talent for the date is being set by Herman Blumenfeld, of the George A. Hamid Agency.

concessions.

Cole Bros. To Play Detroit Olympia

DETROIT, March 11.-Cole Bros.' Circus, featuring Bill (Hopalong Cassidy) Boyd open a 11-day stand in the Detroit Olympia May 10. The announcement was made by Ludwig Kassebaum, assistant manager of the Sonja Henie ice show, which closed here Sunday night (5) after playing to nearly a half-million persons. Cole will be the first circus to play the Olympia since Barnes Bros. appeared there three years ago.

The Moose Circus is scheduled to play the State Fair Coliseum here A. Hymes has been awarded the May 1-7, under management of Johnson & Wallace Enterprises.

40 Concerns Exhibit At Eng. Trade Show

LONDON, March 11.-The sixth annual Amusement Trades Exhibition ended its three-day stand at New Royal Horticultural Hall February 16. More than 40 firms offered exhibits of rides, park equipment, arcade and vending machines and other articles of interest to outdoor showmen.

Principal rides shown were Dodgem and Scooter cars and numerous kiddle devices. British manufacturers are handicapped in developing such equipment, as they are obliged by government regulations to export a hefty percentage of production.

Showmen from all points of the British Isles attended. A limited number of showmen from France and Belgium visited.

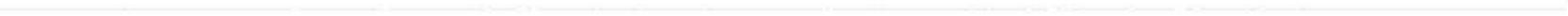
N. Y. Sports Show Gate 9% Below '49

NEW YORK, March 11. - Altho most exhibitors of Campbell-Fairbanks Expositions, Inc., reported good business at their 13th annual National Sportsmen's and Vacation Show, which ended February 26, attendance was 9 per cent off from 1949.

Sleet, snow, rain and hail on Washington's Birthday and near-zero temperatures on two other days did not have much effect on crowds. Stress at this year's show was on the vacation feature, and 60 per cent of it was devoted to vacation recreation.

Fairfield Vets Sked Expo

STRATFORD, Conn., March 11 .--Disabled Veterans' Association, Bridgeport, Conn., received the green light this week from Administrator Jess Larson, of the General Service Administration, to use the vacant Chance-Vought factory here for an industrial exposition June 1-9.





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Close-Ups: Home on Range With Range, Tale **Of 365-Pound George Reinhardt**

By Herb Dotten-

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

FOR the past 10 years George Reinhardt has tipped the scales at about 365 pounds. Characteristic of one of his weight, he is lumbering in his movements. But the Burgomaster, so-called because of his bulk and jovial nature, has been places and done things in his 57 years. (He'll be 57 March 29.) Most of his achievements have been with pots and pans as a cookhouse-grab stand operator. Since 1917 the rotund George has ranged the nation feeding people, mostly show people or patrons at outdoor amusement events. In between he has taken excursions, usually brief ones, into fields other than show business. In his early years he spent his winters in the

kitchens of some of the country's top hotels, learning the ABC's and XYZ's of cooking and chefing.

The possibility of making more than a few dollars, plus an adventurous spirit, carried him in 1927 to Shelby, Mont., where he set up a cookhouse on a downtown lot to take care of the expected influx of outof-towners for the Dempsey-Gibbons fight.

His ability to handle mammoth feeding jobs sent him at the age of 25 to head up a gigantic assignment in North Fork, Calif., where it was his job to direct the feeding, three times daily, of 1,000 tunnel construction workers.

One of his unusual feeding jobs took place in 1948, when he was in charge of supplying meals at the baseball school conducted by the Washington Senators in Florida.

His entry into show business was as

a billposter. He started as a brush handler on the Cole circus, remained on the Cole advance for a year and then withdrew from the road. A few years later-in 1917-he returned, this time as a chef on the Patterson-Golmar Circus. Then, in turn, he went with the Yankee-Robinson Circus, Gentry Bros.' Dog and Pony Circus and the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus. On each he remained a season, with the succession of shows broken only by



GEORGE REINHARDT

his wartime service in the army. In 1921 for the first time he joined a carnival, the Johnny J. Jones Exposition. Successively he moved to other carnivals-the C. A. Wortham Shows and the Rubin & Cherry Shows-on each of which he served THE WINNER! a year. While with Rubin & Cherry, the thought occurred to him that if he could cook for show people, there was no reason he could not make money for himself by operating a cookhuse or a grab stand. Thus he took to hopscotching. LITTLE CHIEF FIRE ENGINE Now he is one of the old-timers The New Kiddle Ride as a cookhouse-grab stand operator. The record shows that since 1922 he Awarded trophy for most meritorious has missed only two fairs at Atlanta, new ride at NAAPP&B Convention, that he has held the same location Chicago 1949 . . . Rides 16 kids-outat Tennessee State Fair, Nashville, grossed all other kiddle rides at 1949 for more than 15 years, and that RR Fair. Cheap to operate—3 gallons a day ... Can also be used as a sound he has been a constant repeater at truck with the two-faced removable sign (furnished) mounted between Indiana State Fair, Indianapolis, where in more recent years he operated a cafeteria. seats.

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George points out that it was he who introduced cafeteria-style eateries on shows. That was six years ago. The introduction, he points out, not only insured collecting money and cut the overhead but enabled the presentation of a wider choice of foods.

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Gene Hoffman, of Wholesale Spe- | cell, Eastern division manager of cialty Company, has returned to his Los Angeles headquarters from a recent trip to New York. . . . Merle Evans, bandmaster on the Ringling circus, was a dinner guest of H. J. Wills and D. I. Dains during a recent visit in La Fayette, Ind. Wills was a member of the Evans band in 1923. . . . Roy McCuen, who returned from a trip to Salt Lake City, has opened new headquarters for his Pyramid Sales Company in Los Angeles.

Ben S. Allen, who heads Posters, Inc., was laid low by a virus infection at Charlotte, N. C., for the third time in two months while on a Dixie tour. He is recuperating this week at Mercy Hospital, Charlotte, while his org carries on in Philadelphia. Charley Wagner, thrill show operator, is handling publicity for the Ray Robinson-Sugar Costner prize fight to be held at Convention Hall in Philadelphia Wednesday (22).

George Tyson's "Holiday on Ice" and not the Shipstad & Johnson "Ice Follies," as recently reported, moves into the new Joe Friedman Coliseum, San Antonio, April 5-11. Earl Newberry, of Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers, left Chicago last week to attend a meeting of auto race reps in Detroit. Following the confab, Newberry was skedded to go to his Jacksonville, Fla., home. . John Mullins, owner of Crystal City Park, Tulsa, Okla., visited in Chicago last week and reported that he now is a director and stockholder at Station KPHO-TV, Phoenix, Ariz. Mullins has sold all his Crystal City Park rides but still operates the ballroom and swim pool there. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bernard R. Siegel. Detroit, returned Thursday (9) from a trip to Mexico. Siegel is manager of Jefferson Beach Park, Detroit.

the Joie Chitwood Hell Drivers, who now headquarters in Philadelphia. Francis Messmore, of Messmore & Damon, commercial and showbiz display builders, and Mrs. Messmore were slated to plane from New York March 13 for a three-week vacation in Europe. . . . George A. Hamid. senior member of the George A. Hamid & Son Agency, now on a cruise in Mediterranean waters, wrote his office staff that he built an act for participation in a ship amateur show. Hamid, who once won the title of "world's champion tumbler" taught six girl passengers the rudiments of an acrobatic routine wherein he acted as understander. George Jr. is handling the Hamid biz while his dad and mother are vacationing.

2 Mass. Towns Okav **Pari-Mutuel Racing**

EAST BROOKFIELD. Mass., March 11.-Voters here and in Westboro approved horse racing as part of the Central Massachusetts town elections held Monday (6), with feeling running high on the issue in both towns. East Brookfield voters approved a

pari-mutuel set-up for a running track, while Westboro favored the referendum for harness racing. Last year the racing issue was defeated in East Brookfield. This year the sponsors, headed by Walter A. S. Griffin. of Worcester, shifted the proposed location of the track to a site about a mile from the town center.

Pacers and trotters would run at Westboro Stadium. Auto racing has been presented there during the past few years. This was the first time the horse racing issue appeared on the bailot in Westboro, the petitioner being the Allied Sports Association, which operates the stadium.



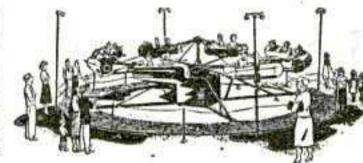
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Milford Trade Show Set

MILFORD, Conn., March 11.-Over 50 exhibitors have contracted for space at the annual trade show to be held at Town Hall here I'arch 29-31. Plymouth Men's Club, with John Harris as chairman, is sponsoring the show.

Rides at English Trade Show

BIRMINGHAM, England, March 11.-National Trades and Television Ex. ibition opens here at Bingley Hall on March 16 and will run thru Apr'l 15. Included will be an amusement section, with rides, games and concessions.

Weighty Problem

WEEHAWKEN, N J., March 11.—Altho the Interstate Commerce Commission recently doubled the ferry fare for elephants and camels, a represenative of the Weehawken Ferry said this week that it does not intend to cash in on the pachyderm-owner's plight.

The ICC ruling allowed an increase from \$1.40 to \$2.80 in the cost of ferrying elephants. camels and "other uncrated wild animals" from Jersey to 42d Street, New York.

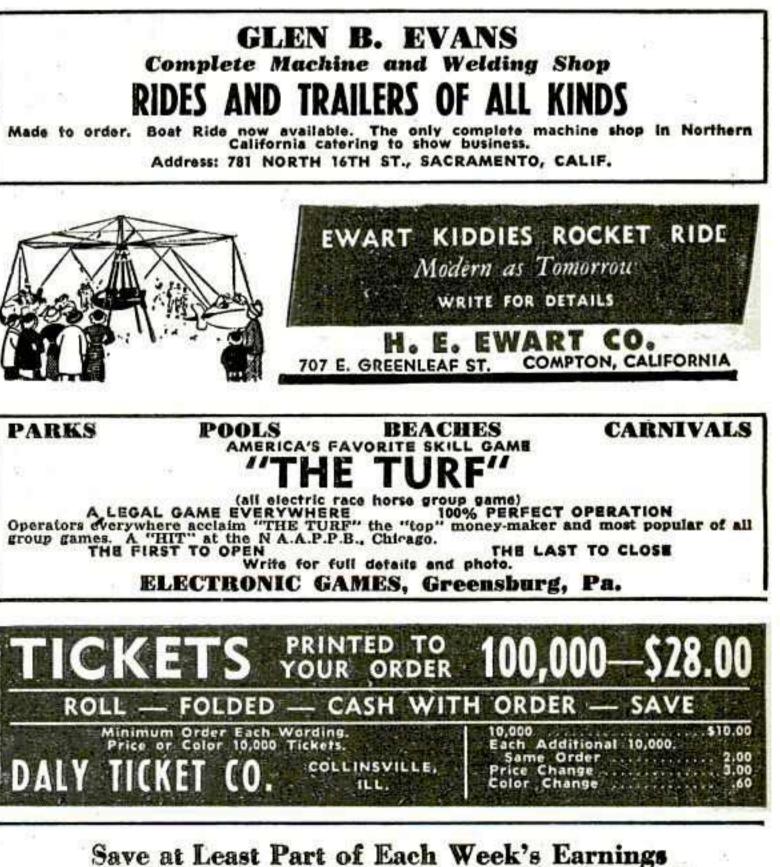
A ferry official said that 12 years ago a Jersey City man, who was exhibiting an elephant in New York, commuted daily with his beast on the ferry for a two-week stretch.

Presumably with a straight face he added, "But we haven't seen an elephant or any other kind of uncrated animal on a ferry since then."

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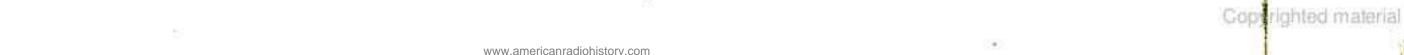
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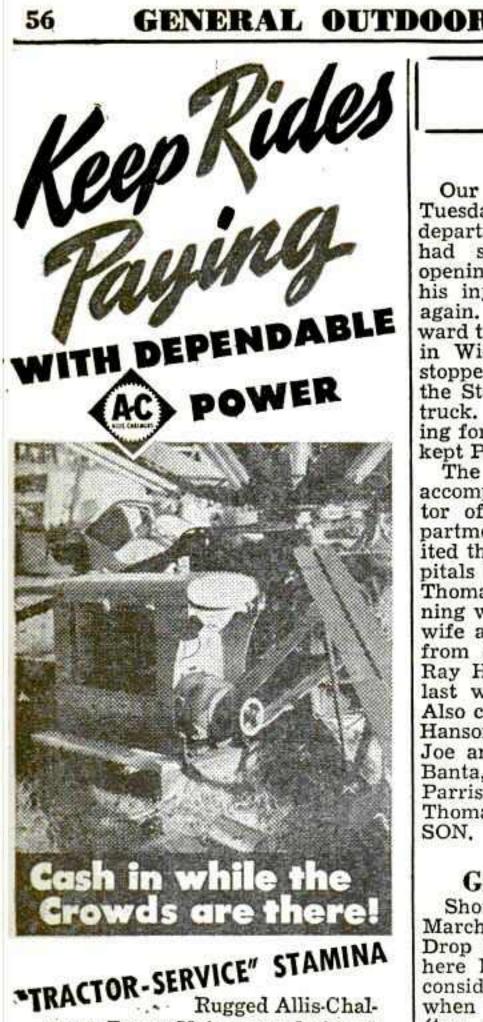
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Dressing Room Gossip

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Our opening in Kansas City, Mo., Tuesday evening (7) for the police department was good, altho we have had somewhat light houses since opening. Triska has recovered from his injuries and is back in the act again. Jack Banta is looking forward to having his wife join him again in Wichita, Kan. Pat Barrett was stopped en route to Kansas City by the State troupers, who searched his truck. It turned out they were looking for some escaped prisoners, but it kept Pat guessing for a few moments.

The Four Angels and clown alley, accompanied by the physical instructor of the Kansas City Police Department who worked as tramp, visited the De Leno and the Mercy hospitals Wednesday morning (8). The Thomases were excited the other evening when Roy's mother, brother and wife and their little girl, Inky, came from St. Joseph to catch the show. Ray Hartzell celebrated his birthday last week and received many gifts. Also celebrating his birthday was Joe Hanson Jr. A party was given for Joe and guests attending were Jack Banta, Caldonia, Bill Barrett and Pat Parrish. Visitors were Mrs. William Thomas and family.-BILLY HUD-SON.

Gran Circo Americano

Show closed at Curacao, N. W. I., March 5 to a below average crowd. Drop in biz was much in evidence here last two weeks but picked up considerably in last couple of days when "Engancho" was put in effect (two persons for one ticket). Milton Peliez and Francisco, of the Flying Pascuales, showing off their musical talents on the sound truck, as no announcing was allowed—only music and posters.

Almost every day another enthusi-

Polack Bros., Western

Our first week at the Medinah Temple in Chicago was very pleasant. The date was promoted by Mickey Blue. Press and radio were handled by Justus Edwards and Al Sweeney. All the clowns are happy as they have a dressing room all to themselves but the rest of the gang makes rude remarks about it.

Herbie and Homer Hobson threw a party at their place for the gang. Felix Adler was there and the only one missing that would have completed the party was Bogonghi.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Pallenberg Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George Paige, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Paul, Ingrid and Bernard Zenner and Honey Shyretto have apartments at the Croydon Hotel.

Giustino Loyal's horse arrived in Chicago. He had left it in Cincinnati for an operation for sinus trouble and he reports the horse is in perfect shape.

It has looked like a performers' convention the past week with visitors coming from far and wide. Here are a few with which the writer visited: Hilda Hudson, Don Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Randow and his mother; Heliane Bechlior, Mrs. I. J. Polack, Ethel Robinson, Natalie Mask, (See Polack Bros. on page 62)

West Bros.

Snyder, Tex., oil boom town gave with two capacity houses. Org is in its ninth week and will play a few days in New Mexico, then go to Forrest City, Ark., to ready for under canvas dates. E. W. Clark, manager Clark's bears, has two-yearold Little Joe riding motorcycle in the act. Max and Derald Cregg, doing roly boly and rolling globe, have all new wardrobe. The Knight Trio is presenting three acts. Pat ast joins in the fun of deep-sea fish- Knight does a high jump over an umbrella. Dean Kirkland and Patsy Knight are now in the aerial ballet. Mrs. Hans Claire is back in the act with juggling. Promoter Jack Knight was a visitor. Theodosia has joined, doing table rock and general clowning. Mrs. Julian West is manager of concessions; Flash McKinney has novelties and candy pitch; Darlene McKinney, popcorn; Patsy Knight, cold drinks; Mrs. Max Cregg, candy floss; Happy Johnston is boss props; Frank De-Rue, producing clown, and with him are Roy Adkinson, Verne Coriell, Wallie Wallace, Aunt Sophie, Theodosia and Happy Johnston .- FRANK DeRUE.



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ing with goggles and air tubes. Now enjoying the sport are Ken Leach. Jack Gordon, Earl Dean, Bob Vinsonhaler, J. O. Wilson and Philip Bonta Jr. The birthday party which was given for Franky Campo (Chalupin) was attended by all. Music for dancing was given by Milton Peliez and Francisco, this time accomanied by local musicians, who have been playing with the org band during our stay here. Unknown departure date to Puerto Rico due to difficulty arising from International Airline laws.-EARL DEAN.

Ayres & Kathryn Davies

As we moved south out of Wisconsin we thought we left cold weather behind. At Popular Grove, Ill., we found it raining. We were forced to cancel Le Center as roads were too bad for the school busses. At Sandwich, Ill., high wind blew over the streets and highways.

Harry and Mary Rawls broke an axle on their truck as they arrived in Sandwich. The next morning they were hailed by a service station man who told them their trailer was on fire. The fire department was called and the blaze extinguished but the interior of the trailer was destroyed. They got a new one in Moline, Ill.

The writer visited the Polack show in Chicago and talked with the Sherman Brothers and Justus Edwards. The snake dance is going over big since it was added to the show. Around Chicago George Cole, of Cole's Puppet Show, visited several times.—HARRY VILLEPONTEAUX.

Clyde Bros.

We still are in the ice and snow and just about everyone has a cold. In Danville, Ill., Mr. Osborn brought his interesting collection of circus pictures to the building for everyone to see. Jimmy Armstrong and Frankie Saluto spent a day on the show visiting friends. In Manteno, Ill., Tama Frank and Patsy, Fay Avalon, Frank Craine and Winistor Townsends entertained patients in the hospital wards. Bob Perry's trampoline really | FORD.

Rogers Bros.

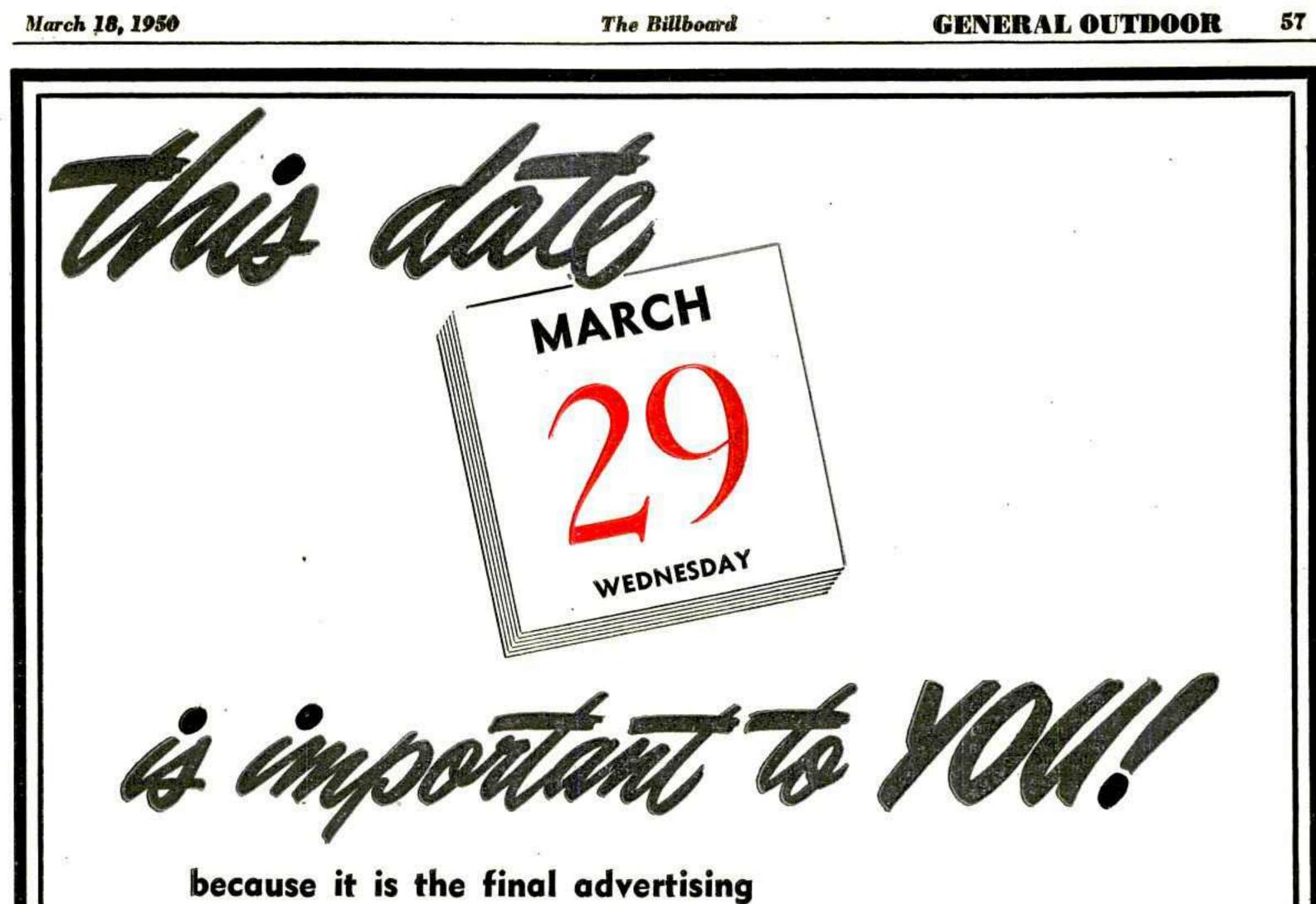
In St. Petersburg, Fla., we were entertained at the home of Col. Walter Woods, former business manager of The Boston Globe and owner of a large model circus set-up. Many of the personnel attended a party at St. Peter's Golden Gate Guntzel Club. Betty Keller gave jitterbug lessons, Juan Frazier, surf board lessons; Si Rubens showed us how to play shuffleboard and Porky Frazier demonstrated how to fall off a porch railing. Louise Gaines got to go down in a diving suit at Tarpon Springs, Fla., where sponge diving is the main business but she came up with what looked more like an octopus than a sponge. Billy Gaines received a

beautiful new trailer. In St. Petersburg we caught the opening drill of the New York Yankees and our lot was alongside the Boston Braves training field in Bradenton. Both teams visited our night shows.

Visiting reached a high peak at Sarasota. Several of Merle Evans's (See Rogers Bros. on page 62)

takes a beating with the children and grown-ups working out on it all the time. Marie Henry has some lovely new formals for the wire act and Borgal Ford has all new wardrobe for the cloud swing .- GRACIE HANNE-





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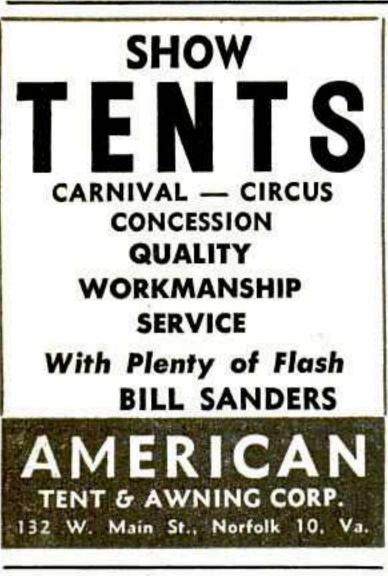
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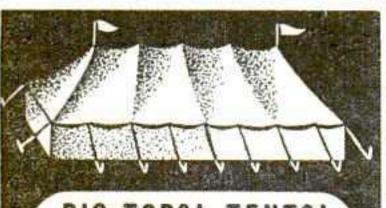
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Home on Range With Range, Tale Of 365-Pound George Reinhardt

(Continued from page 54) sured the shows' cookhouse of business, but did not prod many cookhouse ops to give much attention to the quality of food. When shows shifted to paying off in cash, it became necessary for all operators to give increased attention to the quality of food.

In the old days, George recalls, it was common during fair season for four or five cookhouse ops to band together, obtain a baggage car and move their equipment in it. Their help moved in day coaches. Now practically all cookhouses move by truck.

Starts Hopscotching

Since the early '20's George has done much hopscotching. For two years, tho, he was out with the Rubin & Cherry Model Shows and in 1944 he had units on the Johnny J. Jones Exposition. For several years before the founding of the Miami Showmen's Association, he operated a restaurant in Miami on Flagler Street. Showmen quickly adopted it as their gathering place and the location became known as Reinnie's Beach.

George knows all the vagaries of the cookhouse-grab business. He recalls a Labor Day rainout at Kentucky State Fair, Louisville, that left him with 1,000 pounds of meat, some 200 loaves of bread and between 4,000 and 5,000 buns, all of which he donated to charitable institutions. Similarly, he remembers coming out of Washington, after four days of rain, with 800 pounds of hot dogs, all of which he discarded.

Recalls Good Breaks

George, however, recalls the good breaks, too. Among these were the terrifically hot weeks at Illinois State Fair, Springfield, and Indiana State Fair. Crowds were huge, the supply of soft drinks ran out, and George did a terrific business selling iced water at 5 cents per glass.

suet shortening, producing crust which elicited raves.

George reminisces about one World War I experience with a laugh. On the Yankee-Robinson show there was a roughneck called "the Lip" because of his tremendous appetite. The Lip, George recounts, each morning ate between 15 and 18 full-sized hot cakes. "He didn't even bother to cut them, merely rolled them, and gulped

them down," George recalls, explaining that it was this which prompted him to put pieces of burlap into cakes intended for the ravenous gent.

Burlapped Hot Cakes

When Lip bit into the burlapped hot cake, he let out a yell and, burlap in hand, dashed out looking for the circus owner. The latter vowed he'd fire the offender, but when the owner found George, he burst out in laughter. "After all, he thought it was a good gag," George chuckles. "Besides it was wartime; good cooks were almost impossible to find, and he just couldn't fire ma."

Last year George had two grabstands, plus the backyard cookhouse, on the Jones show. Incidentally, he first met Harold (Buddy) Paddock, for the past two years co-owner of the Jones show, back in '27 at Shelby, Mont. Paddock then was selling meat wholesale. George bought a portion of Paddock's carload lot of frozen meat. The friendship between the two blossomed thru the years.

George has not cooked for nearly 10 years, spending his time overseeing his operations. His wife, Nora, helps him in his business. The Reinhardts, who have two sons by his wife's prior marriage, make their home in Tampa.

Joe Godin Sets Dates for Saskatoon, Bangor Annuale

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World War II was no bonanza to cookhouse-grab ops, as it was impossible for them to get sufficient meat and other supplies, George maintains. Wartime problems were nothing new to him.

Licks Shortages

During World War I, in addition to service in the armed forces, he also spent some time with the Yankee-Robinson Circus and felt the pinch of shortages and sky-high prices, such as sugar at 30 cents a pound. George was nothing, if not ingenious. Moreover, he had a reputation as a pastry chef to live up to, and so he devoted attention to developing a recipe with ingredients cials recently passed a code for outwhich were neither in short supply nor overpriced. He succeeded, tco, permit fee and evidence of liability by using bran meal flour with lamb insurance.

George is a member of the Greater Tampa Showmen's Association and the Showmen's League of America.

Mekimken, Rodgers, Healey Named to Chicago Fair Staff

CHICAGO, March 11 .- Frank Mekimken, manager of the World Hobby Exposition, Chicago, has been named director of special events of the Chicago Fair of 1950.

John D. Rodgers, retired vice-president of the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company, was named assistant to Executive Manager Crosby M. Kelly, and Steve Healey, veteran Chicago and Washington newspaper man, was added to the expo's publicity staff.

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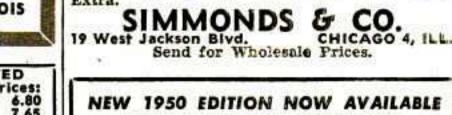
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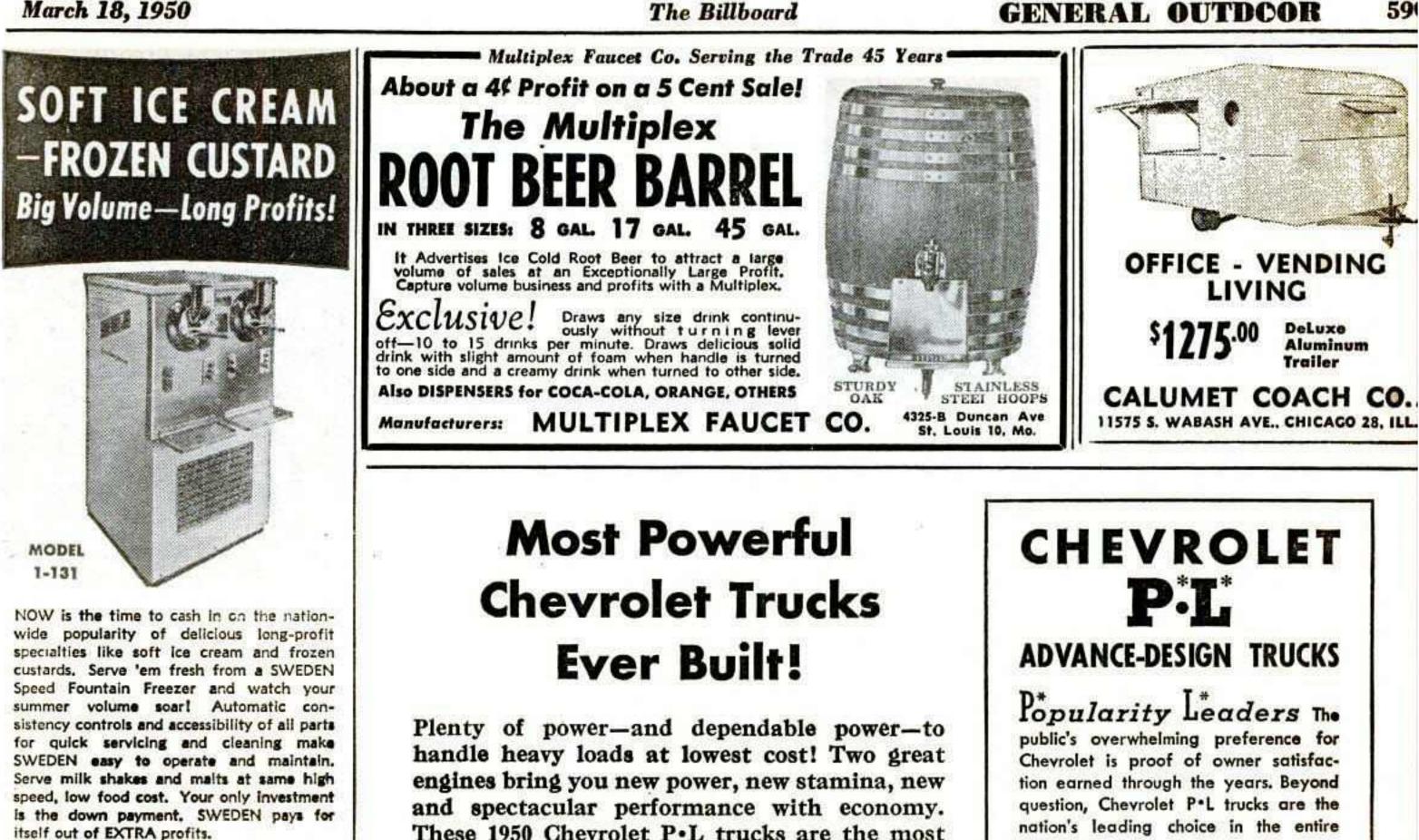


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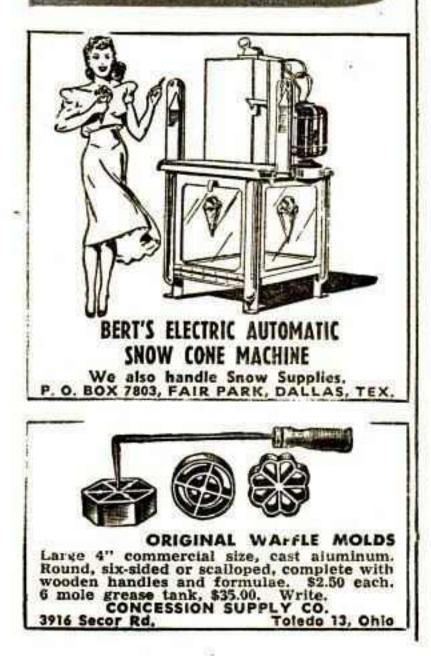
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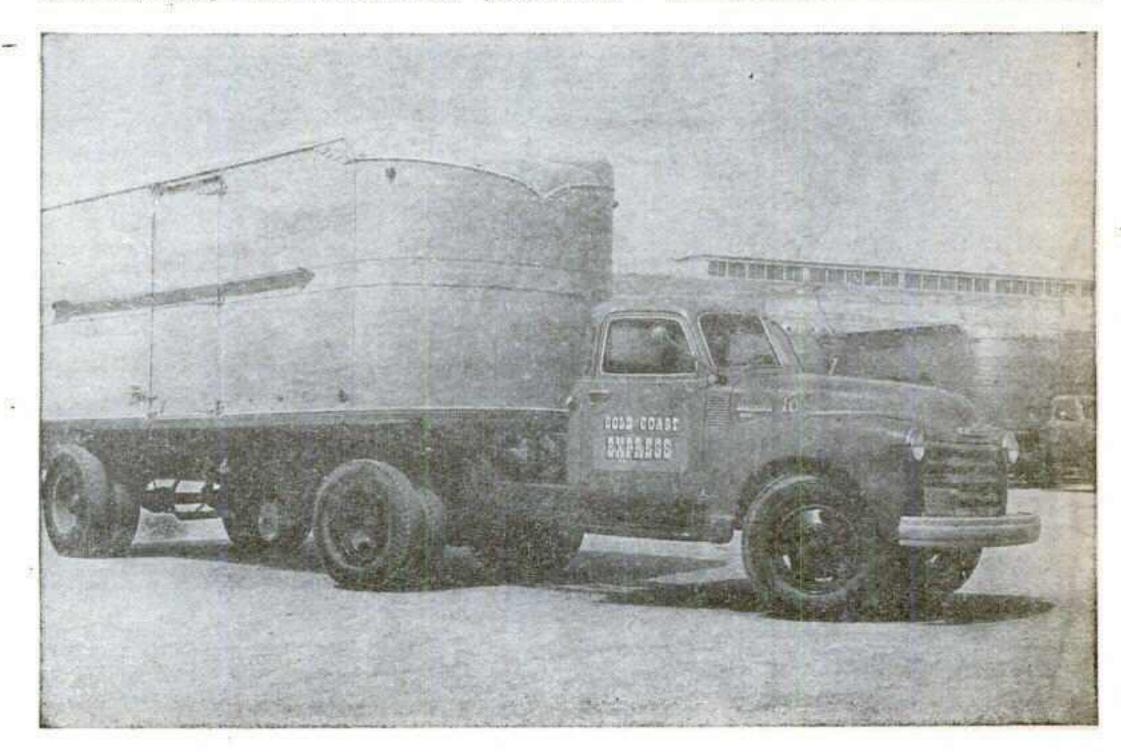
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25 Years Ago

George L. Myers, ballet master, was supervising plans for the Sells-Floto Circus spec. . . . C. C. Macdonald returned as manager of Summit Beach Park, Akron. . . . Col. C. E. Howard, manager, announced attendance of more than 100,000 at Orlando (Fla.) Sub-Tropical Midwinter Fair. . . . C. C. Stewart was preparing to open his attractions with the Clinton Exposition Shows. . . Val Vino, lecturer, signed with the John Robinson Circus. . . . Steve Rochl headed a group of Albuquerque, N. M., businessmen who planned construction of an amusement park there. . . . Percy Martin was awarded the contract to supply free acts at Pennsboro (W. Va.) Fair. . . . Clay M. Greene joined Miller Bros.' Shows.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Mugivan were vacationing in Hot Springs. . . . Leo Haenlein and other officers of Olentangy Park, Columbus, O., were opposing a bill in the Ohio Legislature that would have banned Sunday dancing. . . . A. Miller Wellman, secretary of Caledonia (N. Y.) Tri-County Fair, announced free act bookings that included James F. Victor's band, Ralph A. Hankinson's auto polo, and Sue Hastings' marionet act. . . . Chester C. Snow joined the J. W. Norman Circus as special agent. . . . N. J. Shelton, press agent, severed his connection with Miller Bros.' 101 Ranch Wild West Show. . . . H. S. Raley, manager of Ramona Park, St. Louis, was supervising an extensive rehabilitation program at the resort. . . . Northeastern Wisconsin Fair, near Green Bay, elected S. E. Brown, president; B. C. French, vice-president; Fred Altmayer, treasurer, and Herb J. Smith, secretary. . . . Harry L. Burton joined Miller Bros.' Shows as special agent. Joe Bradley joined the Tom Atkinson Circus with his Side Show of 10 acts. . . . Herbert Evans, general manager of Joyland Park, Springfield, Mass., was planning installation of numerous kiddie riding devices. . . . With sights set on doubled attendance at Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac District Fair, Cass City, Mich., Willis Campbell, secretary, announced an augmented free attractions program. . . . Members of the Showmen's Club of St. Louis were making preparations for a March 28 dinner-dance in the American Annex Hotel there. . . . Arthur Lincoln and Louise Morrell, Side

Show performers, signed with Sells-Floto Circus. . . . Hawkeye Fair and Exposition Association and Exposition Amusement Park Company signed contracts for erection of a park on a portion of the fairgrounds at Fort Dodge, Ia. . . . Washington County Fair Association, Sandersville, Ga., re-elected G. W. Malong, president, and Secretary Gordon S. Chapman.

Deaths: Spencer Harpending, fairman.

10 Years Ago

After an absence of three years, R. M. Harvey returned to Russell Bros.' Circus as general agent. . . . C. C. Hunter, re-elected secretary of Christian County Fair, Taylorville, Ill., announced a large plant improvement program. . . . Irving H. Grossman was preparing to begin his second season as manager of Riverview Park, Des Moines. . . . Omer J. Kenyon signed with Amusement Corporation of America to do special exploitation work. . . . Floyd King, circus man, was planning to take out a road picture show under canvas. . . . Lincoln G. Dickey, general manager for Billy Rose enterprises, signed for Rose to present an Aquacade at Golden Gate International Exposition, San Francisco. . . . In the third fire in two years at Waldameer Beach Park, Erie, Pa., winter quarters for the park's colony of monkeys was destroyed with estimated damage of \$3,500. . . . Billy Ritchey's Water Circus was signed by the Ben Williams Shows.

Harry Bentum directed the Alcazar Temple Shrine Circus at Montgomery, Ala., for Polack Bros. . . Emery Boucher was elected seeretary-treasurer of the new Quebec Association of Fairs. . . . Four Peerless Campbells were booked for Pont-chartrain Beach. New Orleans, for ROLAPAK Wraps Coins...Fast! two weeks and in White City Park, Worcester, Mass., for a week. . . . R. V. Ritz contracted to furnish a motordrome with Gooding Greater Shows. . . . Billy Bailey, clown cop, signed with Russell Bros.' Circus. . . . Frank R. Winkley, unit manager for Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers, reported he had signed to manage and produce a thrill show at Kossuth County Fair, Algona, Ia. . . . After visiting the National Orange Show, San Bernardino, Calif., J. W. (Patty) Conklin left for Chicago.



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Capt. John Tiebor infos from Tonawanda, N. Y., that due to his health he was forced to cancel his winter tour of South America with his seal act. Tiebor, now fully recovered, plans to make the trip later this

7 Talent Topics

Jimmy Rae, comedy acrobat, is playing night clubs in Montreal. . . Willie Hustrei and his Hollywood Skyrockets, high wire, booked to play the Kobe, Japan, exposition this year, have canceled their trip. . . . Pinky Pepper is appearing at the Stork Club, San Antonio, along with Jerry Vaughn, Shawn Crawford, Francis Lee and Dickie Dale.

year.

Ed Staib infos from Madison, Neb., that his acrobat horse, Frosty, died recently of injuries sustained during a rehearsal. . . . The Novellos, novelty balancing, are skedded for the Orpheum, Los Angeles, March 15-21, and the Orpheum, Oakland, Calif., March 23-29. . . . Bill and Bette Gerard, the Three Bee Puppeteers, who closed at the Imperial Mid-Winter Fair, Imperial, Calif., recently, following a winter school circuit of 106 dates, face the most extensive line-up of fair dates they troit to take up duties at Eastwood have ever had, Gerard reports. The Park.

five-year-old Bill Gerard Jr., is handling the music and curtain on the show. . . . Lew and Elsie Christensen and Charles and Mamie Baker were recent dinner guests of Cecil Woods, high wire and comedy juggler, at Popular Bluff, Mo.

Sandy Lang, former member of a roller skating act, and now sales manager of the Echelon Company, is attending the toy show in New York, where his firm has an exhibit. Frank Duffield, of Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, returned to Chicago last week from Washington, where he conferred with Paul Massmann, newly appointed general manager of the National Sesquicentennial Commission. . . . Doc Waddell, of Mills Bros.' Circus, is scheduled to address clubs, schools and lodges in Cincinnati, Lorain, New Albany, Columbus, Cleveland and Bryan, O., and Kent, Mich. . . . Ray Williams, Jack Gallagher and Sam

Stone, of the Michigan Showmen's Association, are on trips thruout that State, lining up dates for the year. ... Ralph Lewis has returned to De-

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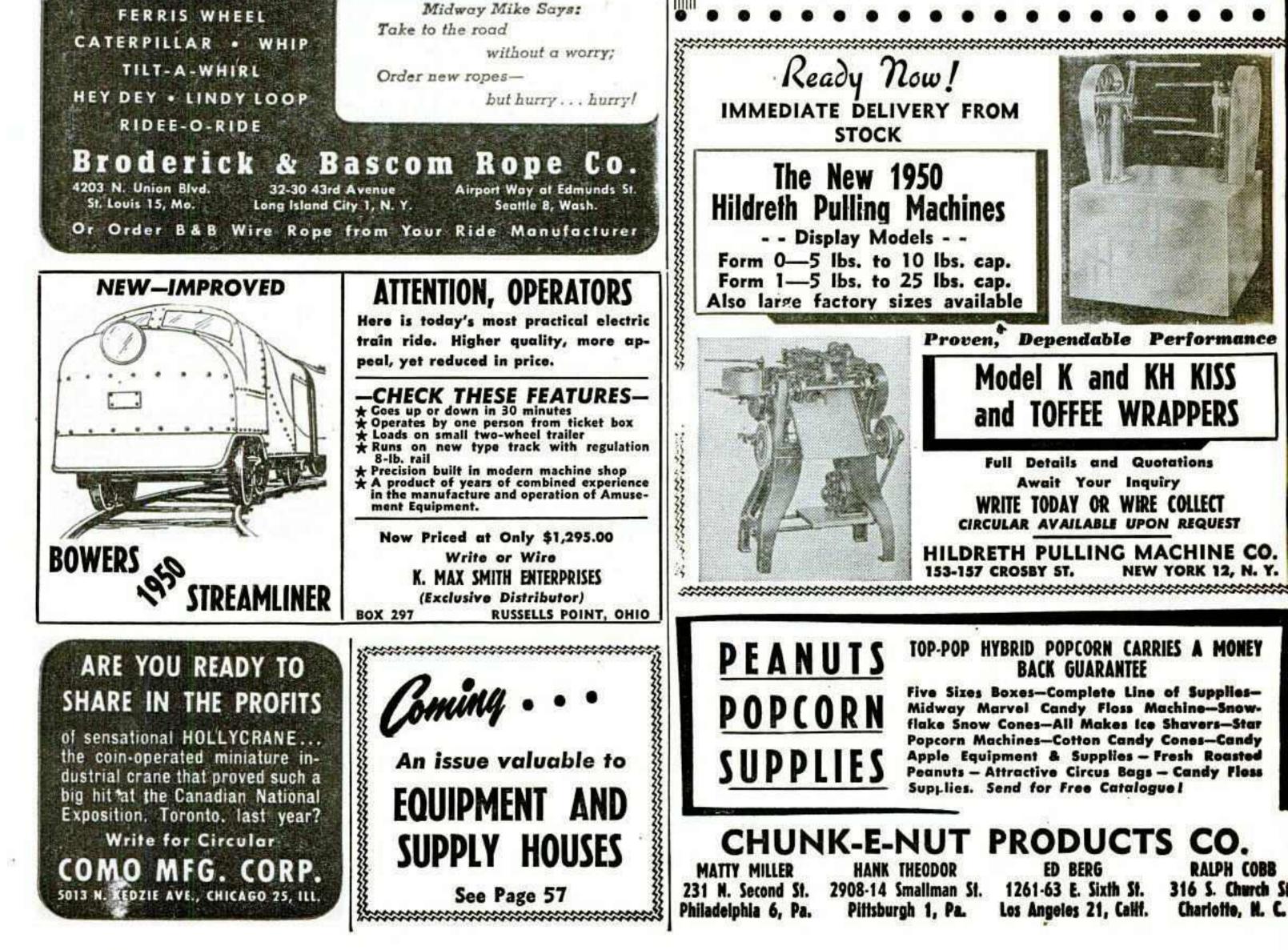
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or positive information leading to he location of John and Steve Mitchell, whose last known address was Gays Mills, Wisconsin.

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PHILADELPHIA, March 11.—Hatfield (Pa.) Speedway Enterprises, Inc., has filed a petition for a charter of incorporation with the Pennsylvania Department of State.

According to a local attorney representing the enterprise, corporation has been organized to present motor vehicle races, athletic exhibitions, shows, carnivals and exhibitions at the Hatfield track.

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ROGERS BROS.

(Continued from page 56) bandsmen sat in with Frenchy Le-Bluff's band. After the show a gettogether was held at the John Ringling Hotel. Representatives from Rogers, Ringling, Mills, Horne, Biller, King, Dailey, Kelly-Miller and Martin Bros.' shows were present. Everyone caught the regular floorshow which was emseed by Harry Thomas and included the Magyar Sisters, aerial cradle and breakaway; Jeanie Sleeter, rumba dancer; Ringling-Barnum web girls; Farly Fosdick, tenor, and the Bokaros, teeterboard featuring a triple somersault to the chair. The lobby of the Ringling Hotel looked like a Chicago showmen's convention.

Visitors: Milt Robbins, S. Rogers, Mr. Soltz, Walter Guice, Charles Lenz, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Nowells, Teresa Morales, Danny Gordo, Helen Knight, Jack and Jake Mills, both Cristiani troupes, Mr. and Mrs. Mc-Carthy, Lou Jacobs, Irv and Fay Romig, Pat Valdo, Art Concello, John Ringling North, Merle Evans, Harry Thomas, Flo White, Ernesto Burch, Arky Scott, Curly Stewart, Bob Reynolds, Toughy Gender, Bones Brown, Bill Warner, Fay and Rose Alexander, Willie and Jeanie Davis Krouse, Ralph Wirnoski, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bible, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Ivanov, Mario Ivanov, Elmer Santana, Bokaros Troupe, Magyar Sisters, Paul Jung, Prince Damoo, Jeanie Sleeter, Dick Anderson, Walter Mc-Cracken, Popcorn and Thais Billetti, Fred Bradna, John Sullivan, Rev. Hoyt, Chester Drake, Col. F. P. Admire and Sen. Claude Pepper .--GEORGE HUBLER.

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Final Payment McCaffery, Back From Imperial Brownwood Bow Made on Tampa W. Q., Tells of Title Change, Okay for Craig Club Building Who'll Be With It This Season Heart of Texas org favored CHICAGO, March 11 .- J. C. McCaffery, top man in the Amusement

TAMPA, March 11 .- Fired by the same enthusiasm which enabled the Corporation of America, with headquarters here, today announced that Greater Tampa Showmen's Association to build its dream clubhouse, members recently paid off the last \$17,500 owed on the building and furnishings.

Eddie Hunter, member of the association's board of governors, said there remained \$7,000 debt outstanding to members. The money owed members, however, is but a slight share of the over-all construction costs and is in the form of noninterest bearing bonds.

Officials of the organization point out that it took but six months to make the final payment on loans for the clubhouse. It was originally made for a five-year period.

At a recent association meeting 20 names were drawn for the redemption of as many \$50 bonds from money representing excess building funds. Bondholders whose names were drawn were Gean Berni, Dr. H. D. Hartwick, Eddie Lemay, Robert K. Parker (two), Joe Pontico, Glenn Porter, George Reinhardt, Nat D. Rodgers, Carl J. Sedlmayr (two), Carl J. Sedlmyr III, James G. Thompson, Karl Yeager, H. W. Jones, Charles Gross, Mark Ellman, Grace Lemay (two) and Patrician Sedlmayr.

Much of the money had been raised from sale of plaques to members. revenue from the 1950 year book and the proceeds of three recent jamborees.

The jamborees were held on the James E. Strates Show at Largo, Fla.; the Royal-American Shows during Florida State Fair here and Royal Crown Shows at the Winter Haven (Fla.) Citrus Exposition.

Endy in April **Philly Preem On Jacket Lot**

PHILADELPHIA, March 11. -Endy Bros.' Shows will open its 1950 season with a 10-day stand here beginning April 20, Bobby Kline, general agent, announced yesterday. Shows will locate on the Yellow Jacket Speedway parking lot at Erie Avenue and G Street, a site used by several major carnivals in the recent past.

The org will arrive here from its winter quarters at Goldsboro, N. C. No break-in date is planned.

Altho the date is an early one for this far north, Kline said that the inclusion of two week-ends would insure the Endy org of a winning stand under almost any conceivable weather conditions.

Kline also announced the signing of the Charleston (W. Va.) Fair, which includes Labor Day.

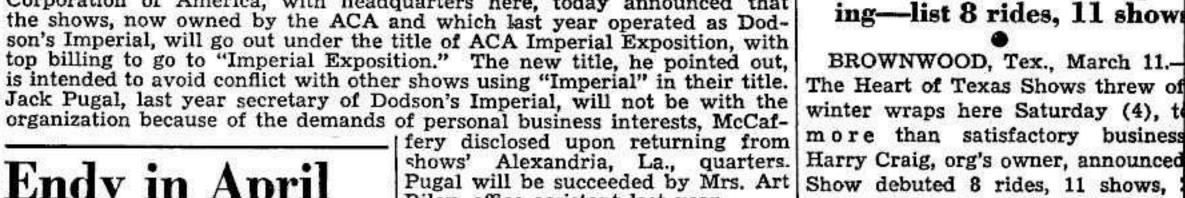
Show equipment is being refur-Dave Endy, Kline said.

organization because of the demands of personal business interests, McCaffery disclosed upon returning from shows' Alexandria, La., quarters. Pugal will be succeeded by Mrs. Art Riley, office assistant last year.

Harry Ward will be superintendent of the enlarged kiddieland which the shows will feature. Ward also will have his Caterpillar and several kiddie rides booked on the shows, McCaffery said. A minimum of seven kiddie devices will be carried early in the season, with additional units planned as the season progresses. Shows are slated to open here April 15.

In addition to Ward other ride operators include Bill Pink, who will have the Tilt-a-Whirl. Among show owners-operators are Zeke Shunway, who is building a Monkey Show and who will also have the Wildlife and Snake shows; Harry Clark, Minstrel Show; Jess McCormick, Funhouse; Bill Holt, Girl Show; Clint L. Nogle, Penny Arcade, and Robert Perry, Motordrome.

Concessioners will include Max Goodman, bingo; S. W. Porth and Andy Kasin, with Eddie Gamble as concession manager. E. M. Shaller will have the cookhouse and popcorn stand. Ride foremen include Jimmie Haines, Ferris Wheel, and Jess Richbished under the direction of Owner | ards, Merry-Go-Round. Robert Briggs is electrician.



free acts and a strong concesh line-up

Favorable weather and good flack by Jack Cooper, org's press agen combined to make the opening a suc cess. Jimmie Sommerville, Wichit Falls Tent & Awning Company, wa on hand to assist at the opening.

Show's staff, in addition to Owne Craig, includes Eddie J. Lynch, busi ness manager; Bronson McDonald secretary-treasurer; Cooper, press and radio; R. E. Davis, sound car; Jac Long, assistant advance; D. F. Bow man, gate superintendent and bos painter; Earl (Pinkey) Jones, artist D. A. Dale, superintendent electrician Solomon (Snake) Ruyle, chief o police and night man; Jack (Shorty Howard and Buck Capell, genera utility, and Jonnie Douthitt, promo tions.

Rides include Spitfire, Tilt-a-Whir Merry - Go - Round, Ferris Wheel Chairplane, Aeroplane, autos an Harry (Bucky) Craig Jr.'s live pony Merry-Go-Round.

Hugo Zacchini's cannon act and Jonnie Douthit, newcomer to the out door business with her trained horse are the org's free attractions.

Other personnel includes:

Ride crew: J. H. Harrison, Fred Long, Alvi Morse, Vester Steward, Jesse Armstrong, L. 7 Mofield, Ernest Mofield, Frank Barboza, Rob ert Denson, Jack Wilson, B. H. Griffith



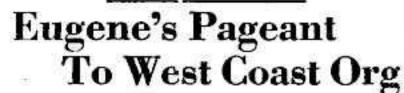
Floor for Dancing Bought by Heth Org Biz Runs Ahead of '49 Mark

NORTH BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 11.-A Rock-o-Plane and a portable skating rink have been purchased by the L. J. Heth Shows, Floyd Heth and Manager Joe Fontana announced at winter quarters here. The rink will be used as a square-dance pavilion and be operated by Sam Saladino.

With work here being done in heated buildings, weather is no problem. Both the Ferris Wheel and the Octopus seats are being reupholstered and all rides are getting a new paint job.

Owner L. J. Heth, Henry Heth and Claude Dutton were hosts at a recent midnight supper in L. J. Heth's apartment. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Al Kunz, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Saladino, Alice Mooney, James Hopkins, Henry Kaiser and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fontana.

New arrivals here include Mr. and Mrs. Al Kunz, Alice Mooney, James Hopkins, Ronnie Travis and Mr. and Mrs. Earl D. Backer.



EUGENE, Ore., March 11 .- Contract for the Oregon Trail Covered Wagon Days Pageant here has been awarded to the West Coast Shows, according to Horace Robinson, manager of the event.

E. W. (George) Coe, West Coast Shows' business manager, signed for the shows.

R. E. Savage, Page GA, Dies BIRMINGHAM, March 11.-R. E.

Savage, veteran carnival executive and general agent of the J. J. Page Shows for many years, died in his room in the Gilbert Hotel here Saturday (4) of a cerebral hemorrhage.

midway grosses at the Mahi Shrine- J. C. McCaffery, C. J. Sedlmayr Sr., sponsored Dade County Fair thru Max Goodman, Louis (Peezy) Hoffmidweek were running ahead of last | man, Clif Wilson, Ross Manning, year's fun-row results by a comfort- Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weir. Mel Dodable margin. The annual brings its son and family, Jack Gilbert, Phil 10-day run to a close tonight.

keep patrons from the grounds, and (Patty) Conklin, Bennic Weiss, Sidofficials reported that altho matinee ney Goodwalt, Louis A. Rice, Robert business has been only fair, night K. (Bob) Parker, Norman Shapiro, crowds have been jamming the mid- Bennie Wren, Al Shapiro, Leonard way and exhibit buildings. Event is Ress, Larry Osborne and Ray Marsh under direction of David B. Endy, Brydon. The fair committee is headed with Tex Sherman in charge of the by Russell Huston, potentate; Sam publicity department, which has been Parker, chairman; Harry Ebright, getting plenty of space and art in president, and Ross Gordon, manlocal papers. Local radio stations aired broadcasts direct from the fairgrounds.

die rides, with the latter featuring members. Bulgy, the Whale, and the Autoracer. Both are getting big children play.

Shows include Art Spencer's Motordrome; Bill Holt's Miami Follies, with Madeline King as the feature; Captain Munn's Monkey Show, Mark Williams's Side Show, Mickey Mouse Circus, Munn's Two-Headed Baby and the Funhouse. About 45 concessions line the midway.

George W. Leonard, Endy Bros.' Shows' press agent, said that the numerous visitors on hand included Bucky Allen, Frank Bergen, Mrs. Rube Nixon, Max Kimmer; Alfred Barton, Fred Bennett William J. Tucker, Ben Schiff, Lyman Trusdale, Charles Geard, Donald Murphy, Raymond Korhn, Mrs. W. Sincley, Tony Gecking, Warren Weimer, Ralph Decker, W. H. Nicholas, Police Chief Headley, Charles Lenz, Dick Coleman and family, Col. Howard Stahler, Chief Dunn, Sam Prell, Tommy Thomas, Elmer Rodes, Jack Tavlin,

MIAMI, March 11.—Despite cold Bob Morton, Lee Cudy, George Vog-weather opening night, Thursday (2), stad, William Ketrow, Jack Moore, Izzer, Ralph Endy and family, Mar-Cold weather at opening failed to tin Tassel, Maxie Herman, J. W. ager.

A midway highlight this year is the booth donated to the Ladies' Tommy Allen, who is in charge of Auxiliary of the Showmen's League the grounds, handled the lot layout. of America by Endy. Hattie Wagner Midway boasts 10 major and six kid- is in charge, assisted by Auxiliary

Cardwell - Lundgren **Org Registers Good Biz at Early Dates**

LOS ANGELES, March 11.-Mid-West Shows have had strong business since they opened in Fontana, Calif., February 27, John Cardwell, who owns the shows with Ed Lundgren, said. New outfit also has played Gardena and Barstow to good takes.

Shows carry 10 rides, 6 shows and 30 concessions and move on 32 pieces of rolling stock. Org heads north following the Barstow stand.

In addition to Cardwell and Lundgren, the staff includes Sue Lundgren, secretary. The owners serve as agents. Also with Mid-West are Jack Kent, Spot Fowler and Dick Scarris.

Charley Ellis, Jack Wilson, Bert Beloit, Jimm Passler and Eddie Knutson.

Shows: George and Irma Hershley, Chie Johnny Whitehorse, Van Tin, Zelda Mae, Her man Ludwig and Al Sitcur, with Leon Leonard in the annex; Cliff Patton's Vick Vicki LaPage and Mae Vandermark; Rosa Le armless wonder, Eddie Woods; Mc's Revue, Mi and Mrs. E. C. McWilliams, Dianne and Rut Hornsby, McDougall duo, Margaret Salisbury Jeanne LaDeaux and Princess Anette; Unborn Eugene Ridley, Irene Smith and Dean Elder Athletic Arena, Tex Spencer, Angry Boland Bulldog Walton and Katherine Spencer; Wil Life, Ben Smart and Wild Bill Pate; Ol Bongo, Don Donald and Eloise Dorsey; "Girl From Bagdad," Virginia (Red) Dorn, Hetty Joe Allison, Gertie Donnell, Ludie Cooper an Jack Cooper; Minstrel, Dorothy Freeman an Jimmy Lane and company.

Concessions: Cookhouse, A. B. (Blackle Goldston, Kenneth Henson and Harve Guynes; popcorn, Mr. and Mrs. Nig William and Jack Rideout; bingo, Mr. and Mrs. L. F McNeece, Floyd Cumberland and Leon Francis diggers, O. L. Rogers. Also B. H. Black, Mi and Mrs. Corky Schusenburg, Mr. and Mrs. A Morrison, Charlie Cumberland, Cecil Barton Slim King, Johnny Carter, Martha Franch Neal and Smoky, Emil Dalman, W. H. Archi and Mrs. Douglass, Frieda Moore, Whiske Bottle Blackie, Tiny Martin and Lillias Dale Cashiers: Lillian Goldston, Mrs. Fred Smith May Patton, Hilda Knuckles, Dorothy Densor Patsy Cardova, Frieda Morse, Lessie Eredit and Gwen Morrissey.

Crescent Inks Marshall Fair

JACKSONVILLE, Tex., March 11 -Midway contract for the Septem ber 18-23 Central East Texas Fai and Livestock Exposition at Marshal was awarded this week to Crescen Amusement Company, it was an nounced by Crescent General Man ager L. C. McHenry at winter quar ters here. General Agent Jess Wrig ley closed the contract.

Played the last 14 years by the Bill Hames Shows, a railroad or ganization, the Marshall annual wa passed on to Crescent by Owner Hames when it became apparent that his show could not make the railroad move for the date.

Preparations are now under way a quarters for Crescent's April 3 opening near here.



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MIDWAY CONFAB

tions last week signed contracts to play the Deuber lot, Canton, O., the week of May 8. . . Mike Krekos, prominent West Coast showman, narrowly escaped injury when his car overturned near Weed, Calif., recently. The car was badly damaged. . . . Six members of Greater Tampa Showmen's Association were awarded gold life membership cards recently. Eddie Hunter, member of the board of governors and year book committee chairman, was given his card for special service to the club, while Earl Maddox, Bill Clain, Joe Sciortino, Eddie Young and Gean Berni were rewarded for obtaining 50 new members each. . . . Leo Werner, former concessionaire with Happyland Shows and other carnivals, reports inventing a new type of game which he plans to put on the

When a stripper and a concession agent were publicly married in a Gal Show top to draw a tip its press agent couldn't find words to describe what the bride wore.

James (Whitey) Rogers, and Charles B. Phelps, carpenter on Granite State Shows, sustained cuts and bruises in a recent auto accident near Fredericksburg, Va. . . Morris Katz, Washington restaurant owner and driver of the car, was seriously injured. . . . Abie L. Morris, of The Billboard St. Louis office, returned recently from a fourweek trip to New Orleans and Hot Springs. . . . Mrs. Louis Weinstein, wife of the outdoor showman, died in Miami February 25. Funeral services were held in Lenoir City, Tenn.,

An interesting exercise in arithmetic is to figure the ages of managers who, on their letterheads, look just as young as they did in '29.

Happy Powelson's Happy Attrac- show op, stopped off in New York March (10) en route to his Brantford, Ont., home, after vacationing in Florida. . . A picture of Ross Manning's Girl Show, operated by Roxie Lee, is one of several used to illustrate an article on the Haiti Bi-Centennial in the current issue of Life magazine.

> Among the reasons for the successes of many small shows is the fact that their midways are small enough to keep an eye on the cash boxes.

> John Quinn, owner of the World of Pleasure Shows, will return to Detroit shortly from Clearwater, Fla., to take charge of operations in time for an April 20 opening, according to John Moran, in charge of the org's Detroit winter quarters. John F. Reid, owner of the Happyland Shows, says his org's opening may be postponed from April 15 to May 1. . . . William G. Dumas, former partner in the Happyland Shows, reports good business with his motor court in Florida. . . . Paul Sprague, press agent for the Happyland Shows, returns to Detroit April 1 after spending the winter selling trailers for the Trailer Village, St. Petersburg, Fla., operated by Ray Myers, former Detroit carnival owner.

> Midway big shot is one who made so much money that he didn't know where the money was coming from to pay his income tax.

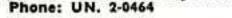
> William Cooke, of the California Design Manufacturing Company, reported a good play at the Imperial Mid-Winter Fair, Imperial, Calif., with his 15 coin-operated foot oscillators. He's opening at the National Orange Show with the same set-up. . Mickey Hogan returned from Hong Kong minus 60 pounds. . . . Mrs. Nelson (Mickey) Wheeler has



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> **BERT** GEYERS STUDIO ROSCOL, OHIO

James Thompson infos from Newark, N. J., that he has added two acts to his Side Show on the King Reid Shows, Thompson also will have the Girl Show on the org. He and his daughter, Edith, recently closed two months of club dates in Washington with their mental act and are skedded to play a Rochester, N. Y., night spot.

Frank Caravella, of Caravella Amusements, is in Spencer Hospital. Meadville, Pa., recovering from a ica, Bobbie Bobette returned to the spinal operation which he underwent in Hamot Hospital, Erie, Pa., five weeks ago. He was moved to the Meadville hospital two weeks ago. Altho he will be encased in a cast for about a month, he's going ahead with plans to launch his shows early in April. Ed Browne, circus and carnival trouper and recently with the Great Eastern Shows, is in Bath Memorial Hospital, Bath, Me., and would like to read letters juries sustained in an auto accident. from friends.

returned to Atlanta after several days in New Orleans taking in the Mardi Gras. She is the former Louise Lankford, Centralia, Ill., concessionaire.

With the modern house trailer, big expensive cars and elaborate staterooms in all-steel Pullmans, the present-day showmen have high standards of living. The only catch is that they can't afford it.

Following a tour of South Amer-U. S. to join the annex on the Telford Woolsey's Side Show.... Homer and Betty Scott have booked their penny pitch and set spindle with Kinland Amusement Company for the season. . . . Charles Kyle, of Kyle Producing Company, is at his home in New Haven, Conn., after being released from a hospital where he has been confined since closing the indoor season April, 1949, with in-. . . L. J. Heth Shows have been signed to provide the midway at this

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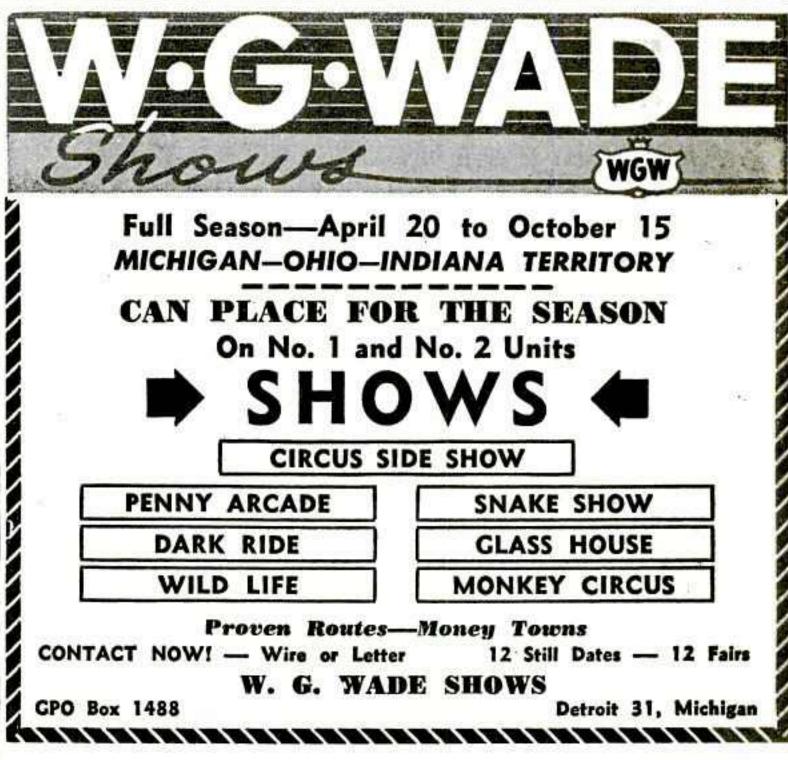
Dawson, under American Legion and VFW posts auspices.

James Heron's Animal Oddities are working their way up thru the Florida Everglades after chalking up successful stands at Panama City, where the unit entered the State; Jacksonville and Key West. Melvin Bryant Morrison is handling the advance bookings, with Dick Davis as boss mechanic. Charles (Rustler) West is in charge of the animals. . . . V. Sanford writes from B. & C. Exposition Shows Hemlock, N. Y., winter quarters that J. J. Jeffery rambled into quarters last week with a load of animals for his Wild Life Show. James Buccini, of Rochester, N. Y., will have his ice cream and candy floss stands with the org in 1950. Lester Colegrove, son of the shows' owner, made a trip to Detroit with his father to purchase a new ride, which he will take over as soon as his school term ends.

Yesterday's warmth brought out the Merry-Go-Round organ in the Gate & Banner Shows' quarters to make its earliest spring debut on record.

Robert F. McDearman, who with his partner, Harry Hesslein, operates the Pico Novelty Company, Los Angeles, has been elected to membership in the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association. . . John Houghtaling has the novelty concession on Ferris Greater Shows this season. . . M. (Whitey) Monette, San Francisco, is getting set to handle novelties at some of California's fair dates. . . . Raymond Treanor handled the novelties at the recent Mid-Winter Fair, Imperial, Calif. His father, Pat Treanor, joined him when they opened their stands at the National Orange Show, San Bernardino, Calif., March 9. . . . Milt Williams, a member of the Show Folks of America, San Francisco, is operating his Royal Novelty Company in that city.

One of the top rules of being a dyed-inthe-wool showman is to be unable to remember.



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Richard J. Coleman, owner of Coleman Bros.' Shows, and family are vacationing in Florida. He and his sons, Francis and Richard, recently returned to their Stuart, Fla., base after landing a number of big ones in a joust with the finny tribe. ... Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Archer, well known in outdoor show circles, are vacationing in St. Marks, Fla., where fishing trips make up a good portion of their daily agenda. . . . John Cole, who has his ride on Mel Sober's Keystone Attractions, left his winter home at Maple Ridge, Holsapple, Pa., recently for the show's quarters in Sunbury, Pa. . . . Zora Blaire, Girl Show operator on M. A. Srader Shows, left Dallas recently after playing night spots there for Oklahoma City to join Jean Eugene Mercer and the W. H. Kennedys.

Adandoned show property is the kind that no showman thinks worth loading.

Francis Fournier is in St. John's Convalescent Home, Newtonbrook, Ont., recovering from a recent operation and would like to read letters from friends. . . . James Howard, of Oak Park, Ill., has signed to operate the 10-in-1 Show on Virginia Greater Shows this season. ... James H. Drew Shows last week signed contracts to provide midways at the week-long July 4th Celebration around the Courthouse Square, Louisa, Ky., and the Valparaiso, Ind., Fair. . . . Tommy Poplin, electrician on Biller Bros.' Circus, and Bill Hale were among recent visitors to Suffolk, Va., winter guarters of Virginia Greater Shows. . . . Showfolk parked on Fay's Lot, former quarters of the Fay's Silver Derby Shows at Valdosta, Ga., are Dick and Elsie Barnard, Fred Haines, and George and Iris Drake. Mrs. Drake is recuperating from a recent operation. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Geren and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hayden stopped off to visit with the Fays while en route to Tampa.

All Train Help contact Johnny Brooks, trainmaster.

All address

CETLIN & WILSON SHOWS P. O. Box 787, Petersburg, Va.



Opening Big Spring, Texas, March 18, Two Saturdays. Good Route—New Territory. Want Cookhouse, Hanky Panks, Photos, Lead Gallery Have good tops and fronts for any worth-while Shows. Will book Wildlife and Lung Show. Have opening for experienced Ride Help who drive semis. Can use useful Show People in all departments. All who have tried to contact me please write again or wire. All address:

T. J. TIDWELL, Crawford Hotel, Big Spring, Texas

J. A. SPARKS SHOWS

WANT FOR STRONG SPRING ROUTE AND 14 FAIRS

Sell X on Bingo to join at once, due to disappointment. Good Bingo territory. Also sell X on Long Range Gallery, Jewelry, Ice Cream, Custard, Sno Cones, Penny Arcade. Can place few Hanky Panks. SHOWS—Want Snake Show, Freak Show, Monkey Show, Glasshouse, Drome and Mechanical Show. Any Show not conflicting. Must have outfit and transportation.

WANT RIDES-Roll-o-Plane, Spitfire, Octopus, Flying Scooter. Have Long Range Gallery for sale, cheap. Will book on Show.

Contact J. A. SPARKS SHOWS, Florala, Ala., this week.

C. A. STEPHENS SHOWS

Wanted for Opening—Covington, Ga., March 17-25

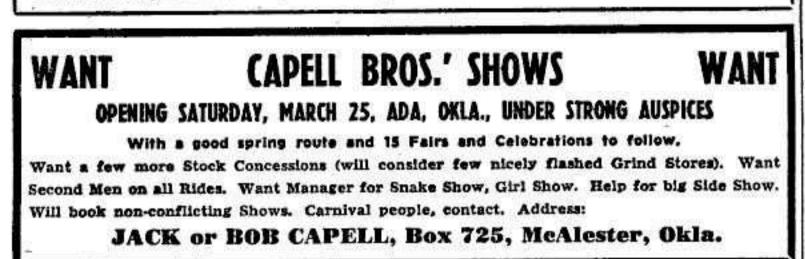
CONCESSIONS—Any not conflicting, Custard, Photos, Novelties, Pronto Pups and others. Tom Hale wants all who formerly worked for him to get in touch. Other Agents contact "Middle." SHOWS—Wax, Mechanical City, Baby Show. RIDES—Will book set of Kiddle Rides, Kiddle Train due to disappointment. Need someone to operate Penny Arcade. FOR SALE—Mirror Maze, 16x24, complete, or will trade for Kiddle Ride, preferably Train. Will be in Covington, Ga., starting March 13.





Tex., through March 18; then as per route.

WANT ARCADE MECHANIC



KINLAND AMUSEMENT COMPANY No Flats No Gate (Under New Management) OPENING APRIL 22ND IN GEORGIA

OPENING APRIL 22ND IN GEORGIA Want Legitimate Concessions—Photos, Floss, Popcorn, Candy, Punk and Bottle Games sold. Will book Bingo, flat rate or with office; Glass Pitch, High Striker, Diggers, Bowling Alley, Balloon Dart, Jingle Board, Fish Pond; Mitt Camp, one reader, no punks; Huckley Buck, Hoop-La, Coke Bottles, Scales, Age, Cork Gallery, Short or Long Lead Gallery, Under & Over with two Hanky Panks, Heart Pitch, Pistol Gallery, Clothespin for stock, Six Cat, Swinger, Buckets, Nail Game, clean Sit-Down Grab, one of a kind. Shows—Illusion, Monkey, Fat, Snake, 10-in-1, Mechanical, Wild Life, Jig Show. Rides—Will book or lease Merry-Go-Round (two abreast), with or without transportation; also Kiddy Auto or Jeep Ride. Hank and Pat Stulken want capable, sober Agents for only two Ball Games on show. Want Advance Agent with car who knows North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio. All replies to MGR., KINLAND AMUSEMENT CO., AYERSVILLE, GEORGIA.

BURDICK'S GREATER SHOWS

Opening March 25th, two Saturdays, Lampasas, Texas

Good Still Spots. Fourteen Celebrations and Fairs.

Can place one Flat Ride, Independent Shows. Have frame-up for Girl Show. Can place Peanuts, Pop Corn, Snow, Cotton Candy, Cook House. Place few Grind Store Agents, use Ride Help. A. R. Chapman, contact. Address all mail and wires:

IRA BURDICK, Mgr. 1503 NO. 5TH ST.

E. RED McFARLIN, Legal Adj. **PHONE 3151**

TEMPLE, TEXAS

LARRY NOLAN SHOWS WANT QUICK

SOBER BANNER MAN WITH CAR. We feature Saturday and Sunday 9¢ Merchant Matinees. Advertised heavy, and a man who can use phone and personal contact can get well. All spots Advertised neavy, and a man who can use phone and personal contact can get well. All spots under strong auspices. Now showing Tucson, Ariz., under 40 and 8 Club; next week, Douglas, Ariz., under Police Dept. Pension Fund. Wire and tell me all. We have General Agent and Billposter. You handle banners and matinees only. Office owns Cookhouse and you get full co-operation. HAVE ALL THE RIDES AND SHOWS WE WANT. CAN PLACE A FEW HANKY PANKS. WHAT HAVE YOU? We carry only one of a kind, reasonable privilege and always a free gate. Wire (don't phone) LARRY NOLAN, Mgr., Tucson, Ariz., this week. NOTE: CAN PLACE SOBER WHEEL FOREMAN AT ONCE—WIRE.

WANTED

Concessions of all kinds. Hurry, come see me. Agents for office outfits. Rides-Book any not conflicting. First and Second Men on Jenny Wheel, Tilt, Rolloplane; must drive semi. Shows Wanted-Snake, Mechanical, Glass, any not conflicting. Open April 14, Lamar, Colo. WIRE-WRITE

J. R. LEERIGHT, Mgr., MIDWAY EXPOSITION SHOWS

Two Alabama Fairs

QUINCY, Ill., March 11 .- Mississippi Fair and Dairy Show, Meridian, Miss.; Etowah County Fair, Attalla, Ala., and Limestone County Fair, Athens, Ala., have been contracted by Gem City Shows, W. E. (Bill) Snyder, business manager, announced at the org's winter quarters here.

Fairs previously contracted were Champaign County Fair, Urbana, Ill.; Eastern Illinois Fair, Danville, Ill., and Greater Adams County Fair. Mendon, Ill., near here. Last-named fair is to open its new plant this year.

Shows also will play several smaller county and street fairs in Missouri and Illinois. For these dates, Snyder said, the org will be divided into two units and will merge again on Labor Day for the southern trek.

Winter-quarter activities are under supervision of John Beam. Org opens with a ride and concession unit in the St. Louis area about April 8, with the shows skedded to attain their full size the last week in April. The Sky High Duo will be the free attraction.

Four States to United Expo TEXARKANA, Tex., March 11 .--United Exposition Shows this week were awarded the contract to provide the midway at this year's eightday Four States Fair here. Charles S. Noell, shows' general agent, concluded negotiations with officials of Four States Fair, Inc., operators of the annual, at a meeting here Friday (3). Fair will be held September 16-23.

Sanders Sentenced in Killing BRYSON CITY, N. C., March 11 .--Homer Sanders, carnival trouper, was sentenced to 20 to 30 years in prison here Tuesday (7) after pleading guilty to a charge of second-degree murder growing out of the robberyslaying of a taxi driver in Cherokee, N. C., several months ago. Sanders was tried Monday (6) on the murder charge.

with Carnival experience who can drive semi. Good proposition to capable man. Les Kennedy, contact me.

H. P. HILL

Hill's Greater Shows Aransas Pass, Texas

DYER'S GREATER SHOWS WANT First Men on Allan Herschell M.G.R., Caterpillar, Big Eli, and Second Men on all big Rides. Shows—Motor Drome or Monkey Drome. Will furnish transportation if de-aired. Useful people for Side Show. Acts, Freaks for feature attraction. Booking Hanky Panks, Lead Gallery, Six Arrow, Jingle Board. Slim Moore want Agents who drive semis. Le Roy Archard wants Agents. Address: BOX 128, W. Helena, Ark., opening March 24th.



FOR RENT

Carolina Beach, N. C., concession stands suitable for Lunch Bingo, Games, Beachwear. New building, center amusements, hottest location. Rents start \$500.00 season. Contact

> SIDNEY ABRAMS Conway, S. C.



Candy Floss Machine and Concession in perfect condition. First \$150.00 gets both,

SAM MERONEY P. O. Box 28

St. David, Arizona Phone 2753



CARNIVAL WANTED

Good-sized Carnival for two dates; first about the middle of April and for Fourth of July Celebration, both under sponsorship of Vet-erans of Foreign Wars. Both events to be held at V.F W. Baseball Park, For particulars write L. E. BECHTOLD, V.F.W. Post 3174, Sikeston, Mo.





Ross Manning Shows Want

ROSS MANNING, Gen. Mgr. HARRY A. PARKER, Bus. Mgr. OPENING APRIL 26TH

Can use Fun House or Glass House and Penny Arcade.

Can use Hanky Panks, Ball Games, Bowling Alley, Dart Balloon, Penny and Cigarette Pitch, Scales, Novelties, Guess Your Age.

This show plays the cream of New York, Pennsylvania and New England. All replies to

ROSS MANNING

Port Au Prince, Haiti, until March 25

FLOYD O. KILE SHOWS

OPENING APRIL 1ST, BATON ROUGE, LA. CELEBRATIONS LOUISIANA-ARKANSAS-TEXAS 38 WEEKS-9 FAIRS-2 CELEBRATIONS

LAST CALL

Due to rearrangements we can place Diggers, Photos, Fishpond, Pitch-To-Win, Hoop-La, Coke Bottles, Cork Gallery, Long Range, Jewelry, Grocerles, Aluminum Wheel, etc. One of a kind. Privilege is right. No Gate; No Grift; we know our spots. Merry-Go-Round Foreman, also Second Man; must stay sober and know your job. Married men preferred. Robert M. Davis, W. C. Curley Parks, are you at liberty? Counter Help for Bingo; Blackie Bullard, come in or contact now. Sound Car with Concessions. Will place 1 or 2 nice Kiddie Rides for long good season, also Tilt or any Major Ride; low percentage. Fun House, Arcade and Grind Shows open. Chairplane for sale, \$300.00; will book on show. Time and space limited, contact now. FLOYD O. KILE, Mgr. P. O. Box 85, Baton Rouge, La.

WALLACE BROS.' SHOWS

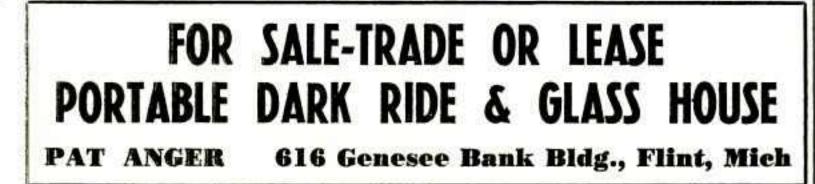
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WANT PAINTER WHO CAN LETTER AND DO SCENIC WORK, ALSO PAINT HORSES AND PANEL FRONTS. WIRE OR COME ON.

E. E. FARROW, Mgr.

WALLACE BROS.' SHOWS, BOX 1184, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI



All People contracted please acknowledge this ad.

SHOWS: Can place Mechanical Show or any other Show not conflicting. **RIDES: Will book neat Pony Ride.**

CONCESSIONS: Will book Slum, Clothespin, Balloon Darts, Glass Pitch, Gallery, Hoop-La, Age and Weight. Will give X to party with two neat Ball Games.

Can place fast stepping Banner Man, also one Razzle Agent and one Roll Down Agent, DOUGH BOY, CONTACT. I know the war is over, so Hanky Pank privilege is reasonable.

Want capable Man to operate factory built Funhouse, built on semi making a 60 ft. front.

Can place Ride Men who know their business and not afraid of a little work. Drunks, please ignore this ad. This show carries six rides, five shows and forty concessions, also free acts. Now holding contracts for 11 fairs in Colorado and Kansas.

ALL WRITE OF WIRE SCOTT LAMB

Perry, Okla., until March 15th; then Caldwell, Kan. (no phone calls)

SCOTT LAMB, Mgr. **EMMITT BUFKIN, Legal Adjuster**



WANT RIDE FOREMEN—Need man capable of handling Three Abreast, Philadelphia Toboggan, Merry-Go-Round and keeping in good shape, also need foreman for Rolloplane, Looper and Hi-Ball rides.

WANT BOSS CANVASMAN capable of handling big tops and getting them up and down on time. Jersey Schenck, wire.

> WRITE—JAMES E. STRATES WINTER QUARTERS-ORLANDO, FLA.

We Expect To Make 1950 Our Greatest Season!

14 Fairs — 4 Celebrations in South Dakota, Minnesota and Canada. 9 RIDES - 7 SHOWS - FREE ATTRACTIONS

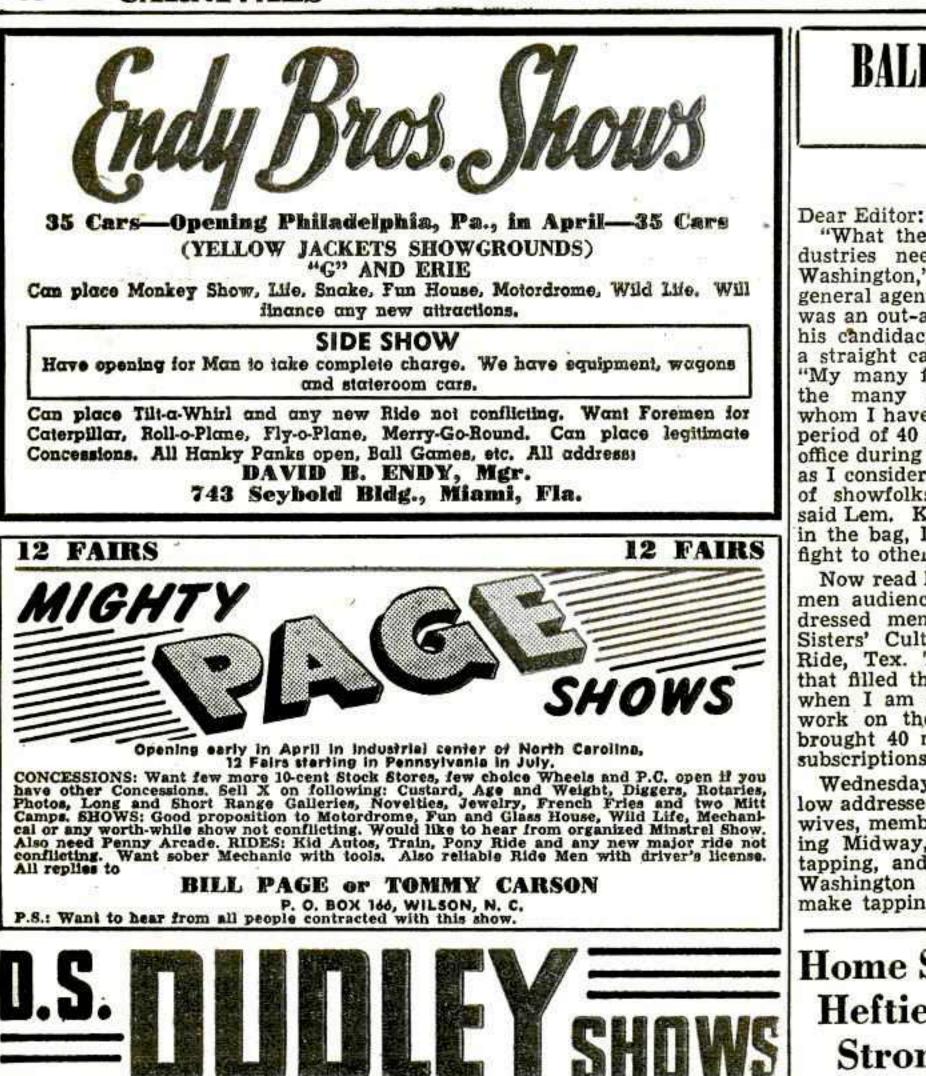
WANT SHOWS: Side Show, Mechanical, Animal Show. RIDES: Will book Spitfire. RIDE HELP write Bob Laughlin, Ride Superintendent.

Whitey Lutz wants to hear from following Concession People: Red Harper, Bill Hauf, Margaret & Benny Hoffman, "Airondale," Bing & Wife, Whitey & Mary, Mr. & Mrs. Camp-bell, Joe Williams, Sam Sheftole Jr. and Tony. Others write.

ATE SHOWS HOME CARL LARSEN & DON TRUEBLOOD

Batesville, Ark., until April 1; then State Fair Grounds, Huron, South Dakota.





10 Rides, 6 Shows, 30 Concessions—Opening March 25, Wichits Fails, Texas. Two Saturdays. CONCESSIONS: Want Man to take head of Grind Store, also Grind Store Agents, Skillo Agents. Agents for Coke Bottle, Guess Your Age, Huckly Buck, Fish Pond, Whiskey Bottle, Jingle Board, Penny Pitch, Log, Milk Bottles, Cats. Will book Hanky Panks, Mug Outfit. Want Man



High Light, Tex., March 11, 1950.

"What the carnival and circus industries need is representation in Washington," advised Lem Trucklow, general agent for this org. The above was an out-and-out announcement of his candidacy as senator at large on a straight carnival and circus ticket. "My many friends in city halls and the many friends on committees whom I have wined and dined over a period of 40 years should put me into office during the coming fail elections, as I consider them and the thousands of showfolks the voting majority," said Lem. Knowing he had this show in the bag, Lem started carrying his fight to other shows.

Now read how he is swaying showmen audiences. On Tuesday he addressed members of the Drawhead Sisters' Cultured Carniva, at Punk Ride, Tex. There he told a crowd that filled the gal show top, "If and when I am elected, concessions will work on the Capitol steps," which brought 40 minutes of applause and subscriptions for his campaign fund.

Wednesday, at Gaff, Miss., Trucklow addressed a group of house trailer wives, members of the Duke & Shilling Midway, with "I am agin wire tapping, and when you send me to Washington my first act will be to make tapping the grapevine illegal."

Home State Plans Heftier Ad Budget, **Stronger Back End**

BATESVILLE, Ark., March 11 .--Home State Shows will increase their advertising budget 10 per cent and add strength to the back-end, Carl Larsen and Don Trueblood, coowners, announced at local guarters. Whitey Lutz recently signed as lot man, has booked his Motordrome. Joe Turner will have an Athletic Show. Buck Cathy, Dallas booker, will produce the Girl Show. Bob Atterbury has signed as special agent and publicity director and will have the Funhouse and a Western exhibit. Latest addition to org's route include North Dakota State American Legion convention, Grand Forks; Bemidji, Minn., July 1-4 Celebration, and Grafton, N. D., celebration, sponsored by the Grafton Parade Band, 1948 Rose Bowl champions. Pacts for fairs at Redwood Falls, Zumbrota, Arlington and Slayton, all in Minnesota, brings the total number of annuals to 14. Org opens at State Fairgrounds, Huron, S. D., in May. Route will take the shows thru the Dakotas, Minnesota and into Canada.

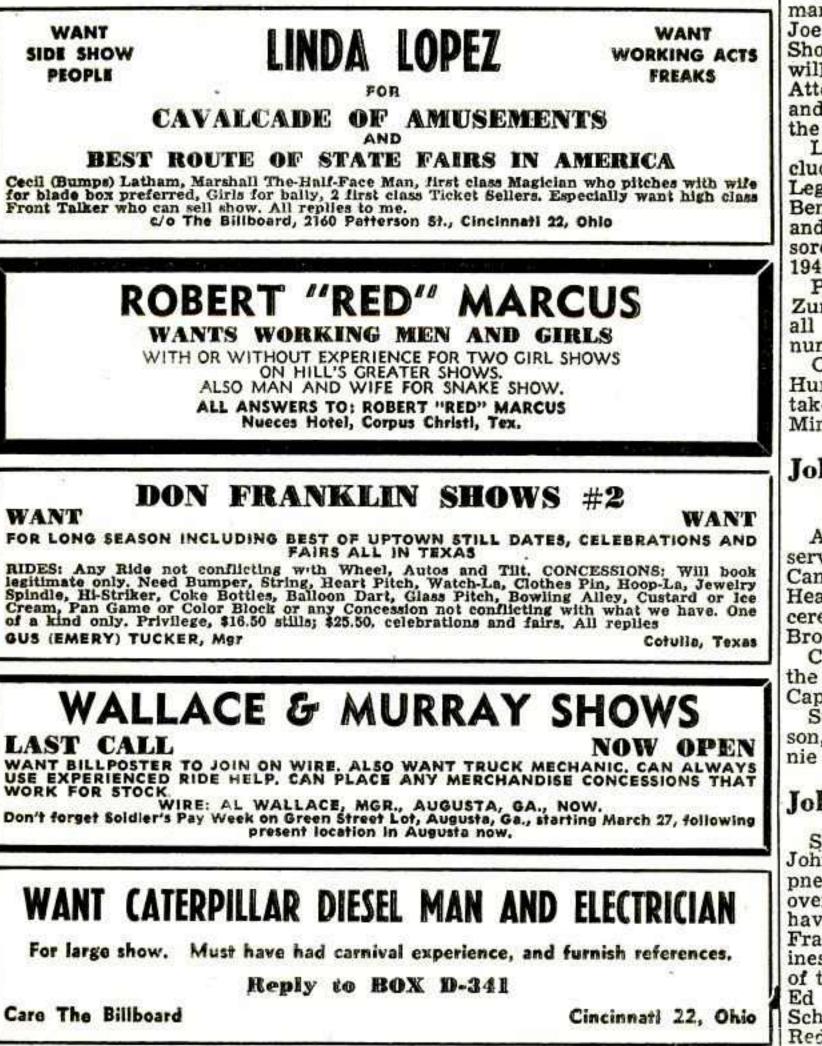
There he scored heavily with the ladies, and after kissing several gal show babes, the collection was far above expectations.

Following the matinee performance Trucklow addressed personnel of Ford Axel Annie's Horseless Wild West Show on Thursday. He was cheered thruout his specially prepared speech, ghosted by a press agent. He made the biggest hit and heaviest collection when he promised his listeners that when elected it would become a law for truck showmen to take vegetables under or above the ground (limited to the first 10 rows) while passing truck farms, and that when a chicken is in the yard it will be legally known as a fowl, but when on a highway it becomes game. The law is to be known as "the people passing thru the country act."

The first open-air rally of the tour was held at Muffler, Ala., on the lot of the Creek & Rust Midway of Rides. There he told 90 ride hands and foremen that he advocated "wagonizing as the first step toward matrimony." The boys were for him to the extent of a campaign collection of \$200, of which only 95 per cent was in IOU's.

Today he wound up his five-day campaign tour by sweeping the members of the Great Truck & Trailer Amusement Company off their feet with his brilliant oratory at Wet Lot, Ark. He held his audience spellbound with, "When I arrive inWashington, thru my untiring efforts, each one of you will receive rubber gasoline credit cards in the shape of syphon hoses. It will be the first move towards socialized gasoline and, furthermore, it will become legal for each showman's dog to bite one towner per week without bringing on damage suits." The applause from the crowd that packed the 20 by 30 Geek Show top was terrific, and the collection that followed was big enough to send Trucklow back on our midway with enough cash on hand to move Ballyhoo Bros.' Circulating Exposition to its next stand.

Board, Penny Fitch, Log, Milk Bottles, Cats. Will book Hanky Panks, Mug Outrit. Want Man to take Monkey Show; have complete show. RIDE HELP: Want Foreman for Twin Eli No. 5 Ferris Wheels, Foreman for Octopus, Foreman for Allan Herschell 36 foot Merry-Go-Round Red, answer if coming. Second Man on all rides, must be able to drive semi tractors. Must be sober, capable and reliable. Will pay top salaries. All people contracted please report. Winter Quarters are open at Mankins, Texas Address all communications to D. S. DUDLEY, Box 71, Mankins, Texas—Phone 907F23,, Holliday, Texas



John Cannon, General Rep For Heart of Texas, Dies

ALTON, Ill., March 11.-Funeral services were held here for John J. Cannon, general representative of the Heart of Texas Shows, who died of a cerebral hemorrhage Sunday (5) in Brownwood, Tex.

Cannon previously had been with the Con Kennedy, Nip Butts and Doc Capell shows.

Surviving are his widow, Alta; a son, John Jr., and a sister, Mrs. Annie Hauseman, of Alton.

John Francis Winter Quarters

ST. LOUIS, March 11.-With Mrs. John Francis convalescing from lobar pneumonia, work in quarters is about over. The Merry-Go-Round horses have been painted. Owner John Francis has gone to Wisconsin on business. Visitors were John K. Maher, of the Maher Mighty Midway Shows; Ed Mablin, George Regan, Edwin Schantz, John Roth Fred Proper, Red Kelley and Dan Martin.

SFA's Club House **Opening**, Hi-Jinks Party Pulls 1,800

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11 .--Combination Hi-Jinks and opening of the new clubrooms at 145 Turk Street, of the Show Folks of America, Chapter 2, drew an estimated 1,800, according to President Mike Krekos who conceived the idea of combining the annual event with the unveiling of the new headquarters here last Monday (6). While a final check was still to be made, it was estimated that over \$3,500 was collected for the club. Krekos said.

Philip Shapiro's ork provided music for dancing and the show, booked by Eddie Burke Attractions, and under the supervision of Marie Burke. Hal Darby emseed and Fred Wiedmann was toastmaster.

City and fair officials attended the affair.

Lone Star May Be **Only Show To Play Macon This Season**

MACON, Ga., March 11.-Lone Star Shows, skedded to open the season here Friday (17) for a 10-day stand, may be the only carnival to play a still date in Macon this year. This was indicated by action of the city council in denying several other requests for permits to play the town. Last year 17 carnivals showed here.

Lone Star org, sponsored here by Macon Amvet Post 14, will break in a new lot at Houston and Broadway. Lot at the old foundry location, known as State Market in recent years, is too small.



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CARNIVALS







All wires to JOHNNY J. DENTON, Prattville, Ala.



WINTER QUARTERS

T. J. Tidwell

BIG SPRING, Tex., March 11.-Org will have its formal opening March 18. Show consists of 10 rides, 8 shows and about 35 concessions. All equipment moves on new Chevrolet trucks.

Owner-Manager T. J. Tidwell has been released from the hospital and has taken charge. Bill Fisher, assisted by Shorty Hall and Sonny Amburn, has the show repainted and repaired. Ike Powers has been in quarters, taking care of Samson, the giant snake. Sunshine Elliott and wife, Blondi, have their two Girl Shows ready. Mattie and Jamaca Alexander have taken care of Queenie, the elephant; also Gertie and Elmer, the chimpanzees.

Tilt-a-Whirl Smitty and Pappy Ryan are here, as is Frank Succaw, Betty Hagen and Oscar Chapman. Slim Anderson reported to quarters after Fort Worth Stock Show with his family and necessary agents to operate the office-owned hanky-panks. Staff-T. J. Tidwell, manager; Mrs. T. J. (Evelyn) Tidwell, secretary; Bobbie Decker, legal adjuster; Everett Morris, truck and ride foreman; B. B. Snow, general agent.

Gold Crown

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., March 11 -Work in quarters, which started last week, is progressing rapidly. Bill Roxby, Richard Franklin and others are busy with refurbishing. Shorty Morgan, Charlie and Whitey Pickard and Red Barrett are expected shortly. Also due in is Mr. Zellers, electrician. Plans call for a sound truck with W. T. Harrell at the helm. Several rides will be placed in Legion Park here until the opener.

K. F. Smith, owner, and the writer, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ted Dedrick,

Ontario

OSWEGO, N. Y., March 11.-All equipment is being overhauled at quarters here. Tom Farrand is coming on with floss, apples and French fries. Owner Idella H. Morley has returned from Oneida, N. Y., where she inked the National Guard for an indoor trade show. Harold (Spike) Morley and Chuck Kehoe are moving into the offices of the State Armory, where they will handle the promotion and staging of the show. Frank Swem has arrived with his ponies. He is building a flashy electric marquee for his ride. Whitey Sinclair and wife, Josie, were visitors. -CHARLES D. KEHOE.

Kenland Am. Co.

AYERSVILLE, Ga., March 11.-H. Henry has returned to quarters here after a booking trip thru North Carolina, Virginia, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio. Org opens April 22 in Georgia. With it will be Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Shipman, popcorn and snowballs; Hank and Pat Stulken, cat rack and milk bottles; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fetty, photo gallery; Clarence Daniel, cotton candy; Ben Stowe, Wax Show. Visitors included the Shipmans. Clarence Daniel, Albert Shorty Jr., Red Payne, Doc Harden and Lola Tinsley are in quarters .- H. HENRY.

Great Northern

HENDERSON, N. Y., March 11 .--New spacious winter quarters, recently purchased by Owner Ellis Craig, are starting to get busy. Org has purchased a new light plant, will carry five rides and play Central New York. Mrs. Doris Craig is supervising building of her new bingo.

Bill Morley, lot superintendent, has Arcade and three concessions. John



Open April 6th-2 Saturdays-2 Sundays. 32 Fairs, 4 Home Weeks, 2 Celebrations already contracted and very best Still Dates obtainable.

Want Shows-Motor Drome, Unborn, Big Snake, Working World, Monkey Speedway. Good proposition for Penny Arcade, Fun House. Owner of 2-Headed Cow, like to hear from you. Want Ride Help for 12 Rides; Whip, Ridee-O, Spitfire, Chairplane Foremen; semi drivers given preference. Want Concessions—Frozen Custard, Long Range Gallery, Rotarys. All others booked. No grift on this show. Can use 2 good P.C. Dealers. Want Bingo Caller and Manager; Sound Car Man and Bingo Caller. Jack Jones and Frank Turner, contact. All address:

HARRY HELLER, Gen. Mgr.

BOX 6, CAMPGAW, N. J.

PHONE: WYCOFF 4-0333-M

SAMMY LANE SHOWS

Want for Coming Season, Opening April 24, Versailles, Mo.

Will sell X on American Mitt (no gypsies), Diggers, Bingo, P.C. (except Pan Game), some Hanky Panks. What have you? Will book 2 Grind Shows for committee money. Want to hear from Free Act People who have Concessions. For Sale—Center Outfit, 4-way awnings, extra heavy canvas, 10x10 hinge frame, all in A-1 shape; also P.C. Table Frame and Fly with Evans large Chuck Cage, 4 sets dice, swell lay downs for Chuck, Beat the Dealer, etc. Small enclosed 2-Wheel Trailer to haul same; new tires. This is a real outfit. First \$150 huys it. Smith, who was with us last year, write us. Want Merry-Go-Round First Manj good wages and bonus. No boozers or chasers. Must be steady and reliable. Home Address: LANCASTER, MO.

ROYAL MIDWEST SHOWS

Opening March 25, Water Valley, Miss.

Two Saturdays, then a spring route of pay roll and smoke stack towns under strong auspices,

CONCESSIONS—Fish Pond, Darts, Blower, Bowling Alley, Jewelry, Metro Derby, Age and Weight, Grind Stores, Ball Games, Coke, Count Store, Basket Ball, Cigarette Gallery, Long and Short Range, Mouse and Pan Game. Can place Mechanical Show, Wild Life, Penny Arcade. Have one top open. Will lease or book on low percentage Octopus, Spit Fire, Roll-s-Whirl or Auto Ride. Frankie (Pollock) White, contact Bingo.

Wire ROXIE HARRIS, Winterguarters, General Delivery, Grenada, Miss. P.S. Want capable Man to handle banners, merchants' tickets and special promotion.

SUNSET AMUSEMENT COMPANY

WANT Foremen for C-Cruise, Spitfire and Dodgem; must drive. Can use Second Men on Rides; must drive. Can place ARCADE, WILD LIFE, MECHANICAL SHOW. RIDES-Will book Hid Auto, Boat Ride, Airplane. Opening April 20th, Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Address P. O. BOX 468, Danville, Illinois

operators of Legion Park. Smith is a bit under the weather, but able to be up and around. Mr. and Mrs. Al Mercer, who have the cookhouse and Girl Show, are expected in about a week. A new front gate is being Dickson United built. Harry Franklin, who has the popcorn, writes that he will join. S. D. Pease, general agent, is recuperating after having a lung removed. The writer and Owner Smith are handling the agenting chores while Pease is laid up.-HARRY E. WILSON.

Mighty Page

WILSON, N. C., March 11.-All equipment is getting a going over with paint and repairs. Jessie Lauley, ride superintendent, has assembled most of his crew of ride foremen. The new marguee and other canvas, supplied by Bill Sanders, has arrived; also an International tractor.

Tommy Carson, business manager, is expected in guarters soon to help iron out details for the shows' early April opening. Pete Hendrix, head electrician, will soon report to quarters. Jack J. Perry has lined up a good route of fairs and Bill Cox has given the show a good spring route. Due to illness of Manager Bill Page, his son, Roland, will get a leave of absence from law school to become assistant manager of the org.-MRS. Alabama. Org will open here April LELA B. LANGLEY. 1.-I. M. HOLMAN. LELA B. LANGLEY.

Morley, secretary and general agent, has returned from a booking trip. His wife, Martha, has two concessions. -MRS. DORIS CRAIG.

TISHOMINGO, Okla., March 11 .--Org will open April 1. Mr. Flory is in charge of quarters. Two trucks will transport cookhouse and bingo and a larger transformer will be added. Rolling stock will have new color scheme of cream and bright red. Manager Dickson is on a booking trip thru Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas and Texas. Norman Flory, the writer, will be the mail and The Billboard sales agent.

Floyd O. Kile

BATON ROUGE, La., March 11 .--Mr. and Mrs. Floyd O. Kile have inked nine fairs and two celebrations in Louisiana and Arkansas. The Mintuns will be back with two concessions; the Dondineaus, four; the Smiths, three; the Shews, two; the Shrouts, one; J. Schotzell, one; Mr. Gardner, one; the Humphreys, two. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Morgan stopped off en route home to Alabama. Mrs. Kile has received a 30-foot Owosso trailer. She and the Websters will make a flying trip to St. Louis and

CUMBERLAND VALLEY SHOWS

Now booking for 1950 Season—Big 4th of July Celebration—Twelve County Fairs to follow. RIDES: Spitfire, Fly-o-Plane and Train or any other Ride that doesn't conflict. SHOWS: Fun House, Glass House, Fat Show, Midget Show, Motordrome or any other capable Show with own Equipment. CONCESSIONS: Good opening for a nice flashy Bingo. All legitimate Concessions open. Sober and reliable Ride Foremen on all rides. Drunks, save stamps. Opening date given later. Address all mail to

ELLIS WINTON

146 8. Clayton St., Mount Dora, Florida, until April 1st; then Manchester, Tenn.

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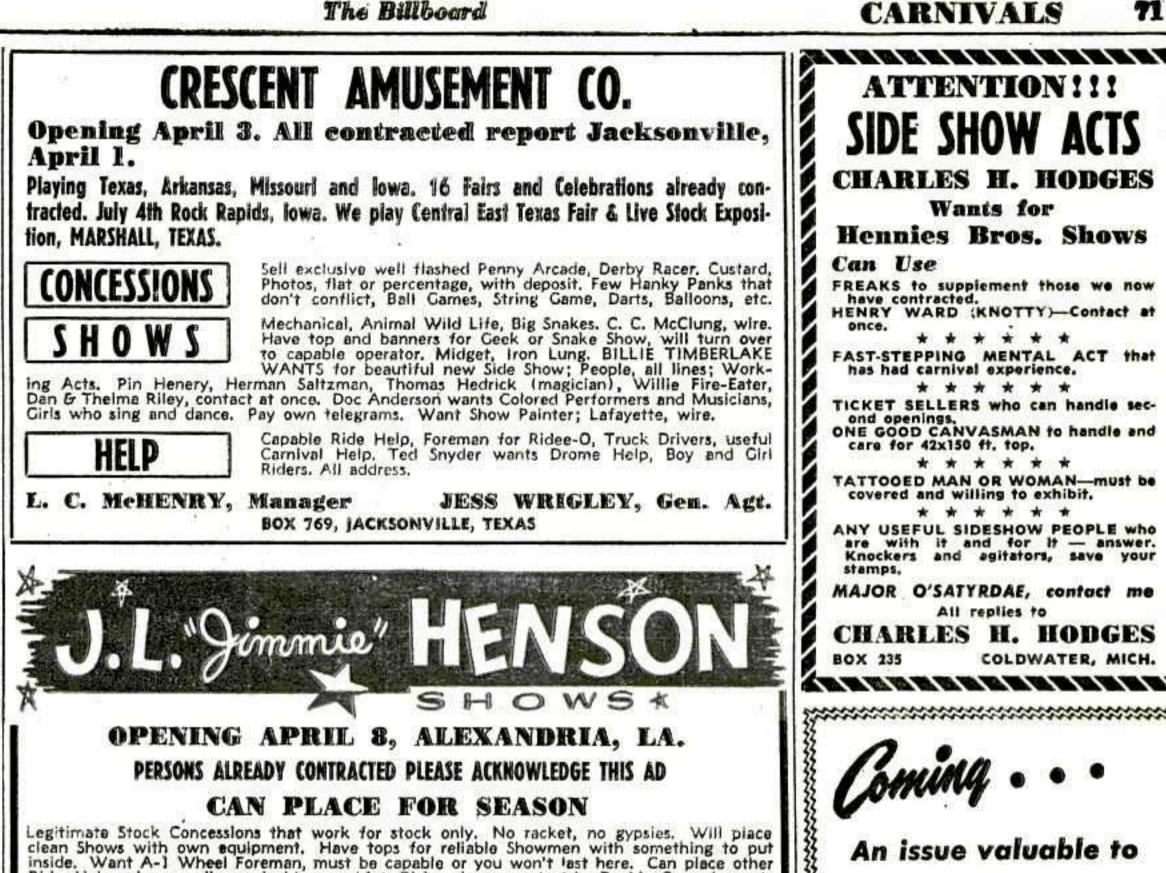
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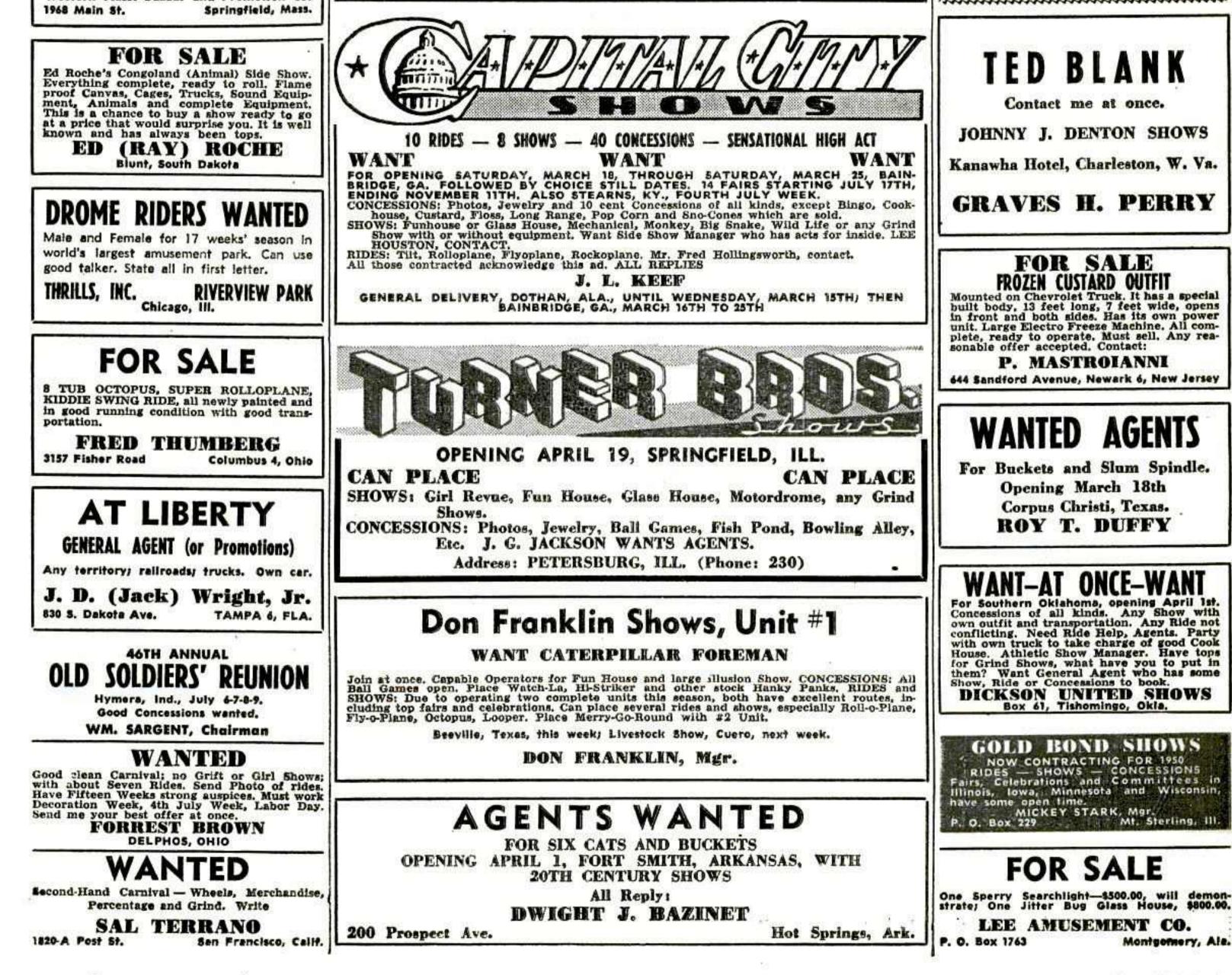
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National Showmen's Association

1564 Broadway, N. Y. NEW YORK, March 11. - Joint meeting Wednesday (8) with the Auxiliary was well attended. President Jack Perry presided over both the governors' and general assembly. Present were Joseph A. McKee, vicepresident; Fred C. Murray, chaplain; Max Hofman, counselor, and Dr. Jacob Cohen. Guests on the dais were Ethel Shapiro, Auxiliary president, and out-of-towners Ned Torti, Milwaukee; Bill Carsky and J. A. (Pat) Purcell, Chicago, and James Hurd, Miami.

A generous annual donation was given the club by the Auxiliary. The women also pledged support to the building fund drive which soon starts.

NSA extended sympathy to George Rector, whose brother died Tuesday (7). Funeral services were held today with interment in the family plot. Condolences also were offered Louis meeting. William E. Snyder, James Weinstein, whose wife died in Miami February 25. Burial was at Lenore City, Tenn.

John S. (Irish) Horan, on the sick list, is reported improving. Jack Lichter also is recuperating.

Irving Dym, sponsored by Dan Thaler, recently was approved by the Eligibility Committee as a new member.

Recent visitors were Leonard Traube, Gerald Snellens, Sam Peterson, Morris Spitkove, Edward Elkins, Sam Robbins, Leon Neuman, Joe Trosey, Morris Levi, Henry Kaufman, Morris Rucker, Jack Hornfeld, Louis Light, Charles Buchbaum, Philip Groden, Joseph Shaw, Frank Silverman, George Stern, Matty Burns, Charles Rubenstein, Sidney Herbert, Edward McKeon, Harry Stevens, Jack Cherry, Martin Ranno and David Solti.

Anna Rosenberg reports that she is out of the hospital and recovering as are Bea Cohen and Gene Winsor. May Doscher is receiving congratulations on the birth of a grandson. Dolly Udowitz is at her home with influenza, but is recovering as is Jeanne Grey. Mildred Cohen was proposed for membership by President Ethel Shapiro. Blanche Henderson was proposed by Jackie Perry and Betty Robbins, of the Jack J. Perry Shows. Plans for the Donor Luncheon to be held at the Hotel Commodore Saturday (18) are progressing, reports Lillian Wallenstein, ways and means committee chairman. Wednesday (22) will be an open social evening, with friends and prospective members invited.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Showmen's League of America

400 S. State St., Chicago

CHICAGO, March 11.—Past President Fred H. Kressmann was on the for members to attend the National rostrum at the regular meeting, assisted by Treasurer Walter F. Driver and Secretary Joe Streibich. Rev. Marcel LeVoy, chaplain, gave the invocation.

Welfare committee reported Ralph Wibberly and Edward D. Young expect to be released from the hospital soon. Others on the sick list include W. C. Deneke, William E. Saunders and William O. Perrot.

Favors for the St. Patrick's party have been donated by Ned Torti. Ralph Pope advised he would have his ork on hand for the affair.

Andrew Allan attended his first T. Richards and Joe Marks also attended.

Jack Hawthorne was injured in an auto accident en route here from Florida. Dick Miller is another returnee from the South. Pete Andrish left for Springfield, Ill. Joe O'Donell visited. Bob Sugar leaves here April 15, and Dave Picard is expected to leave soon.

Everyone had a good time at Polack Bros.' Shrine Circus here Sunday (5). Members were guests of Louis Stern.

Banquet and ball funds were dis- Fink. tributed according to the by-laws and bonds were purchased with money from the welfare fund.

Ohio United Showmen's Association

136 Tuscarawas St., W., Canton, O.

CANTON, O., March 11.-Meeting on March 5 was presided over by

Pacific Coast Showmen's Association 1235 S. Hope St., Los Angeles 16

LOS ANGELES. March 11.-Plans Orange Show, San Bernardino, Monday (13) as guests of the show and Rose and Larry Ferris, of Ferris Greater Shows, and the Clyde Beatty Circus on opening night, March 28, were made at club's regular meeting Monday night (6). President Joseph R. Krug and Sam Dolman reported that a police escort had been secured for the Orange Show caravan.

At the opening of the meeting, the lights were dimmed in tribute to the late Sid Grauman, who succumbed recently at the Cedars of Lebannon Hospital.

With the Orange Show festivities falling on Monday, the meeting for that week was cancelled. J. Ed Brown reported on the plans to attend the opening of the Clyde Beatty Circus on the Washington and Hill streets lot March 28. Circus personnel will be tendered a party at the clubrooms, April 5.

Frank Kissinger, Frank Stein, Sid Mantell and B. A. Slover were elected to membership. On the rostrum with President Krug were Mike Doolan, Hunter Farmer, Al Weber, Louis Manly and Past President Harry

Charlie Soderberg, Jack Bush and Harry Wallace are on the sick list.

International Showmen's Association 415A Chestnut St., St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, March 11.-Regular meeting on March 2 was presided over by President Robert L. Lohmar. Third Vice-President Charles Snod-President R. Jay Myers, with Ford Assisting him on the rostrum were erly. Gordon (Foots) Middleton was Treasurer George Regan and Secre- elected to-membership. F. W. Shorttary Euby Cobb. It was decided by ridge, of the Boyle Woolfolk Agency the board of governors that anyone and Central Show Print, who was holding the clubs' bonds, can here attending the fair secretaries convert a \$100 bond into a lifemembership certificate. Fred Zchille is out of the hospital after a long illness. Bill Jacobs is still in the City Hospital. In attendance were John Roth, Edwin Schantz, Al Kubacher, George Weeks, Art Guiliani, Al Prosperi, Dave Auxiliary recently Billy (Zot) Reed and Fred Proper. Committees appointed for the St. Patrick's Day party are George Regan and P. E. (Heavy) Waughn on the door; Walter Payne, Checkroom; Al Prosperi, refreshments, and Red Kelly, buffet lunch. Secretary Cobb retained Pat Miller and her five-piece band to give with the music for the dances. Billy (Zoot) Reed has promised to be on hand.

Hot Springs Showmen's Association

310½ Central Avenue, Hot Springs

HOT SPRINGS, March 11.-In the absence of President Harry W. Hennies, Second Vice-President R. A. Miller presided at the regular meeting Friday (3) in the clubrooms. About 80 members were on hand and ordinary routine business of the club was followed by a buffet supper provided by the Ladies' Auxiliary with cards and dancing after the feed.

Visitors during the past week included Mr. and Mrs. Lew Kellar, Zack Terrell, Mr. and Mrs. John Corey; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Carpenter of the Iowa State Fair, Mrs. Edw. Calihan, of the Chicago Stadium; George W. Pughe, Fresno, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Murphy, Hominy, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Henderson, Paris, Tex.; Harry J. Kohn, Springfield, Mass.; Rita Dunn, Newark, O.; Barbara Kling, San Antonio; Mrs. Raymond Anderson, Sioux City, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Parsons, Dallas; Raymond Henderson, Fort Worth, and J. C. McNally, New York City.

Thomas (Reno) Renaud visited the club and passed around cigars for the arrival of his first child, a daughter. Bill Naylor reports that very few carnival men are visiting the Oaklawn Race Track this year but that he and Jimmy Ferron make it every day. John Oblock resigned as club secretary before leaving for Dallas to work for the Joe Murphy interests. Clint Shufford is acting secretary.

Heart of America Showmen's Club

913A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 11 .-President L. K. Carter called the regular weekly meeting to order with all officers present, except First Vice-President Raymond Clayton and meeting, was present. The annual pot-luck dinner will be held in the club dining room Friday evening 17.

Fosnight, secretary, and L. A. Hufler, treasurer, also on rostrum. New members initiated were Von Black, Bill Stewart, Fred A. Nolan, Edward Scott and John Y. Skotnicky. Visitors were Leonard Powelson and V. S. Scott, of the Happy Attractions, and A. D. Michaels, of the Hudson Fireworks Display.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Auxiliary met at the clubrooms February 28, meeting being called to order by President Mrs. Margaret Kiefer, Pete Brophy, Tony Grazino, Leichtamer. bought 25 chairs for the room. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Mayme Peters, Mrs. Ray Decker and Mrs. William Flinn.

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CHICAGO, March 11 .- President Mae Oakes presided at regular meeting held March 7. Other officers on rostrum were Bessie Mossman, first vice-president; Claire Sopenar, second vice-president; Josephine Glickman, third vice-president; Irene Coffey, financial secretary, and Lillian Lawrence, treasurer. Edna Burrows was welcomed after a long absence.

Edna Stenson has gone to San Antonio to visit with her sister. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wall are vacationing in Florida.

A birthday party commemorating Caravans sixth anniversary will be held in clubrooms March 28, with Billie Billiken in charge of arrangements. Ann Sleyster, chairman of the annual spring benefit party, appointed the following committee to assist her: Opal Rossi, co-chairman; Dorothy Golz, Grace Lynn, Frances Berger, Eva LeRoy, Billie Billiken and Betty Shea, Seen at Polack Bros.' Shrine Circus were Clara Etta Barker, Mabel Davis, Gussie Breger and Lillian Lawrence.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Meeting was called to order by President Weber with 27 members present. Leola Campbell was appointed warden. Entertainment chairman Grace McBain announced the annual pot-luck dinner for March 17. Ruby Velare and Edna Pray were reported ill. Evening award went to Margaret Nelson. Rex Herron was tendered birthday song. A donation was voted to the Heart Fund.

Lone Star Show Women's **Club of Texas Campbell Hotel**, Dallas

DALLAS, March 11.-Club is having dinners under Grace Tinder twice a month in the clubrooms. Louise Hickman, president, has conferred with cemetery officials regarding the use of shrubs on our plot. Fund, being raised, will be used to add wings to the present monument. Grounds are being sodded. Barbara Kling Moody, a recent bride, visited. Margaret Pugh was hostess for the meeting March 6, with Sally Murphy and Evelyn Harrell prize winners.



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Show Folks of America

145 Turk, San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—The regular meeting was suspended until March 13, due to moving into new quarters at 145 Turk Street. On February 27 the meeting was called to order by Chairman Eddie Burke. Sixteen members and five officers answered roll call. Date for the annual St. Patrick's dinner was set for March 20. A corned beef and cabbage dinner will be served free. The regular meeting will be held at 8:30 p.m.

A letter was read from the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association, inclosing check for \$250 to help furnish our new clubrooms. Letters were read from Frank R. Havenner and Jack Shelley, Congressmen from San Francisco, pledging their aid in having the U. S. Amusement Tax repealed or modified. Congressman Havenner inclosed a copy of H. R. Bill 1372, which he introduced in the House, to repeal the tax on admission tickets and the cabaret tax. Corresponding Secretary Albert Roche read letters he had sent to Mrs. Estelle Rosenthal, Miami, and to the Regular Associated Troupers, Los Angeles, thanking them for their donation of \$100.

Monday, March 6, will be remembered by the hundreds of members



Michigan Showmen's Association

3153 Cass Ave., Detroit

DETROIT, March 11.—One of the best attended meetings was held Monday (6) with First Vice-President Fred Sibler occupying the chair in the absence of President Robert Morrison. Third Vice-President Ora (Pop) Baker also was on the rostrum, having just returned from Florida. Treasurer Louis Rosenthal also was present, along with Chaplain Edward Ford.

The sick committee reported that Marty Rose and Charles (Blackie) Stone have been released from the hospital. Joe Bennett still is confined to his home. Past President Harry Stahl has returned from a vacation in Florida and Louis Wish from California. Earl Kelly is a frequent visitor to the clubrooms, as is Past President Jack Dickstein. Max Kahn is co-operating with the Ladies' Auxiliary to stage the annual St. Patrick's Day dance Saturday (19).

of Show Folks of America and their guests who swarmed into our n clubrooms for our opening Hi-Jinks. This was an artistic, social and financial success from start to finish. Mike Krekos is president of "e club. We held our first meeting in the lobby of the Grand Hotel, and from that, proceeded by slow degrees to these super clubrooms.

President Krekos presented a g life membership card to Jack Bro and a gold Show Folks plaque to N Cohn for their efforts on behalf Show Folks. Fred Weidmann r many telegrams of congratulati and good wishes from all the sh clubs. He also read letters fr Congressmen Frank R. Havenner a Jack Shelley, from Washington. letter, congratulating Show Folks, was read from George Reilley, chairman of the State board of equalization. Phil Sapira, conductor of the San Francisco band, provided the music for entertainment and dancing. The clubrooms were decorated with spring flowers and acacia. Floral horseshoes were sent to the men and women of Show Folks. Whitey and Doris Monette presented the organization with a stand of flowering plum blossoms. Our florist, Kalman's Flower Shop, presented the ladies with corsages of camillias.

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Lincoln, Neb., Board Votes **End to Harness Horse Races**

LINCOLN, Neb., March 11.-Nebraska State Fair, following in the footsteps of Minnesota State Fair, St. Paul, and Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, has decided to call it quits as far as harness horse racing is concerned. Beginning this year, there will be no sulky races on the fair program here. Members of the State fair board voted the action at a meeting here this week. The reasons, as with Minnesota and Iowa, were that the trotters and pacers did not appeal to a sufficiently large number of people and were not yielding a profit. As a result of the vote, the fair is faced with

filling in a gap left by their aban-Joie Chitwood's Auto donment. Daredevils and big car and stock car races (to be staged by National Speedways), have been contracted, but as yet no substitute attraction for harness races has been signed.

At this week's meeting the board again contracted with Rube Liebman, of the Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, for that booking office to supply the nightly grandstand show and with Jack Duffield, of Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, Chicago, for the fireworks.

The board also elected Chuck G. Marshall, Arlington, vice-president, to the presidency. Other changes in the board's line-up included the elevation of Henry Brandt, Beatrice, from second to first vice-president, and Ed Baumann, West Point, from board member to second vice-president. Additions to the fair board are Al Russell, Geneva, former board president, and Don Thompson, Mc-Cook, both for one-year terms.

Propose Conn. State Annual

HARTFORD, Conn., March 11.-Joseph C. Bartlett, president of the Association of Connecticut Fairs, has proposed the launching of a fair sponsored by the State. "Preferably, this fair would be operated by the State Department of Farms and Markets, making it State controlled and out of the realm of commercialism," Bartlett said. He added that such a fair would stress agriculture and industrial exhibits. Bartlett pointed out that the proposed fair would be far enough out in the country to avoid hampering by zoning regulations or other restrictions. "I think that zoning regulations are holding up extensive expansion on the part of Connecticut's existing fairs. and must act according to regulations imposed by zoning restrictions," Bartlett said. Association will hold its annual meeting April 29, at The Hartford Times Home Building, Hartford. A meeting of association officers slated for Sunday (5) at Bartlett's North Haven home was postponed until today. Meeting was held to line up speakers and organize other phases of the April gathering.

1st 3 Days Set **Crowd Marks at** Miami's Annual

MIAMI, March 11. - First three days of the 10-day Dade County Fair, which winds up its run here tonight. smashed all attendance records in the event's history. Grosses on rides and shows for the initial three days showed a 14 per cent increase over any preceding year, officials announced.

Overflow crowds jammed the fairground buildings, necessitating the erection of five circus tents on the midway. Endy Bros.' Shows offered a strong midway line-up, presenting 16 rides, 12 shows, including Motordrome and Penny Arcade, and over 60 concessions.

Canada's A Nixes Financial Aid to Livestock Exhibs

SASKATOON, Sask., March 11. -Western Canada's Class A fairs will not offer any financial assistance this summer to livestock exhibitors affected by cancellation of reduced freight rates on livestock. The decision was made at a meeting of the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions here. Representatives of Brandon, Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina fairs decided against any assistance so that the seriousness of the situation could be judged during the summer. Special freight rates for exhibition livestock had been about onehalf the regular freight charges. "No attempt will be made to increase prize money to cover the additional freight rates as this would These fairs can do only certain things not insure equal distribution," said T. H. McLeod, Regina Exhibition manager. "The fairs decided they would not subsidize livestock exhibitors in any way. The policy for 1950 will be to wait and see how serious the situation is."

Beer Out at Detroit DETROIT, March 11 .- No beer will be sold this year at Michigan State Fair as a result of a new law prohibiting a liquor license on State-owned property. The ruling won't allow operators on the grounds to even give it away, according to the State Agriculture Commission, which has jurisdiction over the grounds. Issue on the beer giveaway arose this week when the Detroit Competition Club made plans to furnish free beer at a convention of Midwest auto racing groups on the fairgrounds.

New Attendance Record Set by Imperial Expo

IMPERIAL, Calif., March 11 .--California Mid-Winter Fair here broke the 1949 mark by approximately 5,000, pulling 61,553 patrons compared with 56,965 last year, according to D. V. Stewart, secretarymanager.

Good weather helped swell attendance, Stewart said, with only two days showing a drop. First and second Sundays brought rain.

More than 65 per cent of the concessionaires already have signed for 1951, Stewart reported. He indicated that the Ferris Greater Shows, on the midway this year, will be back next year.

Exhibitors this year totaled 1,700, a sizable increase over 1949. Premiums were \$10,000 over last year, with \$34,324 showing on the books for 1950. There were 3,709 entries and 998 head of cattle shown.

Dallas Accents Special Events

Ligon Smith added to staff -Yeager to head enlarged dept., public relations

DALLAS, March 11.-Ligon Smith, well known locally as a band leader, has been added to the special events staff of State Fair of Texas. Smith has headed his own ork for 20 years. His last engagement was a five-year run in the Century Room of the Adolphus Hotel here, ending in 1945 when he bought Business Music, Inc., and introduced piped music to Dallas via Muzak. He was musical director of the Cotton Palace Exposition at Waco for nine years and also has been associated with Music Corporation of America.

Fair's special events staff is being augmented in preparation for the exposition in October. The fair will present more special events and free shows, similar to the highly successful Atomic Energy Show last year, than ever before. Smith's first job will be a tour of Texas with color movies made at the 1949 fair.

Charles E. Yeager has moved up from the publicity director post to assume responsibility for both special events and public relations. Staff of fair now includes W. H. (Bill) Hitzelberger, vice-president and general manager; David A. McMinn, sales and promotions manager; Ray Wilson, livestock manager; Fred Tennant Jr., midway and concessions manager; Arthur Hale, Cotton Bowl tickets manager, and W. E. Sneed, manager of buildings and grounds.

Nat'l Orange Show **Bows With New Plant**

Johnson To Pilot Bethlehem's Annual E. Converse, society president.

BETHLEHEM, Conn., March 11 .--Paul Johnson has been elected president of the Bethlehem Fair Society, if the association wishes to purchase sponsors of this city's annual fair. the land for its 1951 event the price Other officers are George W. Shaw, will be \$6,000, and the \$300 rental Oakville, Conn., vice-president; Mrs. Frank Devine, Waterbury, Conn., secretary, and Harold J. Horan, Waterbury, treasurer.

This year's 26th annual will be Tennessee Association held September 9-10.

Michigan School April 3-4

LANSING, Mich., March 11.-The 4th annual Michigan Fair School will be held in the Hotel Porter here April 3-4, Harry B. Kelley, secretary-treasurer of the Michigan Association of Fairs, announced. Complete program is now being prepared, he said.

Plans Start Rolling

CANANDAIGUA, N. Y., March 11.—After a lapse of a year, Ontario County Agricultural Society will stage a 1950 fair either in late July or early August, according to Charles Fredericksburg Annual

Site of the fair will be the Lawrence Shannon farm. Shannon will lease a 55-acre plot for \$300. He said that fee will be deducted. Converse has named committees to undertake preparation for the fair.

Changes Convention Dates

CHATTANOOGA, March 11.-Dates for the 1950 convention of the Association of Tennessee Fairs, originally skedded here November 10-11, have been changed to November 17-18, Maude H. Atwood, secretary, announced.

This year's confab, the 29th, will be the first in Chattanooga.

Red Bluff Budgets 20G Judging Stand And 85G Grandstand

RED BLUFF, Calif., March 11 .--Approval of a budget to include an \$85,000 grandstand and a \$20,000 judging arena has been given by directors of the Tehama County Fair here. Budget is subject to final approval by the State division of fairs and expositions.

The present wood grandstand, constructed in 1921 and seating 3,200, has been declared obsolete and inade-The proposed grandstand quate. would be of concrete construction to seat 5,000.

Increasing livestock exhibits have made the arena a necessary addition, fair officials said. It would also be Canandaigua Revival used for the annual Hereford cattle sale and show.

Fred C. Pugh, board president, said the grandstand was authorized three years ago by the State division of fairs but the funds, from pari-mutuel betting, have not been forthcoming.

To Cover 10 Counties

FREDERICKSBURG, Va., March 11. — Fredericksburg Agricultural Fair, revived last year on a fourcounty scale, will be expanded to embrace 10 surrounding counties, President J. Eugene Rowell, announced.

Entrants for this year's annual, September 11-16, will include those from the counties of Essex, Culpeper, Orange, Rappahannock, Prince William and Fauquier.

N. H. Group Meets March 21

CONCORD, N. H., March 11 .- The annual meeting of the New Hampshire Association of Agricultural Fairs will be held here Tuesday (21) in the Eagle Hotel. An extensive program covering exhibits and entertainment is planned

Improvem'ts, Names

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., March 11 .- Hoping for a good break in weather to swell attendance figures, directors of the National Orange Show unveiled their 1950 version of the exposition here Thursday (9). Pageant's theme is Once Upon a Time.

Stage shows at 2 and 8 p.m. are being held in the auditorium and feature George Jessel, Ralph Edwards and the following: Kay Starr, March 12; Peggy Lee, March 13; Andy and Della Russell, March 14; Judy Canova, March 14 and 15; Art Linkletter, March 16-17; Bill (Hopalong Cassidy) Boyd, March 18, and the Mills Brothers, March 19.

President Earnest McCook declared that improvements on the grounds include the new \$123,800 steel and concrete building to replace a 700-foot wooden hall destroyed by fire last July and new lighting and parking facilities.

Square Dances Pull At Stafford Springs

HARTFORD, Conn., March 11 .--Square dances are popular with old and young alike at Fairway Hall at Stafford Fairgrounds, according to Clarence Benton.

The dances are held Saturday nights at the hall, which is used as an agriculture and exhibition building during the annual Stafford Springs Fair.

Neff's Old Sawmill Gang, Tolland, Conn., provide the music and call the turns for both square and modern dancing at the hall. Old-time fiddler, Pop Neff, has been playing for square dances in Connecticut for 60 years.

Young Inks Akron Annual

AKRON, March 11. - The Ernie Young Agency, Chicago, has been inked to supply the grandstand attractions at the revived Summit County Fair, July 31-August 6.



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McReavy Signs Baltimore Outdoor Date for H-M Org

Bob Morton, co-owner of the Hamid-Morton Circus, which played the Arena here (6-12), announced today that Vernon L. McReavy, of the H-M promotion staff, had signed the show to play the Baltimore Stadium as an outdoor date the week of June 26. The date, sponsored by the Baltimore Tall Seaters, is new on the H-M schedule.

Morton also announced that Howard Y. Bary had inked Richmond, Va., a repeat date from last year, for the week of June 19. Org will be sponsored by the Richmond Police Association.

Need Sellouts

Show closed its week's stand here Sunday night (12) and needed two sellout crowds the final day to put the H-M org slightly ahead of last year's attendance mark, Morton said.

"Last year we drew 8,000 in the afternoon, but were off at night, drawing only 5,600 persons," Morton said.

Business thru Friday (10) was even with last year's figures, he said. Friday was a big day, the matinee drawing slightly over 8,000 persons, with the night show attracting capacity of 9,000. Ten minutes before show time produced the 20-display program. at night ticket windows were closed.

Act line-up here was the same as

Rumored Dailey Seeks Joe Louis new record.

CINCINNATI, March 12.—A report reaching The Billboard late Saturday had it that Ben Davenport and Harry Hammill, co-owners of the Dailey Bros.' Circus, have been champion under the Dailey banner for the coming season as extra added attraction. circulated around the Sherman Hotel lobby in Chicago last week, Benny Fowler, the show's general agent, left Chicago last night for Gonzales, Tex., the Dailey winter quarters, to be present for the signing of the contract with Louis Monday or Tuesday, depending upon Harry Hammill's return from Mexico City. No details of the deal for Louis's services were mentioned in the rumor. A wire to Ben Davenport at Gonzales seeking confirmation of the rumor failed to elicit a reply up to press time today.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 11 .- | that which started the season, with one exception. Appearing here was Mark Huling and his jumbo seal, which replaced Captain Berg's seal act. Berg appeared this week in Minneapolis, but will rejoin the show in Wichita, Kan., next week.

> Ward Chalks Big **Biz for Sheriffs**

LITTLE ROCK, March 11 .- Indoor circus, sponsored by the Junior Deputy Sheriffs of Pulaski County, closed a successful four-day run in the Robinson Auditorium here Friday (10). Opening matinee, Tuesday (7), attracted a capacity house and the night performance registered a sell-out. Officials said that business was big for the six performances on the subsequent three days.

Ward Bros. Circus, with Co-owners George W. Pughe and Archie Gayer,

Pughe and his staff spent a month here on an intensive publicity program to herald the event which produced good results. The committee, headed by Sheriff Tom Gulley, cooperated and the advance sale of seats, program and banners established a

Big Bill Blomberg was equestrian director. Jack Bell's circus concert band played the show. Fred K. Moulton, press agent, scored heavily with local newspapers and radio stations. Displays, in the order of their presentation dickering with the managers of Joe Louis to bring the ex-heavyweight disk number. No. 3-Dailey Sisters, high trapeze. No. 4-Cloyd Harrison and daughter, Sis, trick bicyclist. No. 5-Aerial Ballet. No. 6-Pony drill, presented by Blomberg. No. 7-Clown number. No. 8-Lew Henderson, According to the rumor, which first flying trapeze. No. 9-George Learch, slack wire. No. 10-Sheik, wonder horse, presented by Ann Sutler. No. 11—Three elephants from Dailey Bros.' Circus, presented by Norma Davenport, No. 12—Clown number, No. 13— Noble Trio, horizontal bar. No. 14-Miss Aerilata (Ethel Jennier). No. 15-Lew Henderson and George Learch, juggling. No. 16-Clown number. No. 17-Felix Morales, Slide for Life. No. 18—Buddy, talking seal, pre-sented by Walter Jennier. No. 19—Gallagher Family, acrobats. No. 20—Liberty Horses, presented by Blomberg. Circus executive staff included, in addition to Pughe and Gayer, R. M. Harvey, general agent; Fred K. Moulton, general publicity director; Jack Bell, musical director; Jack Shaw, superintendent, and W. Curtis Evans, auditor. Promotional directors included Roberta Carter, Richard Birkenback, John A. New-some, William Irwin, D. D. Rhodes, Russell Donnelly and Dick Steitz. Clown alley included Billy Irwin, producing clown; Chick Dales, Charles and Maury Baker and Lew Christie.



W. H. (JACK) PLUMMER At Little Rock Tavlin Signs **Jack Plummer** For Cole Org **To Lead 15-Piece Band**

> LEWISTOWN, Mont., March 11. -W. H. (Jack) Plummer, veteran circus bandsman, has been signed by Jack Tavlin for the Cole Bros.' Circus this season.

> Plummer, who has conducted the Lewistown Elks Band since retiring from show business 11 years ago. will leave for Ojus, Fla., Cole Bros.' winter quarters, March 25 to whip the 15piece band into shape.

> Plummer has been in the circus and concert band field since 1921. From 1924 to 1932 Plummer was with Merle Evans on Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey, and also played with Sells Floto, Cole Bros., Clyde Beatty, Hagenbeck-Wallace and Gollmar Bros.

Chi Holds Up For Polack's Western Unit

Los Angeles Date Changed

CHICAGO, March 11. - Polack Bros.' Western unit, at the half-way mark in its 17-day run here, reported weekday biz holding up well and sellouts assured for all week-end shows.

Louis P. Stern, manager, announced the unit will play Los Angeles in late September rather than August this year, and that a new date, Las Vegas, Nev., has been added for the end of June.

The Chicago stand, set to include three week-ends, got off to a fast start March 3. Full houses were recorded for shows on the first weekend, Stern said, and all tickets will be sold for the three performances each Sunday and two performances each Saturday still to go.

BALTIMORE, March 11.-Contracts have been signed by Boumi Temple for sponsoring Polack Bros.' Eastern unit here November 11-19. Jimmy Rison, of the Polack staff, inked the deal for the fourth consecutive year.

Night shows during the first week have been three-quarter houses or better, surprising in the face of two or three days of exceptionally cold weather.

Kid matinees have been okay. Lightest house in the first half of the run was the matinee Thursday

RB Contracts New Lot in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, March 11 .-Ringling-Barnum circus closed negotiations with Philco Radio & Television Corporation for the right to pitch its tents at Abbottsford Avenue and Fox Street in the Queen Lane section. The property is owned by Philco.

Waldo P. Tupper, general agent for the circus, closed the deal with J. S. Timmons, vice-president in charge of real estate at Philco. William J. Mc-Carder, real estate man, was instrumental in acquiring the site.

The old circus site at 11th Street and Erie Avenue, which had transportation facilities the new spot lacks, was recently sold to Smith, Kline & French Pharmaceutical Company for the building of a plant.

Sarasota Shrine Sponsors

Rogers at One-Day Stand SARASOTA, Fla., March 11 .-Roger Bros.' Circus, sponsored by the Sara Mana Shrine, played a one-day stand here Saturday (4) at Ringling Boulevard and the Atlantic Coast ballet, a dog, pony and monkey circus, Line Railroad tracks.

Acts included Captain Eddie Kuhn's and liberty horses.

N. Y. Again Probes **RB** Cheap Seat Sale 6th RB Divvy Set

NEW YORK, March 11.-In line with last year's policy, Commissioner Edward T. McCaffrey, of this city's Department of Licenses, said this week that sales of moderate-priced circus tickets again will be supervised closely.

He said that he had notified ticket brokers that sales of ducats pegged at \$3.50 or less for matinees and Friday and Saturday night shows must be restricted to the Madison Square Garden box office.

McCaffrey added that before the plan became effective last year there were hundreds of annual complaints from parents who were unable to get tickets for the family at box-office standing bills is not known. prices.

wild animals, Helen Haag's chimps, Frankie Lou Woods' Hollywood aerial trained goats, performing elephants

Bill Rose Dies In Little Rock

LITTLE ROCK, March 11 .- William K. Rose, 44, press agent for Cole Bros'. and Dailey Bros.' circuses at various times and a veteran police reporter for The Arkansas Democrat, died in his room at the Capital Hotel here Sunday (5) of a heart ailment. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Mary Sloan Rose, Little Rock; a step-daughter, Mary, Little Rock, and his mother, Mrs. Bell Kell Boynton, Fayetteville, Ark.

Funeral services were held here Monday (6), with burial in Evergreen Cemetery, Fayetteville.

During his years on The Democrat, Rose took leaves of absence on several occasions to serve as press agent for the circuses.

For Fire Victims

HARTFORD, Conn., March 11 .--Another dividend, the sixth, will be paid to victims of the 1944 circus fire here shortly after Friday (31), the end of the circus fiscal year, it was announced by Attorney Edward S. Rogin, receiver for Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Combined Shows, Inc.

Rogin said the amount of the payment will depend largely upon expenses incurred by the circus during its winter Sarasota, Fla., stay. He added that the circus has \$392,000 available in cash, but the total of out-

About \$660,000 still must be paid to the estates of the 168 persons who died in the fire and to the hundreds injured.

The last dividend, paid in December, amounted to \$200,000. It brought to 821/2 per cent the payments on the original \$4,000,000 in claims.

(9).

Performers went to the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children Monday (6) and will go to Vaughn General Hospital Monday (13) for special shows. No matinees are given Mondays.

The Los Angeles dates will be September 27 thru October 3. Reason for the change is conflict with dates for the national convention of Shriners in L. A.

RB Thumpers Prep Gotham Campaign; **Two Staffers Added**

NEW YORK, March 11.-Roland Butler and his Ringling circus tubthumping crew are due to arrive here Monday (13) from Sarasota. The launching of the initial publicity barrages will be timed for the Sunday (19) editions.

Veterans Allan Lester and Frank Braden, storymen, are back on the staff, along with Bill Fields, wellknown Broadway legit representative, who will again handle special assignments here for the show.

New crew members are H. A. Clarke, who will handle the contracting chores, and Arthur Cantor, who received his tutelage under Fields. Cantor will work the big towns in the East and may fill in on the road. Butler and staff will again work from the Piccadilly Hotel.

Tomorrow's (12) advance sale ads will omit listing \$4.50 ducats, an indication that the demand for this popular middle-priced bracket needs no further stimulus. Altho the wartime inaugurated \$6 top continues, the first week's sales indicated that customers would pay the levy sans squawks.

Members of the foster home committee of the Children's Aid Society have taken over the performances for the night of April 18 and the afternoon of April 21, instead of the single matinee performance that had been announced for April 14.





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50G Fire Loss Injunction Asked At Ramagosa's Wild'wd Spot

Cigarette Believed Cause

WILDWOOD, N. J., March 11.general alarm fire early Friday morning wrecked a section of Casino Arcade Park, Boardwalk amusement center. Loss was estimated at \$50,-000 by Gilbert Ramagosa, general manager of the Arcade and son of the owner, S. B. Ramagosa.

The blaze was discovered by a watchman in the Kentucky Derby amusement parlor. For a time windblown sparks threatened to set fire to Hunt's Star Light Ballroom opposite the amusement center, but dousings by firemen prevented damage.

Flamers also damaged the candy shop of David Silver and another store and spread to the rear where renovations were being made for a Howard Johnson restaurant scheduled to open this summer.

Other amusement devices in the Arcade, valued at thousands of dollars, were saved. Firemen believe the blaze may have been started by a discarded cigarette.

Schererville, Ind., **To Get Kiddieland**

SCHERERVILLE, Ind., March 11 .-Frank John Souzer will open a Kiddieland here, May 1, on a 15acre tract at the intersection of highways 30 and 41.

As a starter, Souzer says he will have a Parker Merry-Go-Round, a Miniature Train, purchased from Miniature Train & Railroad, Renssalaer, Ind., and a Miniature Struct Car, purchased from Mickey Doolan, Chicago Kiddieland operator.

Arthur and Anne Fritz Request Exclusive on Kiddieland Name

Anne Fritz, owners of Kiddieland reputation." in Melrose Park, Chicago suburb, seek to restrain two other local amusement park owners from using the name.

The Fritzes filed suit in Superior Court here asking an injunction. Named defendants are Louis Klatzco, owner of Hollywood Kiddieland in Lincolnwood, and Michael (Mickey) Doolan, owner of Green Oaks Kiddyland in Oak Lawn.

The Fritzes assert they have spent large sums over a 13-year period advertising their park as Kiddieland. "The name has become a symbol for a children's amusement park and is identified in the minds of a substantial number of the public with the plaintiff's park," the petition for the Merry-Go-Round, Chairplane and injunction states.

The suit also charges the other two operators adopted a similar name

J. Reddington Joins **Staff at Flint Spot**

FLINT, Mich., March 11.-Louis H. Firestone, president and general manager of Flint Park & Amusement Company, announced this week that John Reddington, formerly with Kennywood Park, Pittsburgh, has been engaged to head the picnic and promotion staff at Flint Park. Firestone says that workmen at the Flint funspot are concentrating on new fronts for the various attractions.

Firestone recently returned here from a four-week vacation jaunt to that for a time threatened the entire Los Angeles, where he spent considerable time with his friend, Bob Hope. He also made a trip to Washington recently with other members of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools & Beaches to seek relief for park operators from the government excise tax. Firestone says he is of the opinion that tax relief is in sight.

CHICAGO, March 11.-Arthur and deliberately "to profit by the Fritz's

Klatzco, captain of the Fillmore Street police station here, denied he had a financial interest in the park and said it was owned by his two sons, his wife and sister-in-law.

Indian Point Pacts 3 Frederick Rides

PEEKSKILL, N. Y., March 11 .--Harold Frederick, operator at Indian Point Park here since 1933, last week was the first concessionaire to ink a 1950 contract with the new park management, E. D. Kelmans general manager, said.

Frederick, who will operate the Caterpillar, planed in from Florida, where he operates the Marine Gardens at Clearwater, to sign the contract.

The late Harold A. Frederick, father of the Indian Point operator, put the family in show business and was widely known for production work in the legit theater.

Indian Point, being readied as a complete amusement center for the first time, is slated to open Saturday, May 20. Special parties, assuring attendance of more than 10,000, have been booked for that week-end, Kelmans said.

Vancouver Funspot Dancery Suffers 15G Damage in Fire

VANCOUVER, March 11. - Fire, structure, caused damaged estimated at \$15,000 to Exhibition Park's 180foot Happyland dance pavilion here Wednesday (1). The \$40,000 structure, scheduled to open April 1, will be repaired and, it is hoped, will be ready for the opening deadline, L. C. Thomas, president of Pacific Coast Amusement Company, ballroom operators, announced.

Carroll Sets April 1 Preem At Riverside

Refurbishing Contracted

AGAWAM, Mass., March 11.—Barring a late blizzard, Riverside Park here will open Saturday, April 1, for the 1950 season, according to park prexy Eddie Carroll.

Riverside has been planning inaugurals early in April for several years, but this season's unveiling will be the earliest on record.

Carroll intends to introduce a new wrinkle in park maintenance this season. Instead of using his own construction crew the park head has a pact with one of the largest contracting concerns in Springfield to handle the pre-opening refurbishing, the inseason work and stand-by duties in case of emergencies. A crew already is working on some 50 minor projects in preparation for the opening.

A contract has been signed with the United Stock Car Association, the org that conducted the race track end of the park program last year. The stock model speedsters will swirl into action on the opening date and will be skedded for every Saturday night of the season. Carroll expects to add a second mid-week night in order to introduce another type of racing about the middle of May.

The United group also will handle racing for Carroll at Savin Rock Park, West Haven, Conn., with a May opening slated.

Roller Coaster at Arnolds Funspot To Be Torn Down

SPIRIT LAKE, La., March 11 .--

N. J. Senate Okays **Bathing Beach Fees**

TRENTON, March 11.—New Jersey Senate this week approved a bill to give State sanction to bathing beach charges in seashore communities, with the measure applying to municipalities in Atlantic, Ocean, Monmouth and Cape May counties.

Senator Mathis, of Ocean County, sponsor of the bill, said it was designed to give coastal communities revenue to pay for policing and maintaining beaches.

300 Conclaves Set for A. C.

ATLANTIC CITY, March 11.-The 300 conventions scheduled here for 1950 represent a potential of about 250,000 visitors and an estimated spending total of \$22,000,000 according to Daniel J. Moltz, assistant manager of the Atlantic City Convention Bureau. Moltz based his cash take estimate on an average figure of \$22 per person per day for 4 days.

Calgary Zoo Draws 400,000

CALGARY, Alta., March 11.-Approximately 400,000 persons visited the Calgary Zoo in 1949, A. M. Van Ostrand, president of the Calgary Zoological Society, reported at the annual meeting. Receipts totaled \$25,740, double those of 1948. Expenditures, including \$20,300 for construction, were \$26,880.

A&D Line Names J. Hoppin

DETROIT, March 11. - John H. Hoppin, former press agent, has been named assistant general manager of the Ashley and Dustin Steam Line, which is taking over Tashmoo Park for active operation again this summer.

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750-Foot Pier for Va. Beach

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va., March 11. —A 750-foot fishing and amusement pier has been constructed in front of Casino Park and will be ready for operation this summer. The pier will feature a restaurant, while fishing facilities will be installed on its Tlot will be laid out at the entrance.

Blaze Razes Rockaway Inn

NEW YORK, March 11 .- An early morning fire March 4 destroyed White Cannon Inn, a landmark at East Rockaway, L. I. The one-story frame structure had been operating as a dine and dance spot under the ownershaped end. A 300-car auto parking ship of Louis and Joseph Calabria, North Lawrence, L. I.

The Roller Coaster, known as the Thriller, one of the landmarks at Arnolds Park here, will be torn down, Ike Lawler, park owner, announces. The Coaster was erected in 1912 by Dr. A. L. Peck. It continued in operation until 1930 when it was replaced by the present structure.

Lawler reported that plans for the ride's replacement are in the formative stage.

Vancouver Zoo Enlarged

VANCOUVER, March 11 .- Population of Stanley Park Zoo will be increased this year to include deer, elk, lynx, cougar, beaver and muskrat. Plans have been worked out with the University of British Columbia zoology department to obtain the animals at little cost.

New England Spot Sets Bow

BIRMINGHAM, England, March 11 .- John Collins, outdoor showman, is opening a new amusement park in the Lickey Hills section here on Easter week-end.

Former NWA Pilot **Plans Kiddieland** In Richfield, Minn.

RICHFIELD, Minn., March 11 .--Jimmy Rae, who resigned January 15 as a pilot for the Northwest Airlines, plans to open a Kiddieland here this spring. Already purchased are a Miniature Train, from Miniature Train & Railroad Company, Rensselaer, Ind., and a Sky Fighter, from the Allan Herschell Company.

Rae says he is negotiating with Train concession at Myrtle Beach S. C. He's toying with the idea of playing fairs with a portable train this year. Rae also will emsee one of Ernie Young's revues.

See Turnout of 250 at N. E. Huddle; To Probe Problems

vance reservations for the 22d annual convention of the new England Association of Amusement Parks and Beaches, to be held March 22 in the Parker House, Boston indicate a turnout of about 250 showmen to hear open discussions on a variety of subjects of interest to the trade, it was announced by Fred L. Markey, secretary.

Altho the association is a sectional group, park and beach men from other areas of the country are invited, said Markey. "In fact, notices of the S. Haney, Rocky Point Park, Warmeeting have been sent to all New England operators and many in ad- England, a color movie by the Bosjoining States."

with greeting from Gov. Paul A. Henry G. Bowen, Whalom Park, Sherman Husted for the Minature Dever, of Massachusetts, and a Fitchburg, Mass. message from Paul H. Hudepohl, secretary of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and by the annual banquet and entertain-Beaches, to be followed by a report ment in the Roof Ballroom at 7:15.

EXETER, N. H., March 11 .- Ad-| on the New England group's activities by Julian H. Norton, association president.

The program of addresses includes: Is the Startling Mortality in the Restaurant Field Necessary?, Charles W. Alexander, Howard Johnson Company: Park and Beach Advertising and Publicity, Melvin F. Summerfield, Franklin Advertising Service; The Outlook for Admission Tax Relief, Edward J. Carroll, Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass.; Picnics, Paul wick Neck, R. I.; Summer in New ton & Maine Railroad and New The afternoon session will open Minimum Wage and Hour Legislation,

At 5 p.m. there will be a reception in the Roof Lounge, to be followed



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Plans call for a total expenditure of \$300,000. Included in the 20-ride line-up will be a large Merry-Go-Round and a Kiddie Coaster, the latter to be built by Charles Paige, of the National Amusement Device Company, Dayton, O.

Food and drink concessions will be operated by Doolan, but a large drivein refreshment stand, to be built on the triangle corner of the grounds, will be leased.

Doolan inferred he would have associates in the deal, altho they were not named. He said he will continue to manage his Chicago operation in the summer, with one of his associates here heading the Los Angeles operation for the same period.

Doolan started his Chicago operation at 95th and Crawford three years ago and in that time the spot has grown from a three-ride layout to 13, and the financial statement shows it to be one of the country's best money-makers. The Doolan operation in Chicago spans about 41/2 months, opening May 1 and closing TENAFLY, N. J. the Sunday following Labor Day.



Earmark \$400,000 For Marsalis Zoo

DALLAS, March 11. - City park improvements here in the next $2\frac{1}{2}$ years will total \$1,200,000. Marsalis Zoo work, costing \$400,000, heads the list.

Park Director L. B. Houston said zoo improvements have lagged behind standards which zoo collection, attendance and interest justify. Improvements planned are a new zoo entrance, paving and modern animal enclosures.

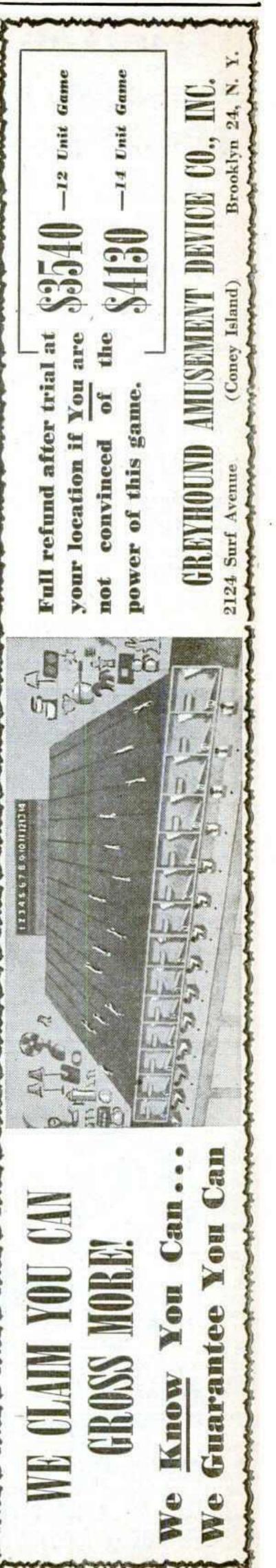
Immediate improvement plans in other parks include baseball diamond lighting, lighted and hard-surfaced play areas, comfort stations, lighted picnic areas and other work. Later, improvements will be made in 42 of the city's 78 parks.

Out of \$2,500,000 in park bonds voted in 1945, \$1,740,000 is still available. The park board will ask city council to sell \$1,200,000.

Flashbacks

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charge of the remainder of the Hagenbeck-Wallace elephants at Louis Goebel's Lion Farm near Hollywood..., Eastern Oregon Livestock Show at Union re-elected Herb Chandler, president, and named G. I. Hess, vice-president; Toy Smith, secretary, and Lester Bramwell, treasurer. . . . Edward J. Carroll, owner of Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass., named Vernon A. Trigger park superintendent. . . . Robert E. Hickey resigned his publicity director's post with Amusement Corporation of





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REDONDO BEACH, Calif., March 11.—Plans for major changes at Redondo Beach here, to return it to a place in the upper bracket of amusement parks in the nation, are under way.

The Mohr brothers, of the South Bay Amusement Company, already have a promotion campaign under way to attract top concessionaires to the California spot, and Meyer Simon, owner of the property, and his maneger, Jerry Berge, report a drive will be made for additional rides, exhibits and concessions.

Bond Issue Talked

Simon also said preliminary talks already have taken place with the city council, relative to floating a \$50,000 bond issue to rebuild the plunge. Talks to date, he said, have been favorable.

All three tanks of the old plunge, built by the Pacific Electric Railway to attract visitors to Redondo around the turn of the century, are intact. At present, part of the Kiddieland is located on the old plunge site but could be moved to the opposite end of the waterfront_

In an effort to hypo attendance at the Mandarin Ballroom, which features both Western and Latin bands, a free admish policy has been in-augurated. Concessionaires in the ballroom derive the only revenue at present, according to Berge.

Fox Promotes Kids

Another promotion centers on the Kiddieland, operated by Ed Fox. This is the awarding of \$50 merchandise



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\$1,000 in Loot **Offered** by N.Y. **Queen** Contest

NEW YORK, March 11 .- Over \$1,000 in prizes, including a Furness Line luxury cruise to Bermuda, was announced this week for the 1950 (10th annual) Skate Queen contest at Empire Rollerdrome, Brooklyn. Eliminations have been scheduled for Saturday evening, April 22, and finals for the following Saturday. The New York Journal American skating feature and Empire's management are co-sponsors.

Any girl, single or married, who is 15 years or over and who has never been a professional skater, model or actress is eligible. Girls may come from anywhere, but they must be present for eliminations and, if selected, for the finals. Skating skill will not be judged, but all contestants must appear on rollers for the event. Points will be given for charm, beauty and all-round attractiveness. A panel of beauty experts will do the picking.

Twenty girls will share in the prizes, which will include a pair of Chicago precision skates with Hyde Betty Lytle boots, 12 Chicago-Hyde ball-bearing outfits, 7 Benrus wrist watches, bouquets, the John T. Swanson Memorial Trophy and certificates for 75 finalists.

Varsity Polio Show **Draws Good Gate**

DETROIT, March 11 .- A near-capacity house for opening night and a two-thirds house the second night greeted the recent March of Dimes benefit show staged by Varsity Gardens Roller Rink here, operated by Walter E. Sutphen. The show drew a sizable turnout of champion skaters from near-by towns, plus a busload of 50 from the Diamond Club, London, Ont. The Junior Figure Skating Club and the Varsity Gardens Figure Club appeared in the show, together with skaters from other rinks. Featured individual numbers were a dance by Gail Locke and Tom Jones, of the Arcadia club; Nancy Lee Parker, national senior ladies' champion, who repeated her performance for the benefit of the Diamond club group, who arrived late; accordion solos by Eugene A. Kulesza and Tony Orlando; rope spinning by Harold Sutton and Company, and songs by Gail White. Varsity skaters were Gene Cerankowski, Barbara Walsh, Tom Pough, Dora Kiefer, Jim Abbotts, Marion Wuest, Terry Bolik and Joy Robb. Mount Clemens (Mich.) Arena presented numbers by Mickey King and Bob Thompson, Mary Shaw and Mickey Dunn, Betty Passatt, a circle polka by Eberts and Edwin Scruginges, and free style by Ronnie Riedel. Pontiac (Mich.) Rolladium was represented by Laurine Anselmy, Paul Lampkin, Gail Locke and Tom Jones. The event was also staged as a birthday celebration for Miss Locke, A special number was presented by members of a local dance school. Show was directed by Stanley Walsh.

Operation Deal for M'w'kee Fair Plant

MILWAUKEE, March 11,-Negotiations were concluded recently between Jack Reynolds, director of Wisconsin State Fair, and John Tomich and Engene Zinser, rink operators, for a contract to operate an outdoor roller rink on the fairgrounds at it out of the home. near-by West Allis.

Zinser and Tomich formerly operated a portable at Highway 100 and Greenfield Avenue, which met frankly worried. Walter Brown, Boswith disaster last season when a windstorm demolished it.

Both men have been in the rink nothing we can do about it." business on a part time basis while holding down therapy jobs with the Veterans' Administration Hospital at Wood, Wis. Tomich is sports director for the vets, while Zinser has charge of recreational activities. The rink will measure 135 by 55 feet. Agreement calls for 20 per cent of grosses going to the fair board. Opening date is May 20 to coincide with opening of the fairgrounds. Plans call for ballyhoo via radio spots and ads in daily and high school papers to boost the opening.

2 Mineola Pros **Gold Medalists**

MINEOLA, N. Y., March 11.-Two Mineola professionals, Mrs. Jean White Van Horn, wife of co-owner Earl Van Horn, and Mrs. Louise Campbell Slover, instructuress, were the only passers in gold medal skatedance proficiency tests conducted February 26 by the USARSA at Staten Island Rolladium, New Dorp. Tests were fifth in the group's history. 21 debut of roller racing in the Rolla-There were 15 takers, many of whom | torium here, reports Manager Paul J. passed one or more dances to be Gilbert. More than 50 skaters, reprebanked for future credit. The following amateurs passed silver proficiencies tests conducted by the USARSA Saturday (25) and Monday (27) at the Paramus, N. J., and Mineola rinks, respectively: Leon Gold and Grace Nash, Paramus; Olive Beiger, Jerry Brennan, Monte Jiran, Geraldine Newland, Kurt Pfortner and Margie Schmidt, Mineola.

Tomich, Zinser Set Icery Ops Chilled by Tele; **Gloom Thick at Hub Huddle**

hurting the gates of sports promotions, and the promoters are at their wits' end as to what to do about it. They can keep video out of their arenas, rinks and parks, but they can't keep

Ice rink owners from all over the U. S. and Canada, who closed a twoday convention here February 21, are ton Garden president, who is head of the rink operators, said, "There is

The 25 rink operators, among whom were Charlie Cord, of Los Angeles; Frank Selke, Montreal and Cincinnati, and John Harris, Pittsburgh, son of the Pittsburgh theatrical man who owned the Boston Braves years ago, felt that television is hurting sports promotion unlike radio, which, they say, helped it.

Consensus was that it is not the televising of sports themselves that keeps people home—but television itself. This was borne out by the report that sports promoting is off everywhere; but better in the West than the East, and better in Canada than in the U.S.

In the meantime, Boston movie theater interests, busy fighting the 20 per cent tax, were hoping that elimination of the tax would bring more

Racing at Stockton **Draws Packed House**

STOCKTON, Calif., March 11 .- A packed house greeted the February senting California's Stockton, Franklin and Merced skating clubs, took part in solo and team -(three-people relays) races for men and women in senior and junior divisions. Based on a scorin { system of 30 points for first; 20, second, and 10, third, Stockton came out on top with 1,070, followed by Franklin, 530, and Merced, 210. Medals were awarded to first, second and third-place winners, along with a pair of precision skates to the man and woman making the highest individual scores in the series. Since organization a few weeks ago the Stockton Junior Skating Club has grown to 97 members and the senior club to 50, said Gilbert. He also reported that February business for the Rollatorium showed an increase over January.

BOSTON, March 11.-Television is people into their theaters, where attendance is off, altho the some 200,-000 video sets in the Hub listening area are being added to daily at a rapid rate.

All Boston sports promoters are agreed that video is out of their attractions, claiming it definitely hurts the gate. On the other hand, neither the Boston Braves nor the Boston Red Sox suffered any lack of attendance thruout their season, which was televised.

TV blues have already gripped the night club, bar and cafe segments of the amusement industry, but neighborhood movie houses have it the worst of all.

Paterson Club **Benefit Party Nudges Record**

PATERSON, N. J., March 11.-Not since the 1948 opening of Paterson Recreation Center under the America on Wheels banner has the rollery hosted a crowd that compared in size to the turnout for the club benefit party held February 26. Receipts from the rink's second largest crowd, said AOW General Manager William Schmitz, will be used to purchase club racing uniforms and send members to the 1950 national championships of the USARSA in Pasadena, Calif.

Impetus for the huge success was supplied by Manager Walter Trotter and William Lawless, Paterson racing coach, who sold local newspapers on the potential the skating club has for bringing honors to Paterson in the 1950 contests. The result was that newspapers got squarely behind the promotion, publicity-wise, and merchants donated prizes, which local papers likewise publicized. The party program included a waltz contest and several races. Prizes were distributed periodically thruout the evening to ticket holders and winners of games. List of prizes included corsages, bouquets, opera glasses, football, sneakers, bracelet, skating trophies, luggage, bowling shoes, an ice cream cake, photo portraits, skating medals, 25 crates of fruit, precision wheels, cuff links, Eversharp pen, cartons of cigarettes, 10 pounds of meat, four tires, camera, candy, glasses, neckties, watch band, motor oil, compact, fruit basket, theater passes, 100 pounds of potatoes, \$5 in cash, hair tonic and eight photos.



Milton Hinchcliffe Succumbs in Elmont

NEW YORK, March 11 .- Rink operators the nation over were saddened last week by news of the passing of Milton Hinchcliffe, 65, who with his brother, Bertram, had founded Wal-Cliffe Rollerdrome in Elmont, L. I., and operated it for many years. Hinchcliffe, former chairman of the metropolitan RSROA group and national officer of the association, died Sunday (5).

Services were held Tuesday in Queens Village, with interment on Wednesday at Nassau Knolls Memorial Park, Port Washington, L. I.

Western Night at Mineola

MINEOLA, N. Y., March 11 .--"Frontier Night," a new type of party, will be introduced to Mineola Rink skaters March 15 by operator Van Horn. Among the special attractions will be games of the old West and prizes for the funniest cowboy and cowgirl costumes. Proceeds of the March 7 night's operation was donated to the March of Dimes. There were skating exhibitions by members of the figure skating club, and Glen Brown and His San Su San Orchestra were at the rink to play for dancing during the session.

A conga contest has been set by members of the New England chapter, RSROA. Eliminations will pick the two best teams at each rink to meet in finals.



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Honor Roll

MEDFORD, Mass., March 11. -An "Honor Roll Guest Plan," designed as an attendance hypo, has been inaugurated at Fred H. Freeman's Bal-A-Rue Rollerway here. Each night the rink staff distributes 25 cards among skaters, requesting them to fill out the card and turn it into the office. The following day the skaters' names, each of which is numbered, appears on the Guest Honor Roll, permitting them to participate in the plan. The staff then draws some of the skaters' numbers for a daily guest list, which is posted. Skaters whose number is drawn are permitted to skate the number of nights specified for the price of admission tax, provided they are in attendance the day the list is posted.

Mich. Rollercade Lifts the Curtain

HASLETT, Mich., March 11.-A grand opening was held here Friday and Saturday (3-4) at the Rollercade, affiliated with Lake Lansing Amusement Park, to acquaint skaters in the area with its new manager, Jim Southern, and to let them know that important changes have been made in Rollercade policies.

Workmen recently transformed the rink with extensive repairs, rebuilding, and redecorating thruout.

A children's matinee was held Saturday. Door prizes were given away both nights. New shoe skates have been stocked. Rollercade will operate on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Stratford Long Beach Club Host to New England Meet

Mineola 'Dimes' Philly Palace Polio Night Nets \$500

MINEOLA, L. I., March 11.-Entire proceeds, over \$500, from a benefit held Tuesday (7) at Mineola Roller Rink, have been turned over to the March of Dimes by operators Harry Bickmeyer and Earl Van Horn. With no increase in admission, the big affair included public skating from 7:30 p.m. to 10; roller exhibitions until 10, and ballroom dancing to a live orchestra from 11 until after midnight.

The exhibition pertion of the program included bits by professionals Donald Mounce and the George Werner-Gladys Werner gold medal team; comedy numbers by Cammy Ward and Don Boyd. and artistic skating by national champions Charles Irwin. Gladys Ward and June Henrich. Also on the program was a waltz number by Charles Lowe and Wilhelmina Stuchel.

Fred Murree Dies In Philly Hospital

PHILADELPHIA, March 11.—Fred (Bright Star) Murre = nationally known Pawnee Indian exhibition roller skater and former rink manager, died March 6 in Lankenau Hospital here after an illness. He had managed roller skating establishments in many parts of the country, including rinks in Reading, Boyertown, Gettysburg and York, Pa.

Murree remained active in the roller skating field until his retirement seven years ago. His last exhibition was in Detroit in 1943. He served in World War I and was a member of the Lawrence Delaney American Legion Post here. He is survived by his widow, Katharine. Services were held here March 8,

Revue Snares \$200

PHILADELPHIA, March 11-Crystal Palace Roller Rink here, operated by Arthur Litzenberger and Mary K. Haller, staged a March of Dimes party January 30 which netted the polio campaign \$200. The entire gate receipts that night were donated to the drive. Skaters supplied costumes at their own expense. General skating sessions preceded and followed an 80minute amateur skating show. The revue, opened with an overture by organist Ray Hottinger, offered:

Junior Crystal Skaters-Patsy Rose, Joan Hamell, Margie Schubert, Patsy Rudisill, Ellen Buchanan, Ruth Haines, Rose Thornton, Shirley Ryan, Judy Fearnsides, Jean Venuto, Ritchie Gowan and Marge Corcoran; tango, Mary Buranobsky and James Johnson; novelty pair, Herbert Filson and Robert Murphy; juvenile free-style, Penny Hines and Ronald Davidheiser; dance interpretations, Shirley Webster and Robert Murphy; free-style versions, Delores Steck and Mary Holgate, with comedy by Mickey Mallon and John Rangnow; stilt skating, Dan Glavis, Bob Smith and Shirley Franks; 14-step, Jean Albert, Herbert Filson, Shirley Webster, Robert Murphy, Loretta Steck, Joseph Hayden, Mary Buranobsky and James Johnson; juvenile free-style pair, Benny Heimes and Roland Davidheiser; "Practice Makes Perfect," Margie Schubert, Rose Thornton, Ruth Haines, Joan Hamell and James Johnson; comedy interpretations, John Rangnow and Mickey Mallon; free style routines, Mary Buranobsky and James Johnson, and the finale.

Shore Drome's Polio Campaign Nets \$913

NEPTUNE, N. J., March 11 .- The management of Shore Roller Drome here announces that its skaters have completed a drive for the March of Dimes campaign, with \$913 turned over to Victor J. Brown, chairman of the RSROA polio campaign.

Three events will occupy skaters' attention for the next two and a half months. On April 9 night two club members will be married on skates at the rink. The following week, April 16 and 17, the rink will play host to New Jersey championships of the RSROA. Then skaters will begin preparations for competition in The New York Daily News Roller Skating Carnival to be held May 24 at Madison Square Garden, New York.



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STRATFORD, Conn., March 11 .--Long Beach Skating Club was host to inter-club dance competitions of the New England Skating Association February 19 at Ernie's Skating Arena here.

Winners: Intermediate collegiate, Phyllis Decker and Stephen Hoffman; George Miller and Nancy Pease; Marshall Ddyer and Barbara Bauthier, Worchester, Mass. Seniors, Charles Dannenberg and Elizabeth Honey Stratford; James Bouchard and Nadine Smith, Bridgeport. Junior twelve step, Peter Sennah and Beverly Sawa; Paul Emmons and Betty Urber, all of Worchester. Novice country polks, Arnold Record and Shirley LaMountain, Maria Gabrialla and Richard Stowell; Thomas Blunt and Patricia Germaine, all of Worcester. Junior Mohawk waltz, John Stople and Dorothea Shea; John Bley and Albina Mazgelia; Donald Turesky and Beatrice Ferriere, all of Worcester.

Judges were Doris and Al Dahl, Elizabeth, N. J., and William Weicker, Bayonne, N. J. Referee was George Oram, Worcester; tabulator, Donald Decker, Bridgeport, and emsee, Don Glassberg, Worcester. Next meet is scheduled for March in Worcester.

"Skating Annual" Off Press

NEW YORK, March 11 .- With distribution of his 1950 Roller Skating Annual nearing completion, editor Bill Love announces that he will send a complimentary copy to any rink operator or manager who has not already received one or who desires an additional book. Send request to Bill Love, Skating Editor, New York Journal American, 220 South Street, New



with interment in Beverly (N. J.) National Cemetery.

Chi Oldtimers' Party Draws

CHICAGO, March 11.-There was a large turnout of skaters for the recent anniversary party of the Oldtimers' Roller Skating Club of Chicago at Madison Gardens Rink, reattending were Mr. Best, 81 years old; Al Reiman, club president; Vic Frasch, Riverview Rink, Chicago; Joe Laurey, former champ distance skater, and Fred Schure, Wilmington (Ill.) Rink. There were door prizes and awards for racing and waltz and graceful skating contests.

Chicago Blind Get Swank Aid

CHICAGO, March 11. - Swank Roller Rink is numbered among local rinks that have been offering roller skating to the blind and other physically handicapped people, according to Elmer Byrnes, co-owner of the rink with Eddie Murphy. Byrnes reports that Swank Rink has been admitting free blind skaters and has supplied partners for them. It also has admitted one-legged skaters who moved about the floor with the aid of a crutch or skating partner.

Ventnor Holds 'Dimes' Event

VENTNOR, N. J., March 11 .- A roller skating party and exhibition was staged February 25 by Ventnor Athletic Center Rink for the benefit of the March of Dimes. The affair started at 7:30 p.m., with a skating session. From 9:30 to 10:30 the rink presented an exhibition of dance skating, free-style routines and racing, with a general session following. New Jersey speed champions Barbara Smith, novice, and Julia Boone, senior, appeared.

Ed Curtin, doorman at Bal-A-Roue Rollerway Medford, Mass., is out of the hospital and convalescing. А large crowd attended the rink's February 14 Valentine party. Prizes were awarded for costumes.

Kiddie Trade Up for Milam WASHINGTON, Pa., March 11 .-ports Bill Henning. Among those Despite the coal strike, business remained good for Cecil Milam at his Arena Recreation Center here. Patrons have been coming to roller skate, even tho they don't spend too much on refreshments, Milam said. Children's business has shown a good increase. "I think we are beginning to get the war babies," Milam comments. "The young crowds looks good for the future."

Dance Contests Aid Padula

BROOKLYN, March 11.-Weekly skate-dance contests, each a complete event with trophies, are proving a substantial hypo to Sunday night business at Park Circle Rollerdrome, operator Vincent Padula reports. Simple dances are scheduled with every RSROA amateur eligible. Twenty couples (40 admissions) comprise the average entry, with many extra skaters and spectators turning out to watch.

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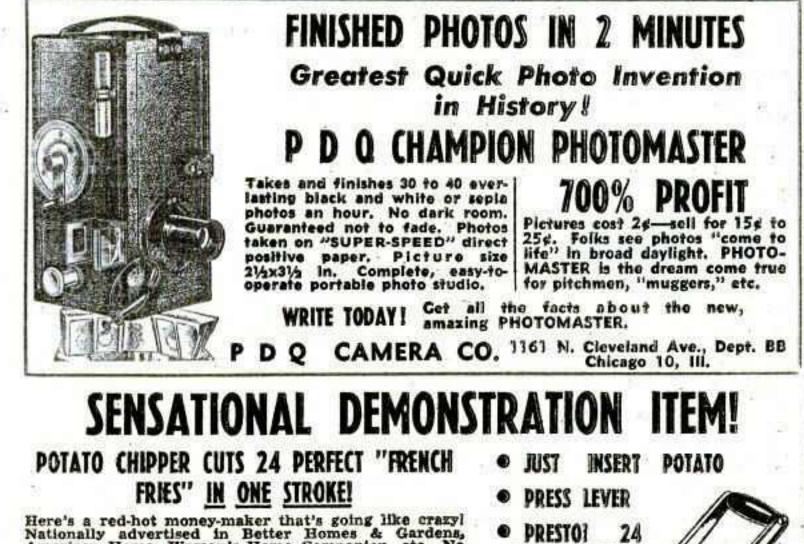
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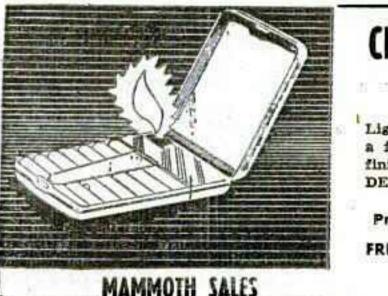
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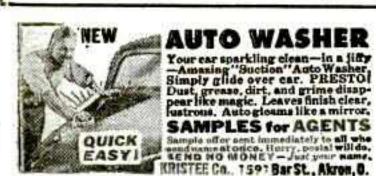
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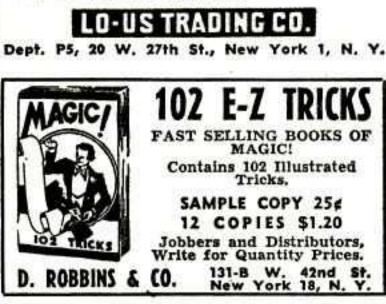
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CHIEF GRAY FOX ...

cards from Ruskin, Fla., that all the tripes and keister lads there are making preparations for the trek back north. "Since my oldest daughter, Gaynell, is to be married soon, I suppose I'll have to be looking around for another singer," the Chief adds.

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CURLEY MILLER'S ...

med show is reported to be playing Florida spots to good long green counts. His stand at Bradenton proved a red one.

"HERE'S A LINE . .

from the Mardi Gras," letters Morris Kahntroff from Mobile, Ala. "At least that's what they call this celebration. One party tried to tie-up the city and made it rough for many of us. At any rate, I obtained a lot of garbage for my efforts. Dave Lombaise had a small store in operation and played a blank here. Horseback Meyers had a spread on Broad Street and I had a spot on Broad coming here to work if you are a store and Springhill streets. It really got demonstrator or pitchman. tough when some of the children

began selling confetti for 5 cents a bag and others passed it out at two bags for a nickel. Let's have some pipes from Hi Hightower, Harry Maiers, Bennie Gross and Nate Golden. I'm going back to the pitch game. I've still got the suitcase that handled loads of gelt. We could use some pipes from Smith and Haulstead, Dr. Duncan and Doc Hall. I'm headed for Florida where I will remain until May."

JACK O'DAY ...

is reported to be getting good long-green counts with the Kwiki-Pi slicers in Bridgeport, Conn.

DUKE GREENLEAF . .

currently working for A. L. Clark, ace sock purveyor, is looking forward to renewing acquaintances with Chester and Mildred Feverston at Poplar Bluff, Mo., where he and Clark are getting their pitch lined up for summer business. Duke says that he'd like to read pipes here from Slim Rhodes, Doc DeMills, Doc Whitaker and F. E. Bennett. He adds that he hopes the Mississippi Kid has recovered from his recent illness.

MARGIE MUNITZ ...

is reported to be doing well with the Kwiki-Pi sets at the S. S. Kresge store, Lincoln, Neb.

I ROFESSOR GOLDEN . . comes thru with the following from Chicago: "Don't take a chance on

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Dave Rose Cites New Orleans Mayor as Champion of Justice

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in dozen

Mardi Gras, which is the final day, State investigators decided to enforce a State law requiring peddlers to pay a \$50 license fee in order to be able to peddle or sell their wares. This sudden step was rapped by Mayor Morrison.

"In one local paper he was quoted as saying, 'It is difficult to understand why a 16-year-old law, unjust and discriminatory, is suddenly enforced for the first time in New Orleans against persons who do not have the means to defend themselves. I maintain that taxing away a poor peddler's entire earning is not my idea of justice. This whole affair smacks of disregard by the State of the rights of the little man to earn an honest living. Certainly this is preferable to having then. live on public welfare at the taxpayer's expense.' "I have pitched and peddled for many years and never before in all my travels have I known a greater champion of justice. In another newspaper article the mayor said: 'These vendors have been selling souvenirs for many years under the authority of a city vendor's permit. The State never before has attempted to impose this license or to seize merchandise or threaten these vendors. Nor has the State revenue department notified the mayor's permit office of its intentions to do so. It seems strange that if local merchants were complaining about street vendors, as the State men claimed, that such complaints were not received at city hall or by the police department. There has been no imposition of the State license law at State fairs or carnivals in other cities in our State. We consider this tax oppressive since the poor vendors will hardly earn as much as the tax. We consider its enforcement an imposition and discriminatory and therefore illegal. Vendors are being interviewed for any evidence of coercion or possible shakedown.'

"The mayor's fight resulted in no one paying \$50 for a reader. An agreement was reached and everyone worked without being molested."



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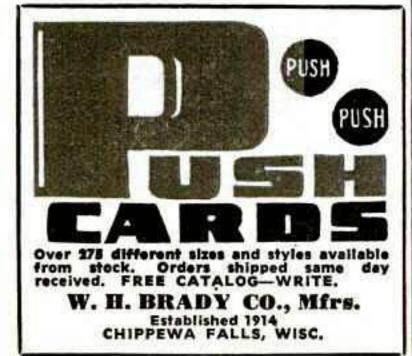
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SALESBOARD SIDELIGHTS

Irving Sax, general sales manager program under the leadership of Irof Superior Products, Chicago, re- win Feilter, who now holds the ofports that the firm has produced four fice of sales manager in addition to of the soon-to-be-released series of president. Additions to the sales six style "G" boards. All will be department will be announced introduced simultaneously. Irv states shortly, in assistant sales manager that the different process used in making the boards, more intricate tuate Gardner's new coverage prothan in usual production set-ups, means that greater time is needed to prepare them. During his recent Eastern trip Irv visited Nate has a new 20-board release featuring Rake, Rake Coin Machine Exchange, Philadelphia, and turns in word that holes. Marshall Maliz emphasizes Nate's board display, featuring prod- that the new numbers are down-toucts of leading firms, is the largest earth punch-pulling operator boards, he has seen anywhere. William Nesbit Company, Pittsburgh, was an- Ben, who is still helping hold down other stop on Irv's jaunt; he spent a the fort at headquarters. pleasant evening at the Nesbits' country home. Superior's Lewis Kaufman is accompanying just-appointed Midwestern representative Ed Baldwin thru his territory.

Bernard Kite, Chicago branch manager for Universal Manufacturing Company, Kansas City, and Bee Jay Products, Inc., Chicago, is keeping busy with orders for the lines tively working to increase his sales of tickets and salesboards ready for representation. The firm's sales staff dot delivery at his Randolph Street has been expanded over 1947-'48 headquarters. . . . Ralph Young, new levels. general manager of Werts Novelty Company, Inc., Muncie, Ind., is certain the firm's peak production on PIPES book deals will tide the shipping department over the expected rush of orders comes spring.

Gardner & Company, Chicago, gearing up production and new board releases for hypoed spring sales, is swinging into its new sales



capacities, which will further accengram.

Peerless Products, Inc., Chicago, six numbers on a ticket and 200-300 and is backed up by the senior Maltz.

F. W. Brady, W. H. Brady Company, Chippewa Falls, Wis., continues to report steady order activity on the company's 275-plus line of push cards. Brady has been mailing out large numbers of its free 1950 catalog to interested operators. . . . Joseph Worth, head of Worthmore Ticket Games, Chicago, is ac-

(Continued from page 93)

worked stores for over 30 years and not until recently did I find so many so-called managers. They are asking for a guarantee of sales and one must gross \$300 or more or you can't work the store. They want the impossible. Scott's store here is open but there is no traffic."

Anyone can make it thru the summer and that's all that many did last season, depending on

Set Salesboard **Confab for May**

CHICAGO, March 11 .- The combined punchboard, ticket and novelty industries' annual convention and exhibit for 1950 has been scheduled for May 22-24 at the Sheraton Hotel here.

To be centered in the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton, occupying the seventh and eighth floors, the meeting will be at least 50 per cent larger than during preceding years, a committee spokesman said. In addition to the various exhibits of participating companies, buffet suppers and live musical entertainment will be featured.

Robt. Kolinsky New Western Sales Head At Container Corp.

ST. LOUIS, March 11 .- Jack Morley, vice-president of Consolidated-Container Corporation, announced the appointment this week of Robert H. Kolinsky as Western sales director. Kolinsky, now on his way to the West Coast, will work out of Los Angeles where he will take up permanent residence.

Associated with the salesboard industry for many years, Kolinsky was with Superior Products, Chicago, as sales director prior to joining Consolidated-Container.

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1000 Jackpot Charley, thick, N.P \$.70	2000-2200-2500 Coin Boards\$2.98
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1440 10¢ Barrel Prof.		.98
1800 5¢ Lulu-X Tk Prof.	18.00	1.10
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1200 25¢ J.P. Texas Charley, Seal	102.28	.98
1000 to 1200 5¢ J.P. Bds Prof.	28.00	1.39
1000 & Up 5¢ Girlie J.P. Bds		1.49
1084 25¢ Block Buster Prof.		1.79
2400 5¢ J.P. Barrel	41.00	1.79
2400 10¢ J.P Barrel	82.00	1.79
DELUXE SALES CO., Blue Ea	rth, MI	nn.



luck to carry them thru the winter.

THE HUDSPETHS . . . Fred and Mamie, are in Dallas readying plans for their forthcoming spring tour.

J. ARTHUR (RED) McCOOL . . .

and wife, Peggy, are in Detroit after making a circuit of Midwestern towns, including Milwaukee, Chicago, Grand Rapids and Jackson, Mich., and Toledo and Columbus, O., and cutting up numerous jackpots with old-timers in the pitch game like Mae Lithcow. Harry Rutherford, Ben Garber, Mike Devine, Chief Little Fox, the Rockefellers, John Olney, Lucy Waggoner, the Heatons and Fred and Maggie Smith. They report that all have varied and interesting tales to relate. Red says he has been hanging around the Motor City for over a month waiting for the weather to break. He adds that things in the stores there have been bad because of the strikes and various other economic factors. The McCool's son, Peco, has just broken out with a new car and is ready to see the country and pitch his wares. Red says that the veteran Bert Glauner is rapidly on the road to recovery after a close bout with the grim reaper solely because of the daily ministrations of "that acme of kindness and understanding. Mrs. Mexes." Red would like to see a pipe here from Dick Jacobs.

LESTER KANE is reported to have left Detroit recently to make the sport show in Indianapolis with Jack David.

PITCHDOM WAS GRIEVED to learn of the death of James T. (Red) Hance at his home in Montreal February 20. A veteran pitchman, Hance worked gummy in the United States about 30 years ago. He went to England in the early '20s and returned to Canada in 1936. For the past 10 years Red worked at Belmont Park during the summer and pitched gold wire and jewelry at the Kresge store during the winter. His wife, Mary, who assisted him, will continue with his Belmont Park operation.

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300	254	Kwarter Kolors, Thick Def.	15.00	.60
1000	25¢	Charley Board, Thick Def.	50.00	.90
1000	25¢	Jack Pot Charley, ThickAvg.	52.00	1.15
1200	254	Texas Charley, ThickAvg.	102.90	1.60
1200	25¢ 5¢	Squealie, Thick Avg.	34.15	2.50
2592	54	Jack in Barrel, Thick Avg.	49.75	3.25
300	254	Fin & Sawbuck, Thick (5-25¢)Avg.	33.15	2.25
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MOA CONVENSH HITS JACKPOT

Ready Final Booth Set - Up For CMI Show

Foreign Ops To Attend

CHICAGO, March 11.-With over half the available exhibit space for the Coin Machine Institute (CMI) convention tentatively reserved, CMI announced that final allotment of booths will begin April 1. The convention and exhibit will be held June 26-28 at the Stevens Hotel, Chicago.

Dave Gottlieb, CMI show chairman, disclosed this week that coinmen from several foreign countries have made plans to attend the conclave. Among those who will come the greatest distance are Clary and Ralph Frazer, brothers, who operate amusement games and are also the proprietors of Ralph and Clary's Hamburger Hut. Ltd., in Pretoria, Union of South Africa. For Clary Frazer it will be a combination business and honeymoon trip, as he plans to be married just before leaving for the United States. Gottlieb also disclosed that Philippine coinmen as well as delegations from several European and South American countries are also making reservations. CMI will soon appoint a committee to arrange for a full program of entertainment for operators attending with families. This program will include tickets for baseball games, other sporting events and radio and television shows originating in Chicago.

America

CHICAGO, March 11 .- The response for copies of the Bell-o-Matic ad titled America which appeared in the March 11 issue of The Billboard has been such that the firm has prepared reproductions suitable for framing in clubs, Grant Shay, Bell-o-Matic vice-president, announced this week. Coinmen wishing to display them in their quarters should write for a copy to Grant Shay, Bell-o-Matic, 4100 Fullerton Avenue, Chicago 39.

Philly Game Ops **Elect Sam Moss**

PHILADELPHIA, March 11. -Samuel Moss, head of Moss Vending, was elected secretary of the Amusement Machines Association of Philadelphia. A veteran pinball and vending machine operator, Moss was elected to fill the secretary's post left vacant by the death of Edward Richter earlier this year.

One of the pioneer members of the tember as necessary for a successful pinball operators' association, Moss is also a member of the association's board of directors.



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Set 1951 Meet as Ops From **Entire Country Gather To Discuss Industry Problems**

Re-Elect Miller; Confine Talks to Music Machines

By Norman Weiser

CHICAGO, M.rch 11 .- Adjudged | country, as well as independent ops a success from attendance, accomfrom areas where there is no regional association. plishments and planning viewpoints, Exclusively a meeting of and for the first national conventio of the Music Operators of America (MOA)

music operators, the convention concentrated on subjects of national importance. Under the guidance of Miller, the meetings were held to discussions of music only, with all other types of coin equipment ruled "out of order." Included on the agenda were sessions devoted to depreciation, taxation (on a national level), merchandising, promotion, trade-paper relations and discussions by and with manufacturers.

Perhaps the most significant fact to emerge from the three-day meeting was the complete clarification of the purposes of the MOA and the open manner in which all matters were handled. Attempts by a few operators in attendance to discuss the absence of some manufacturers from the exhibitor ranks were immediately silenced by Miller, who stated "these firms had their reasons for not being present. We hope they will be with us next year . . . but there will be no sarcastic remarks made at this convention about any firm."

New York Game Placement Seen Set for Spurt

NEW YORK, March 11. - The tempo of amusement game placement here is due to accelerate Thursday (16) when the new license year for common shows becomes effective. While income from the new shuffletype games has been high and expansion by operators has been general for several months, recently many route owners slowed their pace, reluctant to pay the \$50 license fee and then shell out the same amount for the same game after a few weeks.

The approved coin-operated games were designated common shows by the City Council in 1948, and locations in which they are placed must pay the stipulated \$50 for each March 16 to March 15 period. No provision is made for games placed a shorter period of time. Thus, a license purchased for a game March 9 no longer covers the unit a week later.

Operators, both individually and thru their association, the Associated Amusement Machine Operators of New York, have repeatedly petitioned the license commissioner to liberalize the regulations. They have asked that quarterly payments be permitted, if the basic fee itself could not be substantially reduced. This would lighten the financial load for operators with locations that do not hold up thru an entire year.

But the department has maintained it is bound by city legislation now in effect. Officials claim they have no authority to relax the statutes.

Coin Export Market Steady In 1949 as Average Prices For Used Units Hold Up

Gross Tops \$2,000,000 for Second Straight Year

spite the absence of its former leading consumers, the coin machine export market for the second successive year racked up a better than \$2,000,000 business volume, accordby the U. S. Department of Commerce. (Next week The Billboard will run a complete breakdown of total 1949 exports by countries.)

price tag of \$210,673, were shipped to overseas operators. This brought the 1949 over-all dollar total to

WASHINGTON, March 11. - De- \$2,008,064, or approximately double the prewar high made in 1939.

closed at the "almer House here

Wednesda, night (8). Climaxing the three-day session was the re-election

of George A. Miller as national chair-

man and treasurer, and the p ssage of

a resolution calli 3 for another national meeting in 1951, the time and

place to be set by the executive board

Registrations early Wednesday had

passed the 500 mark, more than dou-

bling the figure projected last Sep-

meet. Included in this registration

were executives from leading State

and city music op orgs thruout the

The December export trade was highlighted by a sharp increase in the sale of late model used games. In all, 460 amusement pieces, valued ing to 1949 figures released this week at \$46,850, were shipped compared with the °69 games, worth \$27,391, the preceding month. The music report for December showed 240 unit sales with an aggregate value of In December 886 games, venders \$210,673, while the vending dollar and music machines, with a total total amounted to \$46,143 for 186 automatic merchandisers.

> Altho Venezuelan purchases valued (See Export Prices or page 112)

Expand Officers, Board

In re-electing Miller to his post as national chairman and treasurer, the operators also voted back into office Albert S. Denver, first vice-chairman, and D. L. Steinberg, secretary. Added a. officers were Ray Cunliffe, Chicago, second vice - chairman; Charles Hannum, Philadelphia, third vice-chairman, and Clem Stetson, (See MOA Convensh on Page 98)



Only 15 Booths Remain

CHICAGO, March 11 .- Four additional manufacturing firms have signed for exhibit space at the 1950 All-Industry Exposition to be held at the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, May 22-24. Edward Bowman, American Coin Machine Manufacturers' Association (ACMMA) director of exhibits, pointed out there are still 15 booths available. One hundred and one have been sold.

On the new list are the Auto Photo Company, producers of a coinoperated photo device, Los Angeles; Marvel Manufacturing Company, Chicago, makers of counter games and shuffleboard scoreboards and accessories; National Shuffleboard Company, Orange, N. J., manufacturers of the National shuffleboard line and (See 4 More Mfrs. on page 122)

See Wave of New Op Blood **Keying Industry in Philly**

PHILADELPHIA, March 11.-More | drinks and other personal articles than a half dozen new coin machine being sold in vending machines." operations, including three new vending projects, were established in Philadelphia in recent weeks, according to certificates of incorporation filed with the State.

Of particular interest is the incorporation of the Riviera Vending Corporation, represented by Herman Steerman, local attorney. According to the application for a charter, the Riviera corporation has been organized to "manufacture, sell, service, maintain, operate, distribute and otherwise engage in the vending machine business for the sale of food, candy, ice cream, articles of clothing,

The United Vending Service Company, with its principal place of business at 2204 West Indiana Avenue, listed Julius C. Diodati, Philip J. Diodati, Mario A. Diodati and Mary L. Olivastro as owners. Jack Kauffman filed for a certificate of authority to conduct the business as the sole owner of the K. C. Vending Company, with its principal place of business at 800 North Third Street. Kauffman also operates the K. C. Novelty Company at that address, a jobbing firm specializing in games, including the Shuffle Ten Strike.

(See Wave of New on page 122)



MUSIC MACHINES

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MOA CONVENSH HITS JACKPOT

Biz Sessions Hilite First **MOA Meet**

Expand Officers, Board

(Continued from Page 97) unopposed.

the executive board, Miller announced having space, and at least as many that one executive from each of the other labels sending reps to the exassociations thruout the country would hibit to contact operators. Two phobe added to the present board, and in- nograph manufacturers, AMI and dependent operators in those areas H. C. Evans, were official exhibitors, where no org existed would also be added. Among the new members Stuergon Bay, Wis., unveiled a new added to the executive group were L. personal music box. Buckley Music Unterburg, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Ben Ginsburg, New Mexico; Wolf Rob-erts, Denver; C. A. Culp, Tulsa, Okla.; Permo, Inc., Pfanstiehl Chemical T. Winthrow, Waco, Tex.; Lee Blee, and M. A. Miller Manufacturing Com- (See 29 Firms Show on Page 102) Rhode Island, and F. McKim Smith, Atlantic City.

Roy Classon, Detroit; Leo Miller, president of the Iowa association, and several other representatives of associations also were added to the board. It is the hope of the MOA, as expressed on the convention floor, that the executive board will reach a membershp of 100 before the '51 convention.

The board of directors also reappointed Sidney H. Levine, national 71/2-cent coin is minted, the nation's now priced above their real value legal counsel for MOA since its in- 400,000 juke boxes will eventually go for lack of a suitable coin which ception two years ago, to another to dime play, the Music Operators of would stimulate sales between a one-year term.

It's Music, Music, Music as 29 Mercha'dising Firms Show at MOA Convention Clinic Hilites

The Billboard

CHICAGO, March 11.—While the pany headed the needle firms showing Jusic Operators of America (MOA) their wares. Permo topper Art Olson MOA Biz Talks Music Operators of America (MOA) convention here this week was held basically to discuss matters of a national scope, 29 firms took special display rooms on the seventh floor included the awarding of prizes in its wares, entertain visitors and, in two a demonstration of its new nylon California, sergeant at arms. All were instances, introduce new equipment. needle. Gail Carter, advertising and

Continuing its program to expand centrated on records, with 12 firms while the Jacobs Novelty Company,

Permo, Inc., Pfanstiehl Chemical

was on hand for the show, while the firm drew heavy crowds thruout the convention via its promotions, which of the Palmer House to display their letter contest, a cocktail party, and The emphasis, by far, was con- sales promotion head, hosted the visitors.

Pfanstiehl, in addition to displaying its needle line, also introduced a new pick-up which it has been developing for some time. The unit was demonstrated via two old jukes, a Wurlitzer and a Seeburg. Owen O'Neill, firm exec, hosted visitors to the Pfanstiehl exhibit, aided by staff members from the Waukegan, Ill., plant.

National Rejectors Company, St.

Steinberg, La Viez Speak

March 18, 1950

CHICAGO, March 11. - Merchandising and promotion, two of the most important factors in juke box operations, were given a thoro airing by D. L. Steinberg, Music Guild of America (MGA) official and secretary of the Music Operators of America (MOA), and Hirsh De La Viez, president, Washington Music Guild (WMG), Wednesday morning (8) at the MOA convention.

Steinberg, reporting on the program being followed by MGA, pointed out how this program had not only slashed record costs from approximately 20 per cent of an op's gross to 10 per cent, but had boosted business considerably. And by outlining the program, step by step, he pro-vided operator orgs thruout the country with the ammunition necessary to follow a similar pursuit.

While the Steinberg report, as well as La Viez's talk, were made available to all in attendance, the following points were stressed by the former as important to the program: (See Merchandising on Page 102)



Fractional Coinage Pitch Given MOA Meet by Mehren

By Dick Schreiber

America's (MOA) convention was nickel and a dime or a dime and 20

CHICAGO, March 11.-Unless a price adjustments of items which are

Biz Sessions

While an executive board meeting was held Sunday night, actual convention business started Monday at 9 a.m. when Miller officially opened the first national convention. After welcoming the ops, Miller detailed the previous night's board meeting, at which it had been decided to enlarge the board of directors, considered a motion to incorporate its officers, then dropped the idea at least temporarily, decided to investigate the future possibilities of forming an association and set up a nominating committee.

Jumping into the business of music (See MOA Convensh on Page 122)

Wurlitzer Co. Shipping1250

New Programing Set-Up

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y., March 11 .- Ed Wurgler, general sales manager, phonograph division, Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, and A. D. Palmer Jr., advertising and sales promotion manager, this week announced the firm is now in production and making quantity deliveries on its conversion kits for the Model 1250 phono. The price of the kit, which allows for either 45 or 331/2 r.p.m. play, is \$8.75. Wurgler also announced that a new development has been completed which allows for the playing of two seven-inch disks via the same tray.

Quantity shipments on the conversions kits has actually been accomplished six weeks ahead of schedule, Wurgler stated. The \$8.75 list price includes 24 spacer disks, an adapter wheel, a 1½-inch idler for

(See Wurlitzer Co. on Page 102)

told by Ed Mehren, president of the American Institute for Fractional Coinage. Mehren addressed the operators at their Tuesday (7) business session.

(Editor's note: Aside from the merits of fractional coinage, dime play on juke boxes has been tried extensively without success.)

MOA had previously endorsed fractional coins as the answer to the juke box operator's problem of rising costs and fixed returns. George Miller and Al Denver, chairman and vice-chairman respectively of MOA, are also directors of the American Institute for Fractional Coinage.

"Save Billions"

Mehren said adoption of a 71/2 and 2½-cent coin would save the country between 5 and 8 billion dollars annually-money which could be used to expand purchases and create further employment. This savings would come largely in downward (See Practical Coinage on Page 103)

cents.

Some opponents of the proposal. Mehren pointed out, have asserted fractional coinage would result simply in a general price increase. This he asserted was untrue.

"We still have competition in this country," Mehren said, "and that competition will keep prices equitable."

Won Four Obsolete Machines

Principal opposition to the fractional coin bills now in Congress (The Billboard, March 11) has come from the mint, Mehren declared. Some opponents have taken a stand against the proposal because they believe it would obsolete such coinhandling equipment as mechanisms in phonographs and vending machines, coin counters, cash registers and business machines.

Industry's ingenuity will overcome all these obstacles, Mehren predicted,

"Speed" Kits Ops Get First-Hand Info **On Taxes and Depreciation**

tax purposes should be measured not on a straight-line basis but on the pattern of earnings, Leo L. Kaner, Chicago tax consultant, told operators attending the Music Operators of America (MOA) convention here.

Kaner, a certified public accountant who represents a number of large Chicago juke box operating firms, said the industry should strive to have the Bureau of Internal Revenue take into consideration the diminishing returns as a phonograph ages.

At a conference in Washington, Kaner reported, internal revenue officials orally agreed that juke box depreciation schedules should follow earning patterns. But bureau offices do not approve depreciation schedules which reflect the phonograph's de-

CHICAGO, March 11 .- The pro-| creasing earning power, Kaner rated life of a juke box for income added. Each bureau district, he pointed out, works under its own authority.

Four-Year Program

Kaner suggested that juke box operators would find a four-year depreciation program, which allowed 40 per cent the first year, 30 per cent the second, 20 per cent the third and 10 per cent the fourth most satisfactory because it is consistent with the earnings of a new juke box. On a straight-line depreciation basis, operators take the same percentage of depreciation each year for the useful life of the phonograph.

Recently, Kaner said, the bureau's first Illinois district (Chicago) asked operators to change their deprecia-

(See Ops Get on Page 103)

LOUISVILLE, March 11. - Joe Weinberger, Southern Automatic Music Company, this week completed negotiations to purchase a new building here to house the firm's local headquarters. Located at Court Street and Broadway, the building has 20,000 square feet of floor space and an additional 10,000 square feet of parking area will also be available.

Extensive remodeling starts on the building immediately, and the firm expects to take possession by April 15.

AMI Catches Eye

CHICAGO, March 11.-AMI's local headquarters, headed by Joe Caldron, Ed Ratajack and John Stewart, combined with the firm's local distrib, Automatic Phonograph Distributing Company, headed by Mike Spagnola, pulled a double publicity parlay during the past week and as a result hit the promosh jackpot.

On Friday (3) the WGN-TV program, Fairteen Club, featured an AMI juke box during its entire air time. Deal was set up by Herbe Perkins, Purveyor, who arranged for the Model C with Spagnola. The latter had a machine shipped direct from the manufacturer's Grand Rapids headquarters because he had sold even his floor samples.

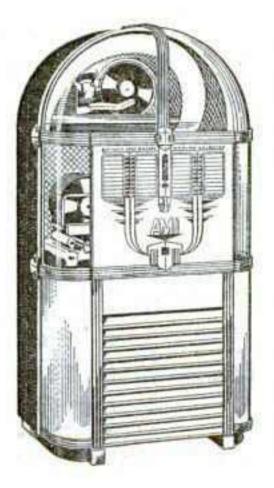
Follow-up publicity came Tuesday (7) night when a Model C was featured at the preview showing of Wabash Avenue, which was held by 20th Century-Fox for all music ops at the MOA meet. The juke played the hit tunes of the pic in the lobby of the Monroe Theater as the ops arrived for the screening and when the show was over. A cocktail party, given by Permo, followed the screening and also featured an AMI box playing a full selection of 40 hits featured by the various diskeries exhibiting at the convention.

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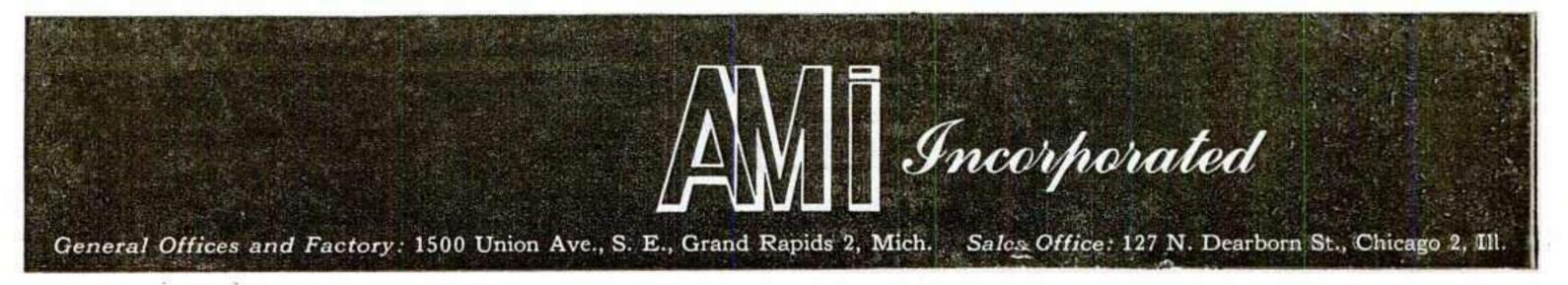


20 Records, 40 Selections; Horizontal Play, Gravity Ride, with Single Tone Arm, Single Pickup, Single Needle

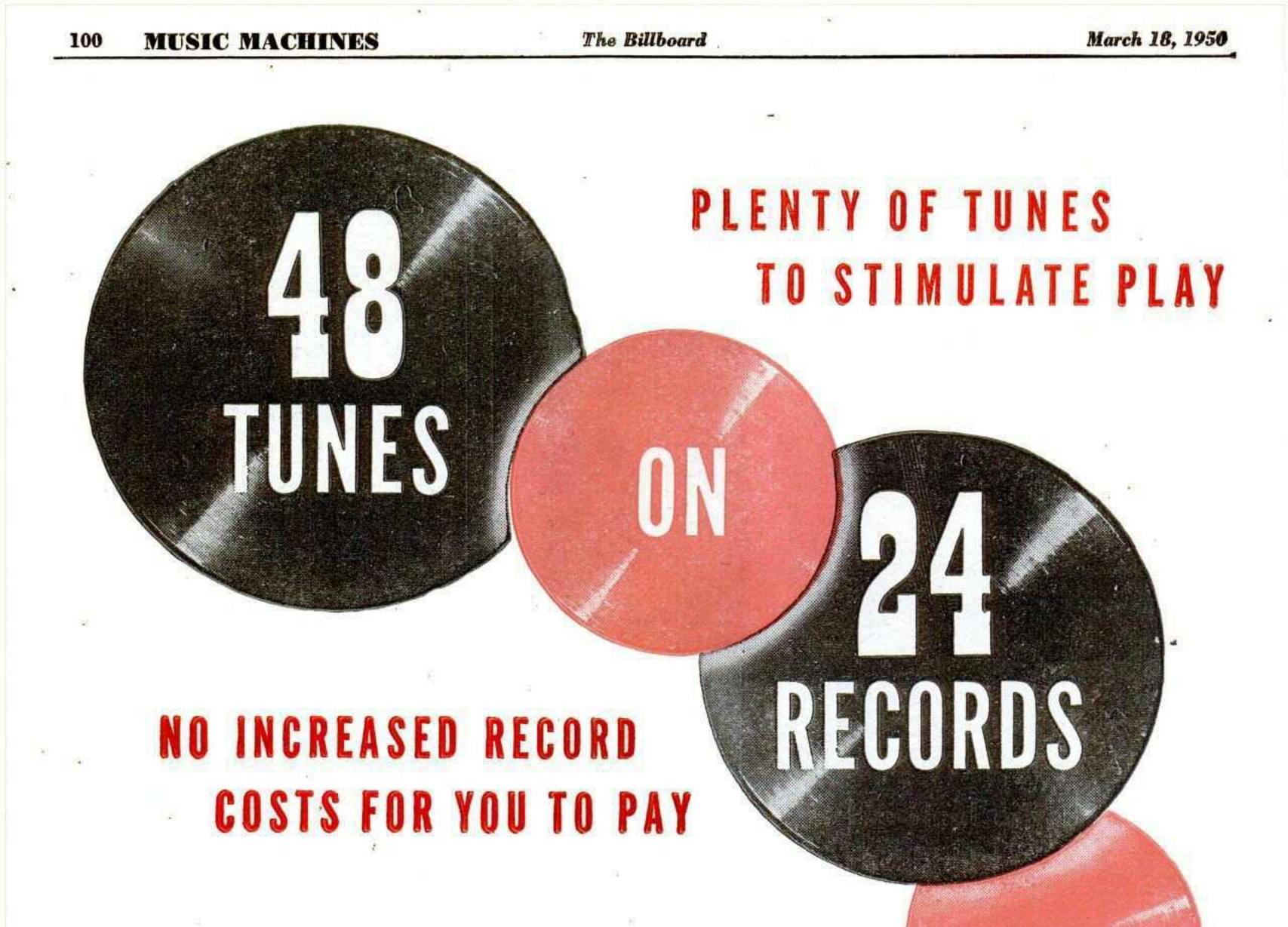
The A M I mechanism has won the confidence and respect of every music operator. Designed to change records with lightning speed and turn any record over to play either side, it has gloriously stood the test of time. It places operator's satisfaction above manufacturer's convenience. It gives the public what it wants and at the same time is built for the operator. It stays in order. It plays either side of the record in the way a record should be played: revolving horizontally with a single pickup and needle



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The Billboard

Convention Notes

CHICAGO, March 11.—Heavy at-|did just that, and enough bought tendance at the Music Operators of the new unit to make it necessary America convention this week for the firm to increase its producbrought huge smiles to the faces of tion skeds. George A. Miller, national chairman; Al Denver, vice-chairman; Ray Cunliffe, convention chairman and newly elected second vice-chairman, and Sidney H. Levine, national counsel. All had been told to expect no more than 200 registrations. The final figure passed the 500 mark.

One of the early arrivals at the Palmer House was Wolf Roberts, who had traveled from Denver to sit for a short rest. Among other Permo in on the meetings. Wolf not only execs on hand were Ed Crowley, took an active role in the meetings but was appointed to the executive Chicago.

Mike Imig, president of the South Dakota Phonograph Association, and Norman Gefke, Sioux Falls operator, were busy meeting up with old RCA; Paul Southard, Columbia; Hal friends from other parts of the country. . . . Dick Steinberg, MOA secretary, and official of the Music Guild of America, Newark, N. J., won op plaudits for his talk on merchandising. The response was by far the greatest, and Dick will be busy for weeks supplying other associations with the gimmicks used by the MGA to boost phono play.

Charles Kanter, who is president and the funmaking during the late of the Cincinnati association, was an early arrival at the convention and added many helpful suggestions from the floor. Kanter returned to board. Cincinnati Thursday to prepare for his association meeting next week. . . . Isadore Edelman, Edelco, renewed acquaintances on the exhibit floor. Also representing the Motor City were Roy Classon and Ben Okum, both of whom took an active role in the discussions held during the three-day meet.

Art Olson, president of Permo, Inc., just back from Florida, was on hand at the firm's exhibit to say hello to his many operator friends, while Gail Carter, advertising and promotion director of the company, acted as official host. The charming Mrs. Carter was at the banquet Wednesday and revealed she and Gail head for Florida next week Dick Goetzen and Wilber Smith. Firm's party Tuesday night was one board. Mrs. Roberts also was in of the social highlights of the convention.

> Record companies were out en masse for the meet. Among the officials on hand were Joe Csida, Cook and Ray Marshbanks, Capitol; Bob Arcutt, Decca's new sales manager for juke box sales, and a flock more.

> Hirsh de la Viez, president of the Washington Music Guild, provided many of the lighter moments of the convention. The explosive start of his speech, the gags which followed on the heels of another in his room,

hours, did not interfere with the serious business which he handled in his capacity as a member of the

Tom Crosby, president of the Minnesota Amusement Games Association, and Bob Wenzel, Minneapolis, were on hand Tuesday but returned to the Twin Cities Tuesday night. Crosby, who has been ailing for some time, plans to take a long vacation and will probably visit Eu-



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ABSOLUTELY FREE of any additional cost with every 30 Regular or Special PFANSTIEHL Coin Machine Needles you buy ... and each BONUS BOND is guaranteed redeemable for FIFTY cents in cash or SIXTY cents worth of PFANSTIEHL Needles at your distributor or the PFANSTIEHL Company! But you gotta act ... This offer expires May 15, 1950.

LOOK! YOU GET 4-COUNT THEM-FOUR EXTRAS FOR THE PRICE OF ONE! **I** EXTRA LONG NEEDLE LIFE **2** EXTRA KINDNESS TO RECORDS

Jack Cohen, president of the Cleveland Phonograph Merchants Association, was almost floored by a flu germ shortly after his arrival but was able to attend all business sessions. Mrs. Cohen, however, was forced to remain in bed on doctor's orders, until Wednesday. Jack spent a lot of time with performer friends, especially Spike Jones and Mickey Katz. Also in the Cleveland delegation were Bob and Sanford Levine.

H. H. (Denny) Dennison, who has been actively associated with the music industry for the past decade, was another Palmer House guest. Denny planned to return to his West Coast headquarters this week-end, after taking care of some pressing business and attending a Coin Machine Institute board of directors meeting. Accompanying Denny to Chicago was Hubert Hood, also well known to West Coast music men.

Manufacturers took part of the spotlight at the meet. John Haddock headed the AMI delegation which included Ed Ratajack, John Stewart, Joe Calron and Jack Mitnick. The latter was busy meeting and greeting his many Eastern operator friends. Lester Rieck, general manager, phonograph division, H. C. Evans & Company, altho stricken with a bad cold along with Mrs. Rieck, nevertheless met with ops who dropped in for a look-see at the 1950 Constellation. Plenty

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Another association president, Leo Miller of Iowa, was one of the most popular fellows around. He also was voted on the executive board. . . . Representing the Wisconsin association was C. S. Pierce, president. Mrs. Pierce made the trip to Chicago with her husband and caught up on her shopping while C. S. attended the business meetings.

Norman Geriz, president of the Rhode Island association, and one of MOA's most ardent boosters, was given much credit for the help he gave the group in publicizing the event. . . . McKin Smith, accompanied by his charming wife, flew in from Atlantic City for the convention, and reported the Boardwalk is being polished up in preparation for the coming spring and summer season.

Others who were active in the meetings included L. Unterburg, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Ben Ginsberg, New Mexico; C. A. Culp, Tulsa, Okla.; T. Winthrow, Waco, Tex.; Lee Blee, Rhode Island, and Charles Hannum, Philadelphia. All were named to the board of directors and Hannum also was elected third vicechairman. Clem Stetson, from California, who gave much assistance to George Miller during the planning and staging of the convention, was elected sergeant at arms for the coming year.

Jake Friedman, Friedman Amusement Company, Atlanta, enjoyed mixing with several of his old-time friends at the MOA confab. . . . Another Friedman at the Palmer House last week was the George Sylvan Company sales manager, Ben Friedman. He handled his firm's exhibit which features the Chef Master hot dog unit. . . . Exhibit Supply's representative at the MOA was Frank Mencuri, just back from a quick trip to California. Exhibit Vice-President Joseph A. Batten, meanwhile, was in Florida, playing a lot of golf and catching up on a long overdue vacation.

3 EXTRA QUALITY MUSIC pro 4 EXTRA CASH BONUS BONDS

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Metallurgical Division





MUSIC MACHINES 102

The Billboard

March 18, 1950

Merchandising Clinic Hilites 29 Firms Show **MOA Convention Biz Talks**

(Continued from Page 98) 1. Supplying the right kind of new music.

2. Plugging of tunes.

3. Elimination of guesswork in properly programing a machine,

On the cost side Steinberg reported the MGA had installed the following ington headquarters. methods which had, when successfully worked, cut the record costs drastically:

1. Record play score sheet maintenance.

shopping guide.

3. Use of Hit Parade list route sheet.

Multi-colored title strips.

5. Phonograph signs (placards 9 by 3 inches).

6. Radio program sponsorship.

with locations.

Title Strips

One of the most important play promoters in the program was the introduction of the multi-colored title strips. These, according to Steinberg, cover four categories: Hit Parade, holiday specials, possible hits and licity viewpoint, the Washington Mu-Hit Tune of the Month (worked in sic Guild now sponsors three disk conjunction with a weekly radio show sponsored by the Guild at no cost).

Steinberg pointed out that in 1948, of them cost any money. when the Guild undertook its aggressive promotion and merchandising each for popular, folk and blues muhelping competition, ops could up the WMG boxes are covered. their income.

ported, it is the goal of every MGA clubs, schools and churches, particiop to up the gross of each of his ma- pation in civic drives including the chines \$1 per week. This would mean Heart Fund and the March of Dimes \$5,000 a week, or \$260,000 per year.

talk, outlining the MGA program in public necessity, were among the ing MOA Chairman George A. Miller | Guild, La Viez

or Steinberg at the MGA headquarters Louis, and Wico, Chicago, both exin Newark.)

Pressed for time, the talk prepared by La Viez was shortened, but copies were made available to all those in attendance and can be obtained by contacting the speaker at his Wash-

La Viez stressed the promotion given songs by publishers as one of the most important facts to know when new records are purchased. Records which do not get 150 plays. 2. Compilation of a record buyer he said, were not profitable to buy or to have in a juke box. Good programing and use of proper disks, La Viez pointed out, can keep the gross up on older equipment.

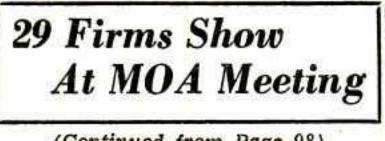
Record expenditures equaling 10 per cent of the gross was given as the system under which WMG mem-7. Direct mail promotion program bers operate. By purchasing the No. 1 plug tunes and thereby assuring the 150 minimum plays per disk, La Viez said it was possible to keep the purchases within a budget.

Radio Activity

One of the most active orgs in the country from a promotion and pubjockey shows in the Greater Washington area, La Viez said, and none

These shows are broken down, one program, a new approach to play pro- sic. Thus the musical tastes of the motion was needed, and that even by majority of the people who patronize

Activities such as donation of juke For the coming year, Steinberg re- boxes and record libraries to boys campaigns, and continually building (Ed. note: Full text of Steinberg's up the music machine business as a



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hibiting their lines, drew good response from the ops thruout the three-day showing.

On the title strip front, special emphasis was placed on the Star Title Strip Company, Inc., and the Wood Printing Company exhibits after the matter of the strips had come up in the merchandising, promotion and publicity talks. On these same lines, there was considerable discussion between ops and record manufacturers on the relative merits of the strips.

Exhib List

Following is the complete list of firms occupying exhibit space at the convention:

Abbey Records; AMI, Inc.; Bee Bee Records; The Billboard Publishing Company; Buckley Music System, Inc.; Capitol Records, Inc.; Cash Box; Coin Machine Review; Cole Corporation; Columbia Records, Inc.; Coral Record Company; Decca Record Company; H. C. Evans & Company; M. L. Gross; Jacobs Novelty Company; James Martin, Inc.; M. A. Miller Manufacturing Company; Mercury Record Corporation; MGM Records; National Rejector Company; Paul Bennett & Company; Permo, Inc. Pfanstiehl Chemical Company; RCA Victor Records; Rondo Records, Inc.; Star Title Strip Company, Inc.; Washington Coin Machine Exchange; Wico Corporation and Wood Printing Company.

One vender, the Chef Master Hog-Dogger, was displayed by the George Sylvan Electric Corporation. While the exhibit had nothing to do with the music business, many ops displayed interest in the unit, and partook of the samples handled out by its entirety, can be obtained by writ- points in the program followed by the Ben Friedman, sales manager, who hosted at the display.



(Continued from Page 98) the turntable and some small locking keys and screws.

The record selector on the 1250 was so arranged as to all w for programing via sections. The correlation had been, in some cases, difficult using the standard 78 r.p.m. disks and playing the top sides on selections 1 thru 24 and the bottom side of 25 thru 48. Under this set-up it was necessary to use each of the selection categories, such as pop, folk, waltz, etc., twice, allowing for only half as many selection groups.

With the new seven-inch records, this condition, according to Wurgler and Palmer, has been corrected. Ops can now use two seven-inch disks back to back and play the top side of both on the over-and-under arms. By using two records in only one tray, the operator is able to install two top sides and play them so that they fall properly into any programing category on the selector.

This system does not necessarily require the use of 48 records in a machine, the officials pointed out. Where a disk with the right tunes on both sides fits, it would be necessary to install only that single disk in the tray. Actually, the operator now has the choice of using from 24 (basic requirement) to 48 records per machine.

The two records to a tray system cannot be used with the regular 10inch 78 r.p.m. disks due to the thickness of the record.

CHICAGO 7, ILLINOIS

A vicious rumor has been circulated to the effect that H. C. Evans & Company will discontinue production of the Constellation phonograph. Nothing could be farther from the truth than this irresponsible statement, evidently from an equally irresponsible source. Evans' Constellation is a perfected instrument, Evans-built in the 58-year tradition of Evans' quality. Its advanced design, beauty of tone, troublefree performance and practical 40-

record selectivity are contributing factors in the success of an ever-increasing number of music operations.

H. C. Evans & Company pledge to keep faith with all Constellation operators --- urge that you visit your Evans Distributor or write Factory direct to learn why it will pay you to operate Constellation.

H. C. EVANS & CO.

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The Billboard

MUSIC MACHINES 103

DaytonaBeach **Op Wins \$250** Permo Contest

Award Four Other Prizes

CHICAGO, March 11 .- Winners in the Permo letter contest for music operators, who tested the firm's new nylon needle on their most active phonograph for one month, were named during the Tuesday session of the MOA convention. First prize of \$250 went to William J. Moser, Daytona Beach, Fla., operator, who was unable to attend the meet but was advised of his award via wire.

Wilber Smith, West Coast regional manager for the needle firm, announced the awards in behalf of Art Olson, Permo prexy, who was unable to attend that particular session.

Other winners were H. H. Flanders, Salina, Kan., second price; H. H. Longfellow, Texas, third; Perry Lee, Blair, Wis., fourth, and H. E. Fishburn, Lafayette, Tenn., fifth. These awards were all in the form of juke box needles.

Show Results

To demonstrate to the operators the lasting qualities of the new nylon product, Gail Garter. Permo executive, set up a player in one room of the firm's suite, with special tone arms attached. A new needle was first used to play a record, with an engineer switching to a second tone arm several times during the rendition. The latter featured a needle which had already had more than 10,000 plays in a commercial location. Except for a brief break in the continuity, the average operator was unable to tell which needle was being

Free Shine

CHICAGO, March 11 .- Operators who made their way here for the MOA convention from distant parts, especially those from the wide-open spaces, found a pleasant surprise when they hit the seventh floor of the Palmer House. The Decca Record room, one of the most popular spots at the show, had a fulltime shoeshine boy on hand to keep up appearances of the shoes of all comers. Gimmick was on hand to promote firm's current hit disk, Chattanoogie Shoe Shine Boy, and definitely sold platters.

Constellation **Output Hiked** By H. C. Evans

CHICAGO, March 11.-As a result of operator response to the first national showing of the H. C. Evans 1950 Constellation at the Music Operators of America (MOA) convention here, production schedules on the new model have been revised upward, Lester Rieck, phonograph division manager, announced Friday (10). The only other music machine manufacturer to exhibit at the event was AMI, Inc., which displayed the Model C.

Rieck explained many distributors and operators attending the convention got their first look at the Constellation, which not only resulted in new operator business but probably will lead to the appointment 'f several additional distributors for territories without coverage.

The 1950 Constellation is a 20-record, 40-selection model. It plays six choices for a quarter, has a new play meter and a new record changer visibility feature.

Ops Get First-Hand Info On Taxes and Depreciation

(Continued from Page 98) tion schedules on both new and used equipment. Formerly operators took three years on used machines, four years on new. Under the first district's new rule, operators must take four years on used machines and five years on new.

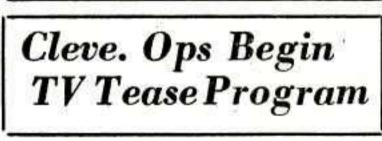
Action of this kind, Kaner declared, points up the need for industry efforts to secure fair and equitable depreciation schedules which allow for decreased earnings as aging phonographs are moved from A to B and C stops.

Kaner cautioned operators to keep the good-will feature in mind when purchasing complete routes of phonographs. Good will is not subject to depreciation, he said, and purchase contracts should set forth the fair market value of the equipment in definite terms so that there will be no question of the actual amount paid for the equipment.

Operators should also keep in mind, Kaner continued, that the purchase of a phonograph route includes certain supplies, record. parts inventory and installation which should be taken into consideration when setting up the fair market value of the equipment.

Salvage Value

Concluding his remarks, Kaner described the problems which arise from the sale of used machines. During the war, when operators were



vision in the home.

unable to buy new machines and operated older equipment which they had completely depreciated, Internal Revenue officials raised the question of salvage value on used boxes.

Prior to the war, Kaner said, the question of salvage value rarely occurred since operators were turning over their equipment regularly before it had been completely depreciated. If there is a salvage factor, Kaner concluded, this should be considered in advance and deducted from the amount subject to depreciation.

Philly Record Dealers, Ops In New Accord

PHILADELPHIA, March 11 .- Auguring well for the music machine industry here, the Retail Record Dealers' Association of Philadelphia is planning to work in closer co-operation with the Music Machine Operators' Association. First step in that direction will be made in May at the annual banquet of the retail record dealers.

In view of the fact that the music machine operators will not hold an annual banquet this year, Nat Fischer, president of the dealers' association, disclosed that an invitation to their affair will be extended to the entire membership of the music machines' association. He pointed out that many record retailers also operate music machines and other retailers formerly were music operators. Since both groups have many trade views in CLEVELAND, March 11 .-- Continucommon, he felt that they have a coming to enhance its reputation as a mon meeting ground which could smart promoter of music machines. better promote recorded music. the Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' The retailers' annual banquet is Association (CPMA) is conducting a scheduled to be held May 7 at Frank teaser campaign designed to stimulate Palumbo's Theater-Restaurant. Harry music play in the tavern and tele-Bortnick, former record promotion manager for the Raymond Rosen dis-Initial piece of promotion, sent to tributing firm and now operating his 1.500 locations in Cuyahoga County own advertising agency, is helping on (Cleveland) last week, features two the arrangements for the affair. cartoons. One indicates complete

used.

Firm, in addition to offering operators samples of their phonograph needles, had a special tool for needle changes on hand for all ops to take home as a souvenir.

Fete Ops

Permo turned over its suite and supplied all refreshments for a cocktail party held in the early-morning hours Wednesday (8) following a special screening of a new film, Wabash Avenue, by 20th Century-Fox. Firm also held open house thru the exhibit hours of the convention.

Edward Crowley, head of the manufacturer's division, and Dick Guetzin also were on hand to meet with ops during the three-day meet.

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with the single possible exception of coin counters.

Mehren lashed out at both the National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA) and the American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages (ABCB) for refusing to poll their membership to determine whether merchandise vending machine operators and bottlers are in favor of fractional coins.

Mehren said he suspected NAMA was "controlled by an executive board" which doesn't care to even consider the problem.

MOA Endorses Plan

MOA, on a motion of Roy Clason, of the Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association, endorsed Mehren's suggestion that music operators drum up interest in fractional coins by contributing both time and money to State committees now being formed to promote 71/2 and 21/2-cent pieces.

Mehren said a record company, whose name he did not announce, was willing to press a disk promoting the 7½-cent provided it could be assured operators would place the disk on their machines. Clason's motion. unanimously approved by the membership, endorsed the use of such a record.



NEW YORK, March 11 .- Covideo, Inc., producers of coin-operated television sets, has started production of a 12½-inch screen model, with initial deliveries scheduled before the end of the month, according to Lou Brown, president. To date, the firm has limited output to 10-inch units, but the smaller sets are to be discontinued in response to operator demand.

CPMA plans to follow up with Brown said most Covideo units regular cartoon mailings and also send have been placed in West Coast out a list of best TV programs for the cities. The 12-inch set lists at \$249.95. week ahead.

association.

Info in Other Departments

Among the stories of interest to the coin machine industry to be found in other departments in this issue of The Billboard are:

MOA CONFAB EXPLORES JUKE MERCHANDISING, PRO-MOSH. Chicago huddle sparks unification of record industry (Music Department).

LET'S GO BACK TO THE PLUG. Publishers plot a contact plan for juke operators and retailers to refocus the light on the pubber biz (Music Department).

ADMISH TIC BITE HAS EVEN CHANCE FOR CUT. The only phase of the excise issue having a chance now is the admish. Coin machine taxes seem hopeless (General Department).

COMMODORE GIVES LP HEAVY PUSH. The pioneer jazz indie is planning a big drive on long-playing disks (Music Department).

CARLE SET FOR BIG DISK PLUG BY RCA. Victor will undertake a big promosh drive for orkster Frankie Carle (Music Department).

And other informative news stories as well as the Honor Roll of Hits, pop charts and The Billboard feature-a page devoted to new merchandising and mechanical developments in the businessthe Radio-Phono-TV section.





VENDING MACHINES 104

The Billboard

March 18, 1950

Cookies Grow as Vender Fare **Op Nays Thru** Several Areas of scale operation, built around "ad-vertising scales," has been success- tised small package merchandise, as

Survey Seven Cities

CHICAGO, March 11. - Cookie vending, continuing to meet with growing operator reception thru the East, South and Midwest, has not built up an equally strong following in other areas, a spot check of candy and drink operators by The Billboard revealed this week. Where cookies have been worked in with a firm's prime operation, they are mostly sold thru standard candy equipment and, in the case of a candy operation, occupy one or less often two columns of such equipment. Beverage operators appeared divided on the use of low capacity candy venders and special cookie machines.

As expected, candy operators were found to lead over drink operators in cookie vending. This is due mainly to the ability to stock cookie packs in equipment already owned and operating, while the beverage firm has to add new equipment for the new line.

packs, initiated the practice as a buffer to low summer candy sales. Demand for the packs, especially in industrial stops, caused their retention thru the rest of the year, until now Bureau of the Mint. most use cookies as a year-round operation. With bakeries planning on stepping up operator and vender promotion, new sections of the country may become cookie conscious and boom their sales thru venders (see separate cookie manufacturer story, this issue).

Still Hit Some Hamilton Taps New Scale Field Suppliers Up With Advertising Column Models Vender-Aimed

CHICAGO, March 11 .- A new type of the new-type scale have been vertising scales," has been successfully introduced by the Hamilton Scale Company, Toledo. Details of the two-year-old plan were announced in the Service Equipment news columns of the March issue of Vend, sister publication of The Billboard.

To date, however, the largest users



Public, Senate Sessions

WASHINGTON, March 11 .- The first congressional hearings in several years on bills authorizing new coins will be held late this month by the Senate Banking and Currency Many operators now using cookie | Committee. Public hearings were announced by the committee this week, with Senate sponsors of 21/2, 3, 7 and 7½-cent coins slated to testify. Chief opposition will be provided by the Announcement of the hearings followed on the heels of a bipartisan measure introduced by four solons. including three members of the com-(See Coinage Bills on Page 107)

tised small package merchandise, as tooth paste, soft drinks, coffee and various food stuffs and notions. The Hamilton scale, specially outfitted with replicas of packaged goods, basically is a new form of point-ofsale advertising.

Using the regular scale mechanisms, standard platforms and dials, Hamilton replaces the usual column with requested types of simulated packages, exact in coloring, label and shape of the commercial product. Hamilton has set up a special firm, Advertising Scale Company, to handle promotion and sales of the new line.

10 Designs

Several hundreds of 10 different package scale designs have been placed in operation, according to firm's secretary, J. Malik. However, the units have not as yet been used by regular operators. This is due, primarily, to the fact they are made up to order for the manufacturer of the product they represent. Too, most of the advertising scale models are heavier and carry a higher price tag than regular production models. Currently the 10 package models include reproductions of soft drink bottles such as Royal Crown, B-1, Squirt and Grapette, also replicas of milk cartons, shaving cream tubes, coffee and several other food and notion dising programs (The Billboard, July 16, 1949). packages.

Sales Plans

See Increased Op Biz

CHICAGO, March 11. - Cookie manufacturers, indicating a determination to go all-out in 1950 to present more and better cookie packs to the vender operator, have lined up some intensive campaigns to place their product in more biscuit and candy equipment. Following a boom in cookie placement and sales thru venders during the war and early postwar years, due to scarcity of candy, the baked sweets industry is now girding to consolidate gains in this important plus-market.

A survey of leading biscuit bakeries has disclosed definite plans to remain in the vender supplier field. Future months will see constant improvement in distribution, sales policies, package design and public relations activities toward increasing public consciousness of availability of cookies thru venders, manufacturers state. In line with this promotion thinking, individual firms have pointed to an upward trend in volume of vender business thru most of last year, following postwar declines. This they attribute to the opening moves in their automatic merchan-

N. Y. Ops Applaud Cookies

In New York, vender-sold cookies are receiving important boosts thru several thousand cookie units operated by Statler. Most of the candy and drink operators stocking cookies use Stoner's Univender. During the past few years cookie vender place-

(See Cookies Grow on Page 106)

Chi To Issue Licenses for **Food Venders**

Cup Machines Held Up

CHICAGO, March 11.-Licenses for all types of food venders, except cup machines, will be going to operators shortly following Chicago Board of Health's approval yesterday (10) of regulations governing venders. Cup venders will not be licensed until the industry and the city resolve differences of opinion concerning a technical reference in the regulations.

City licenses for vending machine operators were held up since January 1 pending the approval of regulations covering food and beverage equipment. Operators' applications for licenses, received at the city collector's office, were referred to the health department since the city's vending machine ordinance provides all equipment must meet board approval.

Representing Chicago vending machine operators at the board meeting,

(See Chi Licenses on Page 110)

The bottle scales are of heavy plastic, while other package types are of 16-gauge sheet metal. Hamilton re-. (See Hamilton Taps on Page 109)

Austin Sales Jump One of the leading suppliers of cookies and biscuits to the vending trade, Austin Packing Company, Inc., Baltimore, reports that vender sales

levels. Austin plans to use various (See Suppliers Up on Page 109)

in 1949 were 80 per cent above 1948

Set New Chicle **Penny Units in Gotham Subways**

NEW YORK, March 11. - New penny gum machines, especially built for American Chicle Company by National Rejectors, are being placed in quantity in city subway stations. They are being installed by the Interborough News Company which, thru American Chicle, has contracted to operate all but drink machines in the underground stops for the next five years.

Trimmed in high-luster metal, the venders are finished in bright red enamel to attract attention in dimlylit subway corridors. The fourflavor units stock more than 800 pieces of gum each, with two of the Cherry recently resigned his post with columns of double width to handle the more popular Chiclet packs. The double columns dispense alternately. Machines are fronted with large nounced, it was learned that Lehigh mirrors of heavy-duty glass. Display was about to begin deliveries of its panels show the gum varieties

> American Chicle officials stated several thousand of the new machines will be installed in the next few months. In two of the city subway systems, the BMT and IRT, they will replace venders now rented from York Subways Advertising, a William Wrigley Jr. subsidiary.

> The new gum venders measure 10½ inches wide, 7 inches deep and 48 inches high. Instead of pushpull knobs, a single rotating dial is used to actuate the machine.

Expand CTA Cup Operation; Insulate Outdoor Venders

CHICAGO, March 11 .- Mechanical | go on Metropolitan el platforms in Merchants, Inc., in an expansion non-Loop areas. move following its receipt of the Chicago Transit Authority's (CTA) C-3 cup vender contract (The Billboard, February 11), this week announced 30 additional machines would be placed on subway and el platforms shortly and that venders would be insulated for year-round outdoor operation. Herman Stamer, vice-president, reported all necessary utilities (water and electrical connections) were being installed to accommodate the new venders.

Working under the old Union News contract with CTA, Mechanical Merchants made initial rapid transit drink vender installations in May, 1949, and placed 20 units in operation. With the 30 new units, plus one non-carbonated Refresh-o-Mat vending orange juice at the Sheridan Road station, installed Friday (10), the firm will have 51 cup machines serving CTA pasengers. The juice vender, incidentally, has been set for nickel instead of the usual dime operation. Stamer said that 10 more drink units will be placed in operation within the next six weeks.

About 50 per cent of the new machines will be four-flavor Spacarbs, remainder will be Lions venders. Stamer announced that the fourflavor machines will vend Coca-Cola, Canada Dry orange drink, a cherry drink and hot chocolate. The orange and cherry flavors will be periodically rotated with other flavors for better variety. Three of the 1,000 cup four-flavor units will be placed in Loop subway stations, with the remainder of the 30 new machines to Avon Avenue here.

(See Expand CTA on Page 107) **Cherry Named PX** Sales Rep

Stamer revealed that Mechanical

Merchants was preparing to operate

drink equipment year round on open

el platforms. To accomplish this, the

firm is currently experimenting with

NEWARK, N. J., March 11 .- Appointment of James V. Cherry to handle sales' of the PX cigarette machine line in Northern New Jersey, Eastern New York and Connecticut, was announced this week by Neill Mitchell, sales manager of Lehigh Foundries, Vendor Division. L. H. Cantor, Inc., distributor of National cigarette vending machines.

As Cherry's new affiliation was annew 3-in-1 manual vender, both in stocked. the upright and lowboy models. The machine, introduced recently, accepts nickels, dimes and/or quarters.

A veteran in the vending industry, Cherry headed the Cigarette Merchandisers' Association of New Jersey for eight years. He also the previous contract holder, New served as secretary of the Interstate Association, a combo organization of several Eastern cigarette operators' associations, until its dissolution in the mid-1940's.

Cherry maintains offices at 361





Topps Appoints Eight Distribs

NEW YORK, March 11. - Topps Chewing Gum, Inc., which has been penetrating the penny vending field via its Bozo ball gum, announced the appointment of eight new distributors this week. The new outlets are Northwestern Sales & Service and J. Schoenbach & Company, Brooklyn; Danco Coin Machine, Parkway Machine and A & A Coin Machine, Baltimore; Asco Vending, Newark; T. B. Holliday & Company, Charlotte, N. C., and the Cleveland Coin Ma-

Bozo ball gum is now offered in nine flavors, each flavor colored differently. They are available in 140, 170 and 210-count packs.

Topps officials said additional distributors are soon to be named to give the company nationwide cover-

Pepsi Bottlers Offer Support of Steele's **Policies at Chi Meet**

CHICAGO, March 11 .-- Pepsi-Cola bottlers promised here Thursday (9) they would put their shoulder to the wheel and give their complete support to the policies of Alfred Steele, the company's new president. The bottlers met at the La Saile Hotel in the wake of an announcement that Pepsi had omitted its common dividend of 10 cents which had been paid in September and December.

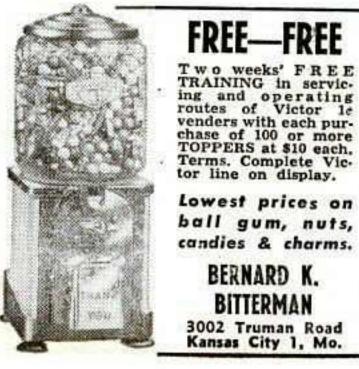
Steele told the bottlers that Pepsi "management, as now constituted, hay dedicated its efforts to the success

Specifically it was understood the bottlers expect management to effect economies in the operation and to reinvest more capital in the business.



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Confident of Steele

The bottlers said they had complete confirence in Steele and were certain he was aware of the "serious problems confronting the entire Pepsi-Cola family."

After the meeting, one of Steele's assistants said vending machines had not come in for specific attention at the session, but intimated Pepsi was revamping its approach to the vending machine market and might have an announcement to make regarding it shortly.

Bottlers who had anything at all to say on vending machines pointed to Steele's experience with Coca-Cola, where he was vice-president, and predicted the Pepsi program would follow Coca-Cola's general pattern.

Milton Bender Killed

MILWAUKEE, March 11 .- Milton H. Bender, president of Kwik Kafe of Milwaukee, was killed last Sunday (5) when an army air force C-45 plane on which he was a passenger crash landed in Lake Michigan. Six others were aboard.

Bender was a major in the civil air patrol and was returning from Washington after a week-end of official duties connected with his work as operations officer of his squadron. The plane had radioed just prior to crashing into the lake that it was running short of gas.

Only a week ago mention had been made in The Billboard that Bender had recently purchased the holdings of his former partner and was making plans to enlarge the scope of his Kwik Kafe operation as soon as possible.



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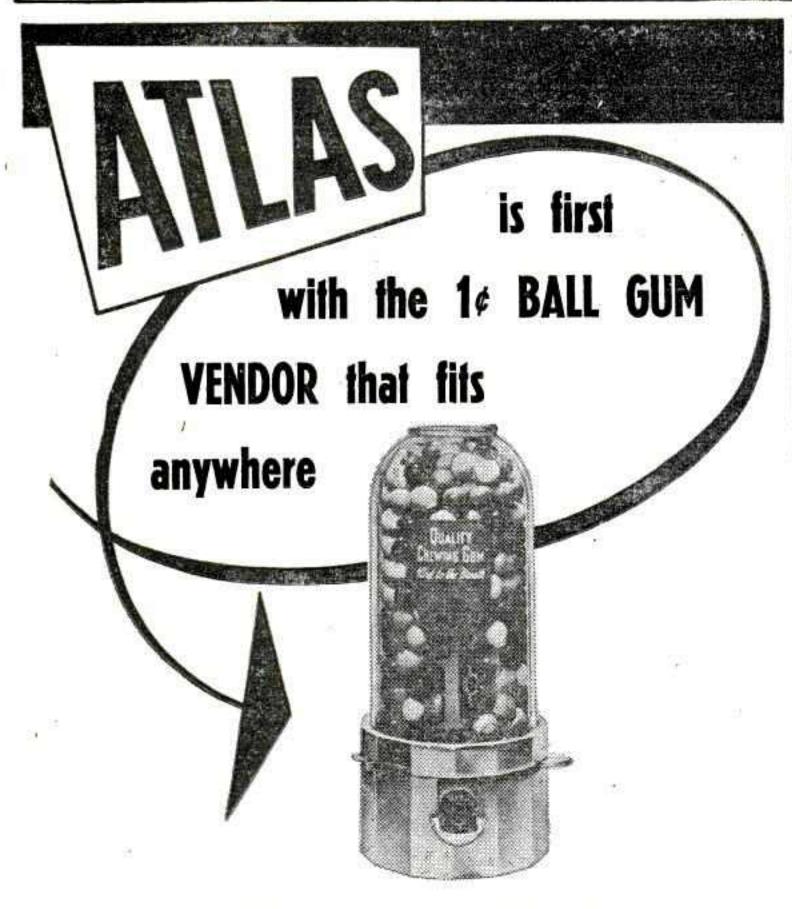


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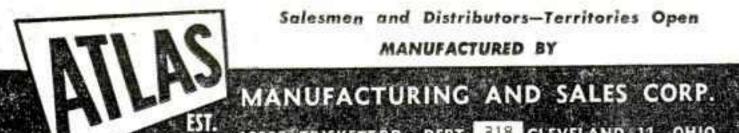
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Cookies Grow as Vender Fare; Opposition in Some Areas

(Continued from Page 104) ments have increased. Some of this increase can be traced to cup venders, as ops agree that an adjoining cup machine will boost cookie sales. The reverse, however, has not seemed to hold true, with drink sales not being affected one way or the other.

Arnold Fink, General Vending, a cup machine operation, has added cookie units heavily during the last eight months. "It's another step in diversification," he states. He plans continued expansion along these lines. Agreeing with the cookie vending idea, Duncan Fisher, of Automatic Merchandisers Service, notes a trend toward greater patron acceptance of cookies over candy in machines, especially during the last nine months. He figures that about 20 per cent of his current dollar volume stems from cookies, which are stocked both in all-cookie units and in candycookie venders.

Another New York operator, Irv Bernoff of Candy Mat Corporation, has been selling cookies along with candy for the last eight years. The firm's cookie business is still on the increase. Bernoff claims there is little seasonal variation in cookie sales, but they are emphasized in summer months, mainly because spoilage will be less.

Cookies Hit in Hub

In the Hub area and thruout New England, cookie packs are going big, candy and beverage operators report. Many operations not now using cookies plan to inaugurate the practice this summer when high temperatures freeze bar sales.

With drink firm execs here of the opinion that cookie packs aid soft drink sales, many are about to add the baked sweets to their routes before the hot months roll around. Spa-Williams, president, has stated the firm's new policy will be to go in for cookie packs in drink locations. Generally, operators are not using special equipment, instead stocking cookies in standard candy venders. Along this line, Ed Raverby of Associated Amusements, New England distributor for the new Frost Candy Vender, said a number of ops have been using fig bars in the machine. He declared that the company is planning a change in the machine so as to take larger packages (cookies, etc.) for the summer months. Officials of Canteen Company report that cookie sales, in proportion to candy, is about 10 per cent. They pointed out that with school locations in winter and outdoor locations in summer, cookie packs are an allyear-round staple. Some Hub candy operators report an upswing in sales in office and plant locations following addition of cookies. They attribute this to women customers, who are trading chocolate bar preference for cookies because of latter lower calorie content. The problem of cookie packs staling has cropped up in some spots, it was pointed out. Not fresh thinking on the patrons' part is being overcome with small stickers reading "fresh-filled daily"; it solves a psychological factor if placed in direct view of the customer.

some industrial locations (The Billboard, July 16, 1949), and claims that this results in an 8 to 10 per cent hike in summer sales volume. Vendall's five-column machines devote one column to cookies yearround, while eight-column units stock one or two columns depending upon location.

Other Chicago operators using cookie packs include Gene Chute, Mercury Confections; Joseph Kaden, Kandy Kit Company, and Sam Kogen, Illinois Mechanical Sales. All state that the cookie volume can be upped when the vender is located close to a soft drink, milk or coffee machine. Too, all agree that the cookie pack is best suited to the industrial, office or retail store employee type of installation.

The Picture Changes

From Milwaukee, operators reported little interest in cookie vending. Five leading candy firms, adopting a "not for us" attitude, told of either no interest in adding cookies or of earlier attempts to do so that did not work out. One of the latter was Herb Geiger, Geiger Automatic Sales Company. Said Geiger: "I added cookies several years ago and they did not prove profitable." Paul Strelzyk, operating a diversified route, does not intend to add cookies unless he "suddenly gets a demand for them."

The single exception noted here was the Canteen operation. Erich Rakow, manager, said cookies had been vended since 1941 and they now account for 10 per cent of the total volume. Best results, sales-wise, have been obtained with cream-filled cookies, Rakow said.

Detroit Takes Middle Path

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Chi Ops Enthusiastic

Corporation, continues to use up to a added to candy columns during May 50-50 ratio of candy and cookies in and eliminated in September.

Detroit operators have not proved carb of New England revealed it was too receptive to cookie vending, parabout to start cookie vending. Ned ticularly thru special purpose machines. Currently, there is no indication of interest in expansion in the local cookie field, according to Charles Steele, office manager of National Biscuit Company.

> While operators have not adopted the all-cookie machine, they have, in many instances, been stocking single columns of cookies in regular candy machines. The feeling here is that there is no net increase in sales as a result of adding cookies, but it has been found they do function effectively during the summer in maintaining the total of candy machine sales. Summing up, candy operators do lean toward a mixed candy-cookie operation, with practical experience indicating that the two can be combined efficiently for a better-balanced seasonal operation.

Spokane Static

The single Spokane operator making cookies available thru venders, the Canteen Company, has not expanded this phase of its operation since its inception in 1940. Canteen official, R. P. Nechanicky, states he has not noticed any appreciable boost in summer sales volume from cookies.

L. A. Negative

Candy and drink operators in Los Angeles have shown little inclination to add cookies to date. Those who have done so specialize in industrial installations, and use them only during summer months, not as a sales stimulant but as a customer conven-A. Garrick Alex. Vendall Service lience. Usually, the cookie packs are

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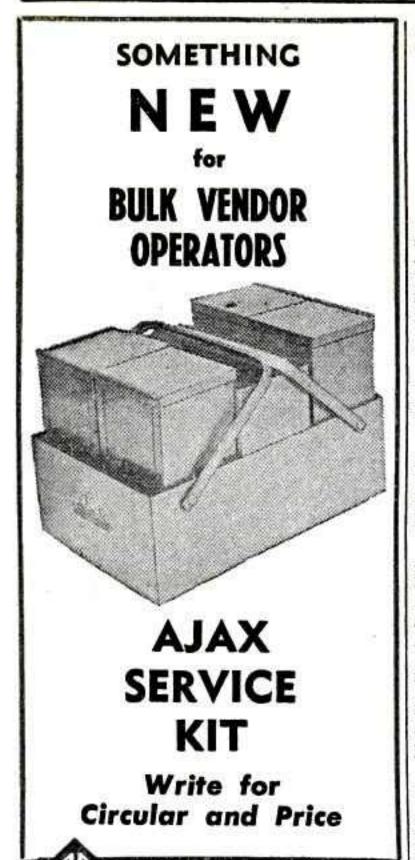
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Coinage Bills Hearings Set For Washington

(Continued from Page 104) mittee (The Billboard, March 11). The committee vote following the hearings will be a test on all coin bills introduced so far this session in both houses except for measures by Rep. Wright Patman (D., Tex.) calling for 6¼ and 12½-cent pieces.

There is virtually no chance that the Senate group will favorably report bills authorizing all four denominations under consideration. About the best proponents can hope for is committee approval of one new coin. In the current era it is likely that the choice will be between the 7-center and the 71/2-center.

Authorization of either coin would pose for the coin machine industry the major problem of whether to convert to the new coin or to stick to the traditional nickel. According to the senators backing new coins, a number of vending machine and juke box operators, as well as the American Institute of Intermediate Coinage (AIIC), have written letters approving additional denominations.

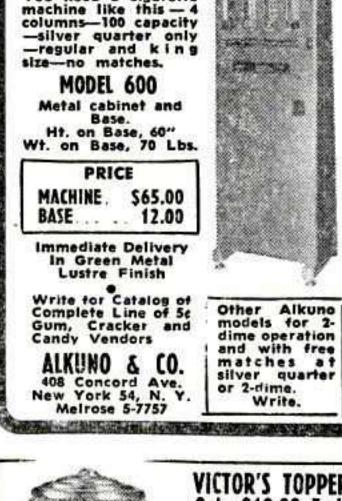
(See Music Machine section for further views on fractional coins.) The chief influencing factor for an industry shift to a 7 or 11/2-cent coin is the increased operating costs experienced by operators in recent years, plus their reluctance to double prices by advancing to a dime. On the other hand, there is the cost of converting present equipment and the possibility that the public will resent a 50 per cent price boost almost as much as a 100 per cent rise.

In the event that a new coin is issued, each segment of the industry will probably have to make the decision on its own. If the 7-center should get the nod-and it has the edge since fractions are not involved -candy venders switching to it from a nickel would have even stiffer competition from stores than at present. Cigarette venders. however. might find such a coin a convenience. For example, venders on a 22-cent price could conver. to take a nickel, a dime and the new coin and save the expense and bother of wrapping change in the cigarette wrapper. It would probably also be possible in some cases to shave the price to 21 cents and operate on three 7-centers.



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Expand CTA Cup Operation (Continued from Page 104)

insulations for vender exteriors and water lines. The latter has been successfully accomplished by electrically heating the lines on test installations.

The outside installations are more desirable due to higher customer potential, Stamer said. He cited tests where the same machine, moved indoors, only did 70 per cent of the volume normally reached on the platform. Ability to offer a hot chocolate drink makes the outdoor spots all the more important as 12-month installations, he stated. Too, even with cold drinks, patronage did not suffer a drastic drop even in 25, 30degree temperatures, and sales fell to the barrel bottom only when the thermometer registered in the minus 20s. And, according to a weather check, such extreme low temperatures have been far in the minority over the past five years, Stamer pointed out.

Mechanical Merchants' outdoor platform operation, on a year-round basis, plus addition of juice cup venders, has the full approval of CTA, which reserves in the contract the right to pass okays on new types of equipment installed, color, placement, etc., Stamer said.

A second Photo-Mat has also been added, supplementing the single unit placed in the Loop subway last summer.



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Warn Conn. Ops To Follow Now delivering **Cig Regulations or Else**

Following an open meeting here last week aimed at clarifying State regulations concerning cigarette venders, Dennis O'Connor, tax commissioner, warned operators to comply with the provisions or face curtailment of their business. He disclosed that inspection would be tightened and machines sealed if owners failed of compliance.

The regulations, affecting the operation and licensing of cigarette machines, were passed by the State Legislature a year ago. Altho they became effective last September, observance has not been general, it was reported, largely due to confusion on the part of the operators as to what was expected of them.

The meeting, held Thursday (2) at the Hotel Garde here, was called at the suggestion of the tax commissioner. The Cigarette Machine Operators of Connecticut (CMOC), a State-wide industry association, was co-sponsor. About 75 operators, plus a sprinkling of manufacturers' representatives, attended. Eddie Berest, CMOC vice-president, presided in behalf of the association.

O'Connor and Ernest Goodrich, deputy tax commissioner, broke down the regulations into five main categories as follows:

1. All cigarette venders must display prominently on their front panels the name of the operating company, its address, telephone number and State license number. The general practice has been to place this information on vender sides.

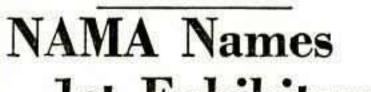
2. The precent license schedule calls for annual fees of \$10 for the owner of a single machine; a \$50 dealer's license for an operator with 2 to 21 venders, and a \$150 distributor's license for owners of 25 or more pieces

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 11. - regulation requiring payment of \$1 for each new machine added to a route was retained. Until last September, operators paid license fees of \$1 a machine if they owned less than 25 units, and \$150 for larger routes. 3. All new machines must comply with State regulations and be approved by the commissioner prior to sale here. Observance is primarily a matter for manufacturers and distributors, with the purpose of insuring clear visibility of tax stamps. Manufacturers must provide the commissioner with a complete description of each new model, detailing how tax stamps may be viewed. Old machines which do not fully comply with these requirements but which have already been licensed will be permitted to remain in use.

> 4. All machines must be placed so that they are easily available for public use. Venders placed behind store counters where they are operated by the proprietor or his attendant will not be permitted.

5. Distributor's licenses will be issued only to operators with 25 or more venders in good working order and actually in use. Since such a license carries with it "stamp-yourown-rebate" privileges, the purpose of the provision is to withhold the privilege from persons nominally owning but not operating that number of pieces.

Manufacturer representatives who attended the meet included Anthony Caruso and Murray Weiner, of C-Eight Laboratories; Ralph Littlefield, of Arthur H. DuGrenier, and Dick Gluck and Charles Brinkman, of Rowe Manufacturing.





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1st Exhibitors

CHICAGO. March 11 .--- Space sales for the 1950 National Automatic Merchandising Association exhibit are continuing at a strong pace, Ernest H. Fox. NAMA's convention and exhibit chairman, announced this wee't.

Fox reported that over 70 firms had signed contracts for floor space at the NAMA show, scheduled November 12-15 at the Palmer House, Chicago. He said the fourth floor exhibition hall had been sold out and that space was being assigned on the seventh floor.

Altho a number of other firms have been committed to show, Fox released the names of only the 15 companies that had been assigned definite exhibit space. They are:

Vending machines, parts: The Automatic Book Vending Company, New York; Brandt Automatic Cashier Company, Watertown, Wis.; Eastern Electric Vending Machine Corporation, 'New York; Sattley Company, Detroit; Shipman Manufacturing Company, Los Angeles, and Vend-Rite Manufacturing Company, Chicago.

Candy, food products: Fred W. Amend Company, Chicago; Walter Baker Chocolate Company, Dorchester, Mass.; Quaker City Chocolate and Confectionery Company, Philadelphia; Honey Bee Company, Chicago; Hershey Chocolate Company, Hershey, Pa.; Boyer Bros., Altoona, Pa., and Curtiss Candy Company, Chicago.

Beverage: The Double-Cola Company, Atlanta. Matches: The Diamond Match Company, New York.

Cig Sales Drop

WASHINGTON, March 11 .-- Consumption of both cigars and cigarettes hit a 1949 low in December, Commerce Department reported. Cigarette sales totaled 24,776,000,000-a drop of nearly 5,000,000,000 from November, while cigar sales amounted to 386,169,000-a decline of more than 100,000,000 from the preceding month.



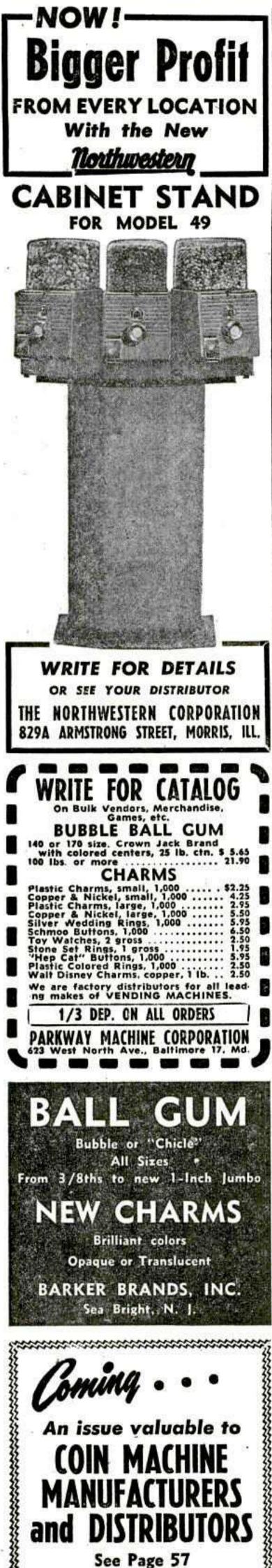


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Suppliers Up Vender - Aimed Sales Plans; See Big Op Biz

(Continued from Page 104) media to call the public's attention cents lower than in 1948. to venders as a supplemental source from which to obtain cookies. Too, it intends to aid the operator by keeping him enlightened with up-to-thetrends in the cookie industry. Austin's president, Ernest H. Fox, says the firm will promote the use of standard candy vending machines as a solid cookie machine, with the idea that they be placed next to candy selling units. Cup and bottle beverage operators will be approached on the premise that they can profitably place cookie equipment beside a drink vender.

Public relations-wise, Austin is supplying operators and potential locations with circulars and advertising pieces to help promote cookie sales thru venders. The company's "nutritional flyer" is considered a real aid in getting cookie units into colleges, etc., with a Lenten circular serving as a reminder to operators to push sales during the period.

Fox states his firm will add several new varieties of cookies this year, among which will be fig bars, chocofruit biscuits. Austin's current prices on 100-count packs run from \$2.65



(Continued from Page 104) ports the most successful type of advertising scale to date is the bottle design, mainly because this type has been placed in greater numbers than located thruout the southern and per 100 count. southeastern parts of the country. Comparison of price and weight between standard and advertising models shows a hike in both instances. The Hamilton Model P-W lists for \$89.50, and the recently introduced combination vender-scale. Model SPW, at \$129.50 to \$200. This compares with the \$152.50 to \$270 each for the advertising models. The 60pound weight of standard models is increased to 80 and 105 pounds in the advertising line. Price of the latter, in addition to depending upon plastic or sheet metal column construction. also is governed by the quantity of phia. any one particular type that is to be made. Reports from dairies and soft drink bottlers who have placed special package scale models in stores selling their product reveal that they have usually relegated collection chores to regular drivers. The drivers service the scales periodically during their normal delivery calls. In most instances, according to Malik, the scales have netted 100 per cent of their purchase price within 12 to 18 months. Tooling costs of new model package designs, where a great change is not required from Hamilton's regular production equipment, is borne by the scale firm. Present plans are to continue contacting different types of companies on the advertising scale idea. An "in" for the regular scale operator, Hamilton believes, would be a tie-in with various food, beverage and sundry manufacturers to help defray the cost. Or operators could purchase the advertising models on their own after first contacting such manufacturers and selling them permanent promotion or ad space in the form of product replicas on his scale columns. Hamilton is also testing a second scale feature in the form of a dial light. Powered by standard dry-cell batteries, the light is actuated only when the scale is being used, thus battery life has been found to be in excess of six months. Malik figures that from early test results, scale earnings should increase from 10 to 15 per cent with the dial light, due mainly to repeat patronage.

to \$2.75 f. o. b. Baltimore, about 5

Statler Manufacturers Corporation, reporting a 20 per cent increase in cookie vender placement over the past year (The Billboard, February minute information on tastes and 25) states that total business was up 33¹/₃ per cent and unit sales thru venders had increased about 15 per cent in the same period.

> Lawrence Reiss, vice-president, declared plans for future sales increases included the enlargement of operations in various cities, plus opening of additional routes in other cities. Speaking as a cookie supplier, Reiss said cookie prices have not changed noticeably from 1948 levels, remaining at approximately 3 cents per pack. The paramount problem for the biscuit supplier is local warehouse points so the merchandise does not depend on public carriers to different cities, eliminating broken merchandise problems, extra freight charges, etc.

Gordon Foods, Inc., Atlanta, echoes the upped vender business trend with its report of increased sales to operators since entering the field in late grahams, oatmeal cookies and late 1948. Sales promotion manager Charles Rolleston states his firm plans to further up vender sales volume of its product by better contact of operators. The firm is also experimenting with five cookie venders to get basic sales information.

> Prices range from \$2.75 to \$2.85 per 100 count on Gordon's cookie packs, with the newly added cake pack \$3.

A newcomer to the vender cookie supplier field, Blue Jay Food Products Company, Inc., Brooklyn, is presenting an entire new line to operaother package models. These have tors following its organization last been sold to bottlers and are mainly year. Prices vary from \$2.45 to \$2.95



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B. Lewis, firm official, states that Blue Jay president D. Shenkman was the originator of vender cookie sales in 1932 when he headed Creamo-Products Company, Inc. Shenkman induced the Canteen Company to try cookies in their machines, Lewis said.

Reports from other contenders in the cookie supply picture show that they, too, are primed to set up increased sales and operator contact programs this year. They include National Biscuit Company, New York, and Royle Maid Products, Philadel-





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Until you have actually operated 49s you have no idea of the time saved on location or in the service department . . . the amount of reduction in overhead . . . the extra time made available for handling additional machines . . . the accurate control of merchandise . . . the pleasure of knowing that your route is modern, efficient, systematically serviced and producing every bit of profit available from your locations. Best of all, you don't have to take anyone's word for it. See the Model 49 . . . test it . . . try it on your own route under your own conditions without risking a penny! Write for complete details today.

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Op Drops Cig-Pack Premiums But Finds Sales Boost Holds

PORT CHESTER, N. Y., March 11. -Current interest in the use of premium plans to boost vended cigarette sales has focused attention on the amount of extra business the redeemable coupons actually attract. Most operators who have tried one of several plans offered report good results.

But Sam Yolen, one of the first to promote premiums in the East, reported this week the difficulty of tracing changes in sales curves to the use of coupons. The head of Modern Cigarette Service, large Westchester County route, disclosed that more than two months after dropping the tabs from his venders he is yet to note significant variations in his sales volume.

Pin Money Whirl

Yolen gave the program offered by Pin Money Exchange, of Chicago, a five-month whirl before returning to more conservative vending. He admitted that soon after he instituted the program, sales did climb some 12½ per cent, but he was unable to convert other county operators. And intensive coverage of his territory was deemed essential to the most profitable exploitation of the sales stimulants.

With the added volume Modern Cigarette was able to write off the extra cost of the plan-1/2-cent per coupon. He reasoned, tho, that if most county operators went along, they should be able to boost their combined grosses by as much as 25 per cent. But for this gain, patrons must be able to purchase couponed packs in almost every location. In many areas his own machines were too sparsely placed.

Cause for Gain?

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the part of consumers. The most vociferous complainants were those spots in which a bartender or waitress stripped packs of coupons and became steady recipients of valuable gifts. These objected bitterly, but the cigarette buyer was the one the operator aimed at. And no location complained to the extent of ordering out Modern Cigarette equipment, Yolen observed.

Candy Firms To Show At NATD Convention

NEW YORK, March 11 .- Space at the Merchandise Fair, to be held at the Palmer House in Chicago during the National Association of Tobacco Distributors (NATD) annual convention March 26-31, has been contracted for by 26 candy manufacturers, it was announced this week. A special session on candy problems has been planned.

Candy companies who will exhibit during the six-day meeting are Fred W. Amend Co.; Walter Baker; Paul F. Beich Co.; E. J. Brach & Sons; Bunte Brothers, Cadbury-Fry, Inc.; Charms Sales Co.; Chase Candy Co.; Deran Confectionery Co.; Flavour Candy Co.; Hershey Chocolate Corp.; Hollywood Candy Co.; Huyler's; Robert A. Johnston Co.; Lamont, Corliss & Co.

Mason, Au & Magenheimer; Milko Cone & Baking Co.; Nutrine Candy Co.; Quaker City Chocolate & Confectionery Co.; Reed Candy Co.; Thomas D. Richardson Co.; Squirrel Brand Co.; Sweets Company of America; Switzer's Licorice Co.; Universal Match Corp., Shutter Division; James O. Welch Co.





BLOYD MFG. CO.

VALLEY STATION, KY.



Plant in Chi Area

NAUGATUCK, Conn., March 11 .--Peter Paul, Inc., announced Monday (6) the purchase of 14½ acres of land in the La Grange Park area of Chicago for the erection of a \$2,750,000 plant. George Shamlian, president, said the new factory will provide manufacturing facilities for the firm's full line of candy for distribution thruout the Midwest.

The proposed Chicago area plant will be 680 feet long, 320 feet wide. It will be a one-story structure.

In addition to the main plant here, Peter Paul has factories in Oakland, Calif., Dallas and Philadelphia. The firm also has a coconut desiccation plant in the Philippine Islands.

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(Continued from Page 104) Fred Brandstrader, of the National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA), asked that one section of the proposed regulations be held over for further study and consideration.

The regulation in question reads, "All surfaces coming in contact with the ingredients used in the preparation of the drink served shall be of smooth construction and shall be of not readily corrodible material and shall be free of breaks, corrosion, open seams, cracks or chips. Such surfaces shall be readily accessible for cleaning purposes, as defined in Section 130-22 of the municipal code of Chicago."

Dismounted Cleaning

Brandstrader said that Chicago operators objected to the last clause, referring to Section 130-22. This section bans the use of V-type threaded surfaces and requires all pipes and tubing be so constructed as to be easily dismounted for cleaning and accessible to sight and touch for the purposes of cleaning.

Until the industry and board meet again on this section, cup machines in Chicago must operate without licenses.



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111 UFFLEBOARDS

See ACMMA Booming Shuffle Biz

Trade Directory

New Equipment

Bowlette-shuffle game-D. Gottlieb & Company, Chicago.

Candy vender-5 cent-Associated Amusements, Inc., Boston.

Coffee concentrate-liquid-American Home Foods, Inc., New York City.

Hank-Kerchief-handkerchiefs for venders — Hank-Kerchief Company, Buffalo.

Quik-Kup-liquid coffee concentrate-Heyman Process Corporation, New York.

New Addresses

Mero Industries moved to 6520 South Halsted Street, Chicago.

National Amusement Company, Portsmouth, Va., moved to 521 Crawford Street.

New Firms

A.B.T. Manufacturing Corporation, Chicago, opened a branch office in New York City at 17 East 42d Street.

Chunky Chocolate Corporation, 200 Delancey Street, New York-candy bar manufacturer.

Hall & Young, 415 North High Street, El Dorado, Kan.-distributing firm.

Personals

Daniel P. Brennar, Baltimore, joined sales staff of the General Vending Sales Corporation, Baltimore.

Edward W. David was elected president of the Charles E. Hires Company. Illinois Amusement Association

vertising manager of Worthington Pump & Machinery Corporation, Harrison, N. J.

Music Operators' Association of Indiana, Inc., elected following officers: James Barley, head of Zim-Bar Amusement Company, president; I. R. Boner, B. and P. Music Company, vice-president; Earl H. Siler, Indiana Vendors, secretary, and Abe Fleig, treasurer.

Charles J. O'Malley, sales manager of Paul F. Beich Company, joined the Olian Advertising Company, Chicago, as a vice-president.

Pepsi-Cola Company, Long Island City, announced Walter S. Mack Jr., president, was elected chairman of the board. First Vice-President Alfred N. Steele was elected president. Sheldon R. Coons also was elected to a vacancy on the board of directors.

George T. Sweetser was elected vice-president in charge of sales at Huyler's Company, New York.

Dixie Cup Company appointed A. H. Pickup and J. R. Bennett as regional sales managers: R. C. Albany, Philadelphia sales office manager, and W. S. Birkhead as drink vending representative in the Middle Atlantic region.

Distributors

American Coin Changer Corporation, Boston, appointed the R. P. Anderson Company of New Orleans and Dallas to cover all Southwestern States. Jules Medow, 1495 East Fourth Street, Los Angeles, will cover the Pacific Coast.

Nine Firms Already, Signed For May Conclave; Valley, American, National in Fold

Ops To See All Phases of Trade While in Chicago

CHICAGO, March 11 .-- With nine shuffleboard firms, including some of all-industry exposition neared the the largest, already signed for the American Coin Machine Manufacturers' Association (ASMMA) show at the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, May 22-24, this event looms as the most important single trade gathering of Observers who have the year. watched shuffleboard become a leading indoor sport on coin machine locations in the past two years are also counting upon the ACMMA show to focus even greater interest on the game.

Keeney Intros ABC Bowler, **Shuffle Game**

CHICAGO; March 11. - ABC Bowler, a new shuffle game featuring the bowling theme, is now in production in the J. H. Keeney & Company plant here, John Conroe, vicepresident, announced Friday (10).

As the exhibit space for the 1950 sell out stage, the following firms were already under contract to display their shuffleboard wares:

American Shuffleboard Company, Union City, N. J.; Coin Machine Service, Chicago; J. H. Keeney & Company, Chicago; King Pin Equipment Company, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Marvel Manufacturing Company, Chicago; Monarch Shuffleboards, Chicago; National Shuffleboard Company, Orange, N. J.; Shuffleboard Specialists, Chicago, and Valley Shuffleboards, Bay City, Mich.

Of the three which signed for space this week, National, one of the largest producers in the field, added to its country-wide reputation in 1949 by sponsoring several State tournaments, including the Illinois Championships at Springfield last May. (See ACMMA Booming on page 122)



(IAA) elected the following officers: Louis Casola, president; John Dockhus, vice-president; Harold Hildebrand, secretary-treasurer, and Marvin Woolf, recording secretary.

O. D. Jennings appointed Harold H Jeske, vice-president in charge of production and Henry Strong as general sales manager.

Robert P. March was appointed ad-

Puck Patter

Chicago:

Nils Malmgren, head of Precision Puck Company, states that puck production has jumped 100 per cent at the plant in the past two weeks. Main concern is how long this capacity output can keep up since the old bugaboo, steel shortage, is back. Malmgren is taking the rosy view since the resumption of coal production.

Altho the Music Operators of America convention at the Palmer House was tailor-made for the juke box operator as a whole, host of shuffleboard men took time out to sit in on the conclave. Among them were many coinmen who handle both music and shuffleboards such as Mike Imig, Yankton, S. D., who was with Norman Gefke, Sioux Falls, Ia., operator; Col. L. Lewis, Mero Industries, and Herb Perkins, Purveyor Shuffleboard Company.

Among the shuffleboard operators at the Palmer House the general sentiment was that the slow gain in shuffleboard play, evident in some parts of the country, will become nationwide in another month. . . . Ted Rubenstein, Marvel Manufacturing, is enthused over the number of inquiries on the firm's over head and wall scoreboards. . . . Another cheerful note on the state of the industry comes from Clayton Nemeroff, Monarch, who claims that the (See PUCK PATTER on page 112)

Bally Manufacturing Company, Chicago, appointed Freidman Amusement Company, 441 Edgewood Avenue. S. E., Atlanta, to cover the Georgia area.

Louis J. Magerer, 1250 Washington Street, Boston, appointed New England representative for National cigarette and candy machines.

Silver-King Corporation, Chicago, appointed Bradley Associates, Inc., Chicago.

Built around the identical scoring of regulation bowling, the new Keeney product embodies rebound action which permits players to complete 10 frames in an unusually short time. All the key plays of bowling such as strikes, splits and spares are an intregal part of ABC Bowler.

The game has been engineered with simplicity of service in mind, Conroe stresed. He added that test location had proved that the game is geared for heavy play and has a high earning potential.

Calendar for Coinmen

March 16, 23, 30-Connecticut State Coin Association, Inc. (CSCA), weekly meeting, Hotel Bond, Hartford.

March 21-Music Operators' Association of Indiana, Inc. (MOAI), semi-monthly meetings, Indianapolis Athletic Club, Indianapolis.

March 26-31-National Association of Tobacco Distributors (NATD), annual convention and exhibit, Palmer House, Chicago.

March 28—Amusement Machine Association of Philadelphia (AMAP), semi-monthly meetings, Broadwood Hotel, Philadelphia. March 28-Western Vending Machine Operators' Association

(WVMOA), monthly meeting, Los Angeles.

March 30-Michigan Self-Service Laundry Association (MSSLA), regular dinner, discussion meeting, Leland Hotel, Detroit.

April 3-Illinois Amusement Association (IAA), monthly meeting. 208 North Madison Street, Rockford, IIL

April 3-Amusement Machine Operators of Greater Baltimore (AMO), regular monthly meeting, 2441 North Charles Street, Baltimore.

April 5.—Coin Machine Operators' Association of Harris County (CMOAHC), monthly meeting, Chamber of Commerce Building, Houston.

April 6-Washington Music Guild Inc. (WMG), monthly meeting, Washington,

April 13-Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association, Inc. (MAPOA), monthly meeting, Maccabees Building, Detroit. April 13-Washington Coin Machine Association (WCMA),

monthly meeting, Phillips Novelty Company, Washington.

April 20-22-National Peanut Council (NPC), annual convention, Greenbrier Hotel, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

April 24-27-American Management Association (AMA), 19th annual packaging exposition, Navy Pier, Chicago.

May 22-24-American Coin Machine Manufacturers' Association (ACMMA), all-industry exposition, Hotel Sherman, Chicago.

June 26-28-Coin Machine Institute, Inc. (CMI), annual convention, exposition, Stevens Hotel, Chicago.

(Association officials are invited to submit convention and scheduled meetings information to The Billboord, 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago 1, for listing in this calendar.)

In Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, March 11.-New shuffle bowling leagues, which have been gaining in popularity thruout the city, died aborning Wednesday (8), when the State Liquor Control Board ruled them all illegal.

The board, in a supplement to regulations already in effect, banned all contests in hotels, restaurants and eating places which hold liquor li-The ruling also outlaws censes. beauty contests, raffles and other contests where prizes are awarded or where the management permits prizes to be awarded.

In a public statement, P. E. Leonard, acting supervisor of the board here, said he believed the new regulation was aimed primarily at the shuffleboard and shuffle-bowling leagues which have sprung up in taverns recently.

Milt Gray, publicity agent for a suffleboard concern, had done a succesful job of organizing leagues and taverns were said to have been reaping big profits from this added source of revenue.

Edelco Unveils New Low-Priced Conversion Unit

DETROIT, March 11.-Edelco Manufacturing & Sales Company here this week introduced its new conversion unit for shuffle games. Altho built along the same lines as other woodbased conversions introduced in recent weeks, the Edelco piece lists for \$12 and is now available in quantity,

I. Edelman, firm official announced. Conversion features numbered plastic pins mounted on wood. Ends of the board are colored and two large colored arrows point out the strike zones to the player.

Unit can be used in conjunction with Shuffle Alley, Shuffle Lane, Bally Bowler, and games made by Keeney and Williams, the firm announced.



Export Prices On Used Units Hold '49 Level

(Continued from page 97) at \$60,064 again led the list, surprise of the December listing was Belgium, whose operators accounted for 56 phonographs and 137 games with a combined value of \$33,553. This was the highest cro-month total for ernorts over recorded by Belgian coinmen. Other volume purchases were made during the month by operators in the Philippine Republic (\$31.670), Cuba (\$12,1^3) and H- i (\$12,998). In addition to leading the December list in total purchases. Venezuela also was the principal buyer of music boxes and games. The music figure was \$45,110 for 91 units, while the 118 games imported by operators cost \$13,454.

The big news in the vending export field in December was supplied by the Philippines, where operators spent \$20,495 for 50 merchandisers. This was the third straight month in which Philippine coinmen bought heavily in the U.S. vending machine market after a complete absence the previous three months. Meanwhile



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TOTALS	836	\$210,673	240	\$	117,680	\$490	186	\$46,143	\$249	460	\$ 46,850	\$102

Coin Machine Exports

indicating that operators in this island republic are beginning to realize the many advantages of automatic merchandising.

and games marketed for \$101.

PUCK PATTER

Haiti bought 50 venders for \$12,495, brought an average price of \$414, to be made in the trade but they had while merchandisers averaged 271 to get their tops up to championship play condition.

Detroit:





The Billboard



COINMEN YOU KNOW

New York:

Morris Terner has sold the phonograph route he operated here under his own name to Dave Berkowitz, an established route owner. Terner now lives in Hackensack, N. J. . . Another transfer recently concluded saw the Metro-Urban Music Company, owned by Anthony Salerno, purchased by Ray Knoss, of the Lincoln Music Company. . . . Ed Drucker, who sold his juke route several months ago, is running a bar and grill in Brooklyn.

Herb Klein, sales manager of International Mutoscope, reports a quickening of activity at the plant to prepare for the spring selling season. Substantial orders for Muto's Twin Bowler, Photomatic and Voiceo-Graph have been piling up, he says. . . . H. J. Cook, Eastern district manager for William Wrigley, has several large vending ops in this area testing Wrigley's new 5-cent gum machine, in both the electric and manual models.

Eddie Berest and Jim Cocoros, of Cigarette Machine Service, Stamford, Conn., stopped in at Murray Wiener's coinrow office last week. A week earlier Wiener, C-Eight fac-tory rep, traveled to New Haven to attend a cig op's association meet. Also on hand from this area were Dick Gluck and Charles Brinkman, of Rowe.

Sam Eppy hosted a house warming at the Charms manufacturer's new building in Jamaica that attracted some 200 guests. The ops were treated to a cocktail party and March 2 meeting, held at the Hotel taken on a tour of the modern plant, Bond, Hartford. Among them were built according to Eppy's specifica- Max Perlman, of Atlantic-New York to celebrate his 20th year with the and most important of all place subtions. . . Mrs. Herman Brown is Corporation of Hartford, area dis- firm. Erich was the second man to stantial orders. back on the job after a long illness. tributors of Seeburg juke boxes, and She took over management of the Irving Kempner, of Runyon Sales family juke route after the death (AMI juke boxes). of her husband about two years ago. | members were in attendance. Irving |

Indianapolis:

Irving McClelland, district Seeburg manager, and Ray Buechner, Cincinnati salesman, are contacting Company, Columbus, O., was a business visitor at the local office of the company. . . . Henry Windt, of the Hoosier Simplex Music Company, and Earl Siler, Indiana Vendors, are back from the Music Operators of America's (MOA) convention at the Palmer House, Chicago.

George Burch, representing the Southern Automatic Music Company, has been visiting Indiana operators in the interests of the AMI phonograph. Irwin Schwartz, Midland Music Distributors, Inc., Wurlitzer distributors, was calling on operators in the Central part of the State. . . The two most popular records of the week, played on coinoperated phonographs, are "Candy making the rounds was Archie and Cake" (Columbia) and "Peter Cottontail" (Bullet).

Sicking, Inc., is displaying the Nation Wide Novelties' Shuffle Pool game, double score unit, a game for (See Indianapolis on page 114)

Hartford, Conn.:

Coin Association, Inc., are being is facing its last days before the printed, according to Abe Fish, of structure is torn down to be replaced General Amusement Game Com- by a larger, more modern building. pany, Hartford, and president of the New space, also in the downtown State association. "They'll be distributed, along with identification | but meanwhile the arcade will restickers, to all members soon," he main open until the last day. said. Several guests attended the Twenty-two Gelizer, New London, vice-president, was unable to attend, due to illness. Frank Marks represented him at the meeting. "We'll continue to hold Thursday night meetings all the way into the spring," Fish says, "and in that way we'll be able to actually lay out specific aims and objectives

Los Angeles:

William R. Happel Jr., of Badger Sales, was one of a coin machine included Herman Paster. Maynower foursome at the Wilshire Country Distributing, St. Paul; Bill and Milt operators in Indiana. . . . Edward Club recently when he made the 18 Marmer, Sicking, Cincinnati: Irv Shaffer Jr., of the Shaffer Music holes with Harry Williams, of the Sandler, P. & S. Distributing, Des Williams Manufacturing Company, Moines; R. F. Jones, R. F. Jones Dis-Frank Merkle and Ed Johnson. The tributing, San Francisco, and Al latter two were formerly with Seeburg. Happel says he thought he had some pigeons in tow but after the first three holes learned he had Bowler is having the kind of sucunderestimated his opponents. According to Happel it was he who about. Carl Hoelzel, head of United shelled out for the refreshments at the 19th Hole. . . . Anton Jeppeson made the round: on Pico Street looking over some new games.

> Tod (Kid Mexico) Faulkner, former boxer and now active in the coin machine business, was in from his Signal Hill operation to see what the boys on Pico Street have in the way of new equipment. . . . Also Luper, who headquarters in near-by Ventura. . . . Niles Smith, Oildale operator, was renewing acquaintances on Pico Street last week. . . .

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Milwaukee:

Bob Roehl's Arcade, 6th and Wisconsin avenues, along with all the By-laws of the Connecticut State other business places in the building area, has been tentatively optioned,

Canteen Company, is getting ready local distributors and manufacturers

Chicago:

Visitors at the Bally plant recently Sleight, Bally West Coast district manager. Jack Nelson, general sales manager for Bally, says that Speed cess that sales managers dream Distributors, Kansas City, was in for a visit with Nelson last week.

Over at Como Manufacturing all hands are striving to increase Hollycrane production again. Since moving into new quarters a few weeks ago Como has made big strides toward increasing its over-all business scope. Vice-President Bill Billheimer points out that a lot of outdoor show people are dropping in to place Hollycrane orders in anticipation of spring and summer business. Many, Billheimer claims, have turned to Hollycrane since they got wind of the success of the units on location at the Canadian National Exhibition last fall.

It was a gay week of activity for the local manufacturing plants. Early in the week the order curtailing the use of electricity was rescinded. This gave plants a chance to get back on all cylinders and by mid-week the industry was in quantity production. Another note of optimism was furnished by the hordes of operators, in town for the music operators' convention at the Palmer House who Erich Rakow, head man at the took time out to see the wares of

Bob Guggenheim, who heads Karl Guggenheim, Inc., reports that the general overhaul of the charms firm's Union Square headquarters has just been completed. Increased lighting and additional display space is featured in the major decoration. Declaring a satisfactory volume of biz in 1949, Guggenheim hinted at tie-ins with other companies that would lead to new charms series soon.

Bert Lane, head of the American Q-Ball Corporation, supervised the crew that kept things running smoothly at the semi-final tourney eliminations Tuesday (7). Several hundred players competed for places on the weekly Q-Ball finals, now telecast each Thursday night over WOR-TV. Eddie Lane and Harry Pearl, other Q-Ball toppers, were on hand as was Max Levine, manufacturer of the Belgian-type pool tables. The semi-finals are being held at the Capitol Hotel.

Larry Reiss, head of Statler Vending, left Friday (10) for a month's vacation in Palm Springs, Fla. . . Bobby Colt, singer on Admiral Records, left last week for a hotel engagement in Chicago. His disks have been featured by local phono ops.

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Vital Statistics Deaths

Milton H. Bender in plane crash March 5, in Lake Michigan off Milwaukee. Bender was president of Kwik Kafe, Inc., of Milwaukee. He was active in civil air patrol work and held the rank of major. Survived by widow. Pantier Bender, and two children, Laverne and Kay Marie. Parents were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bender.

The Coca-Cola Bottling Company at suburban East Hartford, has been (See Hartford, Conn. on page 114)

of this Statewide organization."

Detroit:

Walter Button, formerly of Chicago, has been named manager of the Detroit operation of Automatic Merchandising Company, which has a diversified route of candy and cigarette venders here. The company is headed by Ben Fishman, of Chicago, whose father, Max Fishman, formerly had his own route in Detroit. Arnold McKeown, service chief of King Pin Distributing Company, reports boss J. R. Pieters vacationing in Florida but due back in about a week.

A. H. Leonard, who operated a route of amusement games here until about 10 years ago, and is now in the fuel oil business, is planning to return to route operation in partnership with Charles Delier. R. D. Carrithers reports that the plans for a coin-operated individual seat radio for streetcars and busses, (See Detroit on page 114)

Cincinnati:

The Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association scheduled a special meeting Tuesday evening (14) at Sicking, Inc. The regular board meeting was to precede the special meeting.

association, returned from a trip to Chicago, where he attended the Music Operators of America convention at the Palmer House. He will make a report at the next meeting.

go to work for Canteen and his rise to the top of the organization is an inspiration. Last year he found time to make a quick tour thru Central Europe, an ambition he had entertained since childhood.

Nick Novasik, of West Allis Venders, reports business is better than ever these days after 16 years of experience as an operator. Nick finds his string of 50 machines vend-

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Philadelphia:

G. Loos & Son are promoting a half-regulation size bowling alley with automatic pin set-up and ball return for seashore resorts and amusement parks. . . . Dave Yaffee, of Y & Y Popcorn Supply, was out with a strep throat. . . . Jack Gray promoting an automatic baseball pitching machine, offering actual batting practice to customers on a coin-operated basis. ... Harry Rosen, who heads the record department for the David Rosen Distributing Company, hosted the town's disk jockeys and press at a cocktail party in honor of Frankie Laine at The Click. . . . Scott-Crosse Company, machine and record distributors, has added the Bullet record label to its lines. . . . Eddie Cohen has moved his Lesco Distributors, handling some 20 independent record labels, to a center-city location.

Ned Yaffee, of Y & Y Popcorn Supply, reports a number of new (See Philadelphia on page 114)

Washington:

Bayne Phipps, of Spacarb of Washington, reports that his firm was represented at the third annual All-American Sportsmen's Show ın Washington. Spacarb installed its new four-drink beverage dispenser there to give the visitors a welcome lift. The machine gives out with a choice of two carbonated beverages. Charles Kanter, president of the hot soup or hot chocolate. Spacarb also was represented in the Miss Outdoors of 1950 contest by sponcrown. Miss Lambert was recently

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At the Gottlieb plant all hands were working on the output of Bowlette, the firm's smaller size shuffle game. President Dave Gottlieb was on hand to supervise early production. He looked rested and well tanned as a result of finally getting that long deferred vacation. He was in Florida. . . . Tom Crosby, Faribault, Minn., operator, spent Tuesday (7) at the music convention, then caught a plane for the Twin Cities in order to catch a hockey game at St. Paul. With him at the convention was Bob Wenzel, Automatic Games Supply, Minneapolis.

Over at Universal Industries, Mel Binks and Bill Ryan were singing the praises of Twin Bowler and Feature Bell. Ryan says that the shuffie game has made an army of new operator friends for Universal.

Al Stern is another who reports unusually heavy business as a result of the music convention. The World Wide president says he has not seen so many enthusiastic operators since the last national convention over a year ago. As a result of the sales upswing merchandise had to be brought right in from World Wide's warehouse and shipped immediately, Stern said. Monty West, sales manager, says he has a one word answer, "Everything" for coinmen who drop in and ask "What's selling?"

At Exhibit Supply Frank Mencuri is finishing a new card circular which will probably be in the mail a few weeks from now. Meanwhile, business in all of Exhibit Supply's divisions is in high gear. Shuffle Bowl, the conversion unit for shuffleboards, is making steady progress in all parts of the country, according to Charlie Pieri, sales manager, who left early last week for the Southwest.

Joe Kline and Wally Finke, First Distributors, say the remodeling of their new showrooms is now complete and that the place is rapidly filling up with late model pin games soring Norma Lambert for the as well as other used and new equip- . ment. Kline is particularly en-(See Chicago on page 114)



Los Angeles:

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Also seen on the street was Bill Black who operates in the San Joaquin Valley and Bakersfield areas.

Paul and Lucille Laymon soaked up some desert sun at Palm Springs | which they have taken many orders over the week-end while Ed Wilkes to date. Another on display is Chiheld down the office waiting for cago Coin's Bowling Alley, and snipments on the Bally Speed Genco's South Pacific five-ball game Bowler. The firm also is waiting will be on display shortly. Some of for the new Genco five-ball game. Sicking's many out-of-town Hoosier ... Al Cicero, Santa Maria operator, 'visitors in to see the new display made the rounds again last week. | included Rictor Kirby, Gas City; ... Ditto for Jack Mallett, of Claremont. . . . Clyde Denlinger was tour- Pennington and Dale Wiley, Columing the street, getting things ready bus, and Charles Gellert, Shelbyfor Easter Week at Balboa where ville. the college crowd takes over for the seven days. . . . Lawrence Raya was in from Colton.

Bill Leuenhagen, Mary and Katy Solle and Larry Jackson are recuperating from the last Record Preview Party sponsored by the firm and leading platter companies. But they're also planning on the next get-together that is bringing out more and more operators and helping the sale of records. . . . R. Donahue visited from Pismo Beach. . Also making the rounds was Ivan Wilcox who operates in Visalia. . . . Lloyd Barrett, of Pomona, was looking over new games.

Steve Terresi, of Tucson, Ariz., were Ill., for an undisclosed price. Griggs, looking over new Electros in the according to a Hartford announceoffice of Al Weymouth, of Weymouth | ment, has long been connected with Service. . . . G. F. Cooper was in the Coca-Cola organization, having from Riverside.... Homer Gillespie, operated a plant in Rockford with of Gillespie Games, Long Beach, his father and brother. He intends dropped in to chin with the boys.... to carry on that business. The new Also seen on Pico Street was concern will be known as the Coca-Stewart Trimble. . . From San Cola Bottling Company of Hartford. Bernardino were R. L. Gray and D. Page Bennett, manager of the A. T. Felkins. . . . Happy Clark came | Hartford plant for 14 years, is being up from Downey to look things over. transferred to Milwaukee. The as-... South Gate operator Pete Pelle- sessed value of the East Hartford grino was seen on Pico Street.

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Indianapolis:

(Continued from page 113) Joe Mesalam, Alexandria; Russell

Lottie Berman, of Sicking, Inc., was seen at Key's night spot, in company of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Schwartz, of Midland Music Company, Inc. In their dinner party were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Charren, who are Mrs. Berman's son and daughter-in-law. Midland Music Distributors, Inc., execs report that Wurlitzer production is going full blast and the first shipments of 1250's will be released in next week. They add that before the month is over there will be enough to take care of the operators' needs.

Hartford, Conn.:

(Continued from page 113) Norman Christ, of Lompoc, and sold to Osborne Griggs, Rockford, plant is \$380,570.

Detroit:

(Continued from page 113) with which he was associated under the name of Transportation Radio Company, have been definitely shelved.

Muriel Deal, of Gay-Coin Distributors, reports a quiet week on coin machine row. . . . James Passanante, of Gay-Coin, is back in town, taking personal charge of the operation. . . . Henry Solomon, president of Edelco Manufacturing & Sales Company, reports the company is readying two new games to bring out shortly. . . . Isidor Edelman, founder of the firm, was in Chicago to take in the music convention.

Milwaukee:

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ing steamed hot dogs in tavern and drug locations getting bigger every day. Plans call for adding 75 more machines and an additional serviceman in the near future.

In town, visiting Joe Beck, of Mitchell Novelty Company, was Leonard Sheehan, of Amusement Games, Chicago. Leonard came to observe the good work his pal, Beck, was doing in conjunction with the successful Shuffle Alley tournament which is still going over big.

All but two of the 22 employees at Mitchell Novelty are veterans of World War I and II, including Joe Beck's sister, Emily Schindler.

Philadelphia:

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Chicago:

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thusiastic to the response the firm has had with the Keeney line in the Indiana territory. First is also getting a steady number of inquiries on the four shuffle game conversion units it handles with the M & T Lite-a-Pin and Royal Shufflepins thus far gaining the most interest.

Empire Coin's Gil Kitt reports that traffic was heavy all week. There were many out of towners here for the music operators convention at the Palmer House who made their way to the company's Milwaukee Avenue headquarters. Howie Freer, the firm's export division manager, said that orders were received from China, Tangiers, Venezuela, Switzerland and Belgium in the last few days. He is certain that the foreign market is just beginning to expand and draw on its vast potential for U.S. made used and new coin machines of all types. Ralph Sheffield has been rushed to keep up with orders for parts. Sheffield is handling the parts division at Empire in the absence of the convalescing Jerry Bremner.

Over at Universal Industries, Bill Ryan said that several coinmen were in for conferences with Mel Binks and himself including Hymie Zorinsky, H. Z. Vending, Omaha; Ed Newell, Music Sales, Memphis; Irv Weiler, Consolidated Distributors, Kansas City, Mo., and Mack Pelt, Phoenix, who was in with Tony Carica and Tony Arizari, of the Arizona Amusement Company, Phoenix. Ryan says that the Feature Bell is proving to be a leader in the console field. . . . Ben Freidman, sales manager for the George Sylvan Company, is preparing for a brief road trip in the interest of the firm's Chef Master Hot Dogger machine.



New York:

(Continued from page 113) Neill Mitchell, vending sales manager of Lehigh Foundries, visited here last week before planing to England for a 16-day European junket. He will return State-side in time to attend the National Association of Tobacco Distributors' confab in Chicago later this month, where Lehigh will exhibit the PX cigarette vender line.

Back from the MOA Chicago meet last week were local juke industry leaders Al Denver, Sid Levine, Al (Senator) Bodkin and Joe Connors. . Phil Mason, of Mason Distributing, reports buying up a 400-piece phonograph route which he is now selling piecemeal. . . . Arnold Fink, of General Vending, is diversifying his cup vender route thru the addition of cigarette, candy and cookie machines.

Aids Hospital Fund

RICHMOND, Va., March 11 .- With a contribution of \$92,400, Philip Morris & Company will underwrite construction of the entire pediatrics department of the new Richmond Memorial Hospital, according to an announcement made this week by Overton D. Dennis, building fund executive.

Named the "Philip Morris Pediatric Department," the facilities are expected to provide care for as many as 600 children a year. They will permit extensive studies of diseases such as polio, rheumatic fever, tuberculosis and meningitis, it was said.

Park Meters for B. C. Town CRANBROOK, B. C., March 11. -Penny-nickel parking meters will be installed here on a year's trial basis by G. W. Roux Agencies, and will be in operation early in April.



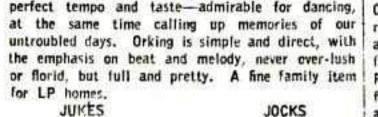


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ALBUM I (Continued fr	191000-07291	EXCLUSIVE NORTHERN OHIO DISTRIBUTOR FOR THE FINEST IN ALLEYS: UNITED'S Double Shuffle-CHICAGO COIN'S TWIN Bowling-KEENEY'S Ten Pins-EVANS Shuffle Ten Strike-UNIVERSAL'S Twin Bowling-GENCO'S Bowling League-EXHIBIT'S Shuffle Bowl-GOTTLIEB'S BOWLETTE
Muir Mathieson, conductor, the London () Symphony Ork With Piano BATH: CORNISH RHAPSODY — Harriet Cohen, Piano; Hubert Bath, conductor, the London Symphony Ork	The availability of old-timer Boyd's films for television found him a tremendous kid market, and this set is geared to cash in heavily. The story is a red-blooded Western, similar to his flick stuff, and the familiar cohorts, including his horse, come to life nicely in the disk dramatization. Strong sales point is the picture book format, which here employs 34 pages of story continuity and pictures. Latter look like stills from the actual films. For dealers this one should match the "Cinderella" sale, but in a slightly older moppet market. JUKES JOCKS Not suitable. There will be calls for this one. A RECITAL OF NEW MUSIC FOR CELLO AND PIANO—Seymour Barab, Cello; William Masselos, Piano (1-10") Paradox (LP) 10001 The Drei Kielne Stuecke, Anton Webern; Four Declamations With Return, Henry Cowell; Two Preludes, Alexander Tcherepnine; Fantasy on a Javanese Motive, Miriam Gideon; Lyric Piece. George Perle; Two Pieces, Ben Weber. Another independent diskery addresses itself to the reproduction on LP of recondite modern music—	ARCADE EQUIPMENT Boomerang
A TWIN PIANO CONCERT—Bill Jordon- David Elliott King K-7 Rimsky-Korsakoff: Scheherazade Suite; Tachai- kowsky: Concerto in B Flat Minor; DeFalla: Ritual Fire Dance; Warsaw Concerto; Mozart: Turkish March; Grieg: Concerto in A Minor. Since these interpretations don't tamper too much with the original form of the longhair works, they would have to be compared with renditions by name piano artists. Naturally, they don't stand up, for these are hancied in the -lam-bang style of the cocktail lounge. In person, this team undoubtedly kills 'em, but on disks the music alone is the thing, and it falls short. JUKES JOCKS Not suitable. You can do better.	and does handsomely. The recording and sur- faces are first rate; the cello-piano duo perform with felicity and prescience. Their playing is clearly skillful and wholehearted. As to the works, they are in the most advanced contemporary tradition, stemming largely from Schoenberg. Some were written especially for Barab and Masseloc one was composed for this recording. All an recorded for the first time here. Amateurs of this avant garde school will certianly find this disk worth investigating—let others beware. JUKES JOCKS Not suitable. Few of even the high- est browed spinners would tackle these. KHACHATURIAN: CONCERTO FOR PIANO AND ORCHESTRA—Oscar Levant-Phil- harmonic Symphony Ork of New York- Dimitri Mitropoulos, Dir. (1-12") Columbia (33) ML-4288	World Series 95.00 SHUFFLE ALLEYS (Used) United
WALTZ TIME-ABE LYMAN ORK (1-10") 73 Columbia (LP) CL-6093 Charmaine; La Golodondrina; Down by the DId Mill Stream; Meet Me Tonight in Dream- land; Jeannine; Missouri Waltz; I'm Falling in Love With Someone; Valse Huguette.	All the ingredients for a strong best seller are packaged here—the popular Oscar Levant's ebul- lient keyboarding, the flashing colorful nature of the concerto, the broad current appeal of Khacha- turian. The two other recordings of this work— Kappell for Victor and Lympany for English Decca	ACCEPT ONLY THE FINEST!



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SONGS OF SIGMUND ROMBERG-SONGS OF JEROME KERN-Rise Stevens-Dudley King, Dir.-Sylvan Shulman, Dir. (1-12")

Columbia (33) ML-4270

Wanting You; One Kiss; One Alone; Will You Remember?; Can't Help Lovin' That Man; They Didn't Believe Me; Smoke Gets in Your Eyes; Look For the Silver Lining; All the Things You Are: The Touch of Your Hand; The Song Is You; Don't Ever Leave Me.

The versatile Miss Stevens, perhaps more comortable in her mezzo-soprano chores for the Metopera, knocks out a dozen of the classic popular tilles provided us by Sigmund Romberg and Jerome Kern, a pair of the most prominent pop writers of the period. She treats the tunes most affectionately and is aided agreeably by orks under 'he leadership of Dudley King on the Romberg ongs and Sylvan Shulman on the Kern works.

JUKES Not sui'able.

A MILDRED BAILEY SERENADE-Mil- 70 ment (1-10")

segs.

Columbia (33) CL-6094

The Lonesome Road; I Let a Song Go Out of My Heart: Thanks for the Memory; My Melancholy Baby; I'll Be Around; Lover, Come Back to Me; Don't Take Your Love From Me; All the Things You Are.

Seven reissues of a collector's items nature and one previously unreleased selection comprise this wonderful package of Mildred Bailey vocals. The thrush, whose warmth, ease of delivery and remarkable phrasing have made her one of the basic greats in a highly populated and competitive business, has here one of the finest representative selections of her particular styling available in any recorded form. Some classic renditions, like "Lover, Come Back to Me" and "Lonesome Road," and mixed with the beauty of the never before released "I'll Be Around." A worthy item for the collectors as well for any who are appreciative of great art.

JUKES Not suitable. Jazz and pop spinners can make wide use of this LP.

regard. All of which is not intended to slur the actual musical worth of the disking-it is solid fare, brilliantly performed by Levant and the Philharmonic under Mitropoulous. The Asiatic flavor that has won the Soviet composer so strong a following here, the exotic virtuoso piano passages, the dramatic orchestral voicings-all these add to delightful, rewarding listening.

JUKES

Not suitable.

JOCKS Excellent for those who can spin at length.

WOODY HERMAN AND HIS WOOD-70 CHOPPERS-Woody Herman Ork (1-10") Columbia (33) CL-6092

Some Day; Sweetheart; I Surrender, Dear; Four Men On a Horse; Lost Week-End; Nero's Conception; Igor; Steps; Pam.

Eight fine jazz sides, cut by stars of the 1946 Herman band, are assembled here for the edification of jazz fans. Two of the numbers are standards, six are originals cleffed by various of the participants. It is difficult to tab the style here-some are orthodox "chamber" jazz in the Goodman sextet tradition, some are in the Ellington small-group wein, the others are: in an early bop manner. Excellent solos by Red Norvo, Billy Bauer, Bill Harris and Flip Phillips-Phillips plays in orderly, cool pre-JATP style. - But for collectors the chief interest here may be the late Sonny Berman's trumpet work. A growing appreciation of the ill-fated young star is taking hold, and these small-combe sides showcase bim well.

JUKES JOCKS Not suitable. Plac for Jazz jez.

WOODWINDS (Opes 16) and 32 VA- 76 RIATIONS IN C MINOR-Orazie Frogoni, plano, and others (1-12" LP) Vox-Polydor PLP-6040

There's musicianship of a high order on this LP platter, and meither of the selections have been available previously on LP. The Beethoven, doe to its unusual instrumentation, is rarely performed, which is unfortunate, for it's an excellent, liquid, if not too profound work. The woodwind combination, which can be thick and cumbersome, comes out as a transparent, colorful, glittering group, due mainly to the fine French manner of playing. Frugoni's plane playing is in the same lucid style, and he proves himself a fine ensemble player to boot.

He essays the Variations solo, and employs the same clean, self-effacing approach. The recording, made in France, is excellent, as are David Hall's interesting program notes.

JUKES JOCKS Not softable. Quintet is a good long-hair novelty.

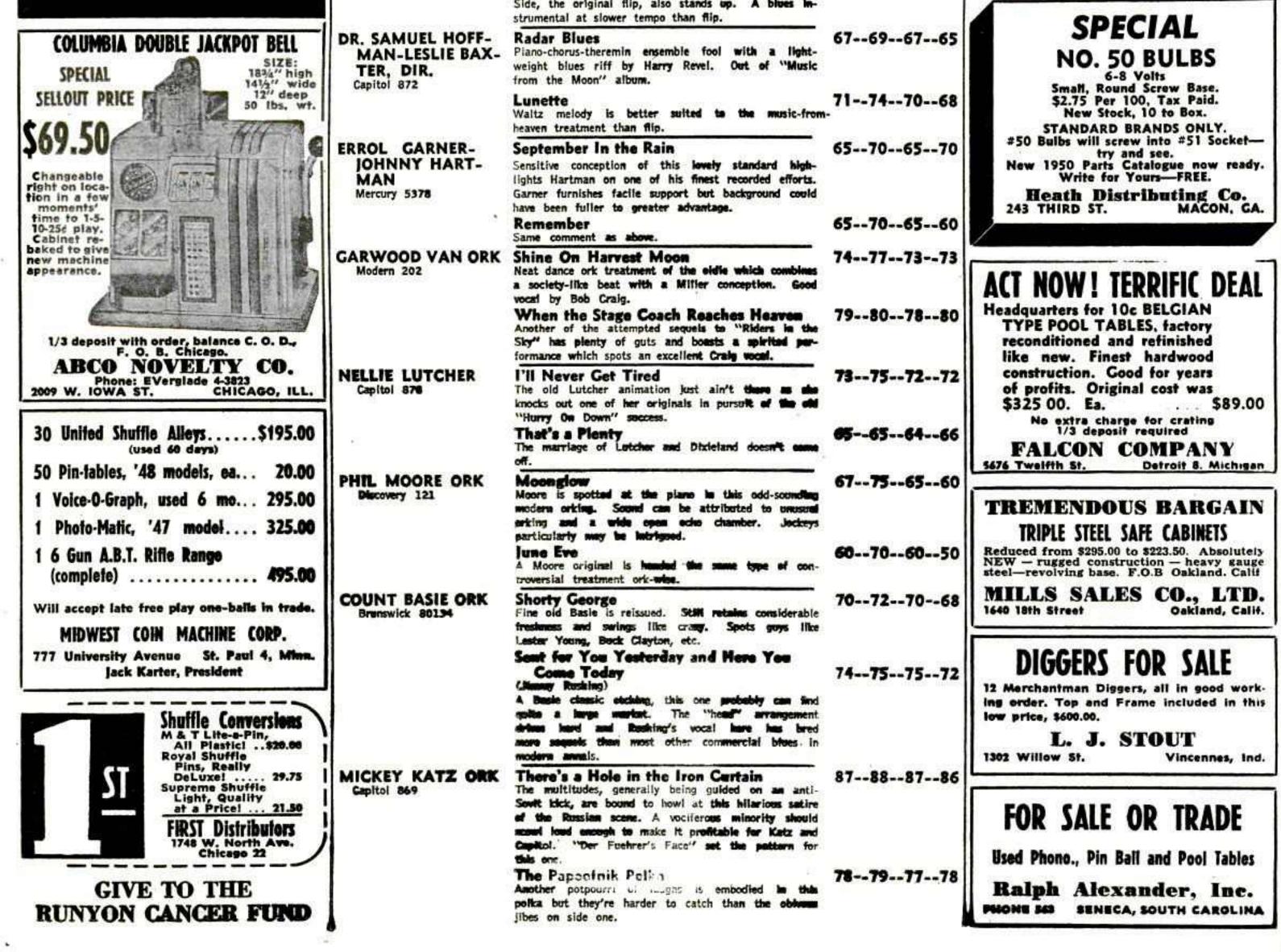




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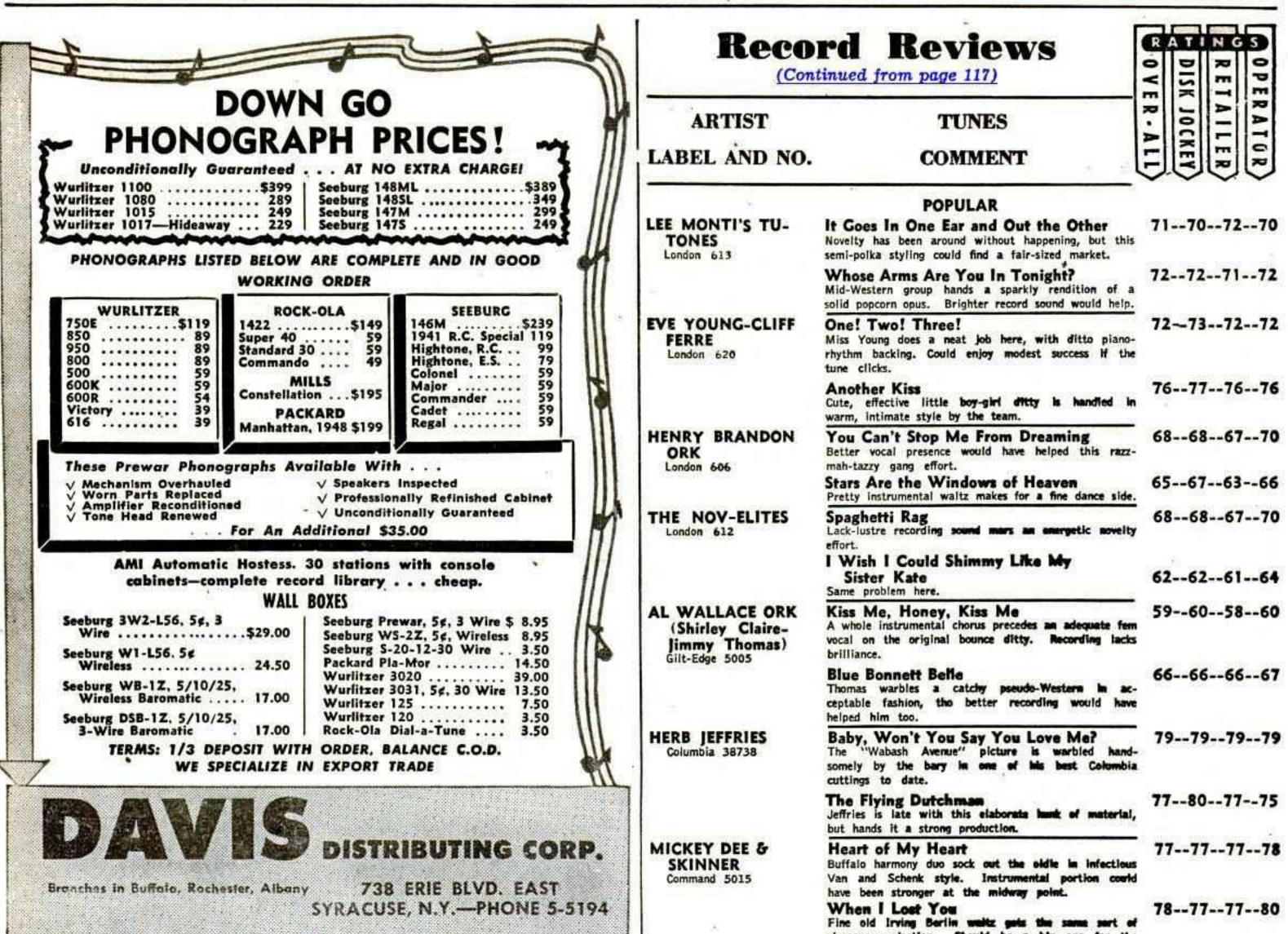
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		vigorous projection. Should be a big one for the tavern trade.	
THE COUNTER GAME PROFIT-LINE		CHILDREN	
WINGS 5-Reel Cigarette Machine POK-O-REEL Straight Poker Game	BETTY GARRETT	Fantissimo (The Little Horse With Bells in His Heart!) (1 & 2) Little story is in rhyme, and Miss Garrett mervalus in clear, rhythmic and charming fashion. There's no	686868NS
The second	ALARCANING REPORTATION	really solid gimmick to sell this one, however.	
YANKEE with cigarette and fruit reets changed instantly from cigarette to fruit reel on location.	PETER DONALD- MITCHELL MILLER ORK Golden RD-7 1677	Donald Duck at the Opera Original Donald Duck voice and Disney art on package and label compensate to slight material, but nonsense sounds could catch.	78NS78NS
KLIX "21" BLACK JACK KLIX, WINGS, POK-O-REEL AND YANKEE		Mickey's New Car Disney voices, sound offects and sotag music come across better here.	80NS80NS
equipped with coin dividers, straight penny combination penny and nickel or straight dime play.	GIL MACK-ANNE LLOYD-MICHAEL STEWART - SAND-	Saggy Baggy Elephant Song-Story is based on a popular Little Goldan Book. Cute, clear disking, with usual attractive package.	80NS80NS
GROETCHEN Tool and Manufacturing Co.	PIPERS-MITCHELL MILLER ORK Golden R-42 (6")	Elephant Walk Instrumental is Gound's "Marlonette Merch." Miller's little ork plays it charmingly.	75NS75NS
126 N. Union Ave. Chicage 6, Illinois Phone: RAndolph 6-2807	ANNE LLOYD-GIL MACK-THE SAND- PIPERS-MITCHELL	The Seven Sneexes Cute song-story is adapted from another popular Goldon Book. Production is amusing, presentation tops.	80NS80NS
	MILLER ORK	My Toothbrush Song Catchy song offers painless advice on tooth care.	78-NS78NS
SHUFFLE MITE		BLUES & RHYTHM	
"THE SHUFFLEBOARD WITH CONTROLLED PLAYTIME" It's New! Amazing! America's No. 1 Money Maker!	Capitol 86	Baby, You Don't Know Soprano blues thrush has a religious-type delivery that doesn't register on this one.	606060
Shuffle Mite Eliminates Supervision		Red Sails in the Sunsot Gal sounds like Rose Murphy with an extra supply of exygen. Could be a left-field smash or a pop-out.	75757575
on Part of Location and Assures "Paid Play" at All Times	THE RAY-O-VACS	Once Upon a Time Solo warbler wiggles thru an old-fashioned-type ditty of the school relished by the Mills Bres. He's relieved briefly by a tenor.	71727270
TRAINING DEVICES INC		Sentimental Me Similar handling of the promising betted. Could fail into some rhythm-blues coin.	81828181
1469 ELECTRIC LINCOLN PARK 25, MICHIGAN WArick 8-8480	STEVE GIBSON- THE RED CAPS	I'll Never Love Anyone Else Group gets off a routine blues ballad job with tenor and clary bits between vocal choruses.	69696969
MATCH THIS BARGAIN IF YOU CAN		I Want a Roof Over My Head Rhythm novelty with a spiritual flavor warbled and orked with exuberance.	70707070
Cabinet Refinished, Amplifier, Mechanism Rebuilt, Ready for Location Wurlitzer 800 Arreon DeLuxe, Wurl. Mech	THE WHISPERS	Your Ever Lovin' Slick So-so blues job, with mediocre worbling, unexciting tenor and rhythm.	56565458
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GAYCOIN DISTRIBUTORS	THE BEAVERS Coral 65026	I'd Rather Be Wrong Than Blue Group in the Orioles-Ink Spots groove does a fair job with a good blues ballad.	68686769
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Hillbilly sacred singing of a high order here. Fersent, lively offering is well-recorded too.	
The Old Country Church Banjo backing is a strong factor on both sides. Disk should do well in the South and hillbilly nabes.	7880807
Living Humble Spiritual has strong, nervous rhythm, but harroony and diction are sub-par.	656566N
The spirit is here, if the vocal quality Isn't.	626065N
That's Why I Love My Jesus Bad balance is responsible for a dull-sounding sacred platter.	5758605
When I Get There Livelier stuff here.	6770696
At the End of the Trail Despite out-of-tune harmony, this one could enjoy a fair-to middlin' sale in the South.	5860625
Brighter solo effort, with plano, has a better chance.	6668686
COUNTRY & WESTERN Bell Bottom Trousers Couple dance, without calls, is orked in true Western style, with a definite beat. Useful to square dance groups. The Girl I Left Behind Me A useful square dance side with authentic flavor	7373757 7373767
and rhythm. Got the Louisiana Blues Swingy country blues has a pile-driver beat. Penny warbles with spirit, and there are some okay instru-	7980787
mental solos. Now Ain't You Glad, Dear? Bright, light ditty is top-notch dance fare, and in- strumental solos figure here too. Merle Davis is one of the guitarists.	76777570
Rebel Yell! Noisy disk could have a strong Impact among Confeder- ates who haven't given up. Fine production is in the "Mule Train" vein.	7880777
My Red-Headed Gal The talented bary warbles some more conventional material here.	71727070
The Infoxicated Rat Charming fable is warbled in bright country !!g time—Sovine delivers with animation and gusto.	7876788
Groovy Boy The melody and format are "Chattanoogie Shoe Shine"; the content is a country jazz dedicated to a Southern disk jockey, whether actual or legendary we don't know. Fine performance.	757575





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LOS ANGELES, March 11.-Joseph Bartell, Phoenix and Tucson (Ariz.) operator, this week took delivery on the first 110 Super Cranes manufactured by the Sidebottom Novelty Manufacturing Company here.

The cranes, featuring a 40-pound removable unit, recently moved off the assembly lines. The machine also has a curved glass top and a leatherette finish.

Lee Sidebottom, head of the manufacturing firm, said approximately 300 of the cranes will be manufactured this year. Company is also manufacturing the merchandise.

Bill Howard heads the engineering department for the company.

Arizona Solons Mull Mch. Levy

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 11 .- Because of an urgent need for more State revenue, the Arizona Legislature is considering a levy on coin machines.

Proponents of the idea claim there are approximately 10,000 amusement games, music machines and venders on location in the State. They figure a yearly per machine license fee of \$50 would produce \$500,000 annually.

The proposed levy would affect equipment with coin chutes for pennies or more.

Washington:

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crowned Washington Skate Queen. She appeared every night at the Spacarb booth.

The vacation exodus from Washington seems to be just about over.

ADVANCE RECORD RELEASES

INTERNATIONAL

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Ach, Boze Lasko -Piano Polka J. Mazanac Ork (Ax Pujdu) Continental C-25 H. Rene Musette Ork (Main Street) Az Pujdu Od Tebe Rano V(45)51-0040 J. Mazanec Ork (Ach, Boze) Continental C-25 Platz Konzert Bauern Rumba F. Kessler (Mein Liebes) Continental C-317 F. Fassler (Wenn Ich) V25-4120 Pod Hrastom Barbara Lausche Trio (Ne Gremo) Continental C-422 H. Rene Musette Ork (Helen) V(45)51-0036 Prendre Un Verre de Bierre Mon Minou Big Town Polka La Famille Soucy (Reel De) V 26-7946 International Polka Band (White Eagle) Con-Red Raven Schottische tinental C-1282 L. Duchow Red Raven Ork (Blonde Charlie) Blue Bonnet Schottische V(45)51-0041 Pinetoppers (Flying Eagle) Coral 64034 Reel De Ti-Gus Blonde Charlie I. Soucy Ensemble (Prendre Un) V 26-7946 L. Duchow Red Raven Ork (Red Raven) Round-About Polka V(45)51-0041 The International Brass Band (Yoo-Hoo Polka) Cárousél Waltz Continental C-1275 J. Vadnal Ork (Juke Box) V(45)51-0042 St. Louis Blues Clopin-Clopant M. Katz (Yiddish Jam) V 25-5098 H. Salvador (Maladie D'Amour) Polydor 560.039 Songs of the Defenders of Israel Album-Israel Czerwony Kogut Folk Symphony Ork-M. Lavry, Cond (1-10") H. Mocarsky Ork (Jedziemy) V25-9218 Israel (33) LP 2 Daddy's Little Girl Tennessee Stomp T. Preston (Heart of) 4 Star 1438 J. Perkins (Leavin' With) 4 Star 1352 Express Polka There Was a Time V. Zembruski Ork (Flying Red) Continental C-F. Mullec Ork (Oh, Dear) Continental C-1285 1287 Tuba Polka Flying Eagle Polka Six Fat Dutchmen (Kristiana Waltz) Pinetoppers (Blue Bonnet) Coral 64034 V(45)51-0043 Fool's Gold Unfaithful One A. Vaughn (Unfaithful One) 4 Star 1439 A. Vaughn (Fool's Gold) 4 Star 1439 Harvest Moon Rheinlaender Wenn Ich Mit Meinem Dackel Rathskeller Five (Homestead Polka) Continental F. Fassler (Bauren Rumba) V25-4120 C-1284 White Eagle Polka Heart of Stone International Polka Band (Big Town) Conti-T. Preston (Daddy's Little) 4 Star 1438 nental C-1282 Helen Yiddish Jam Session H. Rene Musette Ork (Barbara) V(45)51-0036 M. Katz (St. Louis) V 25-5098 Homestead Polka Yoo-Hoo Polka Polka Rascals (Harvest Moon) Continental International Brass Band (Round-About Polka) C-1284 Continental C-1275 Jedziemy Za Dwa Dolary H. Mocarsky Ork (Czerwony Kogut) V25-9218 T. Puskarz Ork-H. Borawski (O Lube) Conti-Judy Polka nental C-800 V. Zembruski Ork (Kiss Polka) Continental C-Zemplinski Cardas 1286 B. Joshka (Od Ungvaru) Continental C-106 Juke Box Polka J. Vadnal Ork (Carousel Waltz) V(45)51-0042 * CHILDREN Kiss Polka, The V. Zembruski Ork (Judy Polka) Continental C-Bird Orchestra, The 1486 S. MacGregor (Painted Wagon) Junior J-1008 Kristiana Waltz Champion (The Horse No Man Could Ride) Album Six Fat Dutchmen (Tuba Polka) V(45)51-0043 -G. Autry (2-10") Land of Israel Album-Israel Folk Symphony Ork-Col MJV-62 M. Lavry, Cond (1-10") Fantissimo, (The Little Horse With Bells In His

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Among the recent arrivals back home was Gordon Leach, of the Zoo Concession in Rock Creek Park after three weeks in Miami Beach. . . Also back on the home grounds is Eddie Renner, of the North Virginia Music Company, after a business trip to Winchester, Va. . . . Frank V. Connolly, vice-president of the Vend Mart Corporation, also is home from a meeting in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Garrido (she's the daughter of Robert Cunningham of the Service Music Company) are back from their honeymoon. Mrs. Alberta Keenan, Service Music reports that their top tunes now are Victor's "It Isn't Fair" and MGM's "You've Changed." At least that's what the juke box crowd is demanding.

The popularity of "It Isn't Fair" is also attested to by Max Silverman, of the Quality Music Company, which boasts the best selection of be-bop records in the country. Silverman has a couple of disk jockey shows on local stations. With an eye to the future, Silverman predicts that Eileen Barton's waxing of "If I Knew You Were Coming, I'd've Baked a Cake" on a National label will be a sensational hit. . . . The Griffiths Brothers, of Pioneer Novelty, have added a new Seeburg 100 record machine to their supply.

Gerald Davis, of the Standard Music Company, reports that he's pleased with his new Bally Speed Bowlers. He says the customers seem to like it too, because it's a very fast game. . . . From Albert Kristall, of Seaco Venders, comes an encouraging report on the Washington response to the new Shuffle Alleys. The first machines were installed in this area about six months ago and they caught on from the start. . . . Washington coinmen represented at the Music Operators' Association Convention in Chicago last week were Roger and Evan Griffiths and John H. Phillips, of Phillips Novelty Company. They stayed at the Palmer House,

Leavin' With My Heart B. Garrett MGM 50033 Hopalong Cassidy and the Singing Bandit Album-J. Perkins (Tennessee Stomp) 4 Star 1352 Main Street Polka Bill Br d-A. Clyde-R. Brooks (2-10") (Piano Polka) H. Rene Musette Ork Cap CBX 3058 V(45)51-0040 Johnny on His Bicycle Maladie D'Amour S. MacGregor (Mouse Town) Junior J-1007 H. Salvador (Clopin-Clopant) Polydor 560.039 Mouse Town Fire Engine Mein Liebes Heimatsland S. MacGregor (Johnny on) Junior J-1007 F. Kessler (Platz Konzert) Continental C-317 Painted Wagon, The Ne Gremo Domov S. MacGregor (Bird Orchestra) Junior J-1008 Lausche Trio (Pod Hrastom) Continental C-422 O Lube Dziewcse Polka RELIGIOUS T. Puskarz Ork-H. Borawski (Za Dwa) Conti-Evening Prayer nental C-800 E. MacHugh (In the) Fireside FS-101 Oh, Dear, Polka In the Garden F. Mullec Ork (There Was) Continental C-1285 E. MacHugh (Evening Prayer) Fireside FS-101 Od Ungvaru Drazka Idze This Train Will Soon Be Leaving B. Joshka (Zemplinski Cardas) Continental C-106

Oneg Shabbat Album-Tel Aviv Chamber Ork-M. Lavry, Cond (1-10") Israel (33) LP 4

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Hallelujah Trio (Will the) London 16020 Will the Circle Be Broken Hallelujah (This Train) London 16020

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ADVANCE RHYTHM & BLUES RECORD RELEASES

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 I'd Climb the Highest Mountain (If I Knew I'd Find You) C. Brown (Don't Overdo) Cap(78)887; (45)F887 If You See Tears in My Eyes Delta Rhythm Boys (Nobody Knows) Atlantic 900 I'll Never Love Anyone Else S. Gibson (I Want) Mer 5380 I'm So Good to You J. Lewis (Mailman Blues) Atlantic 901 Jazz at Carnegie Hall Album—I. Jacquet-S. Nadine-L. Paul-J. McVea-J. Johnson-J. Miller-L. Young (1-10") Arco(33)A.L.4 Johnson Rag A. Milburn (Walking Blues) Aladdin 3049 Long Gone Lonesome Blues. H. Williams (My Son) MGM 10645 Low Down Woman Blues S. Hogg (1 & 2) Specialty SP 356 Lunette S. Hoffman-L. Baxter (Radar Blues) Cap 872 Margie J. Lunceford (Four, or) Varsity 5012 Mailman Blues J. Lewis (I'm So) Atlantic 901 Mild and Mellow G. Auld (Settin' the) Discovery 117 Misery Little Esther-J. Otis Ork (Distrustin' Blues) Savoy 735 Misery Blues J. Lingins (Mississippi Boogie) Specialty SP 353 	Nobody Knows Delta Rhythm Boys (If You) Atlantic 900 O Solo Mio Boogie C. Howard (Within This) Specialty SP 352 P Vine Blues J. Williams (I'm a) J. Williams Col 30191 Please Try To See It My Way Tampa Red (It's Too) V(78)22-0071; (45)50-0071 Prince's Boogie Woogie H. Dial (Diddywadiddy) Dec 48124 Radar Blues S. Hoffman-L. Baxter (Lunette) Cap 872 Ride, Red, Ride H. Allen Ork (Dear Old) Brunswick 80136 Savannah Sings the Blues S. Churchill (Don't Try) Arco 1229 Settin' the Pace G. Auld (Mild and) Discovery 117 Slow Motion Baby T. Brown (No More) Cap(78)922; (45)F-922 Swingin' on the Famous Door Delta Four (Farewell Blues) Brunswick 80135 Television Blues "Scat Man" Crothers (I'd Rather) London 17008 That's All Brother, That's All P. Logan (Heap Sees) MGM 10655 T. Town Blues B. Wright (Back Biting) Savoy 733 Ticket Agent C. Weaver (My Baby's) Sittin' In 547 Trowhe Ain't Nothin' But the Blues
J. Liggins (Misery Blues) Specialty SP 353 My Son Calls Another Man Daddy H. Williams (Long Gone) MGM 10645	Trouble Ain't Nothin' But the Blues L. Glosson (Fan American) Dec 46215 Turkey Hop (Part I and II)
No More Blues T. Brown (Slow Motion) Cap(78)922; (45)F-922	J. Otis Ork, Savoy 732



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operations without any delay, Miller called on Leo L. Kaner, tax consultant and CPA, for a discussion of taxes and depreciation as these two problems concern the juke box operator (see separate story).

Following Kaner to the rostrum was Sidney Levine, who reviewed the short history of MOA and his role as legal counsel for the group, covering in detail the Scott Bill activities in Washington.

Tuesday session opened with a talk on intermediate coinage by Edward Mehren, president of the Squirt Company and head of the Intermediate Coinage Institute (see separate story).

Prior to Mehren's talk, however, Miller read to the operators an application submitted by Hal Cook, Capitol Records, for an associate membership in MOA. Completely unexpected. Miller stated no previous consideration had been given the matter of admitting manufacturers and/or Applying the regular suppliers. membership rate schedules, these firms, if admitted, would pay a \$250 fee.

Upon a motion made from the floor, it was voted to accept the proposed application from Capitol after Cook had explained the firm wanted no vote or representation on the board or among the officers, but wished to lend its moral support to MOA.

Mfr.-Op Session

John Haddock, president of AMI (one of two phono firms exhibiting at the convention), teed off the manufacturer portion of the business meetings with a short talk on the juke box business from the manufacturer's viewpoint.

cussion on merchandising by D. L. Steinberg (see separate story) and by Hirsh de LaViez.

Election

Adjourning for luncheon after the merchandising clinic was completed, the convention reconvened Wednesday afternoon. First order of business was the reading of the financial report by Miller (the national chairman also serves as MOA treasurer). It was clear to all after this report that MOA has functioned as a nonprofit org and will continue to do so in the immediate future. Actually, MOA has operated since January 1. prepared for this convention and held the convention at a cost of approximately \$2,500.

After the financial report the elections were held, and the convention stood adjourned for 1950.

A banquet Wednesday night drew more than 300 persons and was featured by a show with Jimmy Durante heading the talent. Levine, in behalf of the MOA, presented Miller and Cunliffe with war bonds in recognition of their work for the org during the past year and to the latter, especially, for his work in handling the convention from his headquarters here.

4 MORE MFRS.

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related accessories, and Shuffleboard Specialists, Chicago, shuffleboards. Bowman, who has managed several national shows for other industries over the years, stressed the exhibit hall is now assured of diversification. "Practically, every known type of coin machine will be shown," will be easy to find and there will be no attempt to crowd the aisles and corners with equipment. The hospitality committee, headed by Vince Shay, also has worked with me to set up a streamlined registration system which will save visiting operators hours of waiting in long lines. The committee is also handling advance room registrations and reports space moving briskly."

Op Blood in Field

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New in the vending field is the partnership registered for the firm of Beresin and Loeb. The owners of the firm at 333 South Broad Street were listed as Jack Beresin and Samuel A. Alesker. Beresin, the head of the Berlo Vending Company and the Beresin & Loeb firm, specializes in concession operations.

Nathan Muchnick, veteran music and pinball operator and jobber, set up the Philadelphia Distributing Company at 1251 North 52d Street. The new enterprise will also handle the distribution of phonograph records. William H. Fishman and George Resnick, also veteran operators, set up the Dell Amusement Company, with the principal place of business at 4022-4026 West Girard Avenue. Another new enterprise petitioning for a certificate for the conduct of its business is Ace High Music, located at 16th and Green streets, with Augustus B. Lukens listed as the sole owner. Still another new operation is the Willow Coin Machine Company at 252-254 North Second Street, handling music, vending and amusement games, with William Hallgarth and Harry Lowenthal listed as the sole owners.

ACMMA BOOMING

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Together with American and Standard (Rock-Ola), National forms what is generally known as the Big Three of the industry.

The other two newly contracted shuffleboard firms are Marvel and Shuffleboard Specialists. Marvel has been one of the volume builders of electric scoreboards, and Shuffleboard Specialists not only makes shuffleboards, but also handles shuffle games. Keeney, one of the first to sign for the ACMMA show, has he said. "The show committee has also been a leading factor in the elecplanned space so that all exhibits tric scoreboard side of the industry.

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Stressing unity in the field, Haddock pointed out it was the job of the manufacturer to provide a piece of equipment which would bring the greatest return for the dollar investment.

For the information of operators, Haddock explained the great sums which must be spent by a manufacturer to design, develop, engineer and tool a new machine. He cited as an example of what he felt the manufacturer should do for the operator, the costly testing of a combination juke box-television unit conducted by his firm. These tests, which Haddock said proved unsuccessful, were considered necessary and in the best interests of the operator.

Haddock explained to operators how the excise tax (manufacturers) fitted into the picture, and how the 10 per cent tax on the list price of the phonograph was added to the price of the unit. He closed by applying for associate membership in MQA. The application was accepted by unanimous vote.

L. C. Rieck, H. C. Evans & Company, who displayed their Constellatior. unit, was unable to speak due to illness, but sent a message to the convention stressing his firm's desire to work with MOA and adding that his firm would also make application for an associate membership.

Hal Cook, Capitol, made a short talk to the ops, and Wilber Smith, pinch-hitting for Art Olson, president of Permo, awarded prizes in Permo's contest in connection with its new nylon needle (see separate story).

Vote 1951 Meet

Wednesday morning session, final day of business for the convention, opened auspiciously when it was voted to hold another convention in 1951. While it is expected the site will again be Chicago, and the time approximately the same as this year, it was decided to leave final selection to the executive board.

A short talk by Jim Mangan, advertising and public relations executive, was followed by a thoro dis-







Halifax To Keep **Annual Pin Levy**

HALIFAX, N. S., March 11 .- A proposal of pinball machine distributors and operators of Halifax that licenses for the pinball machines be issued for six-month periods has been rejected by the finance and executive committee of Halifax.

Pinball distributors and operators had pointed out that some of the machines are not in operation for the full 12 months covered in the annual license. Hence, it would be fair to the operators, they said, if the licensing period were cut to the half year and the fee reduced from the \$50 for the year, to \$25.

The committee in discussing the request decided that the city authorities did not establish the annual license of \$50 to regulate the operation of the pinball machines, but wholly to provide revenue for the city. Hence, the committee ruled that no action would be taken on the request.

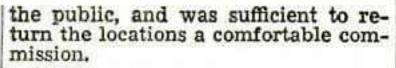
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15 Years Ago This Week CHICAGO, March 9, 1935.-Coinmen, looking back on the progress made in placing coin amusement games in retail establishments since 1931, applauded the wide acceptance of such installations in all parts of the country. One of the signs indicating advancement of modern retailing, spokesmen declared, was the development of this popular form of amusement. Readily adapted to a large percentage of retail locations, the placement of coin games in such spots was said to be the result of a mutual need.

Reason for the influx of coin games in all types of small and large stores, it was found, was the need for "pay the rent" cash of their owners when the depression came along to curtail trade. The amusement devices acted as a trade stimulant by drawing potential customers into the stores. The play drawn by these machines was surprising, in the light of the general "bare bone" buying habits of



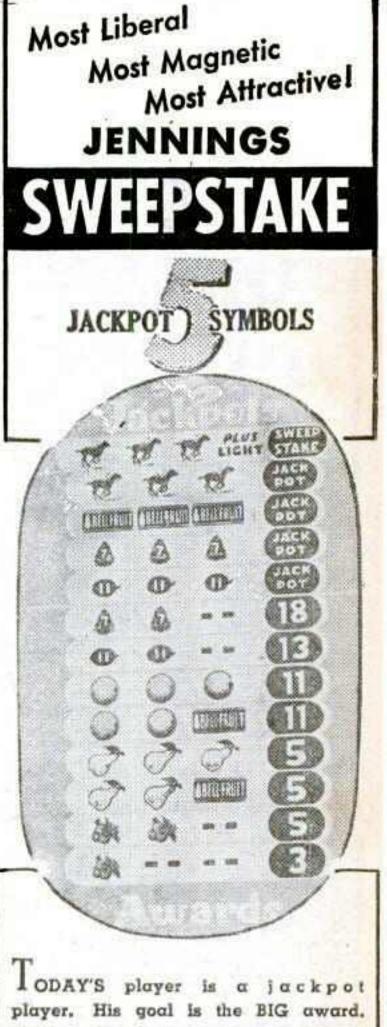
Some of the leading lights in the pin game field of 1935 included Exhibit Supply Company's Whirlpool, a ticket type pin table; Pacific Amusement Manufacturing Company's Time, Lite-a-Line, Roto-Lite and Neontact; Supreme Vending's Klever-Lite, Criss Cross-a-Lite and Builder-Upper, and Bally Manufacturing Company's Rockalite. These were games featuring new lighting action, and were instruments in drawing greater patronage thru their eyecatching features.

Other games catching ample plays were J. H. Keeney & Company's Quick Silver; International Mutoscope Reel Company's Checkers, offering three interchangeable pin games on a single model; Daval Manufacturing's Chicago Express; Stoner's Beacon and Genco's Criss Cross. D. Gottlieb & Company was offering a play-pulling trio consisting of Turn Table, Match Play and Cyclone, and H. C. Evans & Company put production and sales steam behind its Kings of the Turf.

10 Years Ago This Week

CHICAGO, March 9, 1940.-Plans were afoot at Mills Novelty Company for making special movie film shorts for the firm's new "talking movie machine." Fred Mills was conferring with film production companies on details of shooting the specials, which were to be of five minutes or less duration and feature musical tableaus, dances, acts to the latest pop hits.

Apple vending machines were in the development stage, with one type by a Washington firm using dry ice for refrigeration. Holding 57 apples, this particular model would require servicing every two days, at which time the ice would be replenished. It



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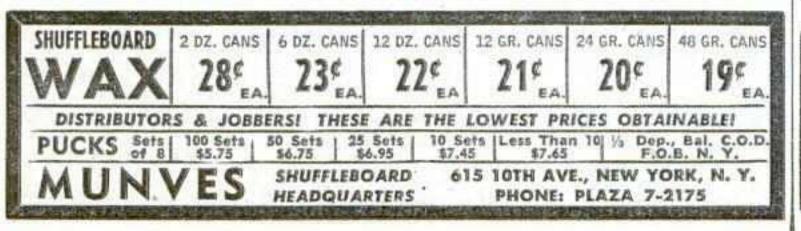
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A plan was being formulated by the newly created Dairy Credit Bureau, Chicago, for financing purchase of various types of equipment used in any branch of the dairy industry, including venders to dispense ice cream products. It was expected that the plan would result in development of ice cream, milk and related dairy venders by coin machine firms.

Juke box operators were applauding the gimmick used by some name bands, such as Frankie Masters, who started the style, of beginning a record with the announcement, "Frankie Masters (etc.) and his orchestra present" . . . followed by the tune title. . . . The Gable Kuro juke box was "a coin phonograph years ahead in design," according to operator votes. Modernistic in design, the machine was the latest in the John Gabel Manufacturing Company's long line of juke releases.

D. Gottlieb & Company, keeping two plants working double shift, introduced a new game, Score Card, while still filling hit order levels on its Skee-Ball-Eette. Dave Gottlieb described the new game as a radically different type. . . . In spite of his indicated wish to withdraw from the annual election of officers of CMI, Dave walked off with the 1940 presidency. Elected to serve with Gottlieb were Dick Hood, H. C. Evans & Company, vice-president; Richard Groetchen, Groetchen Tool and Manufacturing Company, secretary, and George Moloney, Bally Manufacturing Company, treasurer.

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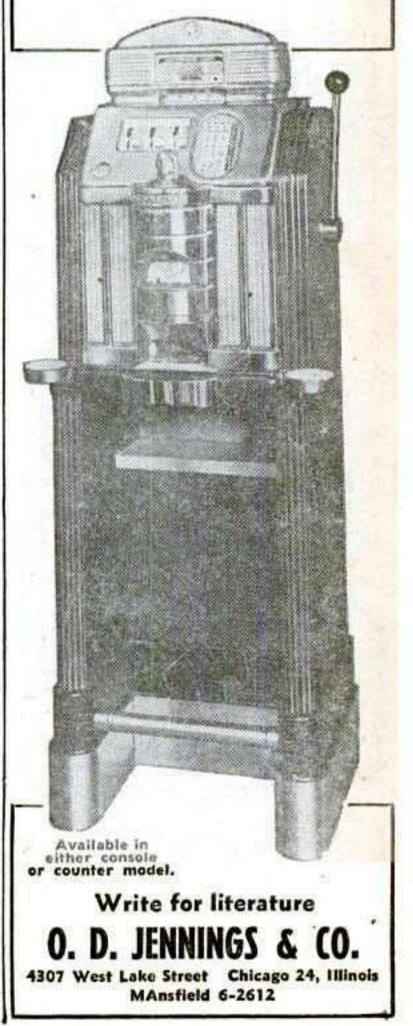
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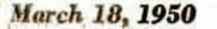
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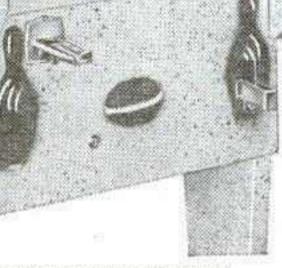
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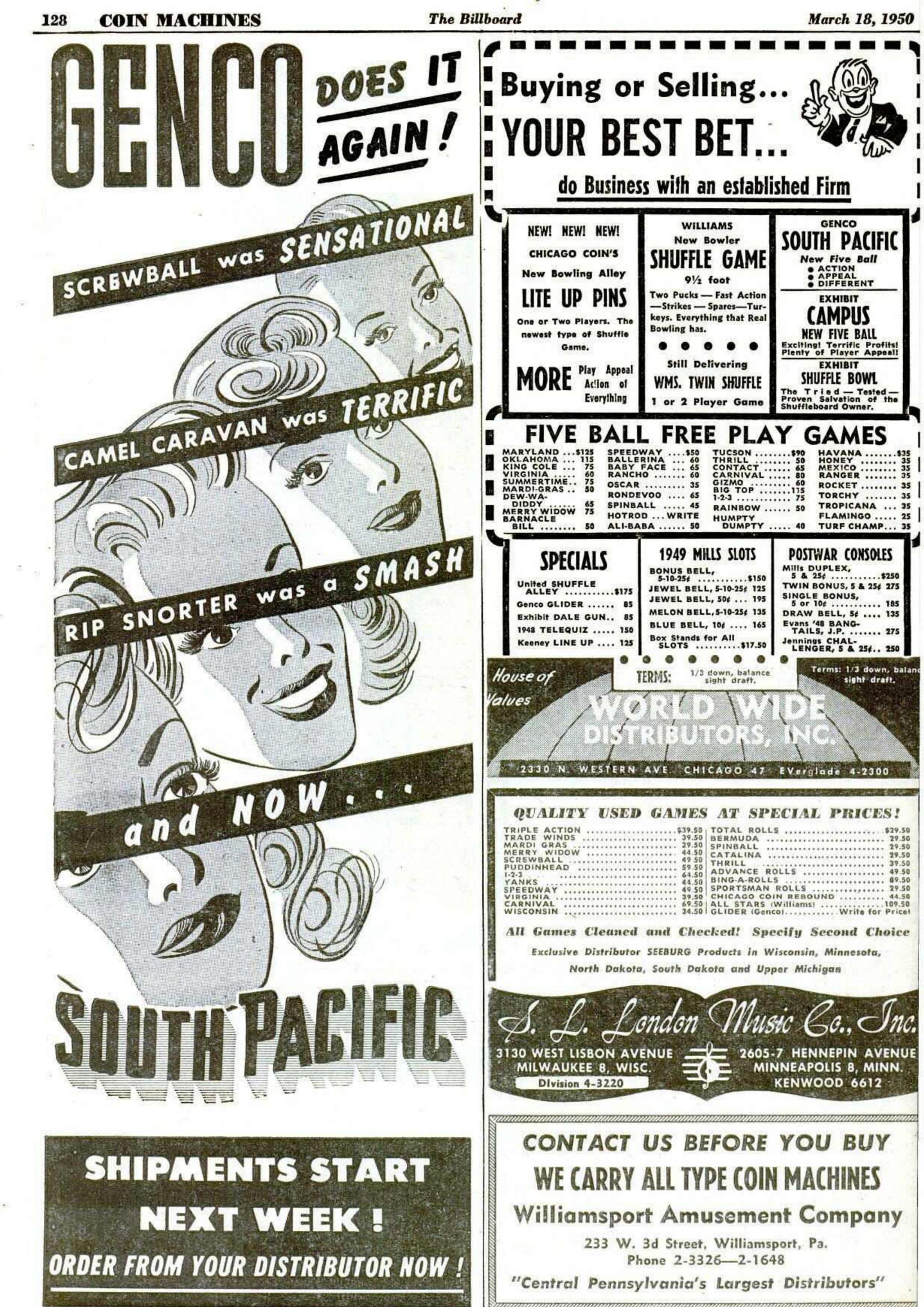
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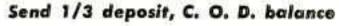
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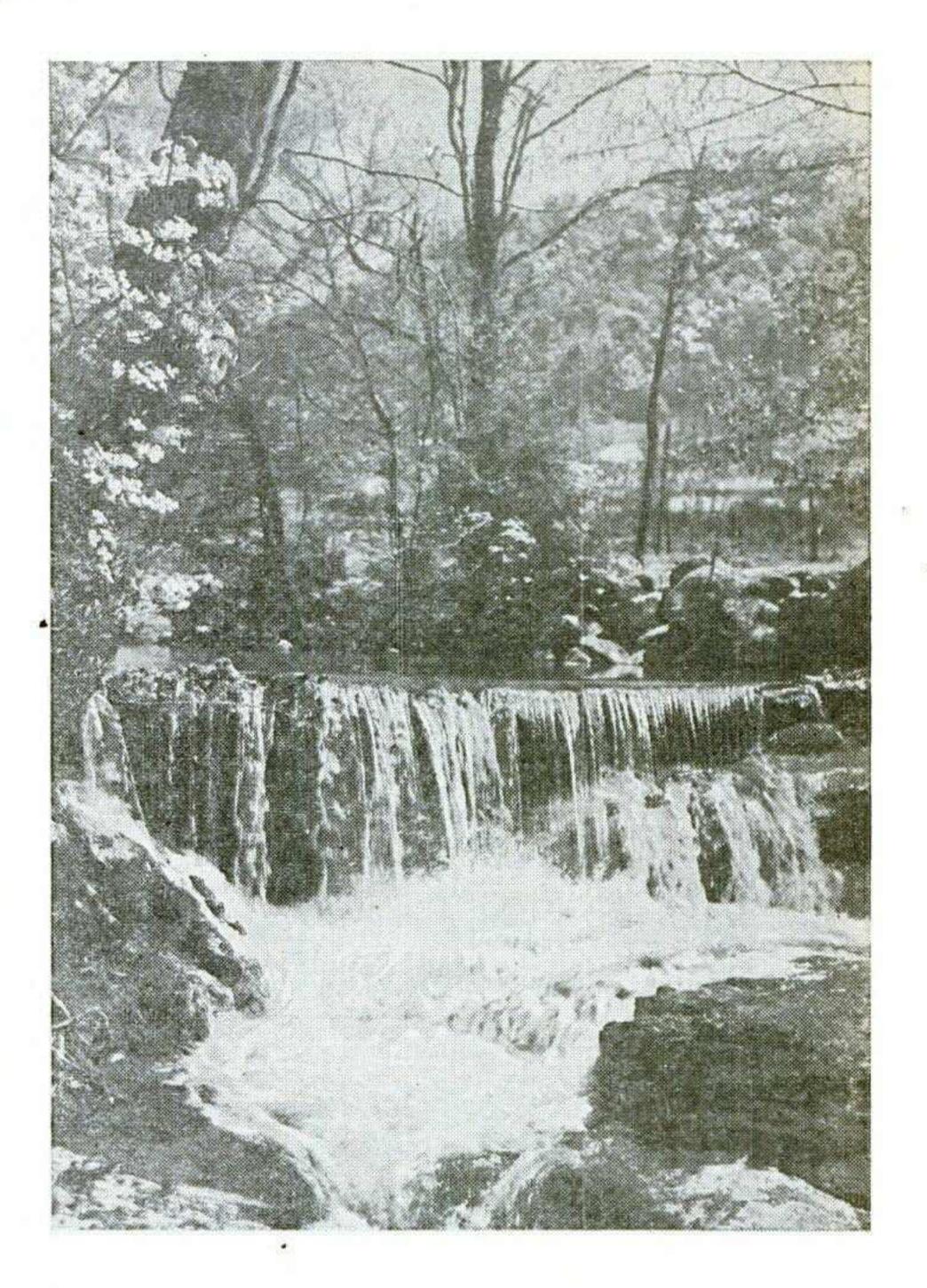
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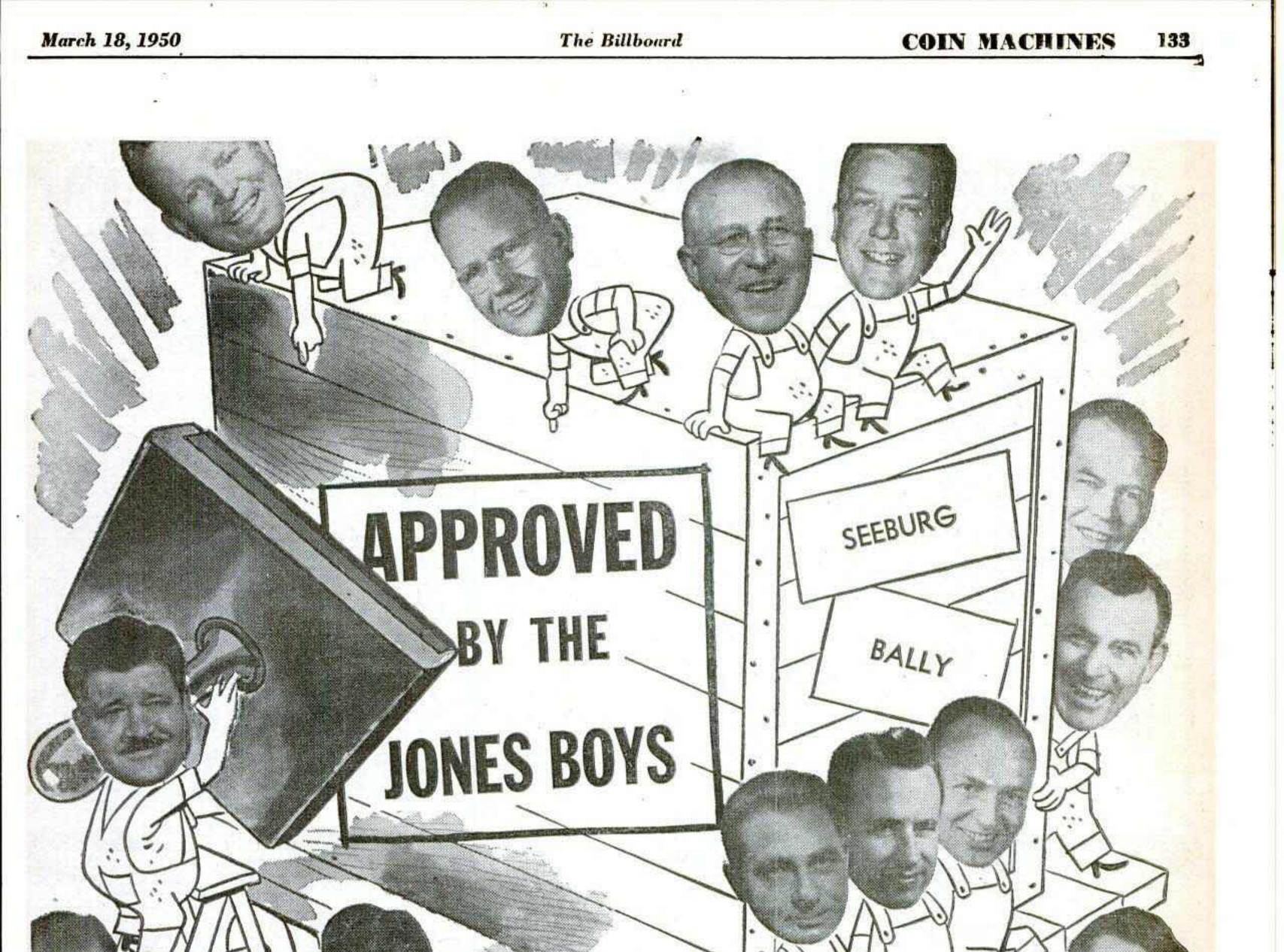
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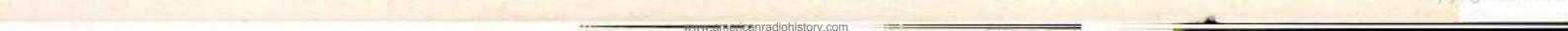
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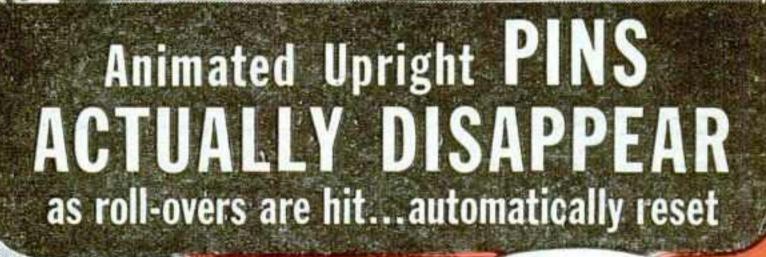












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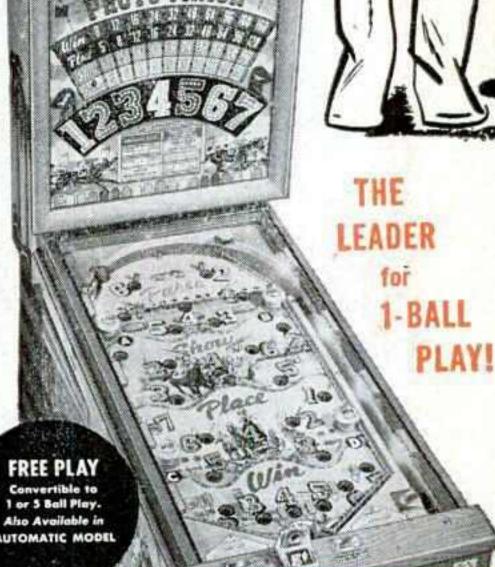
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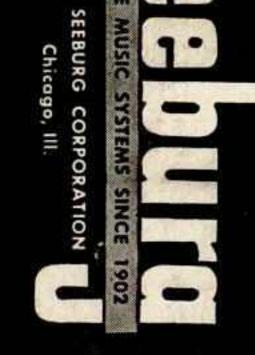
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