#### THE AMUSEMENT INDUSTRY'S LEADING NEWSWEEKLY (III) PRICE: 25 CENTS (180) MARCH 24, 1951 3,500 TV Stations for U.S. If New Allocations Stick 70 Channels in **Competitors Burn at ABC** F. COSTELLO SUPER SCOUT UHF, 12 in VHF For Kefauver "Time" Sale NEW YORK, March 17 .--Frank Costello, it was revealed at the Kefauver hearings here

dustry for its coverage of the Senate subcommittee crime hearings. This was indicated when the committee asked WPIX here, which originated, to provide it with complete details on the extent and cost of coverage, etc., by all participating stations. It is understood that either Sen. Charles W. Tobey or Sen Herbert R. O'Conor will commend the industry on the floor of the Senate.

Another plan, of an entirely dif-

ABC-TV with a higher share of the or 10 more Friday (16). costs. The reason was ABC's sale of the coverage to Time magazine.

#### Ideas Differ

ABC's quick sale produced sharply divergent opinions. One group held that the commercialization of this type of public service feature was out of line: Supposing, they asked, ABC had sold it to a liquor outfit? This group held that siderably to his analyses. proceedings of the U.S. Senate or a part thereof should not be put on view with a commercial tag. Other stations and nets carrying the program claim they made no attempt to sell it, and wouldn't despite ABC's Time deal. Those supportinig ABC's move argued that criticism was based mostly on sour grapes and that the network rated plaudits for its quick thinking. The Time deal was made overnight, with the magazine starting out by buying WJZ-TV; expanding to ABC's own TV

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Plans | New York TV stations sharing in | stations early in the week; adding were under way this week to pay paying the costs of the pooled op- another dozen stations later, and tribute to the radio-television in- eration in an attempt to assess trying to get an additional nine

> Major radio coverage was provided by WMGM, which stationed George Hamilton Combs in the courtroom thruout the proceedings. WMGM kayoed all afternoon commercials each day at 1:45, and took the events until recess. The fact that Combs is not only a commentator but a lawyer contributed con

this week, among other activities, was one of the highest paid talent scouts in show business history.

Questioned as to the services he performed in return for the \$18,000 yearly paid him by the Beverly Club in New Orleans,'Costello told the committee that he occasionally scouted talent for the club. Asked what type of talent he had turned up, he said: "Well, acts like Joe E. Lewis, Sophie Tucker, acts like that."

Is FCC Plan

#### **Phenomenal Impact** On Whole Industry Is Predicted

WASHINGTON, March 17 .--Eighty-two channels, permitting more than 3,500 TV stations, are provided in the allocation plan scheduled to be issued shortly by the Federal Communications Commission. This compares to 54 channels and 2,000 stations under a plan proposed by the FCC in September, 1949, and subsequently shelved. The new plan calls for allocating approximately 70 channels to the ultra-high frequencies (UHF). Of the 3,500 stations possible, around 3,100 would be in UHF. The remainder would be in the existing very high frequency (VHF) part of the spectrum. Altho there will be no disruption in service by existing stations, issuance of the new allocations plan will eventually hit TV with unprecedented impact. Even allowing for delays, occasioned by the inevitable filing of briefs, hearings, etc., the plan will pave the way for these following major developments:

ferent nature but also bearing on the Kefauver hearings, was also in the works this week. This was a move to call a meeting of the



WASHINGTON, March 17 .-ing" session Monday (19) before the joint public affairs sub-committee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Assistant Secretary of State Edward Barrett, in charge of public affairs, will head the State Department delegation to the Capitol Hill proceeding which he had requested history, both the National Broad- a certain radius of the site of the so that State could put some of its exhibits and claims for Voice on bia Broadcasting System have record.

sponsor of a resolution for a sena- staying on the air during the sum- tion, if the premise is accepted. It torial investigation of the State's mer. So far, it's understood, the may well evolve that no Eastern vast information set-up, has been invited to attend the hearing. Also because the Benton resolution has been committed to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the full What the two networks are trying maintain that considerably more committee has been invited to sit to do is to keep affiliates in line in at the Monday session.

The upcoming meeting has been able to clear maximum networks. NO PIECE deferred several times because of press of other business before both the Senate and House committees. Barrett will take up most of the (Continued on page 10)



NEW YORK, March 17 .- The State Department this week made plans to have a one-hour version of Sidney Kingley's anti-Communist play, Darkness at Noon, recorded here with the original cast and beamed overseas by the Voice of America.

Vladimir Selinsky, Columbia Broadcasting System radio and TV the nucleous of the play. musical director, will compose and

# State Department nabobs will fill the air with plugs for State's Voice of America operations at a "brief-**Rebate Lure**

what is believed to be the first time in broadcasting industry casting Company and the Colum- contest. Sen. William Benton (D., Conn.), production costs to advertisers is to be a basic point of negotia-

> policy extends only to television. than merely keeping TV accounts the Midwest, and vice versa. Some on the air during the summer, insiders, close to the situation,

so that in the fall they will 'e

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### **Cults Bankroll** Hollywood Play

HOLLYWOOD, March 17. -Nickel and dime donations have angeled the current local legiter, Lazarus. Unlike most stage productions, small contributions, drawn from thousands of area residents, are responsible for the new Sheamus Fay comedy at the Beaux Arts Theater. Religious groups are the major contributors.

occurred almost two years ago. In 1949 a woman bought a rooster, had its head removed and took it home. Six hours later the bird, ership with the theatrical magasans head, was up crowing and zine Billboard, and others, collects walking around. It was properly only 5 cents per account from Bar time, Uncle Mistletoe has been on attorney, Elford Rice. The initial named Lazarus. The incident forms 20 (operators of the savings club WENR-TV in spurts. There was down payment to be made to Hem-

# **Vebs-NCAA** Meet **To Set Grid Fate**

#### Networks Hope To Arrive at Formula For Airings on Inter-Regional Basis

NEW YORK, March 17 .- The drastic plans will be necessary to status of college football telecasts sway NCAA, since these still in 1951 will be determined would offer little protection to the Wednesday (21) when the four smaller schools whose potential major webs present new proposals | customers still might prefer sitting to the Eastern regional committee home and watching for free, bigof the National Collegiate Athletic name teams on TV, even from an-Association at Columbia Univerother section. sity. The networks will strive to come up with a formula which will permit NCAA to relent on its one-NEW YORK, March 17 .- For year moratorium on live broadcasts. To avoid damage at the gate, the webs are expected to suggest that no games be aired within

Just how far from the stadium adopted a policy of rebating on the proposed line will be drawn game may be aired in that region, Actually, there is more at stake but would be okay for showing in

ness Week, in a recent issue, did a savings clubs, and Hopalong Cassidy Enterprises, Inc. Discussing all the loot earned by the cowboy Play is based on an incident that organization, the magazine said: . . Hoppy's own cut, however, is modest. Hopalong Cassidy Enterprises, in which he shares owndeal), . . . "

#### **Major Developments**

Complete lifting of the freeze by fall; expansion of television into every market in the U.S.; (Continued on page 4)

# UNCLE VS. SANTA Fields' Mistletoe Is Hotter Than Mr. Claus

CHICAGO, March 17. - More | Here are some of the tangible ranking with Santa Claus in the handkerchiefs. affections of Chicago youngsters is almost completely a television with the past Christmas doubling story.

Tom Hamilton, athletic director

of the University of Pittsburgh,

and chairman of the NCAA's TV

committee, told The Billboard this

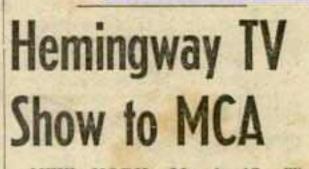
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Uncle Mistletoe was created five years ago for a block of Field's window displays. He was Santa's NEW YORK, March 17 .- Busi- business manager. He was about a foot tall, with a bright red coat, piece on the new Hopalong Cassidy | top hat, round face and pure pixie expression.

> The second year Uncle Mistletoe dolls were sold by Field's. In 1948 Field's put an Uncle Mistletoe puppet show on WENR-TV for 13 weeks preceding Christmas. Jennifer Holt was the live character in the show, and Johnny Coons did voice for hand puppets. Since that

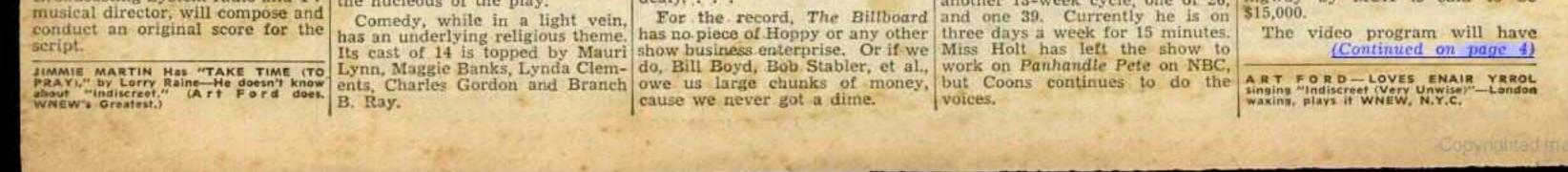
kids asked for Uncle Mistletoe at results of the TV show. Field's Marshall Field's last Christmas now is merchandising Uncle Mistleseason than asked for Santa Claus. toe dolls, hand puppets, 78 r.p.m. The story of the development of records, coloring books, greeting this pixielike character from a cards, a book, cookie jars, Christwindow decoration into a symbol mas candles, tree ornaments and

> Field's has sold 10,000 records, (Continued on page 10)



NEW YORK, March 17 .- The Music Corporation of America was about set this week to sew up the rights to a new Ernest Hemingway TV package, marketed by his another 13-week cycle, one of 26, ingway by MCA is said to be \$15,000.

**BB** Not Cut In on Hoppy; So Sorry!!!



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# **Billboard Backstage**

#### By JOE CSIDA

This job being what it is, I have had the good fortune to participate in several thousand junkets, soirees, fiestas, cocktail parties and general all-around brannigans over the past 18 years. But one of the happiest and most interesting I've ever caught was last week-end in Havana.

Along with some 26 other radio-TV, agency and newspaper guys, I was the guest of the brothers Mestre-Goar, Abel and Luis Augusto. I want to say right here that never have I encountered friendlier, more painstaking, more generous hosts than these Cuban gentlemen. Not only they, but all the members of their families and their staff (Miss Nora Valencia, Goar's secretary; Mike Guiterres, comptroller for the CMQ operations, and many others) made a guy feel like the island was his.

And their radio-video operations impressed me tremendously, as several stories in the television and other departments this week testify. Not only are their operations significant as a single instance of what highly intelligent gents with a genuine pride in their country's progress (and the Mestres are that) can do in a Latin-American republic like Cuba, but also for the effect they will have on Latin-America's broadcasting-telecasting future in general.

#### **Panama's Models**

I had an interesting talk with Fernando Eleta, for example. Here's a kid, 28 years old, who is president of the RPC Network in Panama. He told me that Goar Mestre and Emilio Azcarraga, of Mexico, represent the models he follows in developing his own operations. We haven't seen Azcarraga's radio and other show business layouts yet. but have heard plenty about their general excellence. If they're on a par with what the Mestres have built, young Eleta is strictly on the right track.

Eleta and the Mestres are interesting people in another common respect. They get a good deal of their schooling in the United States. have a knack for learning the best of what our schools and mores have to offer, and rejecting the worst. And all the while they retain a deep, never-changing love for their own countries. They work for the betterment of their people, at the same time building successful businesses. Eleta, at the moment, has quite an interesting scrap on his hands with the Panamanian newspapers. When he started his

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Washington Once-Over

#### By BEN ATLAS

WASHINGTON, March 17 .- Look for Congress to shelve an upcoming administration bill for commercial rent control. A big segment of show business would be affected by a law clamping rent ceilings on commercial structures for the first time in U.S. history. Administration camp on Capitol Hill says Mr. Truman will put the heat on Congress for the legislation in a special message if necessary. But a powerful bi-partisan bloc in both houses is lined up to wreck the proposal.

### EDITORIAL

# as Civic Educator

After watching the telecasting of the Kefauver committee hearings thru its first week in New York, The Billboard is convinced that video showings of such hearings represent the most powerful type of political education ever offered the American public. It is our belief that consistent telecasting of all such hearings would inevitably result in an aroused, more alert, more intelligent group of citizens than the country has ever before known. And as a natural consequence this country would evenfually have better government. Perhaps Senators Kefauver, Tobey and O'Connor possess exceptional talents in handling hearings of this kind. It is certainly true that they displayed extreme tact, courtesy and consideration toward all the witnesses and particularly toward Frank Costello.

It is always possible, of course, that a congressman or other official might turn up who might abuse his position, and/or ham it up for the cameras. It is also true that some thought should be given to working out mike shut-offs to enable witnesses and their attorneys to consult without danger of being overhead and to eliminating any other true inconveniences to witnesses.

But it would be a tragedy of the highest order if the television cameras were to be barred from hearings of this nature. It would deprive the American people of the greatest opportunity they have ever had to get a full, clear view of how the nation's evil men work, the struggle of good men to combat them and the great need for every citizen to join the everlasting fight against the wicked.

### THE FACE OF A BIG BREAK

NEW YORK, March 17 .- A strange twist hit Telenews this week in its video newsreel coverage of the Kefauver hearings. Altho Sen. Estes Kefauver forbade TV cameras from screening Frank Costello's face, no 'such limit was placed on newsreels. Telenews, of course, wound up with pictures showing Costello's full face.

But the air of mystery achieved by showing only Costello's hands, as covered by the live TV cameras, drew such favorable public reaction that Telenews' TV clients all said they preferred the faceless shots to the regular stuff.



### IS IT GOOD? Showbiz Is Plugged in Crime Quiz

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Certain facets of show business and allied fields, much to nobody's surprise, were dragged into the Kefauver committee hearings here this week The Beverly Club in New Orleans came in for considerable plugging during Frank Costello's testimony, when the committee revealed that Costello had a piece of the joint, along with Dandy Phil Kastel and others. In this same stretch of testimony, prior to Costello's development of a sore throat, such coin machine firms as Mills Novelty, Wurlitzer and Jennings were mentioned. Several uneasy guardians of the local law told of the services they had rendered the owners of such night spots as Piping Rock and Arrowhead in Saratoga Springs, while Virginia Hill related how she had dumped her \$4,000 piece of the extinct Hurricane on Broadway here. Miss Hill also got on ing changes in the local law that the record her uncomplimentary opinion of Billy Wilkerson, of the Hollywood Reporter, film tradepaper. Even Paramount Pictures got a plug when Water Commissioner Jim Moran mentioned them in the course of his questioning.



By LEIGH VANCE

LONDON, March 17.-Eighteen anxious showmen lined up this week to pick stall sites for the forthcoming Festival of Britain. On the table was a stop-watch. After each showman had drawn one of the 18 numbered slips out a hat, he had exactly 90 seconds to make for the colored wall map and scribble his name on the site of his choice before the next man came up. Idea behind the scramble was to eliminate last-minute haggling and backbiting. "Once a man has signed for his site-then that is that," explained a festival of-ficial. "There are no second thoughts." Problem for the showmen was to sort out the plum sites in the time allowed. But, as "Lord Festival" Herbert Morrison this week estimated a loss of \$1,419,600 in six months on the Festival Pleasure Gardens, prospects are not bright.

#### Amateurs Get Tough: Is It Vindictive? . . .

The Welsh Rugby (football) Union this week banned G. V. Wynne-Jones, one of the BBC's best-known sports commentators, from reporting an international Wales-Ireland match. Rumpus arose over Wynne-Jones's book, Sports Commentary, in which he took a crack at the so-called "amateur" players drawing bloated swindle sheet expenses. He also made allegations about the distribution of tickets. But Wynne-Jones calls the WRU ban "... vindictive . . ."

#### **Opera Season Success;** Attendance, Take Up . . .

The Royal Opera House Convent Garden, home of the No. 1 Sadler's Wells Ballet Company, has just ended its most successful opera season. Average attendance clocked 88 per cent of the house (2.060 capacity), 3 per cent up on last year and 22 per cent more than 194/ About \$249,200 worth of ticket were sold for 110 performances of opera over 17 weeks. The repertoire includes 27 operas, seen this year by more than 150,000 people.

#### **Tough Road Seen for Hiked Amuse Taxes**.

Already thrown for a loss by time consumed in congressional hearings, President Truman's amusement tax program faces still tougher sledding in the House Ways and Means Committee's latest schedule. Committee put the administration on the spot this week in taxes. Treasury wanted to get the tax hikes in two packages, the first one calling for rises in several amusement excises and other levies to the tune of \$6,000,000,000. Ways and Means Committee insists on considering one package or none at all. Insiders are whispering that Secretary of the Treasury Snyder still doesn't have a plan figured out on how to raise the balance.

#### There's Overhaul on Way for That NPA . . .

Congress is getting ready to apply the microscope to some of the federal agencies administering defense controls. National Production Authority's handling of the amusement construction ban will come in for special attention. Overhauling of the whole defense structure here is possible, inasmuch as the Defense Production Act under which the agencies are operating expires June 30. A new law will be written by a highly critical Congress.

#### TV Freeze May Melt;

#### Miss H. To Dissent . . .

Biggest TV story of the year is Federal Communications Commission's current move to take the final step toward lifting the video freeze. Unless a major hitch develops, FCC will issue new proposed allocation table within a couple of weeks with a strong dissent from (Continued on page 44)

# **Picture Business**

#### By LEE ZHITO.

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .- Month of April will see RKO's production in highest gear since Howard Hughes took over studio's helm, with seven films rolling simultaneously. . . . Better business is reflecting itself in Monogram's latest stockholder report, bringing studio out of the red for the first time in two years. According to Prexy Steve Broidy's report, Monogram ended in the black with a \$163,312 net for the 26-week period ending December 30, 1950. . . . Exhibs gaining an easier buck from popcorn and candy sales in the lobby than admissions via the b. o. have a bright item in store for them when Pat De Cico's bonbons move eastward. Chocolate-covered ice cream pieces, packaged five in a box at 10 cents, are proving a sellout in this area. Di Cico says franchise agreements are being concluded for the Chicago and New York markets in time for the summer trade.

British scribe Noel Langley is interrupting his Hollywood vacahigher as the tourist season gets available for accredited campus tion to take a Metro scripting assignment on Ivanhoe. . . . Bullets under way and the G.I.'s conproduction royalty-free, eight col-20 Durgom inked Dick Wesson to a seven-year Warner Bros.' contract. tinue to pour in. leges and universities, from Massa-Initial role under new pact will be a comedy part in Michael Curtiz's chusetts to Louisiana and as far Force Arms. . . . Industry and civic toppers saluted Y. Frank Freeman State-Owned Theater west as Iowa, have climbed on the with a Beverly Hills Hotel banquet on his 10th anniversary as head of bandwagon for permission to put Has Headaches Built In 69 the Association of Motion Picture Producers. Paramount board chair-**Rinks-Arenas** on Darkness at Noon. Director M. Pierre-Amie Touman, Adolph Zuckor, Charles and Spyros Skouras, Louis B. Mayer, Joe Roadshow-Rep ..... 44 Two of them have already set chard, of the State-owned Comedie Schenck, Herbert Yates and George Jessell, were among the pic cream, Routes ...... 49 production dates. Iowa State Francaise, has a job that should with the governor and mayor also attending. . . . Connie Smith, bedded by flu on the third day of 20th Century-Fox's London filming of TV-Radio ..... 4 next month and Louisiana State any kind of dispute anywhere. House on the Square, was replaced by Ann Blyth. . . . Pat Dugan, for (Continued on page 44)

# **Theaters Drop** Jim Crow Bans

WILMINGTON, Del., March 17. -Several theaters here, anticipatwould permit Negroes in all public places on an equal basis, have let down the bars ahead of time.

The Warner, Loew's, Towne, Grand, Queen and Arcadia were the first houses to sell tickets on a non-Jim Crow policy. Efforts were made to query the managers of the six theaters for their reason, but all refused to comment on their policy changes.

A. J. Belair, of the Rialto, one of the houses refusing to admit Negroes, said: "I'm not admitting Negroes and I never will. I would close the theater before I'd let them in. Let them go to their own theater."

The National, considered locally as a Negro theater, has no restrictions. John O. Hopkins Jr., manager of the house, said, " I think the move is a fine and commendable one."

Under State law, all public places operating under Delaware licenses, may exclude all persons who would be deemed "objectionable" to the majority of their customers.



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### Hollywood Canteen To Reopen July 4

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .-Hollywood Canteen is skedded to reopen the week of July 4 on Saturdays and Sundays. If a greater influx of G.I.'s occurs, Canteen will also open on Fridays. Building, formerly known as the Florentine Gardens, on Hollywood Boulevard, was taken over by the Canteen in October. Old Canteen shuttered Thanksgiving Day, 1945, following the ending of hostilities with Japan.

New locale will hold twice as many servicemen as old Canteen. Redecoration is already under way and architects are mulling the possibilities of enlarging the premises. A board of 15 was selected this month, topped by actress Bette Davis. Board consists of industry reps in all phases of showbiz. Canteen will continue its policy o Sunday afternoon symphonic concerts, to be followed by the usual entertainment in the evening.

#### 8 Colleges Focus 'Darkness" Idea

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Since ment released figures this week the Playwrights' Company and author Sidney Kingsley agreed to which show that there are about Of a Busman's Holiday 28 per cent more American tourists a suggestion made by The Bill-And Other Briefs . . . board a month ago, that the latter's here at this time than at the same period last year. This figure will go current anti-commie hit be made

#### Old House on Block But Bids Are Low . .

Bids from \$420,000 to \$476,000 were made this week for the building in Conventry Street just off Piccadilly Circus which houses the Rialto cinema and the Cafe De Paris night spot. The reserve was not reached and the property, bought in 1921 by Mark Wolfe, who died intestate, is to be sold privately. The auctioneers would not reveal Cafe De Paris, takes, but claimed that Dance Restaurants, Ltd., which holds the lease at \$9,800 a year until 1953, is seeking an extension. The Rialto is leased until 1960 for \$16,016 a year.

# Paris Peek

- By ART ROSETT

PARIS, March 17. - The Champs-Elysees presents a colorful and gladdening spectacle these days. Mixed with the usual vivid array of stylishly clad boulevardiers, G.I. khaki, Army Air Force blue and uniforms of other members of SHAPE daily becomes more numerous and makes the scene brighter. Top clubs, music halls and other spectacular attractions are doing sell-out business, with the paying customers consisting for the most part of members of the armed service and civil-service employces. The places catering to Frenchmen, with rare exception, are in the doldrums. The French govern-

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# Showbiz Wins **Opening Round** In Tax Fight Solid Front at D. C.

### **Hearing Indicates Revised Levy Rate**

WASHINGTON, March 17 .-Strong protests of disk manufacturers, radio-TV dealers and producers went on the House Ways and Means Committee hearing record this week against the administration's proposed hikes in the excises on disks, phonos, TV and radio sets, with signs continuing to point to the likelihood that the committee will pare down the administration's tax requests. The taxes will be increased but nowhere near the evils asked by President Truman.

James B. Conklin, prexy of Columbia Records, Inc., speaking for the phono disk industry, told the Committee that higher disk taxes would add a burden to education and culture and would fail to accomplish "any of the purposes for which excises are generally intended." Pointing out the disk industry's "useful role," he told of the spread of disks' use in urban and rural areas alike, in dispensing religious music as well as other types of music, and in reaching children. He cited recent surveys showing 52 per cent "of the primary listeners of newly purchased phonograph records are children and youths under 24 years of age, and 30 per cent of all primary listeners are children under 14 years of age." He said concert would suffer, and he pointed out that 558 disk manufacturers last year contributed \$1,500,000 to the music performance trust fund for free concerts thruout the nation.

He said disk-making is a small business and, as such, would be discriminated against the higher

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FLAHOOLEY

### For Original By HAL WEBMAN

In Maneuver

Cap Bags It

NEW YORK, March 17.-Capitol Records this week grabbed the original cast recording rights for the forthcoming Sammy Fain-E. Y. (Yip) Harburg legit musical Flahooley, one of the more widely heralded of the large group of musicals due to hit the Stem this spring. This is only the second original cast project which the Coast diskery has managed to grab in its nine-year history. Deal was consummated for Cap by the diskery's Eastern exec, Walter Rivers, who dealt with producer Cheryl Crawford.

Behind these bare facts, the actual story lies in the resourcefulness which went into obtaining the rights to this particular originalcast project. Since South Pacific, the original-cast album has assumed a position of major importance, prestige-wise, in the record industry, the fierce competition for the recording rights to these albums has become intensified to a point where investment in a show has become a virtual requirement as part of a waxing deal. Outstanding and probably precedental

# **Highlight Reviews**

### TELEVISION

# **Costello Stars in Kefauver's** Strong Next-to-Closing Act

#### By JERRY FRANKEN

York, beginning March 12, when TV cameras moved into the hearings conducted by a subcommittee of the Senate's Committee To Investigate Crime in Interstate Commerce. Altho this committee, headed by Sen. Estes Kefauver, had conducted hearings elsewhere job in bringing the events to milunder TV's scrutiny, in no city did Lons of viewers. it have the impact it had in New York.

as the most exciting coverage of tery, were the headliners. No merely names, or an occasional, a major news event yet scored event TV has yet covered-the inanimate photo. In radio, they by television originated in New United Nations, political conven- were disembodied voices. In teletions, the presidential inaugura- vision, they were living, breathtion-presented high drama on so ing, active human beings, of deficontinuous a scale. Even more nite attitude, character, form, perimportant, television met the challenge. Under the guidance of John McClay and Ted Estabrook, of WPIX, New York, TV did a superb nesses, even tho masked by court-

Television paled all other news media. Even tho radio-spear-The reason for this is simple. In headed by WMGM, New York, and the subcommittee's plans, New its ace commentator, George Ham- into knots. At home, in business York was "next to closing"-with ilton Combs - provided instan- offices, in gin mills, it was the prothe flash act to follow the next taneous coverage, it was TV's gram of the week. These hearings week via final hearings in Wash- added dimension that made the are dealing with insidious factors. ington. Thus, New York, and difference. In the press, the par-

What is being universally hailed | Frank Costello, the man of mys- | ticipants in the courtroom were sonality. The result was that the sharp duel between the committee and its frequently recalcitrant witinduced politeness, offered spellbinding drama.

#### Wow of the Week

The TV coverage tied New York (Continued on page 7)

# N. C.-TV-RADIO Chase Eats Way Into Cuban Click; Fightcaster Gabby; Carousel a Hit

#### **By JOE CSIDA**

of a hectic week-end in Havana, the past 32 years, and it is prob- eros roaring. with a minimum of opportunity ably funnier today than it was Since the populace has always for the reviewer to make notes; in its first year. This reviewer been slightly dance wacky, any the constant urging of some one last caught Chase at the Para- Cuban nitery show features terpor other that the reviewer was mount Grille, before Billy Rose ing aplenty, and the Montmarte long since due elsewhere; and with started pitching horseshoes in the did too. A local gal, Lena Somefrozen daiquiris flowing like Niagara. To start at a point where the the Cubans just as it has wowed

This review embraces several reviewer's lingual ignorance is a audiences in every part of the fields: Night clubs, television and minimum handicap, the Montmarte world. And when Senor Chaz radio. Shows caught were all night club in Havana featured in- carefully lays a musical score out Cuban, with Span'sh spoken, vir- ternationally known Chaz Chase, on the floor, then does a serious tually exclusively-and this re- who had just completed a long dance to the notes, the walls shake. viewer's knowledge of Spanish is European run (Paris, London, etc.), Chase is a pantomimist in the limited to senora, si, muy, buena, and who opens shortly at Lou Chaplin tradition, and for this and other such simple and totally Walters' Latin Quarter on Broad- reporter's pesos is often funnier isolated words. Furthermore, the way in New York. Chase has been than Chaplin at his best. His shows were caught in the course doing virtually the same act for strip tease satire had the haban-

levy. He said imposing the tax on this industry would not bring about increased capacity for war output.

Prexy Robert C. Sprague, of the Radio - Television Manufacturers' Association, speaking for the TVradio industry, said a 25 per cent tax on TV and radio sets would curtail sales 40 per cent, would increase costs to consumers, and would be discriminatory. He said by curbs, pointing out that even without a change in the tax the On Big Arena the industry has already been hit industry's sales of TV and radio sets at manufacturers' prices will be about \$1,000.000,000 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, compared to \$1,600,000,000 in the 1950 calendar year. He said the TV industry is still in a developing stage, and burdened more than enough.

An impressive day-long array of witnesses against the amusement excises held the Commit-(Continued on page 14)



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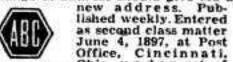
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was the RCA Victor grab of Call (Continued on page 12)

**Purdue Points** Way to Payoff

LA FAYETTE, Ind., March 17 .--What can be accomplished in making an auditorium or arena the focal point of a community thru the use of professional entertainment is probably best-illustrated by the Purdue University Hall of Music, a 6,208-seat theater-auditorium located on the campus here. Eight professional entertainment has welded the surrounding territory within a radius of 100 miles solidly the Hall of Music.

Kingpins behind the idea are Al Stewart, director of musical organizations at the university, and John ago. Dittemore, manager of the hall. Tho the air-conditioned Hall of E. W. Evans ......Pres. & Treas. Music was dedicated May 3, 1940, Lawrence W. Gatto .....Secy. it wasn't until July, 1943, that the Music was dedicated May 3, 1940. program series was initiated. Built Joseph G. Csida. .. Editor in Chief, New York at a cost of \$1,500,000, Stewart, G. R. Schreiber, Coin Machine Editor, Chicago Dittemore and two other school Herb Dotten ..... Outdoor Editor, Chicago reps, who have since left direction reps, who have since left direction Ben Atlas ..... Chief Washington Bureau of the project, decided that because

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A plea that the United States lift its embargo on the shipping of disks to Hong Kong was received this week in a communique from R. A. Da Silva, manager of the Colonial Trading Company, located in the Hong Kong Stock Exchange Building. Says Da Silva:

"The U. S. A.'s embargo included phono records, which are absolutely no use to the Reds across our border. As a matter of fact, the Reds prohibit American records from getting into their territory.

hostelry's cellar. The match, ciga- body, featured an exceptionally rette and cigar eating bit wowed intriguing navel in a series of

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# LEGIT "Pastures" Retains Its Elegant Simplicity; Marshall Good Lawd

#### By BOB FRANCIS

over the dam since Broadway first rected by the author, with beauti- school class. His is the happy took The Green Pastures to its ful sets by Robert Edmund Jones, heaven of the spirituals with a God years of continuously high grade heart. It might seem that Marc is a splendid one, and in no way to take personal interest in human Connelly's tender folk fantasy need be shamed by comparison affairs. Its moments are memwould be out of step with a world with the original. Altho there will orably vivid, beginning with the largely dedicated to tyranny and be some who will miss the late heavenly fish-fry when God behind both the Big Ten school and hatreds. However, the magic of Richard B. Harrison's wonderful its eloquent simplicity is still on portrait of De Lawd. tap and its message is, if anything, more cogent than it was 20 years

completely savor its many lovely preacher's interpretation of the Old

this reviewer back some 12 or 14

years, when he was catching the

productions at the Gaiety, Repub-

lic and other theaters devoted to

the lively and titillating art of bur-

lesque. Bud Abbott and Lou Cos-

ards in those days-and even

A good deal of water has gone virtues. The current revival, di- Testament, as told to his Sunday

#### **Based on Bradford's Sketches**

As nearly everybody must know So it is a happy omen to have by now, Connelly based Pastures and his decision for a general it revived, even on the stage of the on sketches from Roark Bradford's clean-up via a flood. There is Broadway Theater-a house far Ol, Man Adam an' His Chillun, and infinitely more-the flight from too large to enable everybody to its farciful context is a Negro Egypt, God's final turning of his

creates the world because there is not enough "firmament" in the custard, thru the happy population of Eden and growing irritation with man's general conduct (Continued on page 42)

### TELEVISION

# A&C Bring Back Memories of Stinky Fields; Novotna Solid

#### By PAUL ACKERMAN

gate Comedy Hour Sunday took teria.

of hoke comedy-even when pre- numbers, one of them a strong sented sans a build-up by strip acro-tap routine by Jesse, James teasers and candy butchers. Its and Cornell. Lon Chaney, who function now is to sell soap and appeared as the monster in the tooth paste, and in this it is prob- graveyard bit, had a role which ably successful. Ditto the old did not call for much thesping tello, skilled practioners in low chestnut, "Who's on First?," a ability. comedy, revived several of the sketch that has made the rounds The commercials are not too insketches which were solid stand- for years.

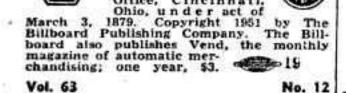
One of the brighter spots of the ing in claims of what science and earlier. The graveyard bit, for Comedy Hour was Jarmila No- research "prove" for the prod-

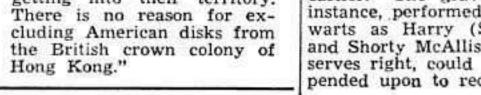
Tuning in on the NBC-TV Col-|ence to a state bordering on hys-|of talents make her suitable for extensive TV work.

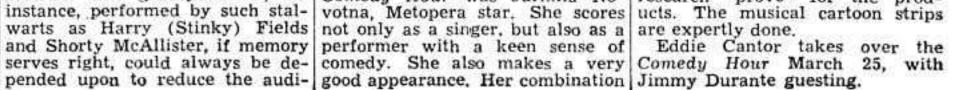
The sketch is still a grand piece The program had several other

sistent, but are sometimes irritat-

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# **TELEVISION-RADIO**

THE BILLBOARD

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

#### MARCH 24, 1951

Alterative

# 82 Channels, 3,500 Stations **Due Via New TV Allocations**

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which have plagued TV ever since the freeze; expansion of network facilities and elimination of onestation cities; opening up enor-

# **KNBH Red Ink Cues Cutback**

will swing a heavy ax at its ownedand-operated KNBH, lopping off jections-also considered unlikely. 13% hours per week of daytime shows, curtailing some nighttime sustaining programs and slicing severly the station's personnel. Sweeping curtailment was ordered to halt mounting losses. KNBH reportedly dipped into the red last month to the tune of \$50,000. Cutback becomes effective April 1.

Axing is expected to reach deep into top directorial and exec ranks. Among those out are Alan Fischler, in charge of daytime programing; Betty Hoyt and Charlene Hawks, in addition to a number of directors and producers.

Of KNBH's daily three hours and 45 minutes, station will only retain two 30-minute shows, the participation sponsored Chef Milani program and the Paul Pierce show.

KNBH is not the area's only statrimmed their skeds.

elimination of the bottlenecks mous new sales potentials for man- would apply elsewhere. lation growth for advertisers.

However, it is certain that a resounding minority dissent to the allocations plan will be forthcoming from Commissioner Frieda Hennock, who favors assigning 25 per cent of facilities for educatoroperated stations. This may delay issuance of the report for a short time, but it will not block it entirely. Another delaying factor might ensue if FCC Chairman Wayne Coy maintains his support for moving entirely to UHF, a development now considered un-HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .- NBC likely. A final delaying factor could be wholesale industry ob-

#### **Bids Budding**

tions are adopted, processing of adoption of an allocations plan, applications in cities where there and its inevitable consequence of are no competing bids could begin lifting the freeze, can only result the summer via the disks, or may instantly. Normal hearing pro- in a TV growth on a breath-takcedures for competitive situations ing scale.

There ufacturers, with correlative circu- are now almost 400 VHF applications filed with the FCC.

> It is believed that no material shortages will hinder transmitter construction, even with the defense effort, since an expanded TV industry would be a singularly important fact in the economy. Set manufacturers, however, would face complications. Since the FCC plans to have both UHF and VHF stations in many markets, sets would have to be made accordingly, with converters needed for sets now in use. However, peak centers of populations will not be given both types of stations, it is believed.

Nevertheless, one thing is certain; no matter how complicated skedded to leave for a British film If, as is possible, these alloca- the technical problems may be,

### WFDR-FM GETS PAGE 1 AWARD

NEW YORK, March 17 .--WFDR, FM station here, will receive a Newspaper Guild "Page One" award this year for "consistently championing the cause of liberalism" and for its "adult programing."

Altho the FM outfit is the only station cited, the Guild is also honoring three individual radio-TV performers with awards - Tallulah Bankhead in radio, and Sid Caesar and Imogene Coca in TV.

### **Rex Harrison May Do Shamus Series**

NEW YORK, March 17.-NBC this week was planning an adventure-detective radio series to star Rex Harrison. No script has been selected as yet. Harrison, who is commitment in May, probably will cut 13 shows before he leaves.

The series may tee off during await a fall opening with Harrison's return.



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Hemingway doing a filmed intro and finale, similar to Somerset Maugham's Tintair stanza, but would not use exclusively the American novelist's works. Instead, Hemingway in the filmed section would comment on works of other American literary figures -such as F. Scott Fitzgerald and John O'Hara—when their material is used in the series.

It is believed that MCA's primary pitch with the Hemingway package will be to sponsors rather than to the webs. The National Broadcasting Company and the Columbia Broadcasting System have already seen the package and, implications are, have decided to let MCA carry the ball and take the risks in the search for bankrollers.

# Colgate Eyes New Allen TV

NEW YORK, March 17 .--- Colgate is considering sponsorship of a new nighttime Steve Allen program on Columbia Broadcasting System TV this summer. The soap company entered a bid for the Thursday night 10:30-11 time slot on the web last week, but found that Arrid had nailed down the period already. It was intended to program Allen.

specific sums on program costs, tacled comic persists, however. based on the time period involved. Last year the advertiser used Allen Hour shows call for a \$4,000 re- to replace Our Miss Brooks during bate; half-hour shows, \$2,000, and the radio show's summer hiatus quarter-hours, \$1,000. on CBS.

# CBS, NBC Dangle Rebates as Lure To Keep Accounts on Summer Air

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differs, but both have the pro- frequency discounts. duction rebate as a basic element.

CBS-TV is giving summer accounts both time and production

#### **CBS-TV's Deal**

CBS-TV'S deal gives advertisers tion having difficulty with daytime discounts. NBC-TV is offering only using the eight summer weeks an programing. KLAC-TV and KFI- production discounts. In both cases additional 10 per cent time dis-TV, local pioneers in TV, have the rebates will go only to ad- count over another 10 per cent to vertisers using 52 straight weeks 52-week accounts. In addition,

The bait they are using, however, and will be in addition to normal of the AM time charge on its radio hiatus plan). If advertisers take a 13-week hiatus they must pay full time costs for the extra five weeks.

In addition, NBC-TV is rebating | Colgate's interest in the bespec-

# Four TV Webs Agree on **Sharing Network Lines**

complex problem of allocating to give each network full service, television network facilities among and subdivided these 25 into nine the four video webs has been "legs" (circuits). In turn, these completed for the three-month legs were divided into four groups, period beginning April 1, it was assembled on the basis of the stalearned this week. Divvying up tions' time rates so that each group the various circuits and assigning came to approximately the same. time periods has taken months of The networks then drew for the bickering, negotiating and wran- time. gling. Essentially, allocations Aft were made this time on the prin- times, they then had to get station ciple that acceptance by TV clearances from the affiliates in affiliates of specific programs each group. Failure to do so, should be the determining factor, meant the network had to forfeit rather than a straight arithmetical the time which was "turned back" division of facilities among the to the phone company for reassignfour networks.

Under the new procedure, the webs and the telephone company Broadcasting Company and Cotook 25 TV cities in which there

NEW YORK, March 17. - The are fewer circuits than required

After the webs had drawn their meant the network had to forfeit ment.

It is reported that National (Continued on page 10)

the program rebate will be 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> per cent of the production costbased on the charge as commissionable to the agency. Ex-

The NBC-TV summer plan gives advertisers the right to take eight weeks' hiatus without any fee (NBC used to charge 28 per cent

### LUCKEY NORTH WBKB GABBER

CHICAGO, March 17. -WBKB is maki .g an outright bid for women day-time viewers by hiring a woman as full-time staff announcer. She is Luckey North, formerly of Vogu, who did a woman's show for Carson Pirie Scott on WNBQ. Miss North will handle station breaks, commercials, promotionals, and have one or two shows of her own. She starts Monday (26).

# cluded from this are the costs of the commericals, which are not subject to any discount. Big Show' Curtain Sad NBC \$ Story

periment, following the broadcast that the Meredith Willson show of May 6. The program was a will go into the 6 to 6:30 p.m. slot, tremendous success in at least one and that Joel McCrea in Tales of respect, gaining vast publicity and the Texas Rangers will fill the 7 commercially, gaining some bank- ciled in. rollers but never paying its way.

Two reasons for this inability to get into the black are the low NBC-TV Cops Nielsens it garnered, and the likelihood that the day of big-dough radio spending has waned. However, in view of the positive accomplishments of the program and the great critical acclaim it secured, it's believed that the NBC brass may reconsider before fall and take another flier on its from Columbia Broadcasting Syschances of being able to attract tem. The program starts on NBCsponsors.

Among its achievements, The Big Show made Tallulah Bankhead a major radio personality. Its writing stable, headed by Goodman Ace, is credited with turning out a consistently topnotch script, blending together individual stars of the most diverse talents. Conception by Bud Barry and production by Dee Engelbach also were regarded as daring and original.

Facing NBC, should it ultimately rule against a revival, will be the problem that has harassed it for several seasons: What should be

# **CBS** Swipes NBC's Regan

NEW YORK, March 17. - Columbia Broadcasting System this week lured the Phil Regan radio show away from NBC. Sponsored 15 stanza. This trip, however, by Pepsi-Cola, the Sunday after- Martin has final okay on script, noon 5-5:25 stanza moves over to beginning June 3.

NEW YORK, March 17.-NBC used to combat the CBS line-up this week decided to drop The on Sundays? For the summer Big Show, its fabulous radio ex- period, best guess at this point is promotional values for the web. to 7:30 period. The middle 30 However, it fared less happily minutes still has not been pen-

# **CBS Maugham**

NEW YORK, March 17 .- National Broadcasting Company TV this week grabbed off Tintair's Somerset Maugham Theater show TV April 2.

Tintair (Bymart) will expand the show from its current halfhour length to an hour. The time period is the 9:30 Monday night hour being vacated by Procter & Gamble in canceling Musical Comedy Time. This will give NBC dramatic shows in this time slot on a regular basis, since the Robert Montgomery stanza for Lucky Strikes will air on alternate hours with Tintair.

The Tintair agency is Cecil 2: Presbrey. The CBS time slot being vacated is Wednesday 9 p.m.

### Martin Set for Colgate Repeat

NEW YORK, March 17.-Fol-lowing his click on the Colgate Sunday night hour via National Broadcasting Company, Tony Martin is doing a repeat on the April guest talent, etc. Same production CBS at the end of its initial cycle, crew, headed by Charles Friedman, will handle the show.

THE WINNERS in The Billboard's Promotion Competition will be announced . . . NEXT WEEK

and you are cordially invited to an exhibit of this year's entries at LE PERROQUET SUITE

### at the Waldorf-Astoria

Tuesday, March 20, 1951,



# NBC, CBS, ABC PLAN ALL-NBC Map Fall Plans For 35mm. Kine

bly switch tube recordings, ditching the 16mm. system this fall. CBS is currently using 35mm. kines of Coast shows in the East, and improved picture quality is spurring other nets to follow suit. CBS will inaugurate use of 35mm. kines on the Coast this fall, while NBC expects to do so. ABC has been studying use of 35mm. kines and is expected to be in 35mm. gear by fall.

NBC and ABC are expected to follow the CBS method of airing from negative film and electronically reversing the image. Completion of the AT&T coast-to-coast link is not expected to diminish the Coast's kine diet. Differences in time zones will force Hollywood originating shows to be taken off for later airing.

Switch to 35mm. film is expected to boost ratings here of kined net shows. Heretofore, net shows have not held their own rating-wise against such local outlets as KTLA. Some believe viewers would rather watch a local show with good pic quality than a better program marred by inferior reproduction.

### SENATOR DRAWS VIDEO FAN MAIL

NEW YORK, March 17 .--Senator Estes Kefauver, television's newest "star," apparently is getting the same sort of reaction professional performers get-fan mail.

Kefauver noted this point in an interview on WMGM, New York, in which he commented on the reaction of New Yorkers to the AM-TV coverage given this week's hearings.

# KOREA JUNKET

NEW YORK, March 17 .--NBC is trying to organize a troupe of its own acts to fly to Korea for one week and entertain the troops there. So far Henry Morgan, Ray Malone and Dagmar (Jennie Lewis) have said they'd go if commitments can be worked out.

Phil Dean, NBC's exploitation champ, is handling the project, which he originated.

# ASCAP Behind Nevada 8-Ball

CARSON CITY, Nev., March 17. -The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers may "simply pull out of the State" if the Nevada Legislature enacts a law that would prohibit the collection of song royalties by ASCAP, according to Harry Levinson, manager of ASCAP for the West Coast.

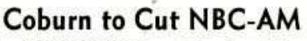
Levinson testified last week (10) during a public hearing on an antiroyalty bill before the Senate Judiciary Committee. He said ASCAP collected a total of \$22,142.52 in Nevada in 1950 from hotels and night clubs. State radio stations contributed another \$7,500 to \$8,000.

The bill was passed by the Assembly after lengthy debate and would require ASCAP to set up a copyright registration file "if it wanted to stay in business." This would cost some \$250,000, Levinson stated.

Sam Roeder, general counsel for ASCAP, also testified.

and Charles Hicks, testified that featuring David Lawrence, editor ASCAP fees in that area were too of U.S. News and World Report.

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supervised by J. Donald Wilson. | Mithune Agency of Chicago.

# **Ben Duffy Raps Networks'** Failure in TV Rating Mess

television networks on two points.

One was to bring down to the point where TV no longer would price smaller advertisers out of the medium, and the other was quick and accurate television ratings so that advertisers and agencies may have adequate knowledge of program standings and accomplishments.

Meanwhile, Duffy, in an interview with The Billboard, rapped the Federal Communications Commission for its protracted, 30 months' freeze. The FCC, Duffy declared, is costing advertisers millions because it has created video station monopolies in singlestation areas. The result has been a false TV time supply and demand situation which continues to stunt the medium.

#### **Fringers** Out

This has led to an inflated price structure for TV time, Duffy claimed, thus driving fringe advertisers out of the medium. The advertising exec claimed that it

### Dairymen Buy NBC Lawrence Series

NEW YORK, March 17 .- The National Dairy Association this week signed with the National Broadcasting Company to sponsor Two Las Vegans, H. E. Hazard a weekly 15-minute radio series Lawrence will do a news commentary in the 3:30 to 3:45 p.m. slot Sundays, starting April 1.

The show moves into half the time currently occupied by the Quiz Kids Show, which winds up HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .--Charles Coburn was set this week its run for Miles Laboratories to cut an audition disk for an NBC | March 25. The web is interested ney; Betty Carr, Private Eye, a radio series based on You Can't in continuing the kids on a sustain- Hope Emerson vehicle, and a third sively on the client's Broadway Take It With You. The sample ing basis and is seeking a suitable featuring movie starlet Barbara Open House stanza on the Na-show will be done here within the time period. The dairy business next fortnight. Production will be was placed thru the Campbell- sale is said to be that Finley act its Zeke Manners show on WJZ-

the one-station markets, will hurt TV, because the medium will not want to reduce its time charges even when the FCC freeze is ended. "Once the prices are up there," Duffy said, "they don't come down. But we don't have to buy TV for our clients," he continued. "No one is holding a gun to our head. Because the prices are unreasonable in the one-station markets, we will go to other mediums," he said.

Duffy demanded that the webs, because of their future financial stake, capital investments and responsibility to important sponsors, get together and devise a uniform

# **PBS Shows** Up for Sale

NEW YORK, March 17 .- In an attempt to salvage some of the now defunct Progressive Broadcasting System investment, Larry Finley is trying to peddle several PBS transcribed properties to other networks.

Finley is currently pitching three soap operas, an audience participation airer with Hal Sawyer and Bob McLaughlin's disk jockey show to the Mutual Broadcasting System. The web has already evinced enough interest in the deal to query its affiliates by mail about carrying the shows on a co-op sponsorship basis. The station replies to date are said to favor the project, but the web has been unable to come to terms with Finley.

The soapers which would be packaged as a daily 45-minute seg include Cindy, with Jeanne Cagas producer for all airers.

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Ber- | now can cost 250G a year just to | system of ratings so that the businard E. (Ben) Duffy, president promote a TV show on a limited ness can learn what they are getof Batten, Barton, Durstine & web via a spot strip. He believes ting for their money. He charged Osborn, this week challenged the that the overpricing, especially in that the existing video research organizations had not proved adequate to the task of providing information and that the networks were "compounding a felony" by failing to step into the picture.

Duffy suggested that a committee of researchers of unchallenged authority be formed and then be given carte blanche to blueprint a TV measuring stick that would evaluate the medium accurately, speedily and economically. He said that not only was the cost of such a rating system immaterial as long as it did the job, but that it didn't matter how long it took to devise as long as the work was begun.

Duffy said the web's attitude, in the face of the advertiser's pressure for such a system, would do the nets no good because, if they did not find the answer to the problem, the advertisers themselves would step in and braintrust their own rating system.

### **\$1-Mil Saturation** On Knickerbocker

NEW YORK, March 17.-Ruppert Beer is spending \$1,000,000 primarily on radio in its special saturation campaign to introduce its new Knickerbocker line to the metropolitan and New England areas. The money is being spent mostly on spot radio on such local stations as WNBC, WCBS, WJZ, WOR, WMGM, WNEW, WINS, WMCA and WFDR. Other outlets are being used in the surrounding territory.

The spot saturation campaign was kicked off March 1 and will continue until Ruppert is satisfied that the product has become accepted. On the TV side Knickerbocker is being plugged exten-TV. Biow is the agency.

# something worth hearing!

HERE IS A STRANGE STORY about a thing that sells goods and services and ... Oh, anything you might think of - even sells fowl and pianos and zither strings.

Now, hold on, WOR just sold hearing devices; hundreds of them!

Imagine selling hearing aids to people maybe not able to hear! But that's precisely what WOR did.

That would seem like exactly the sort of job a magazine was made for, or an outdoor poster, or a subway card, or something you look at, read, or scan over.

But, WOR told people to buy hearing devices.

In the brief space of 11 months, a man who makes a very ethical and high-priced hearing device (costs anywhere from \$70 to \$200) got 21,393 people to ask him about the hearing device. He did this by using WOR.

He did it at the lowest cost-per-lead in his company's advertising history. That's 47 years. He did it at a cost 50% below that of any station used in 31 test cities, and 76% below the national average.

Why this paradox?

It's WOR, of course; which, in itself, is a paradox.

To repeat a phrase we have used repeatedly, WOR can sell anything - has, too.

Why? We are sorry, but we don't know. But we would be very glad to have anyone work on the matter and we will tell thousands of people the reason if we think the reasoning's good. We are pretty bright people when it comes to nickels and dimes, but rather dumb on the introspective side.

However, as a matter of consolation, we'll repeat -

WOR sells everything fast (even hearing devices) to more people, more often, for less cost than any station in the United States.



The address is

- that power-full station at 1440 Broadway, in New York

P.S. What we've told you is merely part of the story. Please call or write us for a detail case history. No charge.



# Mestres' \$1 Mil Faith Backed By Hefty CMQ-TV Time Sales

#### By JOE CSIDA

HAVANA, March 17. -- Come hurricane or revolution the Mestre brothers (Goar, Abel and Luis Augusto) believe in the future of television and Cuba's place in the video sun with an unshakeable, overwhelming faith — \$1,000,000 worth, give or take a peso or two.

They've just ploughed that amount into as modern, wellequipped, brilliantly designed and organized a TV plant as exists anywhere in the United States, or in the world for that matter. The new CMQ-TV operation, as a matter of cold fact, is better equipped and more modern than most U.S. plants.

That the Mestres' faith is wellplaced is strongly indicated by the fact that this week, as CMQ-TV completed its official inaugural

it later into the night).

are Cuban accounts such as Gravi rapidly. (toothpaste), Kresto (powdered chocolate drink), El Cuno and Trinidad (cigarettes), Bacardi Rum and Hatuey Beer, Cervates Cristal Beer, Pilon and Flor de Tibes (coffee), and such U. S. firms as Sterling Products, Admiral, Procter & Gamble, Colgate-Palmolive-Peet, Phillipps (radios), DuMont (TV receivers), Radio Corporation of America, Hotpoint, General Electric and Canada Dry.

Some of the above firms also have heavy spot schedules and are joined as spot users by such sponsors as Westinghouse, Zenith, Norge, Emerson, Ford and Artistic Foundations.

The almost s.r.o. situation, however, doesn't mean that the Mestres

# FCC Is Warned Against Issuing V 'Blue Book'

WASHINGTON, March 17.-A warning to the Federal Communications Commission against issuing a TV Blue Book came this week from Chairman Edwin C. Johnson (D., Colo.) of the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee. Senator Johnson's warning came as the FCC prepared to set a date for its upcoming industry conference on "television broadcasting problems."

Referring to FCC's plans for a public confab with the industry on TV matters, Senator Johnson told The Billboard: "The commis-(Continued on page 10)

PLUS DIGNITY AND BLESSING

HAVANA, March 17. -Among well-wishing blessings bestowed on CMQ-TV at its inaugural ceremonies here last week, by far not the least were the prayers and gift of Cardinal Arteaga, who came to the station (11) to conduct a touching and impressive ceremony in the station's master control room. The cardinal who, incidentally, is the first native Cuban cardinal in the history of the Catholic church, also gifted the Mestre brothers with a golden "gateway to heaven." The church dignitary has a video set and is a rabid TV fan.

telecast (it's been on the video air will get their million back too since December), only three and quickly, since the audience is still a half hours of time remains un- pretty small (an estimated 15.000 sold in a schedule running from sets, including bootlegged receiv-6:30 to 10:30 p.m. (except when ers). With receivers costing double sports or other special events carry what they run in the United States and the average Jose in town not Currently bankrolling full 15- too affluent, the audience isn't minute, half-hour of hour shows calculated to grow too huge too

#### **Small Profits**

Profit margin for the Mestres on full shows, as a matter of fact, is relatively small, with a half hour of time going for \$137 plus \$30 for rehearsal time. The brothers are depending on spot sales to contribute most substantially to getting them off the nut. Only 30 per cent of the operation's income derives from big shows, with the remaining 70 per cent coming from

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# **ABC Evolves** "Pyramid Plan" **3-Show Deal**

NEW YORK, March 17.—American Broadcasting Company, which a couple of seasons ago devised the idea of selling participations simultaneously renewed its efforts in a block of radio shows, this to get AM time charges slashed. week came up with a new scheme | The NBC pitch is the same as that to compete with National Broad- first shown at the web's Station casting Company's variation on its Planning and Advisory Committee original theme. The new ABC sessions a few weeks back and, 27.7 per cent for NBC. This com-system is labeled the "Pyramid subsequently, taken on the road to Plan," and is aimed at battling show affiliates. The ANA effort rise for CBS and 18.4 per cent for NBC's "Tandem" operation, which, takes the form of a supplement to in turn, was derived from ABC's "Five-by-Five" deal, which never was put over.

The new ABC pitch involves Socarras Calls TV five utilized by NBC's Tandem. A sponsor may buy one-third or more of any or all of three programs: The Sheriff, Fat Man and Stop the Music, in the 8 to 8:30 period. ABC will put the plan in operation as soon as the first buyer appears. Minimum requirement is to the vanguard position Cuban Commission on Information and the web's top 75 markets. Cost is based on 20 per cent of the gross hourly rate. Participations on all three tarian states and the democracies shows, using the minimum full network, will cost about \$13,800 for time and talent, including CMQ-TV here on the occasion of agency commissions.

### THEY DANCE, ACT, MUG, EMSEE; ALSO NURSE, GUIDE THE FANS

HAVANA, March 17 .- Economics of the Cuban broadcasttelecast business make it necessary for staffers to perform in rather unique (by United States standards) capacities and for ditto considerations. At CMQ-TV here, for example, such outstanding actors, comics, actresses, emsees, etc., as Jesus Al-varino, Luis Echegoyen, Leopoldo Fernandez, Anibal De Mar, Enrique Santisteban, Carlos Badias, Minin Bujones, Jose De San Anton, Enrique Alzugaray, Rolando Ochoa, Gina Cabrera, Antonio Palacios, Velia Martinez, Angel Espasande, Alejandro Lugo and Eduardo Egea all work four to six soap operas, variety and/or musical shows a day on the CMQ-AM web, and in addition do one or two half-hour video shows weekly.

In their spare time, they perform other functions. For example, each year the station puts on a big anniversary shindig, and during the celebration the actors and actresses serve as guides and take the fans who see and hear them all year 'round, around the studios,

Similarly the CMQ newsgathering organization, Nocieres CMQ, has about 269 correspondents all over the island. Of these, about 25 or 30 are staffers on regular pay roll. The rest are "honorary" correspondents, who phone in an occasional local fire, theft or whatever, and are remunerated by a plug on the air in the reading of their item, i.e., "Our correspondent, Senor Jose Jones, of Santalupe, reports that, . . ."

# **Radio's Best Foot** Wears NBC's Shoes AM Cheaper Than Video, Beats Other

Media in Network's Latest Figures NEW YORK, March 17.-As Na- last summer's report, wherein the tional Broadcasting Company this group began pitching for rate cuts. week began making a strong defense of radio's competitive status in a presentation shown to top ad- clines" in the average ratings of vertisers and agencies, the Association of National Advertisers on NBC and Columbia Broadcast-

The new ANA research claims "significant and continued decommercial evening radio shows ing System during the interval from October-November, 1949, to a year later. At the same time, ANA says, the cost per thousand homes jumped 24.6 per cent for CBS and (Continued on page 45)

# NAB Still Up in Air **Over Prexy Choice**

casters' special committee on pick- New Orleans; Eugene S. Thomas, ing a successor to Prexy Justin WOR, New York, and G. Richard Miller is planning to meet here Shafto, Columbia, S. C. However, late this month in hope of coming individual members are expected up with a choice. Committee to toss in some "dark horse" newmembers indicated that they are comers to the list. Still being as far as ever from a choice since suggested in some quarters is Carl Haverlin, Broadcast Music William B. Ryan, who quit as Incoporated, prexy recently turned general manager to head Broaddown the bid to head NAB. Over cast Advertising Bureau, Inc. a score of names are on the committee's unofficial list of prospects.

Indications are that individual members of the committee will have weeded out at least a dozen names on the current list pre- Esau, veepee and general manparatory to the D. C. confab. ager of KTUL, Tulsa, Okla. Terry Explained one committee member: and Esau were tied in original written down without any idea as to whether the persons would be available or even whether we could ever agree on offering the invitation." Among these are Chairman Wayne Coy, of the Federal Communications Commis-sion, and FCC Commissioner Rosel Hyde.

The upcoming session is figured

WASHINGTON, March 17.- prospects are Edgar Kobak, con-National Association of Broad- sultant; Robert D. Swezey, WDSU,

Hugh B. Terry, veepee and general manager of KLZ, Denver, another prospect for the presidency, was elected to the board in a run-off election against John "Most of the names have been balloting, and run-off return was announced by NAB this week.

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .- | to NBC's KNBH after April 8 to hold the last hope for picking KTLA's Klaus Landsberg is throw- Prior to Hoppy's airing, KTLA ina new prexy prior to NAB's con- ing a rider on his Hopalong Cassidy forms the public that the films are vention in Chicago April 15-19. films in an effort to minimize the completing their fourth run on the

### GOSCH MAY GAB AGAIN

NEW YORK, March 17 .--Martin Gosch, one-time radio actor and columnist and most recently TV producer, may complete the circle soon. Gosch is talking with WJZ, New York, about doing a late-evening theater review show. An audition record may be cut soon.

# "Hoppy's" KTLA Exit Sparks Feud Twixt Outlet and KNBH

Among most seriously considered station losing its No. 1 rated show air, and inasmuch as no new

Hoppy films are available, they are being seen for the last time. Instead KTLA promises, "When final showings have been completed we will bring you a sparkling, fresh Sunday line-up of top entertainment."

KNBH, burning at this "lack of ethics," supplied area TV editors with Hoppy's rating report card. Hoppy, KNBH admitted, gave KTLA the top-rated show in the area despite the number of reruns, and "no station has successfully been able to compete against it (Hoppy)." Further granting that the series has been telecast four times, KNBH points out that more than 500,000 sets have been added in this area since Hoppy hit local TV. Therefore the station doesn't anticipate a decrease in rating.

# **Fight Vs. Dictators**

HAVANA, March 17 .- Tip-off | five-man United States Advisory and other Latin-American broad- Propaganda, and the newly formed casters are taking in the current 11-man broadcast committee to world struggle between totaliwas the speech Cuban-President pated that the Inter-American Carlos Prio Socarras made via group will shortly begin close the new video station's inaugural National Association of Radio and ceremonies. After opening with Television Broadcasters in the the usual congratulatory remarks directed at the Mestre brothers (Goar, Abel and Luis Augusto), owners of the station (see separate story), and the entertainment, cultural and educational benefits dictators and pointed up the im-portance of television as a weapon portance of television as a weapon in the fight against them.

Goar Mestre, CMQ-TV president, left for Sao Paulo, Brazil, a couple of days after the inaugural festivities to attend the conference of the Inter-American Bros., and showing first-run pic-Association of Broadcasters, of which group he is also prexy. in the near future, however, there With the recent ill-fated end of is a distinct possibility that the La Prensa, militantly independent Mestre brothers (Goar, Abel and Argentine newspaper, folded by Luis Augusto) will convert the Peron pressure, fresh in their house into a TV studio and theaminds, the Latin American broad- ter. casters are expected to devote considerable time and discussion to the whole subject, of totalitarianism.

ago got out of Argentina just in time to avoid being knocked off by Peron's strong-arm hoods because of differences he had at the time with the Argentinian dictator. and removal of ork chairs would

of the National Association of mezzanine. Broadcasters and member of the

NEW YORK, March 17. - Co-

lumbia Broadcasting System TV

is putting together a closed-

circuit showing of the TV version

of Crime Photographer for con-

sideration by Arrid, which bought

the Thursday night 10:30-11 period.

None of the radio cast-includ-

CBS-TV "Photog"

For Closed Test

# aid the USACIP, is also in Sao Paulo for the meet. It is anticiworking relationships with the United States, and other similar groups around the world.

# Cuban House

HAVANA, March 17.-Another movie house which may go to video is the Warner Theater in Radio Centro here. The house is currently leased to the Warner tures. When the lease runs out

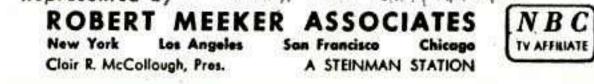
The Mestres own the house, which is located in "little Radio City," site of the Mestres AM and TV operations and some 30 class Mestre, himself, not too long shops of all kinds. If the Mestres take over, the probabilities are they will remove all the orchestra seats to create working area. The house now has 1,650 seats, Judge Justin Miller, president still leave some 900 seats in the

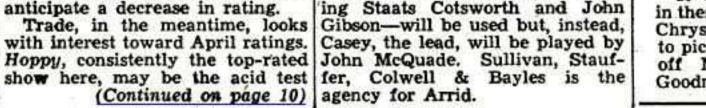
### KREISLER! NOT CHRYSLER

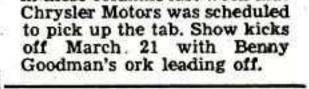
NEW YORK, March 17 .--The new American Broadcasting Company-TV weekly name band show will be sponsored by the Jacques Kreisler (wrist-watch bands) company and will be known as the Kreisler Bandstand.

It was incorrectly reported in these columns last week that











### **BELL TOLLS** FOR ONE TUNE

NEW YORK, March 17.-An unusual promotion deal was arranged this week by London Records and six local radio stations. Gimmick calls for all the stations to play the Anne Shelton record of Come Back to Angouleme at the same time Friday morning (23). The record company sold the disk jockeys and stations on the fact that 1951 is the 700th anniversary of the French cathedral town.

Involved in the promotion are Ted Brown, WMGM; Gallagher and O'Brien, WMCA; Skitch Henderson, WNBC; Sweeney and March, WJZ; Art Scanlon, WINS, and Max Cole, WOV. Topper to the whole thing is that the disk jockeys are supposed to tell listeners at 8:10 a.m. to check the other stations and see whether the disk is being played.

### Colonna ABC Show To Net Via Kines

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .--Jerry Colonna will kick off his initial TV show series May 2 via American Broadcasting Company with a 30-minute seg to originate here and be kined for the full net. Local live airing (KECA-TV) and San Francisco kinecast (KGO-TV) will be bankrolled by Goebel Brewery (Oakland, Calif.) at \$6,000 per week for time and talent. Show will be carried sustaining by ABC nationally, with Goebel holding an option in Eastern markets.

# HOTTEST TV: A NEWS REVIEW N.Y. Crime Hearings Pack An Unprecedented Wallop

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tines to the background.

The "casting" of the show couldn't have been improved on. The three senators comprising the subcommittee-Kefauver, Charles traveled to all the places men-H. Tobey and Herbert R. O'Conor -were the essence of dignified there. Altho Miss Hill gave the Horatio Alger touch. Rudolph Halley, chief committee counsel, was the little guy fighting the big kicked a man reporter and chargees against long-shot odds.

show's Pagliacci. Several times ers heard every word utteredthruout the hearing, he turned whether by a witness, counsel, or spading up.

#### The Star

The "star"-is one sense-of the show was a man who fought bitterly against appearing on the TV screen; who was seen in full vision only rarely and then only when he was waiting to testify, and who, when he did testify, was shown almost symbolically. He, of course, was Frank Costello.

Following the example set by the St. Louis operator, James Carroll, Costello protested against TV as an invasion of privacy. Thru his counsel-grey, slow-speaking George Wolf-Costello argued that he could not confer with the lawyer while TV cameras picked up

Jerry Colonna Show is owned his every movement and mikes by Music Corporation of America, recorded their every word. He with commission house's Bernie also raised objection to the "tele-Tabakin handling the deal. Goebel vision lights." Actually, they account was set with ABC by weren't TV lights; they were in-King Harris, of San Francisco's stalled by the newsreels. WPIX Russell, Harris \* Wood, Inc. Kick- originally planned to cover the off of the show is timed with show using only the normal court Goebel's invasion into the South- room lighting and was set to do so at any time. The result of the Costello-Wolf parlay was that Kefauver forbade showing Costello full-screen, and the cameras picked up only his hands and part of his nattily clad figure. The effect was electric. At first the inability to see Costello as he spoke, in a hoarsened, desedem-dose fashion, produced resentment. Then, as his thin, rather Day series. The show Scoreboard hairy fingers-constantly manipulating a scrap of paper, or fidgeting with his glasses-revealed his tension, the faceless quality became peculiarly fitting to this mysterious man, about whom so much is conjured and rumored, but about whom so little is known. It was right out of a television drama-DuMont's Hands of Mystery, the Lawrence Menkin-Charles Speer whodunit. Costello's second day on the stand only served to dramatize the disclosures his hands unwittingly made. As he sat on the witness stand, he hid his hands resolutely under the table. In keeping with a drama of such intensity, Costello seemed to be taking direction, as does the star in any performance.

Watching them became equally in- Mexico, in the person of the well straight reportorial presentation. sidious, in the sense that they rele- dressed, highly attractive Virginia gated other duties and daily rou- Hill, close friend of Buggsy Siegel figures. During the course of her testimony, Miss Hill noted she had tioned, tossing parties here and acterized photographers as "bums."

In a way, Tobey was also the . Thruout the hearing TV viewsuper-impositions-on the theory ings in a distracting fashion. that it was an event calling for The importance of the video Leeman.

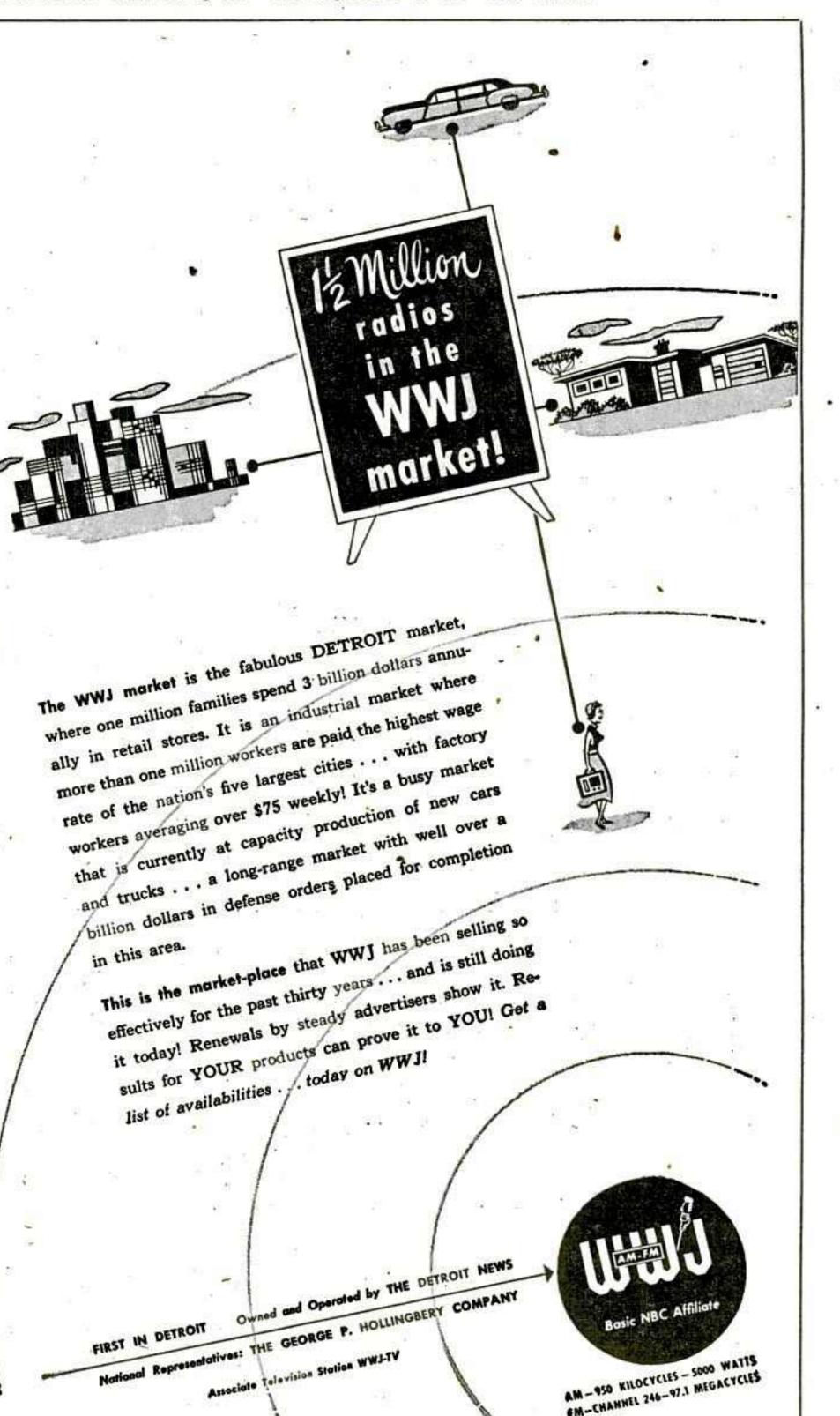
Ben Larsen and Warren Wade. general manager and program (who was murdered in her Holly- head, respectively, of WPIX, origwood home) and other shadowy inally set the deal for the TV coverage, and then offered it to other stations and networks, who then participated in the costs. All equipment, however, and all personnel, were WPIX-ers. Two camvirture, "heroes" with an almost show its sex appeal, she spoiled eras were used, eight mikes for the effect, after she left the stand, audio pick-up, with a control room when she belted a fem reporter, set up in an anteroom. Harry T. Brundige, of The St. Louis Times-Star, was the WPIX commentator. American Broadcasting Company-TV took advantage of its feed to sell the show to Time comic-referring to a man named the senators. John McClay and magazine, which originally bought Saucer as a "flying Saucer," for Ted Estabrook, producer and di- the show for WJZ-TV locally and example. At another time, tears rector, respectively, for WPIX, then added ABC's owned-and-opcoursed down his face as he com- which fed both radio and TV sta- erated video stations. The Time mented on the deep-rooted evil tions, additionally kept viewers commercials consisted mostly of and criminality the hearing is visually on top of the action. They shots of the magazine cover and wisely avoided hoking up the pro- spiels about Time stories; all too ceedings-no fancy dissolves or frequently they cut into proceed-

### CAN'T TELL SCORE SANS----

NEW YORK, March 17. -At 47th Street and Avenue of Americas (just off radio row) a newsie was hawking his wares one afternoon this week as follows: "Here y'are! Read all about it! Biggest television show: My Friend Costello." He sold lotsa papers.

coverage, however, extends far, far beyond the mere aspects of drama it provided. It demonstrated, once and for all, TV's ability to penetrate into the character of those within camera range. It shed light, as it has never been shed before, on the unsavory aspects of the link between crime and politics; of the far-reaching effect on all citizens when unrestrained power goes underground, and duly authorized officials become derelict in their duties. In thus informing the public, television performs the public service function of a responsible communications medium in the truest sense.

Producer, John McClay; director, Ted Estabrook: supervisor, Oliver Fulton: technical director, Charles Vaso; TV control, Burt Praetorius; audio control, Robert Maloff, Cameramen: George Sharman, Leonard Leff and Stewart



ern California market.

### **Camel Signs for** Helfer 'Scoreboard'

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Camel Cigarettes this week signed to sponsor the five-minute seg following all of Mutual's Game of the With Al Helfer, was also bankrolled by the cig outfit last year. Contract runs from April 16 thru September 29.

Mutual is making the Game of the Day co-op broadcasts available to its affiliates on a seven-day schedule this year. Beginning April 22, Sunday double-headers will be offered to all stations able to clear the time spot. One of the Sunday games will also be taped each week and made available for night broadcasting to stations unable to carry the afternoon games. However, if the time can be cleared, the affiliates can carry both Sunday games at will.

### TV Producer Gets 200 Rohmer Yarns

NEW YORK, March 17.-Herb Swope, National Broadcasting Company-TV producer - director, this week acquired production rights to more than 200 short stories, novels and plays by Sax Rohmer, including the Fu Manchu stories. Swope's affiliation with NBC gives that web first refusal on any shows he develops from the Rohmer material. Two series are already in preparation. One is Fu Manchu; the other, Sax Rohmer Presents. Rohmer probably will act as narrator on the latter.

Wyllis Cooper, veteran radio and TV writer, is working with Swope on the Rohmer material. Lester Shurr will represent the series.

### **Bill Gillett May** Get Gray TV Post

NEW YORK, March 17.-Former Young & Rubicam Veepee Roland (Bill) Gillett is among the leading contenders for the vacant TV directorship of the Gray Agency. The position was formerly held by Jack Wyatt, who resigned to go

#### Ironic Twist

Despite all of Costello's objections to being televised, tho, he did appear on TV screens large as life a few hours after leaving the stand. This irony stemmed from the fact that newsreels were shooting film all during the hearings, and clips of this coverage were used by virtually all TV stations in the course of their regular newscasts.

Costello wasn't the show's only "heavy." He was preceded on the stand by another, somewhat lesser character, whose appearance added up to a serio-comic one-day stand, Frank Erickson, convicted gambler. Once a king in gambling circles, but now serving time and facing additional trials at the conclusion of this sentence, Erickson reversed the course of a lifetime this time he took no chance, made no gamble; he just dummied up.

So it was a serious business for Erickson and a frustrating, slightly comic one for viewers. Whether a question was pointed or seemingly innocuous, he answered only, "I refuse to answer on the ground it might incriminate me." A bulky man, with a pursed mouth, he had the air of a boy caught smoking cornsilk cigarettes behind the barn.

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#### into business with Reggie Schuebel. **Even** Glamor Gillett was in charge of TV The hearing had glamor, too, production at Y. & R. and, before right out of Hollywood, Las Vegas, that, was a director at CBS-TV. Paris, Bar Harbor, Florida and





#### **TELEVISION-RADIO**

#### THE BILLBOARD

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#### **Philip Morris Playhouse**

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RADIO - Reviewed Thursday (15), 10 to 10:30 p.m. EST. Sponsored by Philip Morris thru the Biow Company, via CBS. Producer - director - adaptor, Charles Martin; musical director, Lehman Engel; script, this show, The Heiress, by Henry James; stars. Louis Calhern, Dorothy McGuire, Richard Carlson.

Ten years ago Philip Morris first aired this dramatic radio series, featuring name thesps in top mar-quee adaptations. Now the tobacco firm has chosen to revive the show, mainly because it has been unable to clear sufficient stations for an additional video stanza.

The current Playhouse series apparently will take no chances and will stick with tried and tested properties. Initial offering was The Heiress, and second show is skedded to be Golden Boy. Cast of the preem featured Louis Calhern, Dorothy McGuire and Richard Carlson.

Production leaned heavily on the emotional values, with some scenes going a bit overboard. This was mainly the fault of the adaptation, which emphasized such gems as the one in which Miss McGuire lamented tearfully, "Morris, Morris, Morris, why did you do this to me?" And the one in which Calhern scathingly remarked, "Mr. Townsend, you are beneath contempt."

Calhern, playing Dr. Sloper, had a solid role to fit his caustic delivery. Carlson, as Townsend, sounded awfully sincere to have been the bounder the part made him out. Miss McGuire, as the naive Catherine, was properly restrained as the shy lass and convincingly bitter after her disillusionment.

Alfred E. Lyon, the Philip Morris board chairman, led off pro-ceedings with a brief statement that the series was being revived after long public demand. Commercials, as usual, plugged the milder than his own. -Philip Morris "nose" test, with Bud

# **Television**—Radio Reviews

#### Mr. Wizard

TELEVISION - Reviewed Saturday (3), 4-4:30 p.m. CST. Sustaining via NBC from WNBQ, Chicago. Producer, Jules Pewowar. Director, Larry Auerbach. Cast, Don Herbert and Bruce Lindgren.

National Broadcasting Company has tackled the tough job of explaining physics to youngsters and still be entertaining enough to hold their interest. They made an impressive start with the first show of Mr. Wizard. Herbert, a Chicago radio actor and announcer, wisely didn't try to oversell. The set was a room in a home, decked out with home lab gadgets. Herbert was in his shirt sleeves as he gave graphic demonstrations of the effect of air and air pressure on our lives. He was not condescending and he did not overdramatize.

He was helped by Bruce Lindgren, 11, who asked questions that led to the experiments. Good visual tricks were used, such as collapsing a five-gallon can with air pressure, and using air pressure to break a board.

Herbert did an excellent job. The boy blew his opening lines and thruout the show was a child actor and not a curious kid in a lab. NBC is donating the time and the Cereal Institute pays for the talent in this deal. Herbert worked in two good plugs for eating cereal for breakfast as part of a balanced Jack Mabley. diet.

Collyer picking a volunteer at random to find the sponsor's brand Sam Chase.

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Easter Sunday

#### **TV Garden Club**

TELEVISION - Reviewed Sunday (11), noon to 12:25 CST. Sponsored by Vaughan's Seed Store via WENR-TV, Chicago. Producer, Ivor McLaren. Emsee, James Burdett.

Vaughan's is a large garden store which normally sends out men to talk to garden groups in the spring. This year they decided to reach more people by putting one of their men on TV. This show was the result. It turned out just like a meeting of a garden club. All that show how a TV play is put towas missing were some Helen Hokinson ladies in the front row.

Burdett, an elderly man, stood at a desk and called the meeting to order. He and one assistant were the only persons on the show. Burdett kept his script close at hand, reading it and carrying it from seed box to seed box. Burdett told the objective of the show and spent the first session demonstrating how to plant an indoor seed box.

It was not sensational television but it was good gardening. The whole thing was rather grim and wouldn't do much toward attracting non-gardners to the joy of growing things. But Burdett, of course, knows his gardening, pre-sented his facts clearly and graphically, and undoubtedly had considerable appeal for people already bitten by the gardening bug. There were no commercials, or the entire show was one commercial, depending on the viewpoint. Every tool, seed and piece of material used by Burdett is for sale at Vaughan's. Straight commercials were confined to opening and closing announce-Jack Mabley. ments. ¥

#### A Hit Is Made

**TELEVISION**—Reviewed Tuesday (13), 10:30-11 p.m. CST. Sponsored by Rheingold Beer thru Jack Brand Productions via WENR-TV, Chicago. Producer and writer, David Durston. Director, Dan Schuffman. Cast: John Barclay, Tony Parrish, Bill Fine, Marya Saunders, Ben Senesque.

This was another show within a show. Opening shot was of Barlay as the director in bare TV studio. He explained he would gether. He introduced the cast, pointed out the scenery, said the cast already knew their lines and told them to begin rehearsal.

Most of the next 25 minutes was taken up with the play. Barclay interrupted occasionally to tell Parrish "Use a European accent" or to instruct the cast "Let's give this all you've got." But he tried to avoid interrupting the continuity of the play.

The play was a story of a young painter who lost his will to paint and of his teacher's efforts to instill inspiration in him. It was so melodramatic that it was difficult for the viewer to figure whether he was being spoofed or whether the actors were serious. This was the line of action: Hero buries head in arm on table, cries: "No! No! I can't (sob) go on. I can't. (Pound. Sob) I can't!"

The idea of the show should make fair entertainment, but they'll have to tone down their dramatics. Camera work was good, and the cast did what they could with the material. Two live commercials, depicting man and wife patching a tiff over a bottle of beer, were excellent.

Jack Mabley.

#### Nick Kenny Speaking

#### **Duquesne Show Time**

TELEVISION --- Reviewed Wednesday (14), 8 to 8:30. EST. Sponsor, Duquesne Brewing Company. Producer, V. I. Maitland. Director, Pete Barker. Cast: Kyle MacDonnell, Jimmy Saunders, Bernie Armstrong, Marilyn Mc-Cabe, Irving Barnes, Billy Cover, Ken Hildebrand, Charles Garrett, others.

In his second Duquesne Show Time seg Producer Vic Maitland has taken his highly successful Welcome Aboard AM show and, with a few added visual features, has made a very entertaining TV stanza. But, in moving from one medium to another, Maitland should have put in a little more dancing, novelty or comedy turns instead of relying solely on his cast of singers.

Jimmy Saunders, who comes to Pittsburgh every four weeks for this show, along with mistress of ceremonies Kyle MacDonnell, was the highlight of the show with a rendition of If, and then coming back at the end to do a duet with Marilyn McCabe. Kyle MacDonnell kept the show moving at a brisk pace as she called upon the parade of singers. Marilyn Mc-Cabe opened the show with My One and Only Highland Fling and did a few dance steps with the number. Irving Barnes, baritone, followed with a stirring spiritual, Joshua. In keeping with the St. Patrick's Day spirit, Billy Cover, ex-Blue Barron vocalist, led the chorus in a well-presented version of Galway Bay.

The commercial, featuring Hildebrand and Garrett, was superb, with the two announcers playing a song-and-dance team and exchanging patter with the quartet as they extolled the virtues of the sponsoring beer. The sets were all top drawer, and the direction followed the crisp pattern of the first show. Duquesne Show Time is living up to its earlier promise and can probably move onto a web any time the sponsor feels ready to invade the national market.

RADIO - Reviewed Thursday (15), 10:15-10:30 p.m. EST, Monday thru Friday. Sponsored by Monarch-Saphin, via WMCA, New York. Emsee, Nick Kenny.

Nick Kenny's new across-theboard series finds him on the same old polka platter kick. On the show caught, The New York Mirror's radio columnist, who also dabbles in poetry and songwriting, introduced each disk with a bit of folksy chatter and a rousing "play that polka" as a final send-off.

The chatter, mostly human interest stuff, ranged from a whimsical dissertation on Times Square pigeons to his late mother's secret remedy for spring fever. Kenny displayed an eager affability at the mike but his delivery was marred by an "Al Capp style" of expressing emotions; i.e., "Like some people, pigeons (chuckle, chuckle!) are careless with public property."

#### Poetry Corner

No Kenny show would be complete without its poetry corner, and Thursday's airer was no exception. An ode to spring, scripted in the columnist's usual schmaltzy style, finished off the 15-minute session. As an added incentive for listeners to take advantage of sponsor Monarch-Saphin's free set demonstration gimmick, Kenny offered to send the first caller a first edition of his new book of poems, adding modestly, "Someday, maybe in 100 years, it'll be worth something."

"Uncle Nick" has built up a sizable readership over the years and this series should appeal to the same audience, with a slight reduction in interest due to the specialized musical programing. June Bundy.

#### The Continental

RADIO-Reviewed Wednesday (14), 11-11:15 p.m. via KHJ, Hollywood. Sustaining via KHJ, Hollywood. Syndicated by Cheshire Associates. Narrator, Renzo Cesana. Producer-writer, Renzo Cesana.

Renzo Cesana caresses the mike as if it had gender, dripping sweet nothings into the ears of his fem audience. His foreign accent and patent leather patter sounds like the stuff the gals should go for. Gooey love stuff for late evening listening has clicked with Lonesome Gal, and from all indications,

#### Len Luman.

**Ethel Thorsen Show** 

TELEVISION - Reviewed Wednesday (14), 1:15 to 1:30 p.m. Sponsored by S. Klein via Reiss Advertising on WCBS-TV, New York. Producer, Gary Stevens; director, Rick Leighton; announcer, Herb Polesie. Cast: Ethel Thorsen and models guests, Robert Q. Lewis, William Eythe.

This show has a couple of fairly good twists, but so much is compressed into the 15 minutes that the pace seemed a bit breathless. Antics included funny sayings by Herb Polesie, a fashion show featuring several dolls draped in S. Klein stylings, patter between femsee Ethel Thorsen and two guest panelists, and the panelists' attempts to select their favorite creation.

The models were rushed on and off so hastily that there were some stage waits because of a couple were unable to switch costumes on time. Miss Thorsen proved that as a femsee she's one of America's 10 best dressed women. A couple of camera slips showed her reading her script as the models paraded, but the heavy action called for by the show made some technical clinkers inevitable. Unfortunately, the result seemed frenetic, rather than swift-paced.

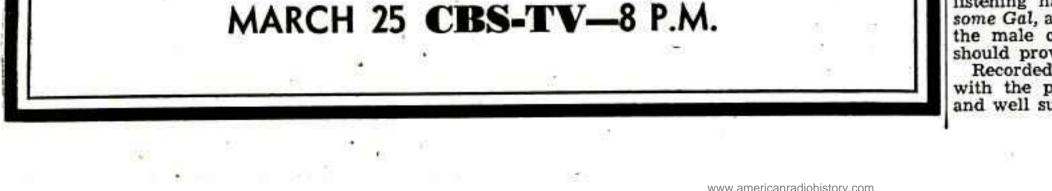
#### **Turmoil Tossed**

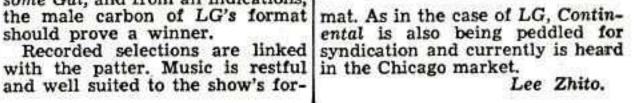
Miss Thorsen seemed affected by the turmoil, as she had little of the soft, intimate quality fem shows seem to thrive on. Her voice and manner were on the hard, brittle side.

Polesie brought with him his standard mother-in-law cracks, but otherwise did a capable job. Guests were Robert Q. Lewis and Bill Eythe, with Lewis doing a particularly good job of sparking this show. His tart comments were the brightest item on the program.

As to commercials, in effect the entire stanza was one long plug, inasmuch as it was never forgotten that all styles being modeled came from the bankroller's stores in Manhattan and Newark.

The show could be strengthened if it attempted to be slightly less ambitious and enthusiastic with the short amount of time at its Sam Chase. disposal.





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THE BILLBOARD

# Air Checks

Brief but important radio news

day (21).

#### Axt Heads New Dept. For RCA Thesaurus . . .

Donald D. Axt has been appointed manager of a newly created commercial research department for RCA's Thesaurus and syndicated programs. department will correlate and disseminate general sales and merchandising information for use by Thesaurus station subscribers. Axt, most recently Northeastern sales rep for Thesaurus, has been associated with RCA recorded program services since September 1949.

#### Terry Victor in NAB Director Run-Off ....

Hugh B. Terry, veepee-general manager of KLZ, Denver, last week was elected to the board of directors of the National Association of Broadcasters, in a run-off election against John Esau, veepee-general manager of KTUL, Tulsa, Okla. Terry, who will serve as director-at-large, representing medium size sta-tions, will begin his two-year term immediately following the NAB's Chicago convention April 15-19. The run-off vote was the result of a deadlock in last month's election.

#### Up the Line All the Way At D. C. & S. Agency . . .

Lawrence L. Shenfield, prexy of Doherty, Clifford & Shenfield, Inc., New York, was elected chairman at the agency's annual board of director's meeting this month. At the same time, Veepee Donald K. Clifford was upped to president, and Assistant Trasurer Nelson O. Argueso moved into the treasurer post. Shenfield has been president since the agency was formed in 1944.

#### McKay Named WMON P.M.;

WNEW, New York, publicity head, lectured on radio publicity at Smith College Saturday. . . Harold Peary celebrates his 10,000th radio broadcast Wednes-

Bernice Judis, WNEW boss The lady, leaves for Florida vacation next week. . . . Dave Margolies and George Vogel have joined sales at WLIB, New York. . . after the army's "picture" tech-William F. MacCrystall appointed nique (pairing foreign words with West Coast sales rep of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Radio Attractions and Station WMGM, New York. WNEW announcer Lonny Starr celebrates his 20th anniversary in radio this month. . . Ralph Hatcher, ex-manager of WPLH, Huntington, W. Va., has joined ABC's stations department, and Keith Culverhouse has joined the sales presentations department of the same web. New Wyatt & Schuebel firm purchased its first time this week-a series of station breaks for Barton Candy Shops over WOR, New York. Paul Martin, formerly program director of WKBW, Buffalo, appointed station manager and program director of WCCC, Hartford, Conn. . . . Cal B. Kolby named general manager of WIBS, Bristol, Conn. Exec has served as acting manager for the indie since last October. . . . Robert C. War-ren has joined KATL, Houston, as an announcer, replacing Wil-liam Doak, who succeeds Justin House as publicity and promotion director.



#### Fontaine Pitch to CBS For Switch to H'wood ....

Move is under way for Columbia Broadcasting System comic

# **TV** Talent and Show Tips

#### Foreign Language Series

In view of current FCC controversies raging over the allocation of educational video outlets, commercial stations could put their most studious programing foot out photos of objects, rather than their English equivalents) they should carry considerable visual enterin the language" technique should lend itself to a variety of visual gimmicks, including guest star appearances, films and brief dramatizations. For instance, a French show could spot Edith Piaf as the personification of the word chanteuse, etc. J. B.

#### Jarmila Novotna

The Metropolitan opera soprano, caught Sunday night on the Colgate Comedy Hour via NBC, is a potent TV performer. She has voice, poise, a sense of comedy. Plus this, Miss Novotna proves photogenic. This combination of assets is relatively rare, and if TV producers do not rush for the gal they have rocks in their heads. Her hoke comedy sequences with Abbott and Costello were polished and she gave the burlesque sequences the proper amount of class to make them palatable and proper National Association of Real for the television audience.

deliver Minsky routines with pro- show featuring the talents of John priety and eclat (and this is no Nesbitt, the story-teller. The show scores 100 per cent with the pipes, own home" theme. natch! It's the old story: When a No network has yet been selec-

(Continued on page 44) agency.

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# Another Look

Brief criticism and comment re tv shows previously reviewed in detail

#### **Curbstone** Cutup

Reviewed Thursday (8), 10-10:15 p.m. CST, on WBKB, Chicago

This is a straight sidewalk interview show, skillfully handled by Ernie Simon, AM disk jockey. Now in its third year of five nights right now, via a foreign language a week, with solid sponsorship, it's series. If the shows were patterned a mystery why the show doesn't have any imitators. It uses one camera, scenery by the Chicago Department of Streets, and the cast done in front of the WBKB studios tainment value as well. This "think in the Loop, making a remote crew unnecessary.

On show reviewed Simon talked with five citizens, and closed, as always, with youngsters who seem to be available on State Street any hour of the day or night. This night he got two cuties, six and two. With adults Simon gabbed about their likes and dislikes, families, views on life, and the question for the night, "At what age do you find the most happiness." Simon obviously likes people, is an easy talker and parlays the two into a low-cast 15 minutes that will sustain interest as long as there are people on Jack Mabley. State Street.

### **Realtors Plan Own** Your Home Show

NEW YORK, March 17 .- The Estate Boards this week was close

highly trained classical singer ted. Benton & Bowles is the should certainly blow up a storm

#### We Take Your Word

CBS-TV, Friday (16) We Take Your Word, which returned to the air this month in a new time spot (Friday, 10:30-11 p.m.) is still the last word in intelligent video entertainment. This adult quiz session bears the same relation to the average quiz that The New York Times' crossword puzzle does to The Daily News.

Panel on the show caught inis composed of passersby. Show is cluded regular member Abe Burrows, stage-screen actress Nina Foch and movie actor-writer Richard Carlson. Burrows, of course, was as keen as ever, and surprisingly, Miss Foch's word knowledge almost matched her spectacular blond beauty. Carlson, however, was a bad choice. He is both poised and pleasant, and on paper he's certainly brainy enough. In this ad lib session, tho, his verbal reticence rather bogged down proceedings, particularly when contrasted with Miss Foch's vivacity and the garrulous Burrows.

Burrows' penalty bout with "Voice of Authority" Tony Marvin, anent the word "acetabuliform" (shaped like a saucer), was particularly outstanding. When advised to sip his coffee from the saucer, the bald Socrates snapped primly, "The Voice of Authority is a vulgarian." Moderator John McCaffery displayed his usual Kefauver-like calm as the show's balance wheel.

Since all three panelists and In addition to her ability to to purchasing a half-hour radio McCaffery puffed away on cigarettes thruout the whole half hour, it's difficult to understand why mean accomplishment), the thrush would emphasize an "own your some enterprising tobacco outfit hasn't picked up the show for sponsorship. All that smoke of cig sales. June Bundy.

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#### Nelson to Albuquerque . . .

Ted McKay, with WKNA, Charleston, W. Va., the past two years, has been appointed pro-gram manager of WMON, Mu-tual affiliate in Montgomery, W. Va. McKay succeeds **Ted Nel**son, who joins KVER, Albuquerque, N. M., as assistant manager.

#### Feather To Deejay WOR Platter Stint . . .

Jazz expert Leonard Feather this week (20) kicks off a new all-night platter remote over WOR, New York, from Monte Proser's new cafe-theater nitery. The record-interview show, which will be aired four times a week from 3 to 5 a.m., is bank-rolled by Pass Books, a premium admission mail-order operation. Feather already pilots a jazz record hour over WOR Saturday afternoons.

#### Hines Gets Promotion, P. R. Slot at WKRC . . .

William B. Hines, sales promotion manager of WKRC stations, Cincinnati, has been named director of promotion and public relations by Hulbert Taft Jr., president of Radio Cincinnati, operator of the outlets. Hines succeeds Fred Gregg, who resigned Friday (16).

#### **Production Notes and**

#### Personnel Intelligence .

Frank Folsom, Radio Corporation of America president, vacationing in Florida. Due back April 1. . . . WOR entertainment bureau manager Nat M. Ambram-son's first grandchild, a girl was born this month; father is WPIX TV engineer Ephraim M. Am-bramson. . . . Dynamic Television Stores have signed to sponsor Alan Stewart's hour-long wax cavalcade program three days a week over WMCA, New York. ... Charles V. Dresser has joined sales at WOV, New York. Ben Kaufman, Mutual promotion, New York, leaves for Chicago next month as the web's publicity-promotion man for the forth-

rank Fontaine to switch to the Coast. Fontaine asked for the move as he's tiring of the flights to Hollywood for participation in the Jack Benny show. CBS is shaping a TV show for Fontaine which would originate there. Sam Perrin was named to supervise writing. Audition kine will be made this spring. If Coast-originating show can be sold, Fontaine will get his wish.

#### **Coast Hospital Peddling** "Medicine On the March" . . .

Distribution of "Medicine On the March" will be handled by United Television Programs. The pilot being shown in New York by UTP Exec Veepee Dick Dorso. Show, to run weekly, was con-ceived by RKO Producer John Beck, Dr. Joel Pressman and Dr. John Egan, latter pair of St. John's Hospital, Santa Monica, Calif. St. John's owns the quarter-hour package and proceeds of any sale will go to the hospital. Idea of the seg is to bring to the public in lay language info on modern medicine.

#### **CBS-TV** Preps for Summer Schedules . . .

Columbia Broadcasting System-TV has hired three directors and an associate megger in the last several weeks in preparation for its summer sustaining programing effort. They are Martin Manulis, Martin Magner and Jack Gage; Marcella Cisney is the associate director put to work by the web. Manulis is now the resident director at the Westport Country Playhouse summer theater and has staged several legit shows, including Made in Heaven; Gage is a long-time film dialog director whose debut as a movie director was made with Rosalind Russell's Velvet Touch; Magner has many radio shows to his credit.

#### Spitalny Girls

#### On Sullivan Show . . .

The Phil Spitalny "Hour of Charm" All-Girl Orchestra and Choir make their second video appearance Easter Sunday, re-peating on the Ed Sullivan "Toast of the Town" stanza on that date.

coming "Queen for a Day" tour. March of lime Iver ... Bilton Brown, NBC press staff Opened to Sposors ... March of Time TVer

"Take Time (To Pray)" and

# Where the Red **Roses Grow**"

London Records

Personal Management TIM GAYLE 451 Wrightwood, Chicago 14

Exclusive

Management

Publicity, Song & Record Exploitation

\*. . . Miss Raine has the lyrics to go with the looks . . . sensitive, vibrantly tull tones in caressing Bittersweet' or the provocative 'Indiscreet' . . . enhanced on TV:"-Frank Brookhouser, Philadelphia Inquirer.

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# VIDEODEX ---- BB RATINGS LIST

**TELEVISION-RADIO** 

# National Ranks for Western Film and Kid Shows on TV

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Videodex ratings for kid and Western film shows for February, 1951, are listed below. Because of the basic appeal of these two types of shows, their ratings have been combined into one single listing. Also shown are the network, sponsor, agency, homes reached and number of cities in which telecast. Production costs are estimated by The Billboard.

Rank	Program	Net.	Time	Sponsor	Agency*	Videodex Rating**		No of Cities**	Prod.	
1.	Hopalong Cassidy	NBC	Sun. 6-7	Gen. Foods	Y&R	35.1	1784	23 5	\$ 7,500	
	Lone Ranger	ABC	Thur. 7:30-8	Gen. Mills	DFS	29.9	2296	45	15,000	
	Howdy Doody	NBC	MonFri. 5:30-6	Welch	DFS	23.7	2407	57	1,000	
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	15		e	Colgate	Ba S&M			1 1840-		
	5-C			Kellogg	LB					
				Mars	LB					
	8			Int'l. Shoe	HHMcD					
4	Gene Autry	CBS	Sun. 7-7:30	Wrigley	R&R	18.7	1579	28	17,000	
	Big Top	CBS	Sat. 12-1	Sealtest	NWA	16.4	1368	33	8,500	
	Gabby Hayes Show	NBC	Sun. 5-5:30	Quaker Oats	S&M	15.0	1340	38	7,000	
	Captain Video	DuM	MonFri. 7-7:15	Johnson Candy	FB	13.1	849	23	7,500	
8.	Small Fry Club	DuM	MonFri. 6-6:30	Co-Op		12.9	509	5	2,000	
1	Gabby Hayes	NBC	Mon-WedFri. 5:15-5:30	Quaker Oats	S&M	10.3	805	36	8,500	
10.	Mr. I. Magination	CBS	Sun, 6:30-7	Nestles	C&P	9.6	739	20	6.00	
	Space Cadet	ABC	MonWedFri. 6:30-6:45	Kellogg	K&E	9.1	669	19	4,500	
12.	Lucky Pup	CBS	MonFri, 5-5:15	Sundial Shoes	H&P	8.6	500	17	5,000	
	Ranger Joe	ABC	Sun. 12-12:15	Lehn & Find	1. Children (1990) (1990) (1990)	3.8	207	16	3,000	
	The names of advertising age	ncies for	which abbreviations are used	d above are as follow:	5:					
	Ba—Bates C&P—Cecil & Presbrey DFS—Dancer-Fitzgerald-Sample FB—Franklin Bruck	8 a	HHMcD—Henri, Hurst & M H&P—Hoag & Provandie K&E—Kenyon & Eckhardt LB—Leo Burnett	cDonald	NWA—N. W. R&R—Ruthran S&M—Sherma Y&R—Young	off & Ryan an & Marqu				
	Gr—Grant		L&K-Lamb & Keen							

\*\* Ratings used is Videodex National Rating, which is a rating projected against all TV sets in the markets in which the program is actually telecast. Ratings are for February, 1951.

\*\*\* Number of cities both live and kinescope cities with latter verified by Videodex.

### THE HOLLYWOOD PITCH M.O. Promoter Finds Gold In Them Thar TV Spiels

NEW YORK, March 17.-Holly-|stints because Schooler estimates wood film actors of moderate name that 75 per cent of the booklets are value here are beginning to ease bought by women, and the gals are into the TV mail-order commercial sold faster by men. Carradine has field, heretofore dominated by been so successful as a video pitchpitchmen. Trend was spearheaded man that Harold Kaye's mail-order this month by West Coast promoter network is dickering for his serv-Harry Schooler, when he decided ices on a full-time basis. to peddle his premium admission Schooler is also readying a pass books, via pitches over WORscheme to drop the pitchman tech-TV here by John Carradine and nique from his pass book radio Ian Keith, in an attempt to dress spots, substituting well-known raup the sales palaver. dio names. He has already signed Keith, once Helen Hayes' leading Andrew Baruch and is negotiating man, made the first pitch, dressed with Norman Brokenshire and in white tie and tails. According Kate Smith, who, it seems, is an to Schooler, the leads doubled imexception to the "no women" rule. mediately. Schooler plans to spot a different personality each week-**CBS To Program** end and is currently negotiating with William Morris for the serv-**Special UN Series** ices of Jack LaRue and Chester Morris. Schooler opines that longtime flicker vets like LaRue and NEW YORK, March 17 .- The Morris are better bets for video Price of Peace, a new 15-minute than new actors, since TV audi-14-week radio series will be proences are more familiar with playgramed by Columbia Broadcasting ers in the older movies. System in co-operation with the Fem film performers are not in United Nations starting March 31. the running for the pass books The program will be aired also on the South African radio, on the British Broadcasting Corporation 'Hoppy' Exits KTLA and in Australia. The 6:15-6:30 Saturday evening Continued from page 6 show will feature 14 of the top UN delegates explaining their counwhether KTLA holds its audience tries' position toward peace. Sir by virtue of greater station accept-Benegal Rau will be on the first ance or whether it's the program program and will be followed by that delivers its high ratings. Carlos Romulo, Sir Gladwyn Jebb KNBH will air Hoppy in the and Padilla Nervo. The show will 6:30-7:30 Sunday nighttime slot, be put on disks in 25 other lansame time the seg used at KTLA. guages.

### TV SUCCESS STORY

# Medium Makes "Mistletoe" **Major Gimmick for Field's**

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the previous year's sales; 20,000 Arnold Gesell of Yale, is the show's coloring books at 50 cents apiece, and 50,000 coloring cards. Last Christmas the store ran out of Uncle Mistletoe dolls two weeks He embodies kindliness and fun, before Christmas. All of the sales and is supposed to be an antidote are in Field's. The character also to the noisy, boisterous type of kid is being introduced in Field's store in Seattle, Frederick & Nelson.

The payoff for Field's has been watch. tremendous. Mistletoe rivals and Howdy Doody as a character in Chicago children's minds. Field's has refused continual offers for nationwide merchandising and tiethe store in tens of thousands of Friday. homes in the Chicago area as an intimate part of children's play life, and with approval of parents, is a striking promotional payoff. Field's attributes the success of the character to careful handling of the shows, which are packaged for them by the James L. Saphier Agency. Psychiatrists are consulted regularly about the show. The Child from 3 to 10, by Dr.

BACK TO PIX Detroit Mgr. Reconverts TV Lounge

DETROIT, March 17 .- "Movies live commercials. are here to stay," David Korman, local circuit owner, has decided. and is making plans to convert his 210-seat television lounge back into a duplex theater auditorium. Over a year of operation has proved that video has a strong attraction on the occasion of a big fight, but that is about all, according to Korman. This lounge, constructed to cater to the Negro trade in an East Side neighborhood, is believed to be the only one in the country appealing to that particular clientele. It is located in what was once the second auditorium of the Carver (formerly Catherine) Theater, but was a tavern between movie and video days. Admission is secured only thru the theater box office, with all theater patrons incurrent television attraction. Revenue from popcorn and other rethe total revenue, but Korman deparallel houses will be preferable, she likes Chicago. with conversion dependent upon cost and availability of equipment.

bible. Uncle Mistletoe never is used in commercials and never preaches or gives sermons to kids. shows. As a consequence, most parents encourage their kids to

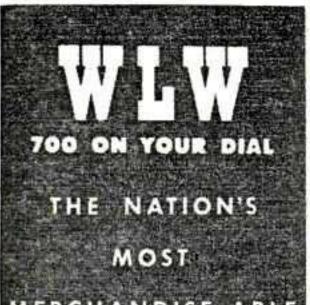
The most amazing aspect to perhaps surpasses Hopalong or Field's is that Mistletoe was strictly a Christmas promotion, but he has caught on so solidly that he now is used year-round. Cost of the show per week, including time, in deals because they don't want talent and promotion, is about Mistletoe to lose his identity with \$3,000. The show airs from 5:45 the store. Having this symbol of to 6 Monday, Wednesday and

# JWT ACCEDES '4 Star Revue' Norge Blurbs Piped to N.Y.

CHICAGO, March 17. - The main commercial for Norge every three weeks on NBC's Four Star Revue will be piped from Chicago beginning with the March 28 show. This is the first time a major TV show has gone to another city for

The reason behind the shift is that the J. Walter Thompson Chi office handling Norge has for weeks been seeking a fresh, pretty, friendly gal personality for commercials. They found exactly what they wanted in Kay Westfall, Chi TV actress, who has a two-hour daily interview show on WENR-TV with Bob Murphy, and an every-other-Saturday morning "at home" on the ABC net. Miss Westfall was interested, but wouldn't go to New York. So JWT arranged to do the commercial from WNBQ studios here. Pitch will be., "here's Kay Westfall, actress, busy woman, but still a housewife, and here she is in her kitchen, happy with her Norge." Miss Westfall is in line for the vited to wander in and watch the cross country commercial championship. Oldsmobile flies her to California a couple of times a year freshments added a nice piece to to ride the rockets in their film commercials. She won't settle cided regular theater operation of in California or New York because

Film will be preceded by Zoo Parade and Gabby Hayes. So far, the nature of Landsberg's "sparkling fresh Sunday line-up" is not known. According to indications, Landsberg will insert Bandstand Revue (revamped seg co-featuring Frank DeVol and Harry Babbitt), followed by a feature film.



#### State Plugs 'Voice' Continued from page 1

hearing time with testimony and exhibits purported to show that the Voice of America and the rest of the State Department's far-fung propaganda operations are doing an effective job and warrant expansion. He will be armed with evaluation reports stemming from State Department officials, and he is planning to show that Soviet Russia has been spending considerable on trying to jam out the Voice. He will insist that the Soviet has attested to the Voice's effectiveness by frequently criticizing it.

Senator Benton has insisted that

ing a series of 20-second spot "salutes" to neighborhood names and places.

BE HUMAN, TOO

NEW YORK, March 17 .--

In a move to "localize" its

mike personality, NBC's flag-

ship here, WNBC, is ready-

A MIKE CAN

The spots, which will be programed during the web's prime evening time, will pay tribute to local names and events in the news, emphasizing deeds of heroism and charity. Sample would read, "WNBC salutes motor man Joe Doakes of 203 West suchsuch street, who saved the lives of three school children today when he . . ."

### FM Broadcasters Near Agreement on **Production Plans**

WASHINGTON, March 17.-Likelihood that FM broadcasters and Radio-Television Manufacturers' Association will reach accord on a final plan for FM set production developed as the result of this week's confab here of FM-ers and RTMA's policy committee.

The FM group, consisting of National Association of Broadcasters FM committee and an independent FM industry committee, after a day-long meeting with RTMA's policy committee Tuesday (13) agreed on a program of separate surveys of the FM situation with findings to be reported at another meeting here next month.

Both broadcasters and manufacturers agreed at the session that there is a shortage of AM-FM receivers, but manufacturers attributed this to defense and economic factors and said that similar shortage exists in AM receivers. The broadcast group insisted that demand for FM combinations has far exceeded production. It was agreed that FM broadcasters will forward to RTMA all detailed information they now have on shortages of receivers in specific areas.



lumbia Broadcasting System were the only ones which had to reschedule any programs, but in

### **KFI-TV Plays Lone** Hand Against TVA

HOLLYWOOD, March 17.-Earl C. Anthony's KFI-TV remained the sole Los Angeles station refusing to enter contract negotiations with Television Authority this week after The Los Angeles Times' KTTV, the only other hold-out, talks. Earlier this week TVA's board voted to strike KFI-TV, but so far no date for this action has been picked.

Anthony station refuses to negogained National Labor Relations Board certification. Same argument was used by KTTV prior to its change of heart. KTLA remains the sole L. A. outlet to have inked a TVA contract. Successful conclusion of negotiations is expected before month's end, with most of the wrinkles blocking contract signing having been ironed out. Chief stumbling block at this point in the talks is station's refusal to pay extra for entertainers doubling between performing and airing commercials. Talks will continue next week.



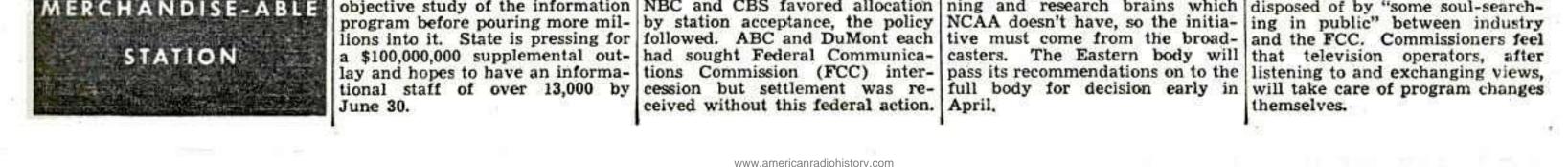
week that he hoped the webs would arrive with some "revoluneither case, it is said, did the tionary proposals." He said the lic service report on TV won't be Congress make an impartial and time exceed one hour. Actually, networks maintain a staff of plan- needed and that matters can be

#### FCC Is Warned Continued from page 6

sion has a responsibility under the law, and since television programs enter the people's homes, the FCC. must pay attention to them-but the commissioners must watch themselves in respect to another Blue Book."

The commission is expected to pick a May date for what it anagreed to join other outlets in pact nounced last January 29 would be 'a public conference" to discuss "television broadcasting problems from the viewpoint of the public, the commission, and industry." In deciding to stage that meeting, a tiate on the basis that TVA hasn't majority of the commissioners vetoed a suggestion by some staffers to come out with a TV counterpart of the radio "Blue Book." At least four members of the commission are convinced that the FCC blundering in issuing its famous radio Blue Book report, particularly in singling out stations for scorching criticism. View of these commissioners is that FCC had no business excoriating these stations unless the commission was ready to back its words with action, such as license revocation.

Feeling currently is that FCC will avoid even an informal TV "public service responsibility" report. This could change, however, if the upcoming confab develops into a brawl and some of the industry spokesmen goad the commission into defensive action. Most of the commission members right now are hopeful that a pub-



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# **English Pubber Kassner Moves** To U.S., Canada

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Edward Kassner, co-owner with Sidney Bron of Kassner Associates, British publishing group, has taken up residence here and in Canada, establishing publishing firms in both countries. He plans to become an American citizen.

The Canadian firm is Edward Kassner Music Company, Ltd., with offices in Toronto. The American firm is one which the British pubber had established in partnership with Dave Dreyer in 1948; he has bought out Dreyer's interest and will activiate and operate the firm, also known as Edward Kassner Music. He has also acquired a half interest in Abner Silver's Lincoln and Starlight pub-(Continued on page 18)

# London Sets Peak Release Sked for LP

NEW YORK, March 17.-As part of the company's accelerated LP disk release schedule, London Records has set the largest release in its history for the end of this month. The label will issue 22 LP records in addition to its special sound-track disking of the film, Tales of Hoffmann.

According to classical a. and r. chief, Remy Farkas, the heavy re-

### TV TURNS A WHEEL, CAP SHOWS WAY

motion medium and sales hypo for disks is another indication of history repeating itself. When radio first blossomed, music interests were alarmed that AM broadcasting would kill music-songs would be plugged to death, etc. In fact, record companies at one time tried to restrict the performance of disks on the air. ASCAP, too, once charged the broadcasters with "the murder of music." Yet radio became the great medium of song exploitation.

With the onset of TV, the same alarms were sounded. "The medium would kill song material." Now the wheel has come to a full turn, with TV generally recognized as a prime exploitation factor, one which is likely to outweigh radio in the long run.

# Survey of LP Trade Shows **Price Structure in Muddle** Uncovers 17 Rates for 10" Platters, 12 for 12" Plus Dealer Hypo Gimmicks

variety of prices listed by manufacturers for long playing records, a Billboard survey this week disclosed that the 80-odd LP labels of the more than 80 LP labels. have set 17 different prices for prices for 12-inchers. In addition, and two for 12-inch disks.

micks to hype business, including and \$4.95. Prices for 12-inch recdiscounts of 30, 331/3 and 40 per cent, trade-ins of shellac on LP records and package gimmicks. \$5.95 and \$6.50. The problem of quoting price to customers is reported to have grown to such an extent that clerks

lowing an increasing number of catalogs and price lists to come up record retailer complaints over the with the correct figure. This, of course, is on top of the search thru disk shelves to spot the one record ordered from among the releases

Prices for 10-inch LP records 10-inch disks and 12 different now range from \$1.29 to \$4.95 and include such minute differentials a single diskery often has three as \$3.85, \$3.98 and \$4. Complete list different prices for its 10-inch line of prices for the 10-inch disks runs as follows: \$1.29. \$1.69, \$1.99, \$2.50, Wide variety of prices does not \$2.85, \$3, \$3.15, \$3.35, \$3.85, \$3.98, include the various dealer gim- \$4, \$4.25, \$4.45, \$4.67, \$4.75, \$4.85 ords are: \$2.19, \$3.85, \$4.19, \$4.85, \$4.95, \$4.98, \$5, \$5.45, \$5.72, \$5.85,

Following Columbia's original price schedule for their first LP release, succeeding issues by other labels began to vary, but to a small degree. The great variance in prices occurred when the diskeries raised list prices last December. As manufacturer execs worked out price schedules for their labels, such factors as competition, costs and excise taxes all combined to create the situation now existing.

According to diskery toppers there is apparently no quick solution to the problem. All believe that their own price schedules are correct. Dealers, meanwhile, are faced with an added selling problem.

Many disk retailers complain

"Heart" to Ivy as NEW YORK, March 17 .-- Chap

NEW YORK, March 17.-Fol-|spend 10 minutes in searching thru | that customers are unwilling to accept price quotations because "I bought a record last week and it was 15 cents cheaper." This, when the dealer adheres to the list price schedules issued by the labels. When, in addition, the retailer offers discounts, the problem of convincing the customer that the price quoted is correct becomes increasingly difficult.

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While prices for 78 and 45 r.p.m. records also vary to a degree from label to label, the situation is not nearly as serious and acute. Neither is the number of 78 and 45 labels having national distribution as large as the LP list.

#### **CLEFFS & BARS**

# Convicts in Mich. Turn To Classics

DETROIT, March 17 .- Serious music has developed a new field of listeners. But the market is not a very lucrative one at present. At the federal prison at Milan, Mich., weekly voluntary classes in music appreciation have been introduced for the government's guests there, using classical and semi-classical music, with a program of records supplied by WUOM at Ann Arbor. The prison chaplain is in charge of the program, which has been given little promotional push in-

side the institution, leaving it up to the men themselves to find out

P. D. Tune Center of Unique Legal Threat "Brown Eyes" Pubber Serves Notice It Will Hold Dealers Liable If Infringed

#### **By JERRY WEXLER**

NEW YORK, March 17.-American Music, pubber of Beautiful Brown Eyes, has put the trade on notice thru its attorney, Andrew Weinberger, that jobbers or dealers will be liable if they sell other publishers' editions of the tune which are found to infringe on American's copyrighted version. The notification points up an interesting price-licensing-copyright situation. Ditty, which is climbing via waxings by Rosemary Clooney for Columbia and Jimmy Wakely for Capitol, is a reworking of a public domain tune. There had been some doubt until late this week as to mechanical licensing, but Weinberger ended securing licenses for American on all of the 14 current recordings of the tune. Competing publishers rushed out editions, including Lou Levy, who offered his edition to the trade for 18 cents. American immediately dropped its price to 18 from the usual 22 cents, thus enabling it to get the Music Dealer Service rack. The tune is pegged to sell at the regular 40-cent price in retail outlets and on the rack. The MDS attitude as far as the rack is concerned is this: The

rack has been established in the trade as a vehicle largely for copyrighted music, pegged at 40 cents. When some pubber's edition of a p. d. tune steps out and sets off a flurry of competing editions at cut rates, jobbers and retailers will naturally tend to order the cheap- Mr. B. Cuts Wax est version so long as it is a close facsimile of the demand version. MDS could not buck the trade by ordering the "original" music; i.e., the one which created the demand if it were priced at the regular 22 or 23 cents. It would feel morally bound to order the "original" edition all other things being equal. However, if the competition forces the price too low, MDS would prefer not to handle the song at all, hit tune or no. A spokesman for the rack pointed out that the situation rarely arises, and

after arranging TV dates for Mar-

garet Whiting on the Paul White-

man, Perry Como and Steve Allen

programs. Dick Linke, formerly

with Cap and recently engaged in

free-lance promotion, returns to

the company to handle Eastern TV

bookings, reporting to Walter

Rivers, who will also be active in

Both the Eastern and Coast of-

fices of the diskery will actively

Canada Seeking

U.S. Music Pact

this phase of artist promotion.

cording schedule undertaken by the London parent organization, English Decca, requires that the American firm step up releases for the rest of 1951. The heavy spring release will also introduce the firm's first LP disks recorded by American pop artists.

#### **Pop Artists**

The pop LPs will include three Al Morgan albums and one each by Josh White, the Bill Snyder ork, Ted Heath's ork and the Edmundo Ros ork. The classical list includes such works as Rachmaninoff's 24 Preludes by Moura Lympany;

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# 20-Man Rumba Crew Formed By Mrs. Cugat

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .- Lorraine Cugat, the orkster's estranged wife, has formed a 20-piece band and bows the beginning of April with two dates in Phoenix and one in Tucson, Ariz. Fem orkster goes into the Riverside Ballroom (Phoenix ) and Civic Auditorium (Tucson) at \$3,000 against a 55 per cent percentage. Three-G figure is by no means what Mrs. Cugat will ask on future dates. Carlos Molina-Igor Dega Agency is asking a \$10,000 guarantee against percentages for theater bookings.

Billed as "Mrs. Xavier Cugat, the Queen of the Rumba," Mrs. C. checks into Universal-International March 30 for a musical short. Following completion of the flicker the gal and ork will prep for their (Continued on page 32)

**Coasters Beat** Fed Mail Rap

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .-Mortimer Singer, David M. Gordon, Harry K. Watkins and Sanford H. Dickinson, local music pubbers, were acquitted this week on charges of mail fraud and conspiracy. Charges were filed last September against the four and their combined interests in Nordem Music Company.

NEW YORK, March 17.-RCA Victor will undertake its most extensive program of full-length opera record merchandising this fall. The push, to be highlighted by the release of the 1946 Arturo Toscanini - National Broadcasting Company Symphony program, was announced by Paul Barkmeier, veepee and general manager of the Victor record department.

La Traviata, a recording of a 1946 broadcast, features Licia Albanese, Robert Merrill and Jan Peerce. Carmen is a studio-recorded venture with Rise Stevens, Jussi Bjoerling, the Robert Shaw Chorale, with the performance directed by Fritz Reiner.

Remainder of the program will be dedicated toward the issue of (Continued on page 38)

### **Billie Holiday** Inked by Aladdin

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .--Associated Booking Corporation in that country relax its laws as it crease of approximately 24 per ing.

(Continued on page 38) New York staffer.

pell, Inc., has switched What Will I Tell My Heart from its Crawford to its Ivy Music subsidiary for plug activity. Tune, a 1937 copyright, has been on the rise since Al Morgan waxed it for London several weeks ago. Billy Eckstine has cut the tune for MGM; disk will be out next week. Other waxings are in the works.

Professional manager Jack Perrin has put on Artie Valando, recently with Barton Music, as Coast rep. Vic Selzman continues as

about it via grapevine methods. The series is being taken up seriously, with some of the prisoners doing research into the music on the program, reporting on the biography of the composers, and following with a discussion session. Trend in tastes, indicated by requests, is for modern music, typified by Katchaturian, Stravinsky, Copland and Lobos.

FRIGID KISS Martin Tune Too Long in RCA Ice Box

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Tony Martin finds himself in the anomalous position of having co-authored and waxed a tune, then watching a competitive version come out while his disking remains in the icebox at Victor.

Tune is The Kissing Song, which he waxed with Dinah Shore, subsequently assigning pubbing rights to George Simon. Victor and Simon agreed on a March 1 release date; Capitol released a Dinning Sisters version at the appointed time.

Meanwhile Victor found itself without a Martin-Shore duet side for a coupling for Kissing, having rejected one of four sides cut by the pair at their only joint session. (Continued on page 18) Martin's waiting-and so is Simon.

#### P.A.'s Already Bring Sock Results; Road Tours Also in "See Them" Idea

**Capitol Plans Heavy** 

Artist TV Promotion

NEW YORK, March 17 .-- Capi-|guide the TV operation. In the tol Records has blueprinted plans event the artist has no booking whereby its artists will be pro- office, Cap has lined up an indie moted extensively, and consisagent in the East, and another on tently, via television. The venthe Coast, to set the TV dates. ture, which marks the first time

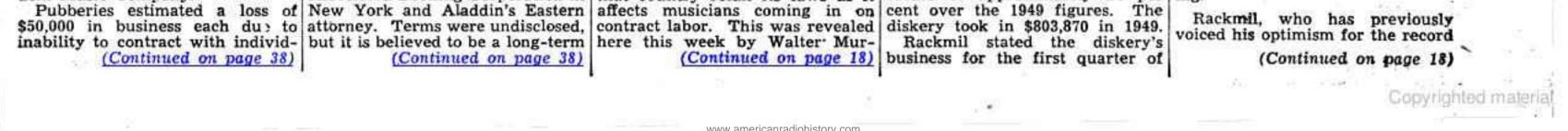
The decision to embark heavily that a diskery has decided to take upon TV promotion stems from a full advantage of the sales and number of experiences the diskery promotion impact of TV, is under had, whereby it became convinced the guidance of Hal Cook, Cap of the medium's sales potential. promotion chief, who has been in Examples are Kay Starr and Dean New York setting details. Cook Martin-the former on Wabash returned to the Coast this week Cannon Ball, performed on the Ed

# Decca '50 Profits Up 24% Over 1949

according to the annual stock-

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Decca | the current year is running ahead Records, Inc., and its wholly- of 1950 in volume, but that earnowned subsidiaries, including Coral ings will probably match last and Brunswick Records, accrued year's take inasmuch as the tax net earnings of \$1,004,177 in 1950, bite this year is 47 per cent as opposed to the 38 per cent of 1949. holders' report made by Prexy The Decca chief pointed out that Milton Rackmil this week. These Decca's 1951 first quarter volume earnings computed after provision increase is attributed to a generally for taxes and all other charges, are healthy level of disk business, since dyke Publishing Company, S. H. Billie Holiday this week was Dickinson Recording ompany, signed by r. and b. diskery, Aladdin are being held with the U. S. gov- the 776,650 shares of capital stock. where the firm ran without a Gordon Music Company and Cam- Records. Deal was worked thru ernment with a view to having The total amounts to a profit in- front-running, big volume hit wax-





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# **Rifkind Called as TV** Aid in ASCAP Fuss

#### **Outlets Asked for War Fund Donations; Out-of-Court Settlement Still Hopeful**

casters have retained former federal Judge Simon H. Rifkind as special counsel in the industry's attempts to work out a per-program contract covering the use of music controlled by the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers. The move was announced late this week by Dwight W. Martin, chairman of the all-industry TV per-program committee, and comes shortly after the collapse of negotiations between the committee and ASCAP. The appointment was made on the recommendation of Stuart Sprague, of Sprague & Peck, attorneys for the all-industry committee. Sprague and Rifkind will work together, with Rifkind slated to act as trial

# **Agent Pitches** For SPA Deal **On Collections**

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Songwriters' agent Edward Traubner, who recently effected a collection of some \$6,000 in song-book royalties for a group of his clients (The Billboard, January 13), is here from the Coast to make a pitch to Songwriters' Protective Association. He is scheduled to appear before the SPA council Monday (19); it is understood that he will ask the association for official authorization to represent members as collection agent for certain types of writer royalties.

#### NEW YORK, March 17 .- Tele- | counsel in the event the matter reaches the courts.

#### Fund Asked

Also, the all-industry committee's letter to the TV stations asked that a fund be created. "The time has arrived, therefore, to call for funds to meet the contingencies which have arisen as a result of the present stalemate . . . we are asking the stations to pledge payment to the committee of an amount equal to four times their highest one-hour card rate. This would be payable one quarter now, one quarter in three months, one quarter in six months, and the balance Mercury Adds in nine months."

ASCAP and the industry committee have been working on the per-program negotiations some 20 months. Altho the negotiations colmonths. Altho the negotiations collapsed. Martin's letter to the stations indicates that some hope is still held for an amicable settlement. He said: "ASCAP's action has compelled us to employ additional legal counsel to try this case and to plan its preparation in collaboration with Mr. Sprague. first major talent grab in its This does not mean all hope for history by securing term disking ular pop or longhair releases. an out-of-court settlement has gone. Whenever the opportunity presents itself, negotiations, tofore, the diskery observed a whether by the committee or by (Continued on page 18)



### RCA "FORTUNE" SPINS 4 WAYS NEW YORK, March 17 .--

An RCA Victor gimmick at the Music Operators' of America convention in Chi this week will be a new disk which has four different endings, any one of which may turn up any time the record is played. The tune is called the Fortune Teller Song and is done by the Fontane Sisters. The reverse side is The Fifth Wheel on the Wagon, Spinlan Music tune. The idea with the 4-way ending Fortune song is that juke players will drop two or more nickels in the box to hear the several endings. The tune was written by Charlie Grean, RCA Victor pop artist and repertoire manager.

Long to Stable

NEW YORK, March 17.-Mercury Records this week made the pacts with thrush Georgia Gibbs other instance of the .diskery's for these album rights. picking up a developed talent was when the company took over the Majestic diskery's holdings, thus Eddy Howard.

# YIP'S "FLAHOOLEY" Cap Bags Original In Fast Footwork

#### Continued from page 3

\$225,000 investment by its NBC af- ing rights to Flahooley. Deal was filiate. Since, Victor has taken a plunge in the forthcoming Make a Wish, to the tune of a reported 25G. Acquisition of the record rights to the album have not been confirmed, but it is expected that it will be shortly. Columbia has just clinched the rights to the albuming of A Tree Grows in Brooklyn, after making a sizable investment in the show.

All diskeries are aware that the chances of making money on a show album project are quite slim, but feel that the gamble pays off in adding class material to the catalog. Generally speaking, a show album costs between \$10,000 and \$15,000 for recording costs alone. In addition, the production usually draws a straight 10 per cent royalty from the diskery. If name recording artists are involved, additional royalties are paid to them. Packaging, merchandising and advertising investment in show albums also run far in excess of the normal overhead expenses for reg-

With Victor and Columbia inand orkster Johnny Long. Here- vesting in shows for the recording rights, and with Decca grabbing policy of developing its own talent several because of exclusive waxand grew with the development ing pacts with featured artists in of such artist as Patti Page, Vic shows, Capitol found itself unable Damone and Frankie Laine. Only to come close in the competition

Rivers, handed the assignment of coming up with a show album, actually built the foundation for acinheriting the recording paper of quiring the rights to Flahooley about a year ago. He approached The Gibbs and Long deal were producer Cheryl Crawford with set this week by veepee in charge the idea of using Yma Sumac, the of Eastern operation for the South American thrush, who diskery, Joe Carlton, on behalf of scored heavily with her Capitol (Continued on page 18) album, Voice of the Xtabay, in her next show. Rivers at the time knew it was going to be written by Harburg, whose last was Finian's Rainbow. As the show began materializing in subsequent months, the producer, having watched the Xtabay album sales, finally inked the thrush. With Miss Sumac in the bag, Rivers learned that movie actor Jerome Courtland was going to land the male lead. To make the Capitol position even more secure, Rivers advised Cap Prexy Glenn Wallichs to draw up a recording contract option on Courtland, then working on the MGM lot in Hollywood. Wallichs got the option. The legit grapevine also came up with the news that the Crawford production-was going to make use of Cy Pitts Baird's puppeteers. Rivers reached Pitts and took out an option for a kidisk album to be built around the puppeteers. Armed to the teeth with contracts and commitments, Rivers then approached producer Crawford for the recording rights to Flahooley. He was told that the company was considering several tiations between Local 802, Ameri- cast album offers which offered "angel" money as incentive. Rivers told Miss Crawford that he had the key players of her show

Me Madam as the result of a completed the deal for the recordconsummated without a single cent of investment involved, and with no guarantees other than the standard 10 per cent royalty and payment for the cost of recording.

The Fain-Harburg musical is due to hit New Haven April 9, move to Philadelphia to finish out-oftown try-outs beginning April 16, and is scheduled to wind up on Broadway on or around May 14.

The last show which Capitol produced on wax was' St. Louis Woman, which was co-written by Johnny Mercer, who at the time was an active cog in the diskery's operation.



NEW YORK, March 17 .- Networks' pact with the American Federation of Musicians, likely to be officially set this week-end (see separate story), will be a threeyear deal retroactive to February 1, 1951, and extending to January 31, 1954. Deal sets a 15 per cent increase for staffers on networks and their owned and operated stations, parity of AM and TV scales and maintenance of minimum employment quotas.

Local TV scales will be worked out by AFM locals, as is the case (Continued on page 18)

It is known that Traubner has had several discussions with SPA (Continued on page 18)

### Catalina Casino Plans Hit Snag

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .-Catalina Island's summer plans for the Casino Ballroom hit a temporary snag this week. Santa Catalina Isle Company, which last year took over operation of the ballroom, isle's main entertainment center, pulled out of the picture, saying they didn't want to spend the money. Island Chamber of Commerce is now seeking a group or individual to run the summer terpery. Casino's season runs from Decoration Day to Labor Day.

C. of C. spokesman told The Billboard that a Casino recommendation committee has approached Music Corporation of America and Western Amusement Company, but no decision has been reached.

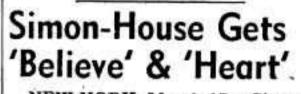
### MITCHELL'S MIL "HEARTS" EARNS GOLD MASTER

NEW YORK. March 17-Guy Mitchell will be presented ' with a gold master representing the 1,000,000th copy of his disking of My Heart Cries for You at a coktail party given by Columbia Records at Toots Shor's Wednesday (21). The party, for local deejays and press, will be attended by the diskery's brass from both New York and Bridgeport offices, and Prexy Jim Conkling will make the presentation.

Mitchell makes his first New York theater appearance when he opens at the Strand Monday (26) for an 18-day engagement. The young warbler is currently spreadeagling the charts with four waxings, Heart, backed with Roving Kind, and Sparrow in the Tree Top, backed with Christopher Columbus, on all of which he is co-billed with Mitch Miller's ork. Miller, Columbia pop a. and r. chief,

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Decca Records currently is reaping the first profits of its newly organ-ized national promotional set-up, "New Sound" ized national promotional set-up, with the success of the Leroy Anderson disking of The Syncopated Clock. Until last month Decca had observed a conservative promotion program, particularly in its han-

dling of deejays. But at that point the diskery decided upon a full-(Continued on page 18)



NEW YORK, March 17 .- Simon-House, a Broadcast Music, Inc., affiliate, this week acquired rights to Just Believe in Me, a tune written by the wife of a Cincinnati dentist. The ditty has been getting play by Cincinnati deejays via a home-grown recording featuring warbler Gene Griffin, of WLW. Both Believe and the flip ditty, Me and My Big Fat Heart, were penned by Mrs. Lila M. Fratz.

Also this week, Sam Wigler, who has been with Herb Levine's Jewel and Encore pubberies as professional manager for several years, joined Simon-House as professional Class "B" radio stations for conmanager. Wigler is setting the tracts covering musicians have altune for recordings here; George ready begun. Present contracts tied up for records and wouldn't Simon, head of the pubbery, leaves expire March 31. Talks have been consider relinquishing them under for the Coast this week-end to plant the tune there.

Drive by Cap

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .-Capitol is continuing its quest for new sounds by pairing artists with different accompanying orks. Move favoring variation in instrumental backgrounds comes on the heels of diskery's successful results with Peggy Lee's latest release. For Miss Lee, Cap abandoned its almost traditional adherence to Dave Bar-(Continued on page 18)

Outlets, 802 Start Huddles

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Negocan Federation of Musicians, and initiated with WMGM. Stations any circumstances.

(Continued on page 16) | Result was that Rivers this week

# Southern Goes Longhair With Carnegie Bow

NEW YORK, March 17.-Southern Music is intensifying its activity in the serious music field, and has been pacting a flock of composers. To promote its serious music, firm will stage a concert. in co-operation with the League of Composers, in Carnegie Recital Hall April 1. Concert, which Southern intends to do annually, is for the purpose of introducing new, serious works to serious musicians.

Pacted within the last six months (Continued on page 18)

### Harper, Walker Set For Graham Flicker

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .-- Cowboy singer Redd Harper and Western cleffer Cindy Walker this week were inked to major roles in the new Billy Graham color flicker. tentatively titled Mr. Texas. Harper, who tapes a weekly show for Armed Forces Radio Service and waxes for International Sacred Recordings, leaves Sunday (18) for Fort Worth, where the pic will be shot. Great Commission Films, Sherman Oaks, Calif., is producing the religious film.

Billy Graham - troupe, featuring Cliff Barrows and Beverly Shea, are also in the pic. Company will location in Fort Worth 12 days while shooting rodeo scenes at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Tex. Finished product will be distributed to churches. schools and civic groups.

# 3 CARMENS----

NEW YORK, March 17 .--Co-incident with RCA Victor's announcement of its Red Seal schedule for fall, in which a complete Carmen is highlighted, Columbia broke this week with word that it has a

# 802 Is Unhappy Over Web Pact **TV-Film Agreement One of AFM's** Chief Goals on National Level

#### By PAUL ACKERMAN

NEW YORK, March 17.-James C. Petrillo, chief of the American Federation of Musicians, and network presidents late this week were driving ahead in order to officially wind up by Sunday (18) the contract covering musicians on self. It's no secret, however, that AM and TV. For all practical the sudden, amicable denouement, purposes, however, the deal was one day before a scheduled strike, set Tuesday (13), when Petrillo's left New York Local 802 in a state office and the networks agreed of complete bewilderment. On censuring Petrillo for taking over upon a pact calling for status quo Wednesday (14), members of the the negotiations and allegedly en-

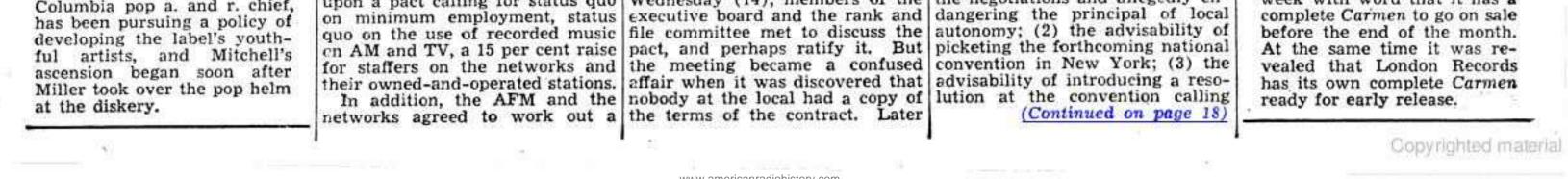
These are the most important pertinent facts of the contract it-

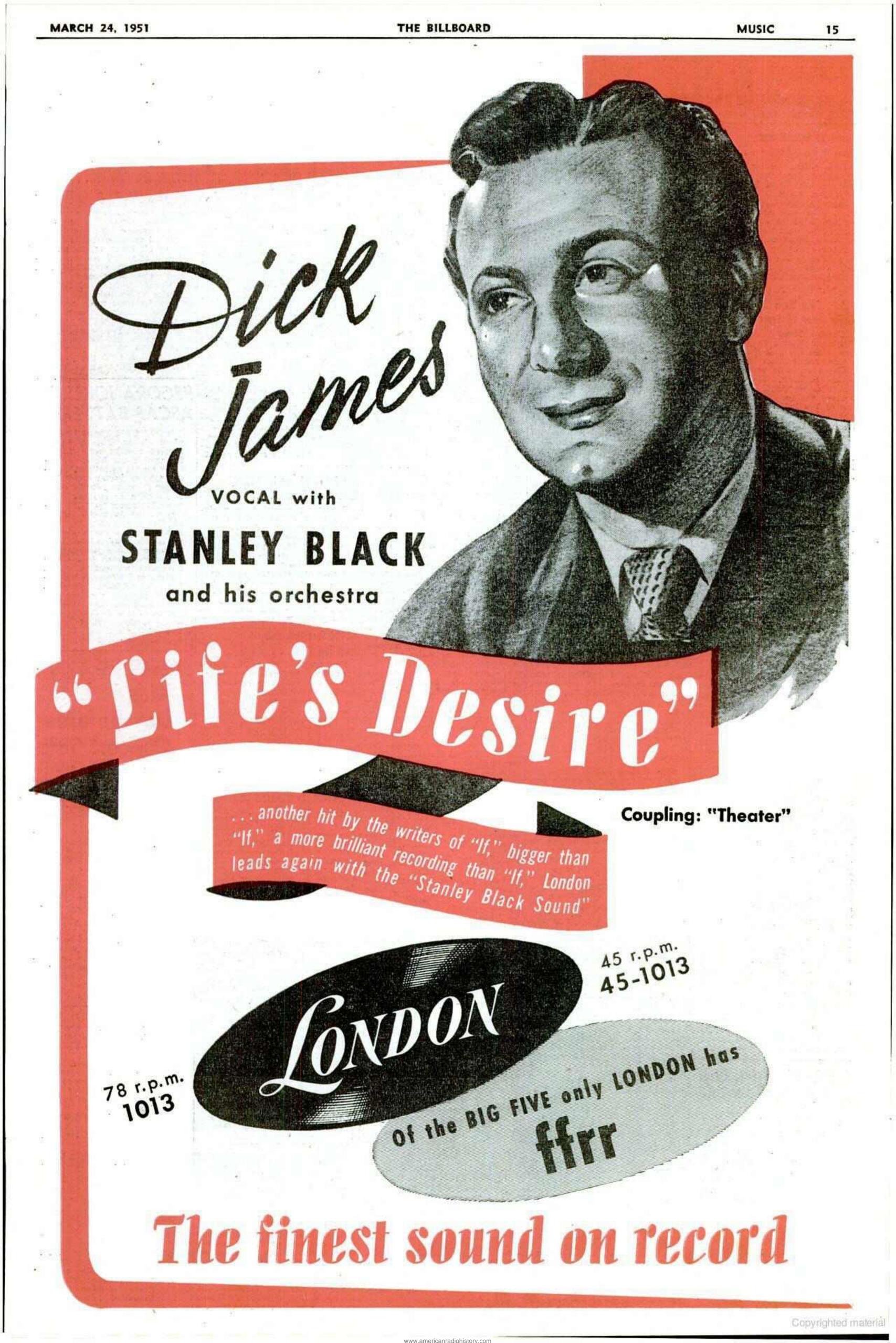
separate pact covering TV film. | in the week, the local still had not This pact is to provide for pay- received a copy and was getting ment to the music performance its information via the daily trust fund of 5 per cent of the press. The rank and file, in a state gross program revenue of the film. of high excitement, "unofficially" scheduled a protest meeting for AND NO BULL! Monday (19).

#### "Wild Talk"

During the week, "wild" talk persisted at the local. The topics included (1) the advisability of

# Petrillo Wins for Smallies;





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# Music as Written

#### **Composer Gillis Named Rexford Music Director** . . .

Don Gillis, young American symphonic composer, was named musical director of Rexford Records last week. According to Nanette Guilford, diskery president, Gillis will also be featured on the label as an artist, conducting his own works and those of other composers. The new label has already recorded Gillis's "This Is Our America." Gil-lis's works have previously been issued on the London and Remington labels.

#### Pubber Conn Turns Cleffer After 16 Years . . .

Chester Conn. one-third of the Bregman, Vocco, Conn pubbery, has made his first serious songwriting effort in the 16 years that he has been in the publishing end pic. of the business. The song, "I'll Hy Never Know Why," has lyrics by Sammy Gallop. . The first recording of the ballad was made by Hugo Winterhalter's ork and chorus for RCA Victor. Conn, prior to his efforts as a publisher, was a writer of note and is remembered for such tunes as "Sunday," "Josephine," "Why Should I Cry Over You" and "Don't Mind the Rain." To help give the song a send-off, Conn will take to the road to hit deejays in all the major cities east of Chicago.

#### Hand's Guild Analyzes

#### Singers' Voices . . .

John Hand, founder and head of the New York Light Opera Guild, has announced a free voice clinic as a service to singers. Thrushes-actual, potential or

aging, promotion, etc.

#### Halonka Joins Alpha

#### As Sales Manager . . .

John Halonka, formerly with Decca and Tower diskeries in sales capacities, is now sales manager for Alpha Distributors, which is handling the much discussed Pyramid waxing of "Gotta Find Somebody To Love." Leading publishers are trying to get the tune, and major diskeries are reported covering.

#### New York

Lucille Norman and Dennis Morgan, both currently appearing in Warner Bros.' "Painting the Clouds With Sunshine," were inked by Capitol to standard terms pacts. Initial album will duet pair in tunes from the WB

Hy Ross joined Robbins Music last week as a contactman under professional manager Murray Baker. . . . Contactman Les Reis switched from E. H. Morris to Bourne as Coast rep; Eddie Shaw, who has been Coast man for Bourne, will transfer to the New York staff of that pubbery. . . Virginia Wicks is flacking for Norman Granz's JATP. . . . Ken Carson, of the Garry Moore TV show, has been signed by Bibletone Records, which is pitching in the pop field.

Publisher Jack Bregman entered Lebanon Hospital last week with a kidney ailment. . . . A fast switch of Eddie Fisher for Perry Como saved RCA Victor the cost of a recording date cancellation Tuesday (20). Como was skedded for the date but came down with a cold and begged off for publication a new ditty penned by Hoagy Carmichael and Harold Adamson, "My Resistance Is Low." Ditty already has been recorded by Carmichael with Gordon Jenkins' ork for Decca. Decca Prexy Milton Racmil has been asked and will probably serve as head of the record industry committee for the Anti-Defamation League. . . . Thrush Marion Morgan sliced a bracket of duets with Art Lund for the MGM label. Billy Bishop and orchestra return for a third visit to the Empire Room of the Rice Hotel, Houston, for a four-week engagement. They replace Don Reid, who goes to the Mural Room of the Baker Hotel in Dallas. Commercial research department for RCA Thesaurus and syndicated programs has been set up, with Donald D. Axt in charge. . Aaron Levine, musical director of the Sid Caesar and Bob Hope TV shows, has cleffed a dit-"The Man Behind the Man Behind the Baton." . . . The Alpine Record Company, of San Mateo, Calif., is a new diskery in the Bay region of San Francisco. The company has recorded the Swiss Family Fraunfelder, yodelers from the Swiss Alps. . . Bill Boyd and His Cowboy Ramblers have recorded "Drifting Texas Sand" and "Stop Polka" for RCA Victor.

cover and liner possibilities, pack- lieu, will operate the ballroom. ... McConkey Music Corporation has inked Jimmy Featherstone's ork. Featherstone left GAC last week. He is set for eight weeks at the Martinique, starting in early May. Featherstone will follow Art Kassel, who opens the Chicago suburban spot April 2 for four weeks. Kassell has been vacationing for the past four months at his California home.

> McConkey has also put its first two bands into the Cavalier Hotel, Virginia Beach, with Leo Pieper opening May 18, followed by four weeks of Don Reid's ork June 2. . . . Don Foreman has re-placed Savie Dowell as local flack for Capitol Records. . . . Jan Garber set to return to Melody Mill, following Larry Faith. . . . Billy Strayhorn has joined Johnny Hodges's unit at the Blue Note. . . . John McCormick will do a nightly d. j. shot from the Vine Gardens over WCFL. . . . Danny O'Neil, the TV singer here, is doing a daily morning d. j. show over WOPA, Oak Park, Ill., from his home with Jim Ameche. . . Carl Sands' ork into the Cleveland Hotel March 24, indefinitely. . . Billy Bishop has turned over four masters to George Tasker, who will put the disks out on his North American label. . . . Phil Chess, the Chess diskery exec, became father of a daughter, Melanie, born March 14 in Chicago.

#### Hollywood

Discovery Records' first LP 1951 releases are skedded to hit the stands in April. Disks include eight sides by Zoot Sims Quartet and same number by Cleo Brown. Label is currently fallen. The Dean president and negotiating for Roy Eldridge and sales manager introduced several but too late for the cancellation Jerry Wiggens masters for LP re- new models while on tour, inhopeful-may have a complete to take effect without paying off lease. . . . Lyman Gandee and cluding single-speed and threevoice analysis by contacting the musicians and singers. . . . The Jack Carson's missus, the former speed phonographs. E. H. Morris pubbery obtained Kay St. Germaine, are entertaining at the Los Angeles Press Club. . . . Community Symphony Rehearsal ork, formed a year ago to bring together Negro and white musicians, will stage a birthday ball Saturday (24). Professional, student and amateur tootlers comprise the nonprofit org which meets weekly. . . . Ziggy Elman and ork inked by Universal-International for featurette which also has Sportsmen's Quartet, Mel Henke Trio and the Knight Sisters. . . . Gordon MacRae is cutting eight sides with Jo Stafford, fulfilling her pact with Capitol. . . . Hollywood Bowl Easter Sunrise Service committee has Lucille Norman as vocal solist. . . Eight Dutch Boys at Song Writers' Co-Opera-tive, Inc. (SWCI) are prepping six waltzes for LP release. . . . Rex Allen is back at Republic following a p. a. in Las Vegas, Nev. . . Alexander Brothers have waxed four sides for Mercury. . . . Eddie Peabody and Sonny Burke's ork signed for a U-I short. . . . Freddy Otis and Iggie Shevak beating out solid jazz at Club Rancho. . . Art Rupe, Specialty; Leo Mesner, Aladdin, and Lou Chudd, Imperial, in Chicago for juke box confab. . . . Percy Mayfield's "Lost Love" outselling his "Please Send Me Someone To Love."

# **TV-Phono Merchandising**

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Television tradesters are convinced that local newspapers will shortly be flooded with a raft of dealers' ads offering special trade-in deals, low-priced leaders and various promotional gimmicks. The fact is, it's now extremely easy for any prospective set purchaser to get a 25 per cent discount on name brand sets. Seventeen-inch table models are selling for \$200, 14inch table models are down to \$185 and several stores are advising customers that they will "meet the best price you can get anywhere else." If sales continue to fall, as expected, the price cutting will have to come out in the open in some manner. At least these are the trade expectations. The various promotional deals being offered to dealers by distributors and manufacturers are becoming more numerous and easier to obtain. In addition to vacation trip offers, dealers are now being approached with deals **PECORA JOINS** to maintain list prices despite healthy cuts in cost prices and to entice the consumer with dra-matic trade-in offers. Talk about "shortages" has almost completely disappeared. Only consumer dollars appear to be in short supply at the moment.

#### Low Priced Phonos Lead Field, Dean Prexy Reports . . .

Recently returned from a sixweek sales and promotion tour across the country, George Fass, president of Dean Electronics, here, reports that lower-priced phonograph units are still holding up sales-wise, tho consumer calls for the more expensive portables have

that NPA will attempt to keep production of various priced goods in balance.

#### RTMA Says 18% Radios, 10% TV Sets Have FM . . .

Preparatory to a confab between the Radio - Television Manufacturers' Association policy committee and an FM broadcast group Tuesday (13), the RTMA last week announced that 18 per cent of all home radios and 10 per cent of all TV receivers produced in 1950 contained FM. Based on computations by Frank W. Mansfield, head of RTMA's statistics committee, the report showed 1,471,900 radio receivers with FM circuits produced last year, compared with 1,000,000 the year before. Production of TV sets capable of FM reception reached 756,120 last year, compared with 500,000 the year before.

# ASCAP BATTERY

NEW YORK, March 17.-As predicted in The Billboard several months ago, former Supreme Court Justice Ferdinand Pecora is retiring Monday (19) as referee of the Supreme Court to join Schwartz & Frohlich as counsel. The move buttresses the legal battery of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers at a critical timewhen negotiations with the telecasters for a per-program contract threaten to land in the courts (see separate story).

Herman Finkelstein is guiding the ASCAP strategy. Stuart Sprague is counsel for the telecasters. The latter, at the recommendation of Sprague, nave retained former Federal Judge Simon H. Rifkind as special counsel.

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Guild.

#### ASCAP To Elect Board of Directors . . .

The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers' committee on elections is scheduled to meet in New York Thursday (15). The session, called by cleffer Milton Drake, chairman of the committee, will count the ballots for the election of members to the Society's board of directors.

#### **Barnet Swing Crew**

#### Wrifes Finis March 23 . . .

Charlie Barnet's present swing band makes its final appearance Friday (23) at the Oasis, Hollywood. Orkster returns Thursday (22) from a one-night tour which was kicked off January 31. No break-in date has been set for the new Barnet "society" ork. Johnny Richards, musical director for Discovery Records, is still arranging the book for the sweet band and will not be finished for several weeks. New aggregation will number 22, three more than the present crew.

### **Columbia Huddles**

Over Album Bally . . .

Columbia Records has instituted a regular monthly meeting devoted to album production and merchandising. Contents and background of the albums are explained by the a. and r. reps, with the advertising, sales, merchandising and art chiefs in attendance. Staff then figures out

### LATINS VIE IN MAMBO JAMBO

NEW YORK, March 17 .--The battle of mambo is scheduled to take place next Saturday and Sunday (24 and 25) at Manhattan Center. Perez Prado, Latin-American king of the mamo, who just completed a South American tour, is scheduled to play dance dates there, alternating with Cesar Concepcion and Tito Pirente. Prado is to bring only several of his men who are members of Local 802. Remainder of the band will be picked up

Maestro Elliot Lawrence has switched some of his sidemen. Al Steele, tenor sax, replaced Stan Weiss. The latter has joined Buddy Rich. Ed Sawyer is now arranging for Lawrence.

Ben Selvin, general manager of Southern Music, New York, off to Chicago Sunday (18) to take in the convention of the Music Operators of America (19-23). Thence to Hollywood for talks with Ralph Peer, Southern's chief.

. . . Jazz pianist Erroll Garner opens Thursday (22) at Birdland. He's also set for TV dates on Steven Allen's TV show, the Frank Sinatra radio stanza, and other airers.

#### Chicago

Frank Walsh has left the Fairgrounds Ballroom, St. Cloud, Minn., to assist his brother in the

Local offices of Associated Booking Corporation will be moved April 1 from 9151 Sunset Boulevard to the Century Artists Building, 8619 Sunset Boulevard. ABC has been in the present quarters for two years. Move will give the bookers three times more office space. ABC will occupy the entire building (two floors)

### ROBINSON JOINS POP'S HEROES

NEW YORK, March 17. -The latest addition to the series of pop tunes written about athletic heroes is a ditty called Sugar Ray (He's a Champ All the Way), written by Frankie Davis and published by Ostrow Music. The ode to Sugar Ray Robinson is now making the rounds of the diskery a. and r. execs, with the champ himself reported to be hyping the promotion of the tune.

Previously, Joe Louis, Joe

### **NARDA** Sees Shift Away

From Top \$ TV . . . Next week's issue of The Appliance and Radio Dealers News. official publication of the National Appliance and Radio Dealers' Association, reports that the National Production Authority is going to use the "allocation club" to keep manufacturers from shifting their production to the high end of the line. The NARDA paper claims

### Greenfield Village Label Makes Bow

DETROIT, March 17 .- A new record label, Greenfield Village Memoirs, is making its debut here under the direction of Clayton fore the booking actually opened Perry, one of the acknowledged at 6:45 a.m. By 10 p.m. at night leaders in the field of old-time well over 100 youngsters from 16 dance music. Perry has authored books in the field during the past two decades, and got national publicity as the leader of the early American dance orchestra sponsored since 1925 by the late Henry Ford.

First recordings are by Perry's own orchestra, under the subtitle of Fiddle Art Series, but later releases will include the works of other artists. The label title comes from Ford's early American museum at Dearborn, with which Perry has long been associated.

Initial releases are being set to reach the market by Easter, and include The Flower Girl, singing waltz call, with vocal by James D. Johnston, backed by Medley of Irish Jigs, and Alabama Schottische, backed by Tickner's Quadrille, with Francis X. Brancheau as caller.



to be included in the talks are WNEW, WMCA and WINS. The local is still striking against WINS. The station some weeks ago offered to set aside a certain budget for musicians, with the number of men employed to be left to the wishes of the local. The latter didn't take the deal.

The pattern set by the AFM-network negotiations is expected to

### AVID AUSSIES Kids in Line Day Before **Concert Sale**

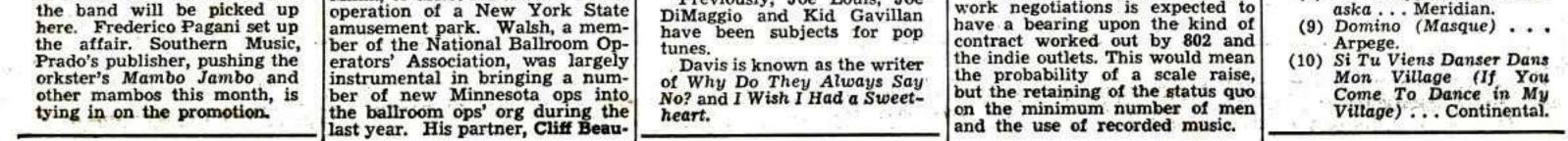
SYDNEY, March 17 .- Some indication of the interest in music by young people was witnessed at the Sydney Town Hall this week when booking for the Australian Broadcasting Commission's youth concert season opened. The first arrival was in line 241/2 hours beto 25 were in position with sleeping bags and pillows. By dawn, the number was over 1,000. Many had cooking facilities, vacuum flasks, sandwiches kerosene burners and billycans.

No individual was permitted to buy tickets for more than six persons. Tickets are \$1.50 and give the holder the right of admission to six concerts given by the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. By 10:30 some 5,000 tickets had been sold. Sales are limited to persons between 16 and 25.

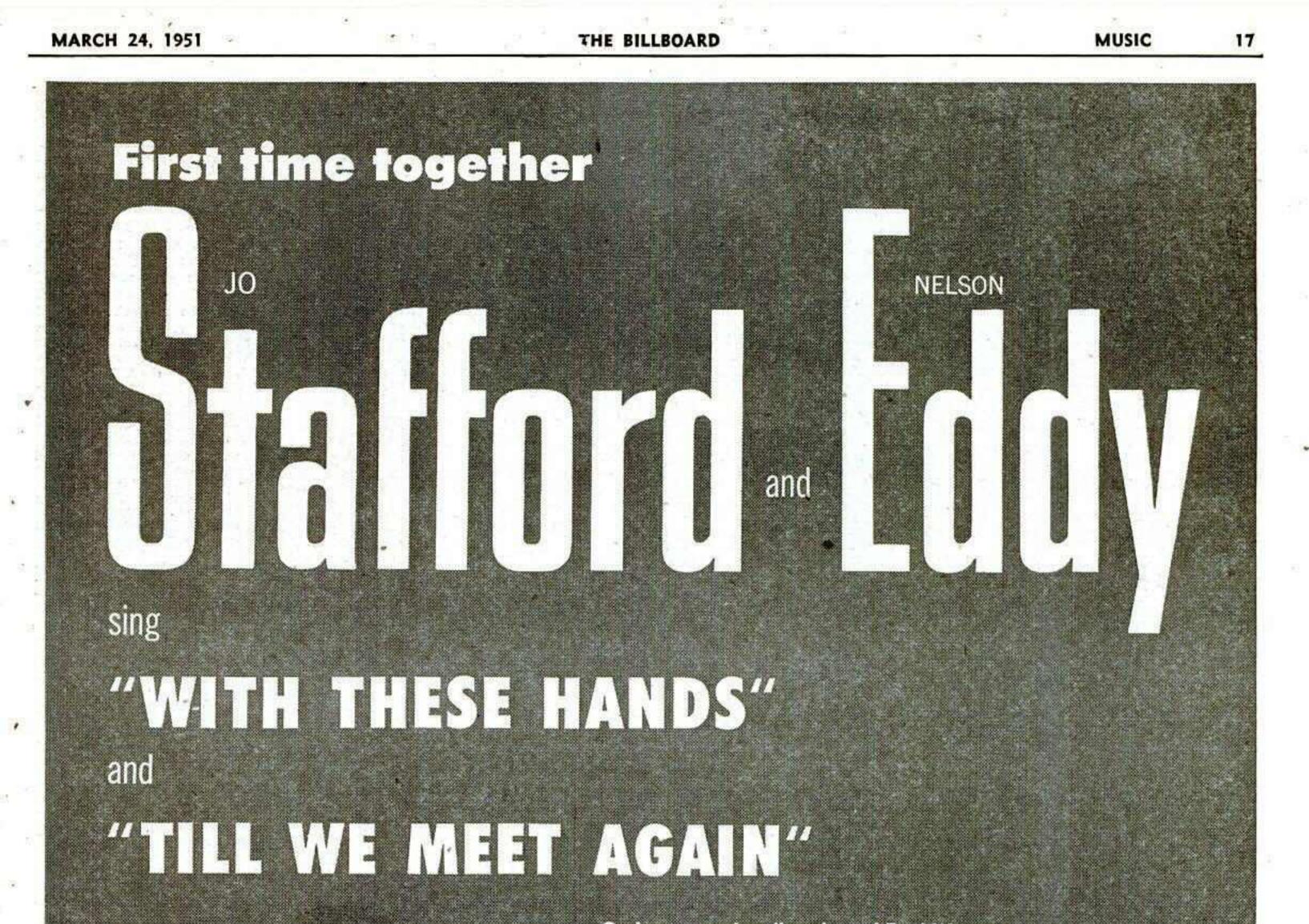
### TOP TEN FOR FEB. IN FRANCE

PARIS, March 17.-The 10 top tunes in France for the month of February were:

- (1) La Petite Diligence (The Little Carriage) . . . Arpege.
- (2) Gigi . . . Paris-Melodies.
- (3) Bonsoir, Lily (Good-night, Irene) ... Imperia.
- (4) Maria Chapdelaine (Wedding of Lili Marlene) . . . Francis-Day.
- Cerisier Rose et Pommier Blanc (Pink Cherries and White Apples) . . . Hortensia.
- (6) Maia . . . Arpege.
- (7) Premier Printemps (First of Spring) ... Arpege.
- (8) Les Trappeurs de L'Alaska . . . Meridian.



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# Columbicia Records



"Clock" Ticks

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# **Petrillo Wins for Smallies**

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order that large locals, like 802 and 45 (Hollywood) might have power within the AFM in accordance with their size.

The disaffection of the 802 men stems from two sources: (1) The local, while it was in on the negotiations, had stressed the principle of a curb on mechanical music deal. in order to create more employment. This was not obtained. Instead, the national AFM, armed with a strike mandate, obtained from the networks acquiescence on it as a concession of no immethe 5 per cent royalty principle diate value to them. From the for TV films. The latter conces- Petrillo-AFM viewpoint, the agreesion, 802 men feel, is of small impart to the working radio and TV musicians.

Secondly, the 802 men take umbrage over the fact that, once Petrillo had the strike mandate, they had no say whatever in-the settlement. This technique on the part of the national office reduced the of the network managements, it was stated.

#### National Interests

The amicable AFM-network settlement, on the eve of a scheduled strike, was accompanied by an official AFM "order" presenting the thesis that Petrillo and the international board considered the interests of the Federation paralocal. Documenting this position, the order points out that Petrillo and the board are the duly elected representatives of the members. "Theirs is the custody of the welis the obligation to subordinate immediate wishes, however passionate, justified and well-founded, to the accomplishment of future oband its members from injury, even when the threat be of danger self-inflicted."

From the standpoint of the Federation, the contract represented the best that could be obtained. Petrillo, in a press conference on Tuesday, stated his belief that the

for proportional representation, in | AFM would be unsuccessful in trying to win a strike on the principle of a curb on mechanical music. Petrillo, however, did get a scale raise, parity of AM and TV, certain other concessions, plus one point which is very close to his heart and strongly desired by the small locals-namely, the TV film

> The importance of the film TV agreement cannot be minimized. even tho AM-TV musicians in New York and Hollywood might regard ment is the natural corollary to the royalty principle which Petrillo established on records.

#### Bulwark

At the AFM convention in Houston last June, the AFM chief in San Francisco, Boston and Chipresented the film royalty propo- cago. sition as a great protective bulwark. He mentioned the AFM's stature of 802 execs in the eyes laxity in obtaining a similar protective contract in the early days of sound motion pictures. What the Federation has in mind now, of course, is the extension of the royalty principle to cover all sound track-whether the film is made for theaters or TV.

be a major boon, and Petrillo has already promised them that mount to those of any individual monies accruing from such a fund would be distributed to all locals on the principle of share-andshare alike.

It is to be noted that, up to now, the TV industry, including the fare of all members. . . . Theirs networks, held aloof from the AFM film deal. Protracted negotiations with indie packagers and networks collapsed months ago. Now, however, with the networks jectives. Theirs is the duty to in the bag, it would seem that the counsel, will be continued in an protect the Federation, its locals Petrillo has won a striking pointeven if the winning necessitated able license." bowing to the networks on the issue strongly fought for by 802, namely, a curb on recorded music.

#### Mercury Adds Continued from page 12

blown exploitation scheme which involved developing key territorial deejay promotion posts in New York, Chicago and Hollywood. Plan also entailed greater emphasis on promotion thru jobbers.

Clock was selected as the guinea pig platter. It was kicked off in the New York area. Response was rapid and the disking was kicked over locally Friday (9) when 10,-000 copies were reordered for the single day. The promotion, now supported by the tune's publisher, Mills Music, resulted in its selection as theme platter for a late hour CBS-TV movie presentation, The Late Show, as well its choice as the theme song for the WNEW deejay team, Rayburn and Finch. Disking this week began to spread reactions reported by the diskery

Result of the reaction to the platter forced the diskery to remove it from its longhair Gold Label series and issue it in 40,000 specialty series, which like the classics sell at a retail tab of \$1.15. Idea is to produce the disk on shellacs in order to lend the firm greater production flexibility across the country; all of its non-To the small locals, this would breakable production is done only in its Bridgeport plant.

> Mike Conner, head of the Decca promotion and artists relations department, will head for the Coast following the music operators' convention to round out his coast-tocoast staff.



effort to obtain a fair and reason-

#### **Consent Restriction**

Sprague, in a report to Martin, which the latter includes in his communique to the stations, states: ". . . . The condition of no payment on non-ASCAP spots was not concocted by the industry committee, but was a restriction prescribed by the terms of the government consent decree." Sprague rate as "most extravagant, exorbi-"In my opinion, the announced rate is presented purely as a groundwork for court action." Martin, speaking of the proposed rates, told the stations: "Your committee cannot endorse this proposal (ASCAP's proposal) and regretwill require a great deal more time and/or court action." Rifkind, who is representing Emerson Radio in the TV color case before the U.S. Supreme Court, is regarded as conversant with ASCAP matters and acquainted with Herman Finkelstein, Schwartz & Frohlich (the ASCAP legal battery) and ex-Judge Robert P. Patterson. In the event of a court case, the latter is expected to handle the performing rights Society's case.

# **Cap Plans TV Promotion**

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Sullivan show, and the latter on | or another never got into the I'll Always Love You, on the Martin and Lewis show. Appearances on TV had an immediate effect in hypoing sales. A later instance impetus via Sullivan's TV airer.

Cap considers the TV shots not as a method of building new talent, but rather as a means of hypoing sales of already-established talent on the network's TV and artists in key markets. Too, some artists which are strong in certain areas but relatively weak in others stand to be aided in the latter areas by TV bookings. Examples are Tennessee Ernie and Les Paul. Both are relatively strong sellers on the Cap label but are not too well-known in the East, which record market. Cook, therefore, plans to have both these artists come East immediately after the wind-up of the Music Operators of America convention in Chicago (19-23). The artists will remain here for four or six weeks in order to take in as many TV guest shots as possible.

Neither of these artists is set with a talent agency. General Artists' Corporation is angling for them, but the agency which finally road. lands them will be the one which can offer the most attractive TV proposition.

TV's direct reaction on disk sales has been noticed before. About two years ago Evelyn Knight's disk on Decca, A Little Bird Told Me, seemed to be reaching the end of 700,000. The thrush's appearance over Ed Sullivan's TV airer was an additional 200,000.

#### **Others** Aware

Other diskeries have been occasionally aware of possibilities of TV promotion, but for one reason



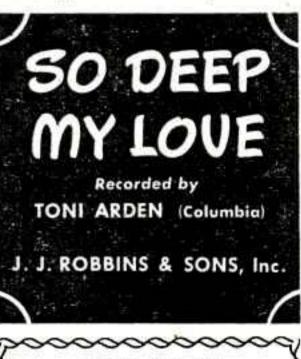
medium on a continuous basis. About one year ago, for instance, RCA Victor planned a close prowas King Cole with Jet, a disk motional tie-up with the parent which Cap believes received strong National Broadcasting Company, providing for plugging of disks over NBC - owned - and - operated stations and appearances of disk AM programs. Some promotion of this multi-faceted type was done.

Tying in with the TV promotion will be a continuation of Cap's efforts in the public appearance field. The diskery, for instance, arranged a tour for Paul Nero in order to to other territories with standout constitutes a great segment of the get more steam behind his Hot Canary. Last year, Cap promoted most of Stan Kenton's concert dates. The diskery will do the same this year with Kenton, and will have the co-operation of its branches and distributors. In fact, whenever an artist lends himself to public apeparances, tours will be arranged. The diskery's philosophy is that the artist, whenever possible, should be seenwhether this be via TV or on the

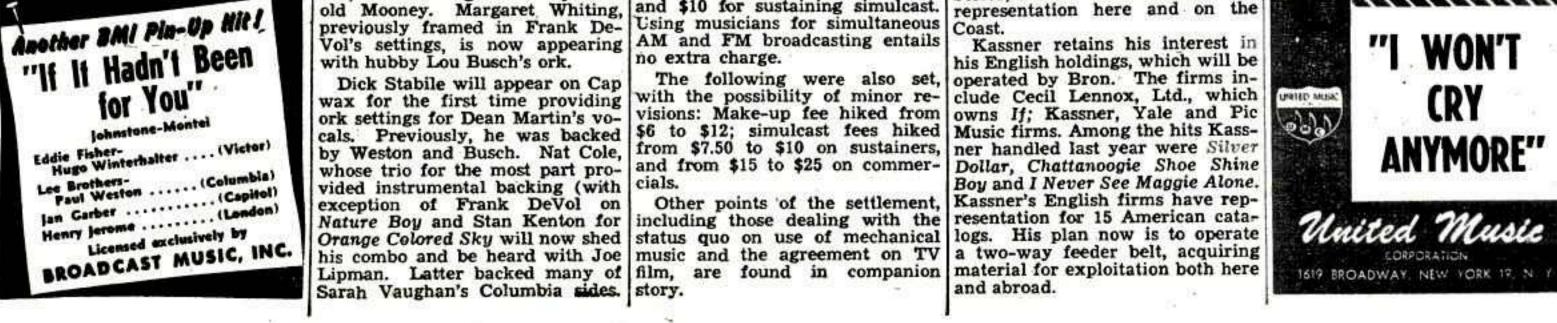
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along these lines in the past, but to date there has been a division of a good sales run. It had sold about opinion in the organization as to the advisability of bringing in an "outsider." to carry on what credited with hypoing the disk for amounts to a policing of publishers. There is, in fact, no real agreement within the association as to how far SPA can or should operate as an enforcement or policing agency.

> It is known that several of the heavyweight publishers have, curiously enough, wanted SPA to police all the music publishers on royalty matters. This stems from a desire to put all the pubbers on the same footing in regard to paying writers; i.e., those who pay their writers what's due them and on time don't want to be at a those who circumvent these obligations.







executive veepee Art Talmadge. Both are for three years and call for extensive promotion. The Gibbs further termed ASCAP's proffered paper is effective in April while Long will join the Mercury stable tant and unreasonable." He added. in May.

**Trade Stir** 

The Gibbs deal raised quite a trade stir. The thrush has been recording for the Coral label, the wholly-owned subsid of Decca. She was picked up for Coral a year ago specifically to do a cover fully must take the view that any disking of If I knew You Were hope for fair terms with ASCAP Coming I'd've Baked a Cake. The waxing did well, and she was handed a one-year paper as a consequence. In recent months, she cropped up with a couple of fairly solid waxing, I Still Feel the Same About You and more recently Once Upon a Nickel. The thrush is said to have become upset with Coral on the grounds that she created Nickel and that the parent Decca firs immediately jumped on the song with the potent name power of Ethel Merman and Ray Bolger. Consequence was that the thrush instructed her agent, Music Corporation of America (MCA), to shop for a new deal, and the office

came up with the Mercury pact. Long, who in the early 1940's was one of the top recording bands with the introduction of his ensemble-singing style on such items as Shanty in Old Shanty Town, has been recording for King Records in the past couple of years.



bour's guitar in favor of a hot jazz combo paced by Jim Wynn.

Other changes include Joe (Fingers) Carr (Lou. Busch) for Dottie O'Brien, who heretofore hit wax with Dave Cavanaugh's ork. Helen O'Connell, who originally bowed on Cap with Frank DeVol's radio pay an additional \$25 for ork, is now being backed by Harold Mooney. Margaret Whiting, previously framed in Frank De-

#### Pact Insures 15% Continued from page 12

with AM. Networks have also agreed to a 15 per cent adjustment on rates for copyists and arrangers. On multiple-sponsored or network participation shows there is a \$5 raise for each half hour. Local participation programs take the local single engagement rate.

A new provision provides for two weeks' vacation with pay for staffers at networks and owned and operated outlets.

Another new one provides that the networks may use musicians for simulcast programs, such musicians to receive in addition to each such commercial simulcast and \$10 for sustaining simulcast. Using musicians for simultaneous

doch, Canadian head of the American Federation of Musicians.

For some years, the U.S. has had a barrier against the entry of bands working south of the border. competitive disadvantage with Three years ago a similar ban against U. S. musicians was lifted by the Canadian Government, but the Americans have not taken reciprocal action.

This regulation does not apply to the entry of symphonic groups, solo artists and string quartets, or those who have "unusual professional excellence."

The barrier was erected some 25 years ago when there was "an inundation of Europeans into the country and the United States decided something must be done about it," according to Murdoch.

#### Decca '50 Profits Continued from page 11

business in the current year, reiterated that he feels that 1951 will be a big wax year. He said that Decca should do at least as well this year as it did last year and possibly better. To accomplish this, the prexy pointed out that the firm will have to accumulate a much larger volume business in order to equal 1950's earnings with the increased tax bite at hand.

Net sales of Decca and its subsidiaries totaled \$21,408,618 in 1950, representing an increase of 8 per cent over 1949's figures. Net sales for '49 were \$19,820,987.

The strength of the company is reiterated in the accumulation of \$6,320,255.78 in cash and U. S. Treasury notes. The report also carries a sizable inventory accumulation totaling \$2,244,326.77, with the inventory determined at lower than approximate cost.



beries; a staff will be hired with representation here and on the Coast.

Just what Traubner will ask isn't yet clear; it is believed that he will concentrate on the song book and folio royalty question and perhaps the matter of foreign royalties:

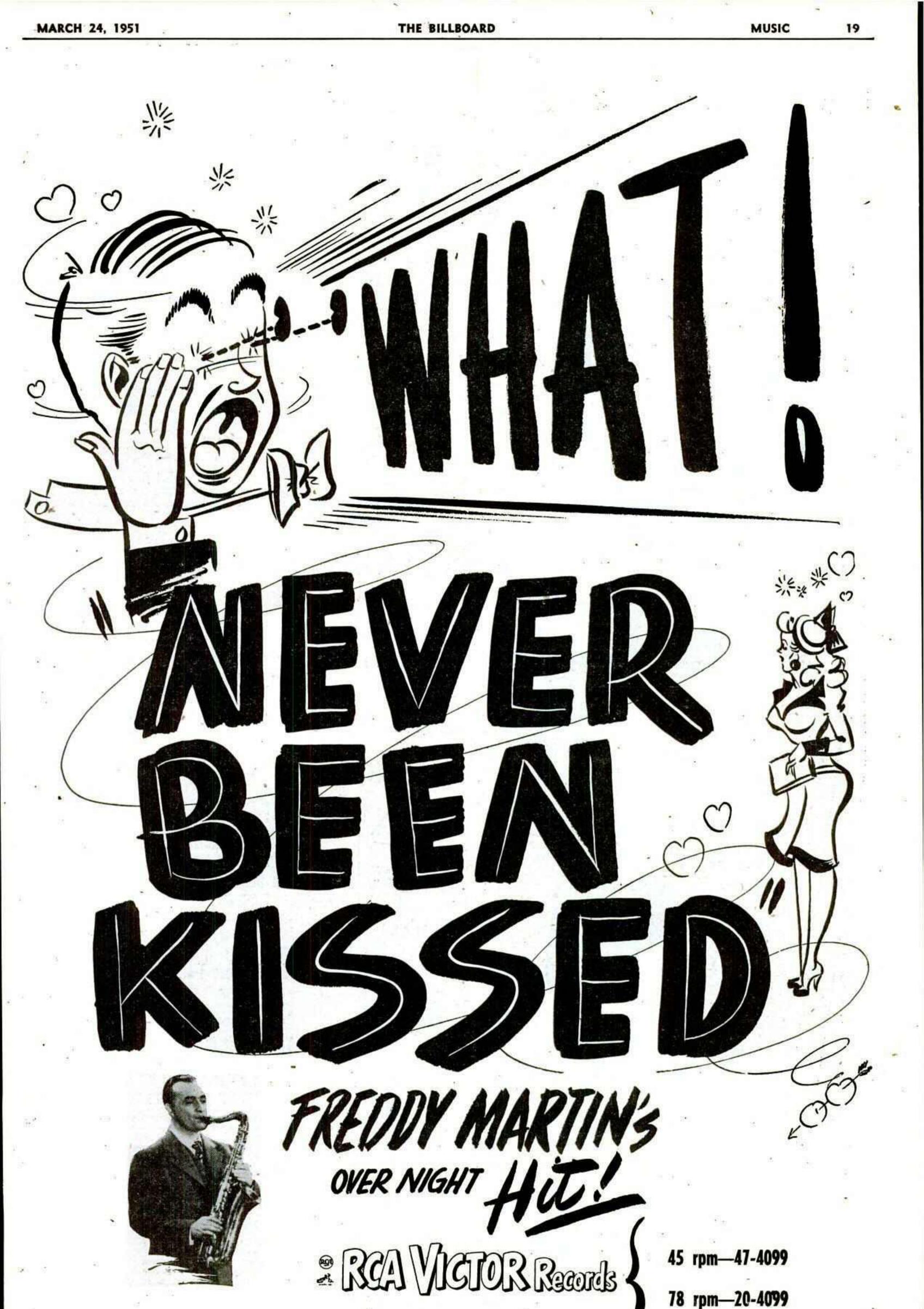
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are a flock of writers including Virgil Thomson, Alan Hovhaness, William Flanagan, Lou Harrison, Claudio Santoro and others. Already with Southern are such top rank writers as Heitor Villa-Lobos, Elie Siegmeister, Charles E. Ives, David Diamond, Henry Cowell, Lukas Foss, Tibor Serly and others. Vladimir Lakond, chief of Southern's serious music department, has many contracts pending with writers in the United States and abroad.

Southern is the fourth publishing house to stage a concert this season. Others were Carl Fischer, Mercury Music, and Edward B. Marks, all done with co-operation of the League of Composers.



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MUSIC 20

MARCH 24, 1951

THE BILLBOARD Music

**Popularity Charts** 

HONOR ROLL OF HITS

The Nation's Top Tunes

Shapiro-Bernstein (ASCAP)

LeWinter, Standard; Larry Fotine, World.

2. Mockin' Bird Hill

**3. Tennessee Waltz** 

Porter, Chance 1103.

goes to press.)

Lombardo, Dec 2449; L. Armstrong Ork, Dec 27481.

. By Vaughn Horton-Published by Southern (ASCAP)

March 14, 15 and 16.

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The nation's 10-top tunes, THE HONOR ROLL OF HITS, is determined by a scientific tabulation of various degrees of each song's popularity as measured by survey features of The Billboard's Music Popularity Chart. Based on reports received

. . . By Robert Hargreaves, Stanley Damerell and Tolchard Evans-Published b

Vaughan, Coral 60355; B. Eckstine, MGM 10896; D. Martin, Cap 1342; G.

RECORDS AVAILABLE: P. Como, V 20-3997; J. Garber, Cap 1351; Vic Damone, Mer 5565; Ink Spots, Dec 27391; J. Stafford-P. Weston Ork, Col 39082; D.

ELECTRICAL TRANSCRIPTION LIBRARIES: Chuck Foster, Lang-Worth; David

RECORDS AVAILABLE: R. Allen-E. Britt, V(45)48-0396, (78)21-0396; Marlin Sisters-D. Miles, London 851; A. Miller, Cormac CRS 1168; R. Morgan, Dec 27444; L. Paul-M. Ford, Cap 1373; 'Pinetoppers, Coral 64061; P. Page, Mer 5595,

tNo information on electrical transcription libraries available as The Billboard

(45)5595X45; Clark and McMullen, R.F.D. 5075; T. Hill Ork, Mer 5552.

Pee Wee King and Redd Stewart-Published by Acuff-Rose (BMI) RECORDS AVAILABLE: Roy Acuff, Col(78)20551, (33)2-150; Cowboy Copas, King 696; Fontane Sisters, V 20-3979; E. Hawkins Ork, Coral 60313; Wayne King, V 20-3434; Pee Wee King, V 20-3680; Anita O'Day, London 867; P. Page, Mer

5534; Jimmy and Leon Short, Dec 46122; Jo Stafford-P. Weston Ork, Col 39065; G. Lombardo, Dec 27336; Les Paul, Cap 1316; J. Jaworski-G. Bajek, Dana 718; T. Tucker Ork, MGM 10864; Cowboy Copas-Ruby Wright, King 919; Milt Larkin, Regal 3303; S. Kaye, Col 39113; Spike Jones, V 20-4011; Jo Stafford, Col 39129; S. Rechtzeit-S. Medoff, Banner 2586; Gov. G. Browning, Mer 6310; J. "Schoolboy"

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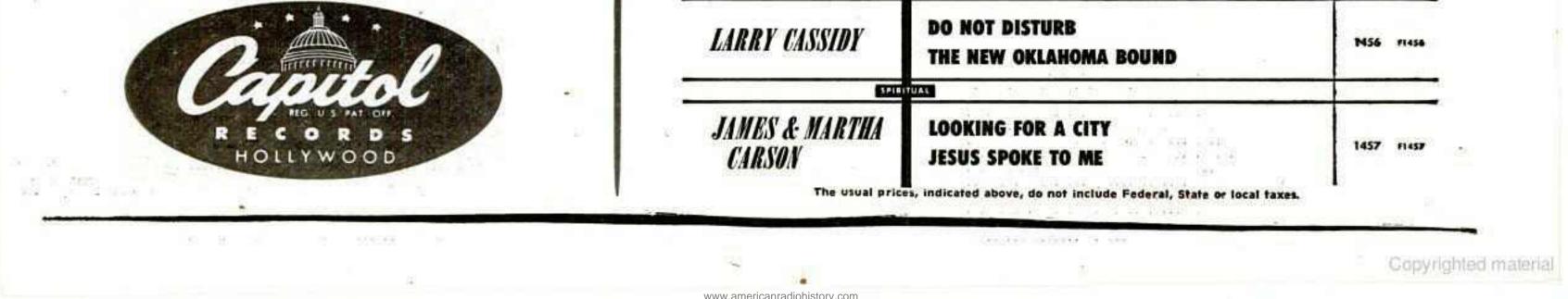


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Peggy Lee		FLEASES ON CAP	
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"K-K-K KATY," "FLYING SAUCERS" Mel Blanc	PEGGY LEE	THE CANNONBALL EXPRESS THAT OL' DEVIL (WON'T GET ME)	1450 F1450
	LES PAUL	HOW HIGH THE MOON MARY FORD WALKIN' AND WHISTLIN' BLUES	1451 11458
WESTERN & FOLK	SHARKEY	SHARKEY STRUT	1452 F1458
"THE SHOT GUN BOOGIE" Tennessee Ernie	95_11295	ANT RIGORCE	
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#### THE BILLBOARD

MARCH 24, 1951

# **THE BILLBOARD** Music Popularity Charts

### **Records Most Played XOX JOX**

### • Best Selling Sheet Music

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. Based on reports received March 14, 15 and 16

Records listed here in numerical order are played over the greatest number of record shows. List is based on replies from weekly survey among disk jockeys throout the country. Unless shown in this chart, other available records or tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of Hits, Music Popularity Chart, Part 1. (F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legit musical

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	18	3	6.	TENNESSEE WALTZP. Page	
	8	6	7.	ABA DABA HONEYMOON D. Reynolds-C. Carpenter	1
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#### Preems

Robert Huse has joined WFGM, Fitchburg, Mass., as an early morning spinner. . . . Dottie Pavelka, WWSO, Springfield, O., 17-year-old high school senior, has been a disk jockey since she was 16. Snagged the job, via a gag "guest" shot. . . . Bob Bai-ley. WCAV, Norfolk, has taken over the station's afternoon "Mailbag" show. . . . Jim Palmer has replaced Earl Boardman at KSIM, Sikeston, Mo. The latter spinner has joined the air corps. . . . Don Haam moves over to KAFP, Petaluma, Calif., succeeding Bob Bishop, who has entered the navy. . . . Charley King is a new staffer at KSOA, Odessa, Tex. . . . Al Stevens has joined Baltimore's new indie WWIN. . . . Bob Larsen, WEMP, Milwaukee, is emseeing the grand openings of all IGA stores in Southern Wisconsin. . . . Jay Gould has taken over Kee Murray's wax shows on WMCK, McKeesport, Pa., now that Murray has been recalled to active duty with the navy. . . . "Vera." of KLER, Rochester, Minn., celebrates her first year on the air this month as the only fem disk jockey in Southeastern Minnesota. . . . Ted Work, WINX, Washington, has assumed "Sandman" duties on Sunday night. . . . Carl Caudill, WLEE, Richmond, Va., has taken over emsee chores on Harvey Hudson's afternoon wax session, now that opera-

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 in a film; (M) indicates tune is in legit musical; (R) indicates tune is available on receards.

... Based on reports received March 14, 15 and 16

	21 - R - S	POSITION Weeks   Last  This to date;Week Week		
Publishers				
Acuff-Rose	TENNESSEE WALTZ (R)	1.	1	17
Shapiro-Bernstein	IF (R)	2.	2	9
Southern	MOCKIN' BIRD HILL (R)	3.	4	5
Duchess	IT IS NO SECRET (R)	4.	5	12
Massey	MY HEART CRIES FOR YOU (R)	5.	3	13
	BE MY LOVE (F) (R)	6.	7	13
Feist	ABA DABA HONEYMOON (F) (R)	7.	7	3
Walt Disney	WOULD I LOVE YOU (R)	8.	14	4
	PETER COTTONTAIL (R)	9.	9	3
	A PENNY A KISS (R)	10.	10	7
	YOU'RE JUST IN LOVE (M) (R)	11.	8	11
Santly-Joy	SPARROW IN THE TREE TOP (R)	12.	-	2
	BEAUTIFUL BROWN EYES (R)	13.	15	2
I (R)Pickwick	MAY THE GOOD LORD BLESS AND KEEP YOU	14.	11	6
Robbins	ZING ZING-ZOOM ZOOM (R)	15.	12	8
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### • England's Top Twenty

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to da	te Wee	k Week	English American
8	1	1.	TENNESSEE WALTZCinephonicAcuff-Rose
13	2	2.	PETITE WALTZ Duchess Duchess
6	3	3.	MY HEART CRIES FOR YOU Morris
7	5	4.	SEPTEMBER SONGChappellChappell
2	17	5.	THE ROVING KIND Leeds Hollis
5	7	6.	C'N I CANOE YOU UP THE RIVER? Leeds Leeds
7	9	7.	I'LL ALWAYS LOVE YOU Chappeli
9	4	8.	IF
12	6	9.	BELOVED BE FAITHFULPickwickPickwick
14	10	10.	FERRY BOAT INN
14	8	11.	ALL MY LOVE
3	14	12.	PATRICIABregman-Vocco- Conn
3	12	13.	GOOD LUCK, GOOD HEALTH, GOD BLESS YOU
8	11	14.	NEVERTHELESSChappellChappell
14	13	15.	I LEAVE MY HEART IN AN ENGLISH GARDEN
3	19	16.	TIPPERARY SAMBA
18	15	17.	AUTUMN LEAVES
3	18	18.	SENORA*
1	-	19.	BE. MY LOVE
1		20.	TEASIN'Leeds

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by Disk Jockeys

# Songs With Most **TV** Performances (RH Tele-Log)

The Richard Himber (RH) Tele-Log is based on the monitoring of all programs telecast by the American Broadcasting Company, Columbia Broadcasting System, DuMent and National Broadcasting Company network stations in New York and Chicago. Point totals are derived in the following manner. Every time a song is performed on a sustaining show, instrumentally, it receives a credit of 5 points; when performed vocally on a sustainer it receives 10 points, when done instrumentally on, a commercial show it receives 15 points and, when done vocally on a commercial show it gets 20 points.

#### Week of March 8 to March 14

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tions manager Hudson has taken charge of all departments but sales. . . . Fletcher Smith, WTNC, Thomasville, N. C., has extended his daily afternoon airer to an hour and 45 minutes.

#### Mike Gripe

Uncle Don Andrews, WSGW. Saginaw, Mich., pens us the following legit beef-"I'm spinning more records now than any jock but the all-night boys in this State. My problem, Mr. Agony, is how the h- does this station go about getting mentioned in Vox Jox? The Billboard is always yapping about jockey co-operation. Does it work both ways, or is that an old-fashioned idea? The Billboard completely ignores copy from this part of the country; and, mind you, a few jocks (in a State located and shaped as is Michigan) control the whole disk show audience in the State."

#### Ad Lib Cuttings

Mrs. Mike Levine, of Groove Record Shop, Norfolk, writes anent The Billboard's recent article on Negro disk jockeys. . . . "I notice you mentioned almost every disk jockey with the exception of one of the best, Jack Holmes, of WLOW, Norfolk, the most popular and best loved in the entire Tidewater area. . . . Five spins of "John and Marsha" on Mark Sheeler's "Blues Chaser Club" over WEBC, Duluth, Minn., proved the show to be a potent platter seller. As a result, two local record dealers sold out their entire "speculation stock" (300) on the new disk and Capitol's Minneapolis distributor received several "rush" orders for the wax from other out-of-luck platter stores. Sheeler pulled the same multiplay gimmick on Les Paul's "Little Rock Get-Away," with similar results. . . . Rick Thomas, WARM, Scranton, Pa., reports a tremendous response to his recent spinning of The Weavers' Decca disking of "On Top of Old Smoky," in spite of fact that waxing was a departure from his usual lush programing. "Looks as if the Weavers have another 'Irene.'" raves Thomas. . . Art Ford, WNEW, New York,

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# Songs With Greatest Radio Audiences (ACI)

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

(F) Indicates tune from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legitmate musical; (R) indicates tune is available on records. In each instance the licensing agency controlling performance rights on the tune is indicated.

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(Beginning Friday, March 9, 8 a.m., and ending Friday, March 16, 8 a.m.)

Aba Daba Honeymoon (F) (R)	Feist-ASCAP
Always You (R)	Dreyer-Marks—ASCAP
Be My Love (F) (R)	Miller—ASCAP
Boutonniere (R)	Oxford—ASCAP
Bring Back the Thrill (R)	
Destination Moon (R)	Fred Fisher-ASCAP
Down in Nashville, Tennesse (R)	
Faithful (R)	
Get Out Those Old Records (R)	
I Am Loved (M) (R)	Chappell—ASCAP
1 Love the Way You Say Goodnight (R)	
I Remember the Comfields (R)	Leeds-ASCAP
If (R)	
If It Hadn't Been for You (R)	
It's a Lovely Day Today (M) (R)	
May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You (R)	
Mockin' Bird Hill (R)	
My Heart Cries for You (R)	
Night Is Young and You're So Beautiful (R)	
Nobody's Chasing Me (M) (R)	
Penny a Kiss, Penny a Hug (R)	
Peter Cottontail (R)	
Raving Kind (R)	
Se Long (R)	
50 Long 1K/	

23. I've Never Been in Love Before-Morris ..... 25. Mockin' Bird Hill-Peer.... 20 26. My Heart Cries for You-Massey..... 27. Nevertheless—Crawford 20 

introduced a unique program-St. Patrick's Day Parade (R).....Bullseye-ASCAP ing gimmick recently. He Tennessee Waltz (R) ......Acuff-Rose-BMI played records by artists, who, in his opinion, should have clicked, but didn't, because of You and Your Beautiful Eyes (F) (R)..... ASCAP You're Just in Love (M) (R).....Berlin-ASCAP bad tunes, wrong arrangements Zing Zing-Zoom Zoom (R) ..... ASCAP and insufficient promotion.

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# • The Billboard Picks



**Smash Hits** (All in one week of March 17 Issue)

# MAMA



The warbler turns an admirable vocal on a familiar Italian melody; one of Damone's strongest recent efforts.

Mercury 5444 - X45

#### TOO YOUNG . . . . Richard Hayes



One of the loveliest and likeliest ballads of the day is warbled with sincere and winning feeling by the up-coming youngster.

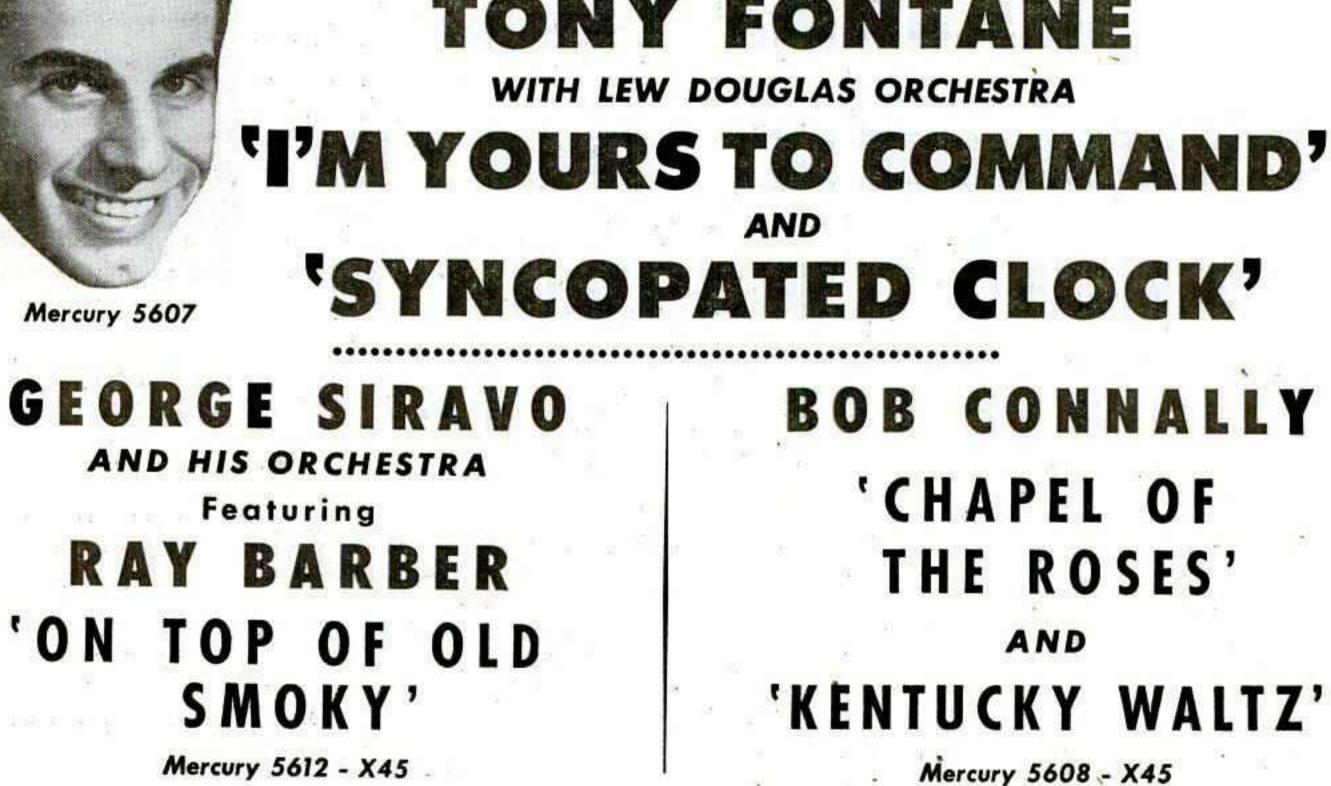
Mercury 5599 - X45

#### Frankie Laine **METRO POLKA**



Laine proves his versatility as he turns his hand to a polka and provides the first rate material with an enthusiastic effort which could send this soaring.

... MORENEW RELEASES READY FOR BIG SALES!



### AL TRACE AND HIS ORCHESTRA 'PRETTY EYED BABY' AND THAT'S THE MAN FOR ME'

Mercury 5609 - X45





#### THE BILLBOARD

# THE BILLBOARD Music Popularity Charts

# Best Selling Pop Singles

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. . . Based on reports received March 14, 15 and 16

Records listed are those selling best in the nation's top volume retail record stores. List is based upon The Biilboard's weekly survey among the 1,400 largest dealers, representing every important market area. Survey returns are weighed according to size of market area. Records listed numerically according to greatest sales. The "B" side of each record is also listed.

POSITION		N	
	Last		
to date Week Week			
11	1	1.	IF
15	2	2.	Zing Zing—Zoom Zoom
12	4	3.	MY HEART CRIES FOR YOUG. Mitchell-M. Miller Roving Kind Col(78)39067; (33)3-39067; (45)4-39067—ASCAP
19	3	4.	TENNESSEE WALTZP. Page Boogie Woogle Santa Claus
6	6	5.	MOCKIN' BIRD HILLL. Paul-M. Ford
7	5	6.	Chicken Reel ABA DABA HONEYMOON D. Reynolds-C. Carpenter MGM(78)30282; (45)K-30282—ASCAP
7	8	7.	Row, Row, Row
5	10	8.	MOCKIN' BIRD HILL
12	7	9.	I Love You Because Mercury(78)5595; (45)5595X45—ASCAP YOU'RE JUST IN LOVEP. Como It's a Lovely Day Today V(78)20-3945; (45)47-3945—ASCAP
4	9	10.	SPARROW IN THE TREE TOPG. Mitchell-M. Miller Christopher Columbus Col(78)39190; (33)3-39190; (45)4-39190—ASCAP
4	17	11.	I APOLOGIZE B. Eckstine
11	15	12.	Bring Back the Thrill         MGM(78)10903; (45)K-10903—ASCAP           SO LONG         G. Jenkins-Weavers           Lonesome Traveler         Dec(78)27376; (45)9-27376—BMI
3	11	13.	BEAUTIFUL BROWN EYES R. Clooney Shotgun Boogie Col(78)39212; (45)4-39212; (33)3-39212-BM1
7	14-	14.	PENNY A KISS, PENNY A HUG. D. Shore-T. Martin
16	13	15.	ROVING KIND
8	16	16.	BRING BACK THE THRILL E. Fisher-H. Winterhalter If It Hadn't Been for You
9	12	17.	I TAUT I TAW A PUDDY TAT. M. Blanc
2		18.	SPARROW IN THE TREE TOPB. Crosby-Andrews Sisters

# DEALER DOINGS

#### Service Talk

"It took us 40 days to get an MGM order from our distributor. Need I say more?"-Adrian's, Hutchinson, Kan. . . . "Columbia release sheets never arrive until hits are established -except for good coverage on the classical field. By the time the salesman calls, the hits are unavailable." — Good House-keeping Shop, Big Rapids, Mich. . . . "Seems as tho 45 records are still coming in slowly. Some of the numbers get here after the song has passed its peak. This is true of all companies." — The Music Box. Hillsdale, N. J. . . . "The 45 r. p. m. records are very slow in coming thru."-Heiser's Ap-pliance, Freeport, Ill. . . . "The same old story-we can't get pop tunes until they start dropping off in popularity. The distributor always has some excuse for non-delivery, but still no pop merchandise on time." -University Co-Operative Society, Austin, Tex. . . . "Why don't Decca or Columbia send release sheets like Capitol and RCA Victor do? These are im-portant to us."-Record Shop, Brockton, Mass. . . . "Why doesn't someone snap RCA Victor out of their lethargy? Surely they can give service comparable to their competitors." — Day and Waldrip. Waco, Tex. . . . "Columbia gives us poor service. Have had their Prades records ordered for seven weeks and still haven't received them. In-

<b>Best Selling Children's Record</b>	ls
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. . . Based on reports received March 14, 15 and 16

Records listed are those records selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers), according to The Bilibbard's weekly dealer survey. Records are listed according to greatest sales.

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6	1	1.	1 TAUT I TAW A PUDDY TAT (One Record)
12251	8200	1.12	Mel Blanc
25	2	2.	TWEETY PIE (One Record) M. Blanc-B. MayCap(78)CAS-3074; (45)CASF-3074
		-	M. Blanc-B. May
3	3	3.	PETER COTTONTAIL (One Record) G. Autry
	17		G. Autry
58	4	4.	CINDERELLA (Two Records)
1	-	100	1. Woods and Others
23	5	5.	BOZO ON THE FARM (Two Records)
2022	35	23	P. Colvig-B. May
142	6	6.	LITTLE TOOT (One Record)
82-25	1440	225	Don Wilson-The Starlighters Cap(78)DAS-80; (45)CASF-3001; (33)HX-3065
28	9	7.	BUGS BUNNY MEETS HIAWATHA (One Record)
1000		-	M. Blanc-B. May Cap(78)CAS-3072; (45)CASF-3072
17	-	8.	BUGS BUNNY SINGS (Two Records)
			M. Blanc
23	7	9.	HOPALONG CASSIDY AND THE SQUARE DANCE HOLDUP (One Record)
			B. Boyd
139	-		BOZO AT THE CIRCUS (Two Records)
1.1			Alan Livingston-Vance "Pinto" ColvigCap BBX-34; DBX-114; (45)CBXF-3030
2	15	11.	PETER COTTONTAIL (One Record)
12040	6207	1092	M. Shiner
14	8	12.	SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS (Two Records)
1225	23247	12222	Dennis Day
55	11	13.	HOPALONG CASSIDY AND THE SINGING BANDIT (Two Records)
1		12021	B. Boyd-A. Clyde-R. Brooks Cap(78)CBX-3058; (45)CBXF-3058; (33)HX-3059
1	-	14.	SONNY, THE BUNNY (One Record)
	2.610	-	G. Autry
4	15	15.	LITTLE WHITE DUCK (One Record)
			B. Ives-P. Faith Ork
2	13	15.	PETER COTTONTAIL (One Record)
			R. RogersV(78)21-0423; (45)47-0262

# • Best Selling Pop Albums

. . . Based on reports received March 14, 15 and 16

Because all labels are not issued on all speeds it is difficult to conduct a pop album survey that is statistically accurate. Furthermore, separate inventory systems make it almost impossible for the average large dealer to fill out The Billboard's pop chart questionnaires so a comparison may be drawn between their 33 pop album sales and their 45 pop album sales. Therefore, The Billboard is no longer attempting to show comparative sales volume between 45 and 33 pop albums.

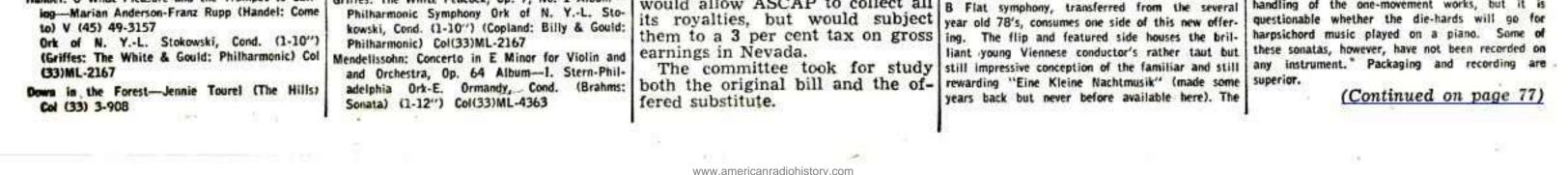
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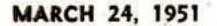
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9 •	This Weel 1. 2.	30. est	I Hear a Choir ROVING KIND	department <b>Jo Dojack</b> . National Musical Supply Company, Re- gina Sask., Can., reports that the use of a coupon gimmick brings excellent results in both sheet music and record sales. Record department now gives customers a coupon with each fisk purchased. The accumu- lation of 30 coupons entitles the holder to a free 78 or 45 r.p.m. pop, or country and Western record. Shop is said to be the largest disk dealer in the Canadian Northwest, and car- ries all labels and all speeds of	Yma Sumac.       Cap(78)CD-244; (45)CDF-24         Wo WEEKS WITH LOVE (Three Records)
4	4.	resch, Choru Rossini- condu Bach:	Respighi: La Boutique Fantastique, London Symphony Ork, E. Ansermet, actor Restival Vol 5 (Sonata for Cello & Piano No. 3), P. Casals, cello; laumgartner, piano	both Canadian and American disks. ASCAP Behind	• Classical Reviews 40-69 SATISFACTORY 0-39 POOR
J. S. & Copian bra	2. 2. 2. 5. Bach: His Orl Md: Bi tion	Toast of Caruso Strauss R. R. S Rachma Phila Official Sheep (Bach: Ily the Dance	Best Selling 45 R.P.M. (Treasury of Immortal Performances), E. Caruso	• <u>Continued from page 5</u> high and that the organization also discriminated against Southern Ne- vada by charging lower rates in the Reno area. The Nevada Association of Broadcasters was represented by H. G. Wells, Merrill Inch and Ralph Wittenberg, all of Reno. They stated that if ASCAP were to pull out of Nevada they might lose their network connections. They added that they are satisfied with the present 2½ per cent royalties	The maestro brings out all the glowing pageantry of the brilliant Italian tapestry, evoking scenes of ancient, mediaeval and modern Rome. Toscanini had the important hand in introducing this work in the United States as well as the other two in the trilogy, "Pines of Rome" and "Fountains of Rome." He infuses this performance with a thrill- ing vigor and dash. The recording is a splendid one, capturing with fidelity the rich colorings. MOZART: EINE KLEINE NACHTMUSIK "7" MOZART: EINE KLEINE NACHTMUSIK "7"





THE BILLBOARD

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# JAN PEERCE'S NEW RED SEAL-POP SMASH PAIRING G, ENERYONE, SMG and May The Good Lord Bless and Keep You

#### RCA VICTOR 10-3724-(49-3724)



Ships Coast to Coast, Week of March 25

#### POPULAR

TONY MARTIN with Henri Rene's Orchestra and Chorus **Faithfully Yours** No One But You 20-4098-(47-4098) FREDDY MARTIN and his Orchestra Never Been Kissed 20-4099-(47-4099)\* Jo-Ann EDDIE FISHER with HUGO WINTERHALTER'S **Orchestra** and Chorus Good-Bye G.I. Al Get Your Paper (The Newspaper 20-4100-(47-4100)\* Song) **HENRI RENE** and his Orchestra You Are the One My Lost Melody 20-4101-(47-4101)\*

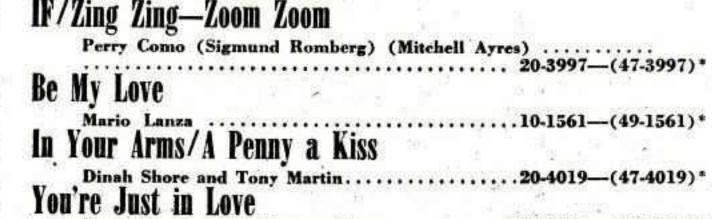


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. . indicates records which, according to actual sales, are recognized hits. The trade is urged to keep ample stock of these records on hand, or to reorder promptly when current stocks begin to approach the "sold out" stage.





Academy Award Nominee: BE MY LOVE — Mario Lanza's tremendous **RCA Victor disc...** This Lanzaslide is nearing the million mark in sales.

The song GOOD BYE, G.I. AL. which Eddie Fisher recorded for RCA Victor, is a musical farewell to the late, great Al Jolson.

When news of Freddy Martin's record of NEVER BEEN KISSED gets around (which should be two minute after the deejays grab it) everybody and his brother will be saying "WHAAAAT!!" (The gal in this song obviously married "The Thing" . . . Whaaatt??)

THE FOUR TUNES The Last Round-Up Wishing You Were Here Tonight 20-4102-(47-4102)\*

#### COUNTRY

JUME CARTER and her Bashful Rascals A Bucket of Love **Mommie's Real Pecooliar** 21-0450-(48-0450)\* PEE WEE KING and his Golden West Cowboys The Strange Little Girl **Chew Tobacco Rag** 21-0451-(48-0451)\*

#### WESTERN

**BRL BOYD and his Cowboy Ramblers Drifting Texas Sand** Stop-Polka 21-0449-(48-0449)\*

#### BLUES

PIANO RED

Jumpin' the Boogie **Just Right Bounce** 22-0118-(50-0118)\*

#### POP-SPECIALTY

BERNIE WYTE and his Polka Band Charlie Is My Darlin' The Candle Chandelier-Waltz 25-1192-(51-1192)\*

NATIONAL SPECIAL

**GLAHE Musette Orchestra** Beer Barrel Polka 25-1009-(51-1009)\* **BERNIE WYTE'S Musette Orchestra Hot Pretzels** 

"45 r.p.m. cat. nos.

The stars who make the hits are on

	Un, What a Face
	Down the Trail of Achin' Hearts
	Hank Snow
	Hank Snow
	Eddie Fisher and Hugo Winterhalter Ork 20-4016-(47-4016)* Would I Love You
	Tony Martin
	The Aba Daba Honeymoon
	St. Patrick's Day Parade
	There's Been a Change in Me
	The Golden Rocket
	Every Time I Fall in Love
	Ralph Flanagan
	have enjoyed better than aver-
1	age initial consumer acceptance



Lonesome Gal Dinah Shore 20-4060-(47-4060)\* Disk Jockeys Pick, Billboard, March 17 issue.

#### Let Me In Fontane Sisters-Texas Jim Robertson 20-4077-(20-4077)\* Disk Jockeys Pick, Billboard, March 17 issue.

GET YOUR PAPER

(THE NEWSPAPER SONG)

TIPS

Keep You Jan Peerce 10-3724-(49-3724)\* Disk Jockeys Pick, Billboard, March 17 issue. **Beautiful Brown Eyes** Lisa Kirk 20-4062-(47-4062)\* Retailers Pick, Billboard, March 17 issue. GOOD-BYE, G.I. AL

Eddie Fisher with Hugo Winterhalter Ork and Chorus 20-1100-(47-4100)\*

and stand an excellent chance of enter-

trade is advised to watch these records

carefully in order to maintain stock

May the Good Lord Bless and

consistent with demand.

ing the top selling hit category. The

LOOK MAGAZINE (this week) says of RCA Victor's Helfetz-Piatigorsky-**Rubenstein album of TRIOS: "Almost** too good to be true."

**RCA Victor's SINGERS' SERIES** (54 tin pan alley faves-nine artists -nine composers) has proven to be a real programming boon to radio stations . . . hundreds of stations programming fifteen minute daily programs featuring three composerartist sides in each quarter-hour seg . . . First day three Perry Como-Billy Rose discs, second day three Dinah Shore-Gus Kahn records, etc., for **EIGHTEEN solid shows!** 

The Southwest is still talking about the colossal party RCA Victor distributor Strauss-Frank threw for Eddy Arnold at the Olmos Club in San Antonio . . . Dealers, disc jockeys. coin ops, radio and newspapermen turned out en masse to honor the artist who popularized country music.

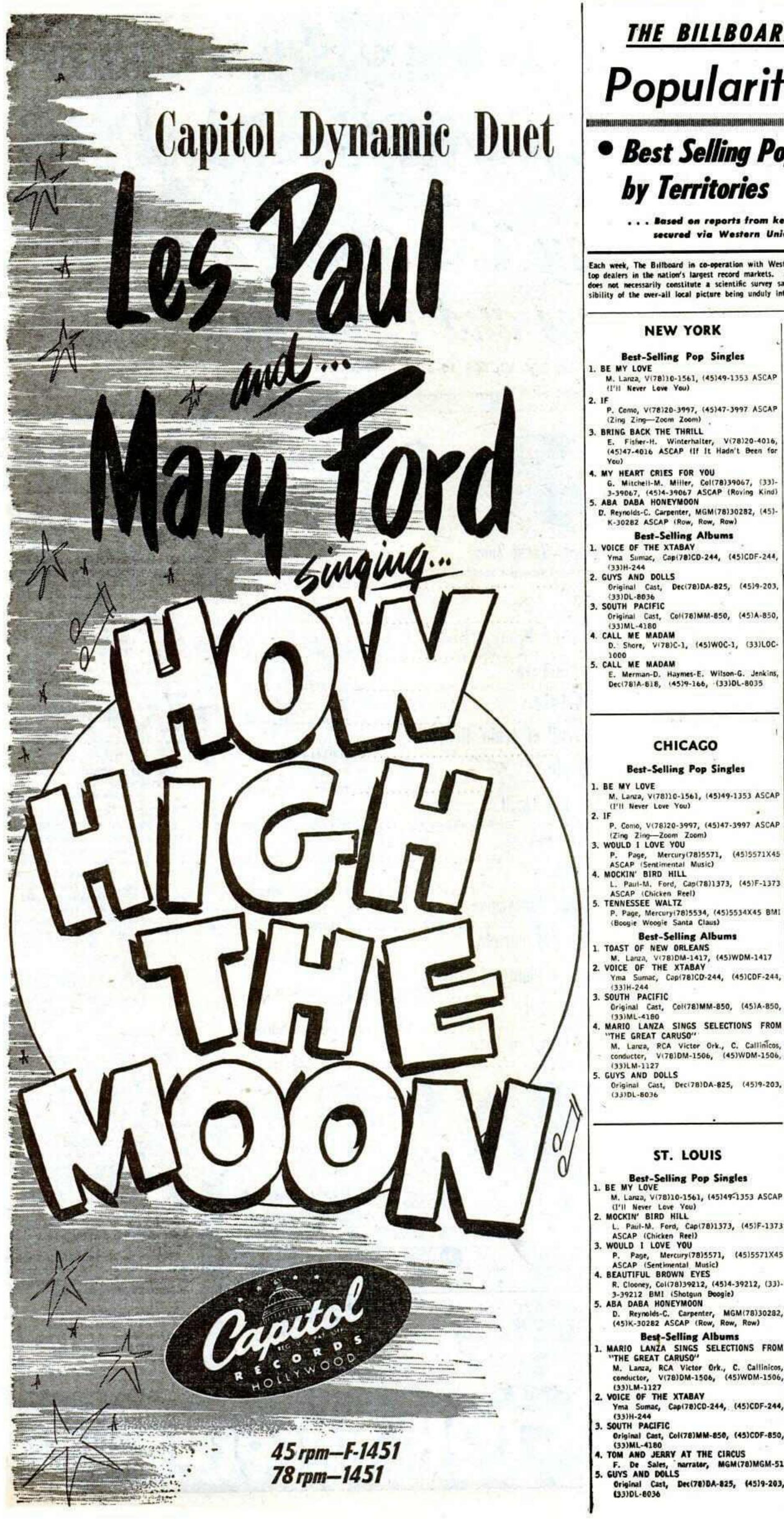
Billy Rose and Perry Como will be guest stars of Wayne Howell's disc jockey show, THE STARS REVIEW THE HITS, aired over 242 stations (wk. of April 2).

Words are flying around about The Four Tunes, a great new quartet now making record-breaking records for RCA Victor . . Their version of COOL WATER is getting as big as the Mississippi . . But give a good listen to their newest disc - THE LAST ROUNDUP, just released . . . Stock up on this one, it's loaded.

Program tip: National Music Week is coming up . . . theme up your programs with Jan Peerce's recording of SING, EVERYONE, SING.

**Requests** for RCA Victor's **RECORDING SESSION** (Fran Warren doing STORMY WEATHER) pouring in at over 1000 a day.





# THE BILLBOARD Music **Popularity Charts**

# Best Selling Pops by Territories

Based on reports from key dealers in each of these cities, ... secured via Western Union messenger service.

Each week, The Billboard in co-operation with Western Union, secures last minute sales reports from top dealers in the nation's largest record markets. Altho the number of stores queried in each market does not necessarily constitute a scientific survey sample, there are enough reports to avoid any possibility of the over-all local picture being unduly influenced by the report of a single store.

#### NEW YORK

#### NEW ORLEANS

#### **Best-Selling Pop Singles**

#### 1. BE MY LOVE M. Lanza, V(78)10-1561, (45)49-1353 ASCAP (I'll Never Love You)

- 2. IF P. Como, V(78)20-3997, (45)47-3997 ASCAP (Zing Zing-Zoom Zoom)
- 3. WOULD I LOVE YOU P. Page, Mercury(78)5571, (45)5571X45
  - ASCAP (Sentimental Music)
- 4. MY HEART CRIES FOR YOU G. Mitchell-M. Miller, Col(78)39067, (33)-3-39067, (45)4-39067 ASCAP (Reving Kind)
- 5 YOU'RE JUST IN LOVE
  - P. Como, V(78)20-3945, (45)47-3945 ASCAP (It's a Lovely Day Today)

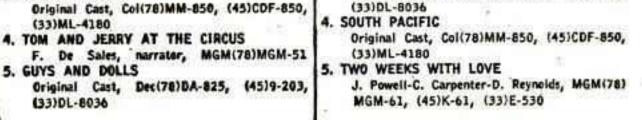
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- 2. TOAST OF NEW ORLEANS
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- Yma Sumac, Cap(78)CD-244, (45)CDF-244, (33)H-244 4. CARUSO
- E. Caruso, V(45)WCT-11, (33)LCT-1007 5. STRAUSS: DIE FLEDERMAUS
  - L. Pons-R. Tucker-L. Welitch-C. Kullman-

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- 2. THREE LITTLE WORDS Original Cast, MGM(78)MGM-53, (45)K-53
  - 3. GUYS AND DOLLS Original Cast, Dec(78)DA-825, (45)9-203,

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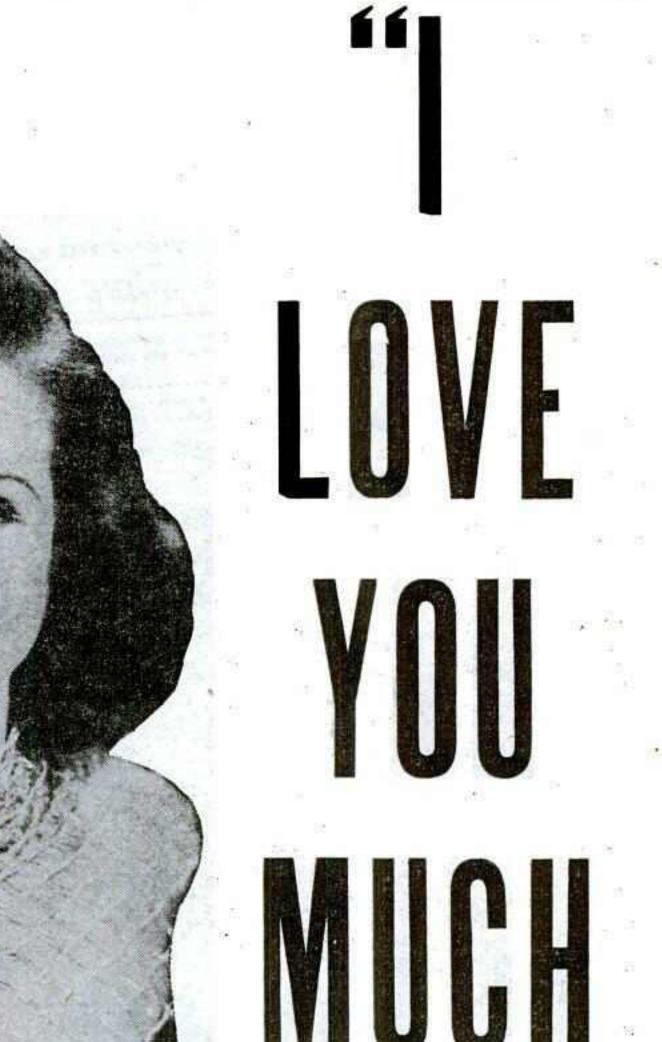
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5. YOU'RE JUST IN LOVE D. Haymes-E. Merman-G. Jenkins, Dec(78)- 27355, (45)9-27355 ASCAP (Something To Dance About)	5. ABA DABA HONEYMOON D. Reynolds-C. Carpenter, MGM(78)30282,	
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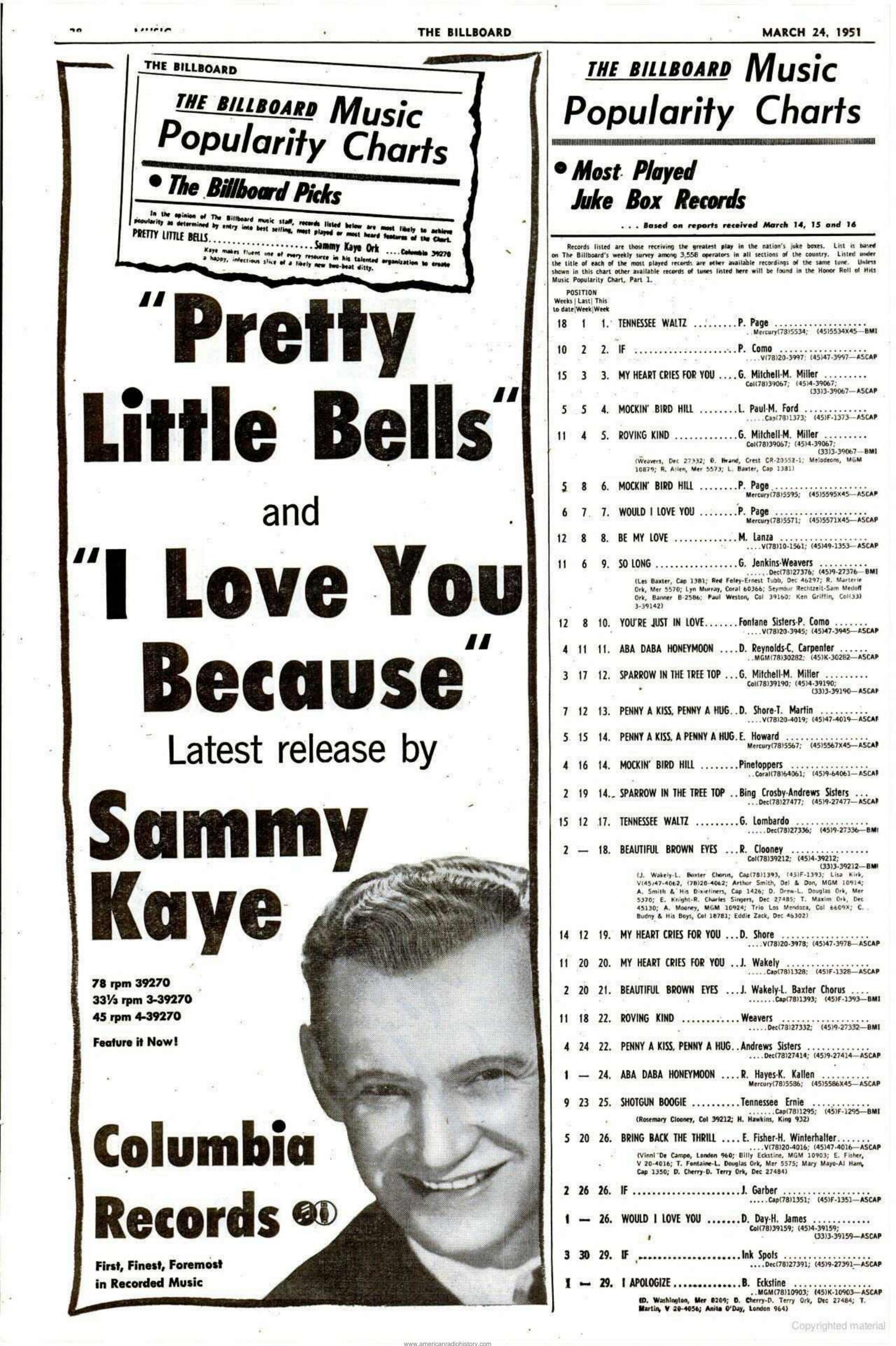


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  - (33)DL-8036 4. TWO WEEKS WITH LOVE J. Powell-C. Carpenter-D. Reynolds, MGM







# HUGO WINTERHALTER

and his Orchestra and Chorus

on RCA VICTOR 20-4087 (78 rpm) 47-4087 (45 rpm)



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# THE BILLBOARD Music Popularity Charts

# Best Selling Retail Folk (Country & Western) Records

Based on reports received March 14, 15 and 16

Records listed as Country and Western records that sold best in stores according to The Billboard's special weekly survey among a selected group of retail stores, the majority of whose customers purchase Country and Western records.

POSITION Weeks | Last | This

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to dat	e Week	Week	
11	2	t.	THERE'S BEEN A CHANGE IN ME. E. Arnold
4	3	2.	RHUMBA BOOGIE
15	1	3.	
17	4	4.	GOLDEN ROCKET
38	6	5.	I'M MOVIN' ON
2	7	5.	With This Ring I Thee Wed
12	8	7.	I LOVE YOU A THOUSAND WAYS
3	10	8.	POISON LOVE
1	-	9.	
4	_	10.	MAY THE GOOD LORD BLESS AND KEEP YOU E. Arnold
			Coming Up
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be	listed in best selling (most played) category.	PARTY STATEMENT AND A DESCRIPTION OF A DATE
1.	BEAUTIFUL BROWN EYES	J. Wakely-L. Baxter
2.	PETER COTTONTAIL	
	I WAS SORTA WONDERIN'	Col(78) 98/50. (33)1-57

# Most Played Juke Box Folk (Country & Western) Records

Based on reports received March 14, 15 and 16

Records listed are Country and Western 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 Country and Western records.

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3	7	3.	RHUMBA BOOGIE	v n
7	3	4.	GOLDEN ROCKET	oti
0	6	5.	IF YOU'VE GOT THE MONEY I'VE GOT THE TIME Lefty Frizzell Cel(78)20739; (33)3-20739; (45)4-20739BMI	v
1	<u>0100</u>	6.	COLD, COLD HEART	r c
6	-	7.	MOCKIN' BIRD HILL Pinetoppers	
2	5	8.	BEAUTIFUL BROWN EYES J. Wakely-L. Baxter Chorus	T T V
4		9.	TENNESSEE WALTZ Pee Wee King	ii
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4	-	10.	DEAR JOHN	p
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1.	TAILOR-MADE	WOMAN	
25.5	211622052255	SECSI L'ADRESSES	Cap(78)1349, (45)F-1349
2.	SHINE, SHAVE	SHOWER	Lefty Frizzell
			Col(78)20772, (45)4-20772,

### FOLK TALENT AND TUNES **By IOHNNY SIPPEL** Artists' Activities

Murray Nash leaves Mercury April 1 as full-time director of the h. b. roster. Nash joins Acuff-Rose, but will continue to handle South and Southwest cutting and promotion of the rustic catalog for Mercury. . . . Jack Stapp, program director at WSM and WSM-TV, lost his father recently. . . Sue Thompson has inked a pact with Mercury. Previously she made Mercury disks as a member of **Dude Martin's** San Francisco troupe. . . . The Jordonaires (Capitol), currently at WSM, Nashville, inked recently with the William Morris office. Boys expect to do some vaude dates.

Jesse Rogers, the Philadelphia radio and TV artist, was in Chicago recently for the canners' convention. Rogers is doing the "Ranger Joe" TV series for a cereal firm .... Al Miller, of Victor, reports that Fiddlin' Red Herron, who did sides for King, is working in a Cleveland gas station. . . . The Wilburn Brothers, for-

merly with 4 Star, cut a session for Nemo Records.

Frank Kelton, the Nashville pubber, reports that Paul Cohan, of Decca, has inked Farris Coursey and his Slew-Foot Five. . . Frankie Moore, formerly of the Log Cabin Boys, WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va., is now associated with J. L. Franks, the Nashville promoter. . . . Cowboy Copas and his teen-age daughter, Kathy, have cut their first duet for King. . . . Ozie Waters (Coral) is cofeatured with Whitey Ford, the Duke of Paducah, on an e. t. series for Jax Beer. . . . Tommy Jackson, the Mercury fiddler, is now working with George Morgan. Morgan set for a series of Midwest store appearances on behalf of his milling concern sponsor, for whom he does an e. t. series. . . . The Jordonaires (Capitol) will cut a session with Tennessee Ernie.

Rec	cords 1	st	try & Western Records Played by Folk Disk Jockeys Based on reports received March 74, 15 and 16 here in numerical order are those played most by the nation's leading Country and List is based on replies from weekly survey among a select list of over 400	1       —       8. IT'S NO SECRET      S. Hamblen
sk joc	Keys s	ecial	zing in Country and Western tunes.	1 - 10. TENNESSEE WALTZ Pee Wee King
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8	4	5.	GOLDEN ROCKET	2. PETER COTTONTAILG. Autry
2	9	6.	COLD, COLD HEART	3. CHEW TOBACCO RAGZ. Turner
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**Disk Jockey Doings** 

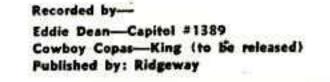
"Western Express," KCNC, Fort Worth, which replaced the Charley St. John d. p. shot on the station. . . . Bob Edwards, WAKE, Greenville, S. C., is working regional dates with traveling names who come into his territory and help promote one-nighters. Red Jones, KVET, Austin, Tex., reports that Floyd Tillman is working temporarily with Hub Setter, of the station and not as a permanent member of the station's cast.

Clyde Chesser, KCLW, Hamilton, Tex., worked a week with the Hank Snow troupe thru his part of Texas. . . . Slim the Puncher has taken over a h. b. and Western disk show at KSEL, Lubbock, Tex. . . . Cecil Bowers has replaced Frank Richards at WACA, Camden, S. C. Bowers also works with his own band. . . Frank Lokey, WBIG, Greensboro, N. C., has added a seg for a local nitery, plugging rustic disks.

Smiley Clain has joined WDOK, Cleveland, working a three-hour sked daily, in addition on a Saturday morning kidisk show. Station has its own Saturday night jamboree from the local Circle Theater, featuring Arkie Farrar, the Kendall Sisters, the Valley Boys, Jean and Jenny Locuss, the **Rodeo Ramblers, Shorty Barnes** and others. . . Larry Keith, WKAB, Mobile, Ala., became the father of a daughter, Charlotte Elizabeth, born recently.

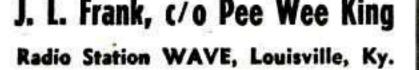
Don Davis, WCKY, Cincinnati, has cut two new sides for Tennessee diskery, with vocals shared by Helen Carter of the Carter Sisters. His sidekick, Nelson King, is taking over a larger part of the h. b. and Western cutting for King Records, according to prexy Sid Nathan. . . . Ed Keim has replaced Charley Stokely at

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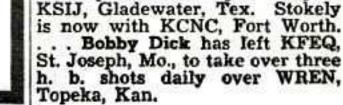


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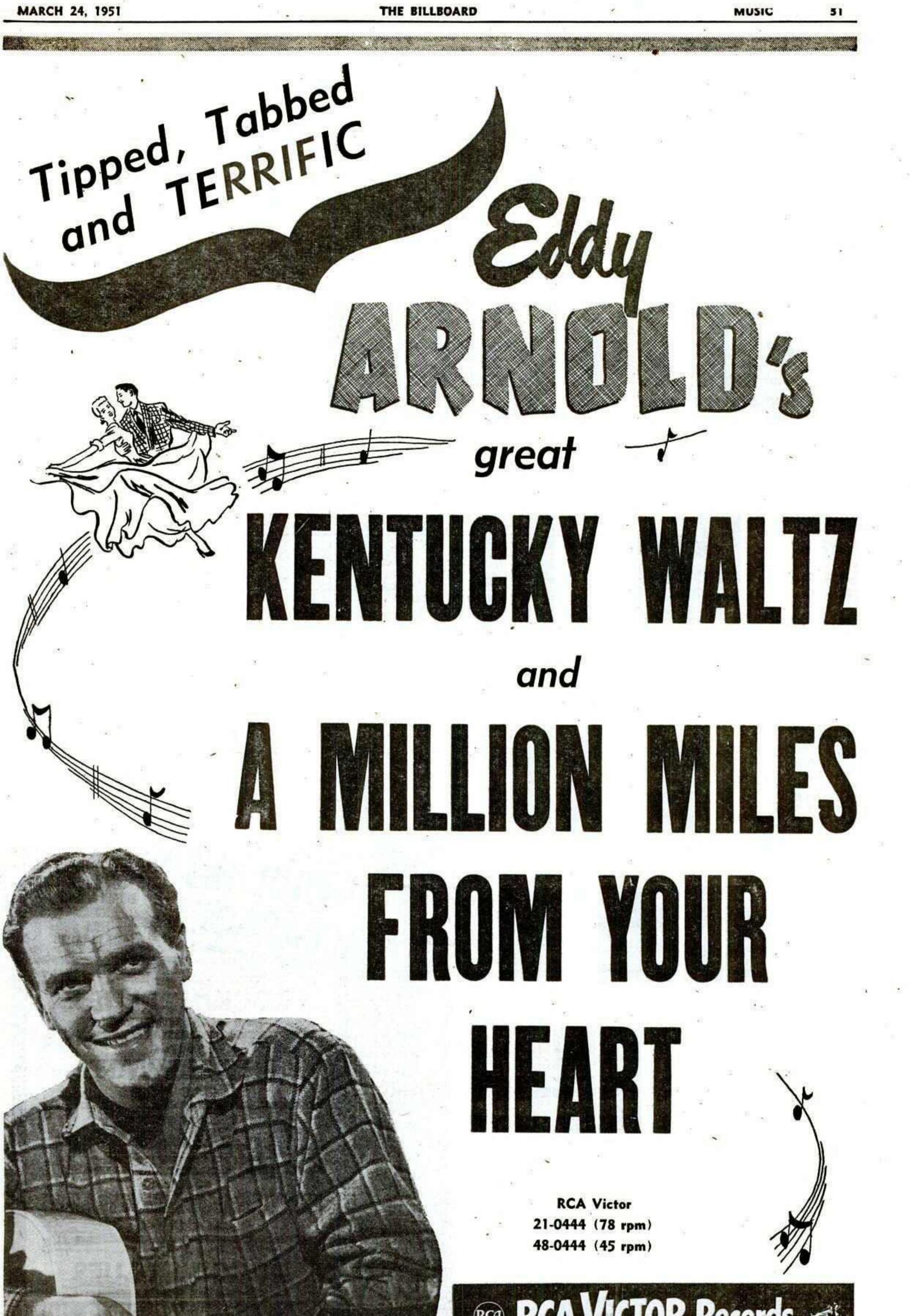




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<u>THE BILLBOÀRD</u>	Music Popularity	Charts
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Records listed are rhythm and blues records most played in juke boxes accords special weekly survey among a selected group of juke box operators whose is and blues records.	the member of The Billboard music staff who r the record.	eviewed band's Latin band. Billy MacDonald, another ex- orkster is the band's nm Rumba
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13       4       2. ROCKIN' BLUES       J. Otis-M. Walke         6       3       3. LOST LOVE       P. Mayfield         2       7       4. MAMBO BOOGIE       J. Otis	Aladdin 376—BMI Until Forever 70- DECCA 48201—Displaying a voice with some of the Eckstine timbre, Kersey chants an okay ballad with nice orchestral backing, Guy hands the tune a heartfelt, victuosic reading.	-716871 BACK IN TOWN" backed by "Good By, Good Luck, Good Riddance"
21       6       5. PLEASE SEND ME SOMEONE TO LOVE         17       2       6. BAD, BAD WHISKEY         18       5       6. TEARDROPS FROM MY EYES	375; (45)375-45—BMI       ROY BROWN (Mighty, Mighty Men)       86-         Blues       DELUXE 3312—The mighty Brown outdoes himself in a terrific swinging blues. Material is excellent, band swings to a sock climax. Should be a big item.       86-	-8686 -848484
2       8. RED'S BOOGIE       Piano Red         2       8       9. I'LL WAIT FOR YOU       V(78)22-004         1       9. TEARDROPS FROM MY EYES       L. Jordan	Atlantic 930—BMI Why Did You Say Goodbye? Up-tempo riff ditty gets a lively and okay swing orking. Atlantic 930—BMI	-838284 -737175 Swings all time Greats
Best Selling Retail	REGAL 3313—Thrush and male vocal group do a rather arty slow torch ballad. The blend and the feel are good, but there's no real sock. Wedding Bells Are Breaking Up That Old Gang of Mine 78- Miss Churchill and the vocal group do a punchy, rhythm treatment of the oldie with plenty of beat and bottom.	-707070 ★ EARL (Fatha) HINES piano ★ COZY COLE drums ★ ARVEL SHAW bass
Rhythm & Blues Record	JOE THOMAS Sittin' Around KING 4434—Routine up blues instrumental featuring the leader's tenor sax. Dog Food 61-	-676767 LIST PRICE 85c usual discount to dealers
Records listed are rhythm and blues records that sold best in stores acco special weekly survey among a selected group of retail stores, the majority of w rhythm and blues records. POSITION Weeks   Last   This to date   Week   Week	hose customer's purchase HOLLYWOOD 141—An insinuating slow boogie spots a catchy riff and a gutty tenor solo; should catch the dancers' coin.	

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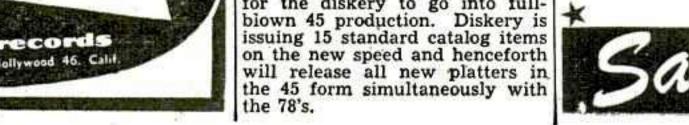
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to da 6	ks   Last ite  Week 1		BLACK NIGHT	a gutty tenor solo; should catch the dancers' coin. Poinciana The same gutty tenor micks the oldie against a fetching L-A beat set up by Callender's bass; the L-A trend in the market could earn plays for this one, a fine performance. Box 2979, Los Angeles 54, Calif.
12		3.	ROCKIN' BLUES       J. Otis-M. Walker         My Heart Tells Me       Savoy 766—BMI         PLEASE SEND ME SOMEONE       P. Mayfield         TO LOVE       P. Mayfield         Strange Things Happening       Specialty(78)375; (45)375-45—BMI	JULIA LEE & BOY FRIENDS Ugly Papa CAPITOL 1432—Julia states her preference for an ugly papa so she can have him to herself. There are at least a few Kansas City blues fanciers who would pay to find out why.
2		4.	DON'T TAKE YOUR LOVE FROM ME	I Know It's Wrong Subtitled "The Diet Song," Julia breaks the double entendre spell by telling it's wrong to have chocolate cake. The whole thing is on the unprovocative side.
5	5	5.	LOST LOVEP. MayfieldSpecialty(78)390; (45)390-45-BMI	JOE LIGGINS (Honeydrippers)
22	2	*6.	TEARDROPS FROM MY EYESRuth Brown	I Just Can't Help Myself SPECIALTY SP 392-Liggins turns his hand to warbling a ballad; band lays down a neat dance setting but song and warble are not: MARGIE DAY with
6	9	7.	RED'S BOOGIE	Frankie Lee 828282 GRIFFIN BROTHERS' ORCHESTRA
10	(02 <u></u> 2	8.	EVERY NIGHT ABOUT THIS TIME. Fats Domino	More typical of Liggins is this honeydrippin' dance novelty; should pick up plenty of action on the r & b circuit.
4		9.	DO SOMETHING FOR ME Dominoes	DUNTUNA AND
1	-	9.	BABY LET ME HOLD YOUR	RHYTHM AND
			HAND	
3				Howard Lewis of Dallas is OUK RHYTHM & BLUES
	A	du	ance Dhuthm & Dluce	emerging as one of the foremost
13. (BR			ance Rhythm & Blues	r. and b. attraction one-night buy- ers in the country. Lewis has built a string of 22 play dates
	R	er	ord Releases	built a string of 22 play dates A ANA COAST TO COAST TO COAST
1.2			na noisasta	attractions in each spot on a once-
Beer	Drinki	n' Blue		r. and b. talent on this route has encouraged Lewis to expand even $\star$ SAVOY #766 #1
Don'		Ae, Bab	tail) Dec 48202 y-Lloyd Thompson (Some Day) Run for the Hills-Arnett Cobb (Willow Weep) Col 39247	further and he currently is re-
Don'		'ou're S	Sorry Again-Dinah Washington Some Day You'll Want Me-Lloyd Thompson (Don't	Louisiana and other near-by
1'm	Through	Cryin	" Over You-Mississippi Slim Unlucky Girl-Johnny Moore (Four Years) Aladdin Drinkin') Tennessee 745 3082	
It's		Jut Ton	ight-Butterball Brown (T'aint Walkin' and Talkin' Blues-Floyd Dixon (Girl	berg, who for years has held sway thru the South in the r. and $\star$ SAVOY #769 #2
One		I-Billy	Valentine Trio (The Room) Willow Weep for Me-Arnett Cobb (Run for) Col 39247	b. promotion field. Canadian pianist Oscar Peter-
	577. V 549.894			working visa in the United States
				and his agency Shaw Artists
				some three months of bookings SAVOY #777
1				son will continue to work in Can-
			Thank You-Billboard!	for Don Carlo's Casino in Winni-
K		AT NO.	mank roo-binboara:	Savoy Records has inked a
	all		for nominating ROY MILTON'S	
			"THAT'S THE ONE FOR ME"	via. a 13-year-old blues thrush, and warbler Elmer Warner.
		-		The Dave Brubeck Trio will * BILLY WRIGHT
	1	0.0	No. 386	Hickory House April 15.
	E		as a PICK OF THE WEEK, March 10 Issue.	the 45 r.n.m. field with Ruth
-		N.WY	Also available on 45 R.P.M.	Brown's "Teardrops From My Eyes" proved successful enough for the diskery to go into full- blown 45 production. Diskery is issuing 15 standard catalog items
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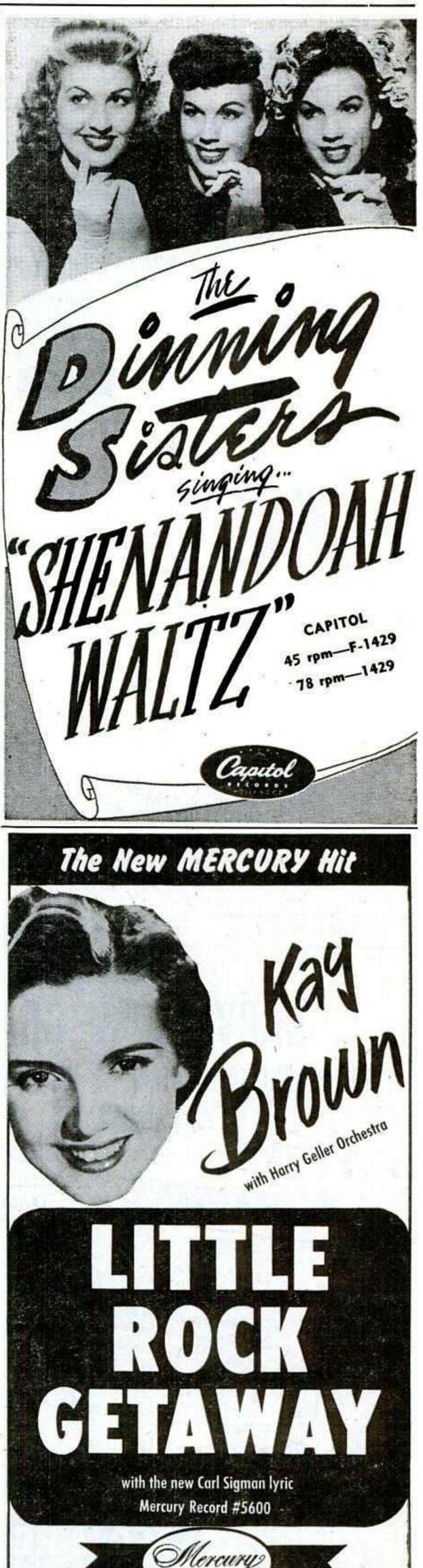


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### Advance Record Releases

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#### POPULAR

4025

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Col 39249

- Apple Blossom Time Along the Opecquon—J. Giles- | I Won't Cry Anymore—Dick Brown (I Owe) Jubilee V. Wald (Rain Gets) Movieland MOV 61 Bells of St. Patrick's Cathedral, The-Charles Ken-
- nedy (My Twilight) London 933 Chapel of the Roses-J. Desmond-Patsy Lee (Forever and) MGM 10930
- Choir Boy-Lee Lawrence (So Deep) London 932 Don't Leave Me Now-Fran Warren (I Love)
- V 20-4082 ERAL Dream Away-Snooky Lanson (F'r Instance) London
  - 984 F'r Instance-Snooky Lanson (Dream Away) London
  - 984 Forever and Always-J. Desmond-Patsy Lee (Chapel of) MGM 10930
  - Honeysuckle Rose-Erroll Garner (My Heart) Col 39249
  - Apologize-Champ Butler (There'll Be) Col 39189 Lowe Yow Much Too Much-Fran Warren (Don't Leave) V 20-4082
  - Owe It All To You-Dick Brown (1 Won't) Jubilee 4025

RELIGIOUS

I Was There When the Spirit Came-Pilgrim Travelers (What a) Specialty SP 382

I'll Be Going To Heaven Somewhere-Masters

I'll Fly Away-J. & M. Carson (We Will) Cap 1415

I'll Meet You in the Morning-Chapel Quartet

I'm Satisfied With Jesus-Chapel Quartet (I'll

It Is No Secret-Campus Christian Hour Tele-

Let the Spirit Descend-Masters Family (I'll Be)

Si Ya Fuera ney-Johnny Lopez (Ven Mi) Dec

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I Our Father-Brother Joe May (There Mu

vision Ork & Male Quartet (Old Rugged) Inter-

(I'm Satisfied) International CS 2043

Family (Let the) Col 20785

Meet) International CS 2043

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1407

- My Twilight Prayer-Charles Kennedy (The Bell) London 933 One, Two, Drink Up-Stargazers (Red Apple) London 949
  - Rain Gets Me Dreamin'-Johnny Giles-Virginia Walk (Apple) Movieland MOV 61

My Heart Stood Still-Erroll Garner (Honeysuckle)

My Inspiration-Don Cornell (You Can't) V 20-

- Red Apple Cheeks and Blueberry Eyes-Stargazers (One, Two) London 949 Silver Moon-Buddy Morrow Ork (Solo) V 20-4084
- So Deep in Love-Lee Lawrence (Choir Boy) London 932
- Solo-Buddy Morrow Ork (Silver) V 20-4084 There'll Be Mournin' in the Mornin'-Champ Butler
- (1 Apologize) Col 39189 Tumbling Tumbleweeds-P. Como (You Don't) V 20-4081
- You Can't Tell a Lie to Your Heart-D. Cornell (My Inspiration) V 20-4083
- You Don't Know What Lonesome Is-P. Como (Tumbling) V 20-4081

#### CHILDREN

- Adventures of Peter Cottontail (Parts 1 & 2)-William Keene Col MJV 99
- Bouncy, Bouncy, Bally-Helen Kane-Jimmy Carroll (I Taut) Col MJV 102
- Bring a Song Johnny-Oscar Brand (Parts 1 & 2) Children's Record Guild CRG 5010
- Children's Favorite Hynns (Parts 1 & 2)-Floyd Sherman Col MJV 97
- Daniel in the Lion's Den-Glenn Rowell (David and) Col MJV 100
- David and Goliath-Glenn Rowell (Daniel in) Col Old Rugged Cross, The-Campus Christian Hour MJV 100
- Television Ork & Male Quartet (It Is) Interna-I Taut I Taw a Puddy Tat-Helen Kane-Jimmy Carroll (Bouncy, Bouncy) Col MJV 102 One Day-Jordanaires (Something Within) Cap
  - I'm Glad I'm Not a Rubber Ball-A. Bryan-Billy

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ANYTIME IS SWEETHEART

YOU, LOVE YOU) FAITHFUL 15102

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- THE STRANGE LITTLE GIRL YOU'LL NEVER EVER SEE ME CRY (with KATHY COPAS) 951 and 45-951\*
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* HAWKSHAW	Our Father-Brother Joe May (There Must) Specialty SP 388
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SHOTGUN BOOGIE	national HR 153 Something Within—Jordanaires (One Day) Cap 1407
- 932	Step by Step-Starlight Spiritual Singers (This
I LOVE YOU A THOUSAND	World) V 22-0111
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CLYDE MOODY	There Must Be a Heaven Somewhere-Brother Joe
BEAUTIFUL BROWN EYES	May (Gur Father) Specialty SP 388 Throne Eternal-Brown's Ferry Four (When He)
WHAT CAN I DO? 952	King 933
	We Will Rise and Shine—J. & M. Carson (I'll Fly) Cap 1415
SEPIA-BLUES	What a Blessing in Jesus I've Found-Pilgrim Travelers (I Was) Specialty SP 382
* WYNONIE HARRIS	When He Calls His Reapers-Brown's Ferry Four
UST LIKE TWO DROPS OF	
WATER TREMBLIN'	Genna) Cap 1416
4448	You're Gonna Reap What You Sow-Statesmen Quartet (When I) Cap 1416
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GEORGIA ROSE 4449	Amemonos-Ulga Chorens (Estos Es) V 23-5372
* TINY BRADSHAW	Arrabalera-Fernando Fernandez (Romance Bajo) V 23-5362
WALK THAT MESS	Baiao-Luis Gonzaga (Mangaratiba) V 23-5363
ONE, TWO, THREE KICK BLUES	Barbara Batibiri-Machito Ork (Hall of) Mer 5588 Be Careful-Chucho Martinez (Bendita Seas) V
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· · ·	Denoita Seas-Chucho Martinez (Be Caretul) V
Federal	Burujon Punao, A-Tito Puente (Cuban Cutie) Tico 10-020
~ ×	Catarina—Trio San Antonio (Monterrey) V 23-5366 Cuban Cutie—Tito Puente (A Burujon) Tico 10-020
* LITTLE ESTHER	Donde Estabas Tu-Machito Ork (Holiday Mambo)
OTHER LIPS, OTHER ARMS	Col 39246 Domingo PantojaTito Puente Ork (Ya No) V 23-
THE DEACON MOVES IN	5346
12016	V 21.5364
* THE DOMINOES	Estos Es Felicidad—Tony Alvarez-Olga Chorens (Amemonos) V 23-5372
DO SOMETHING FOR ME	Falso Desprecio-Arsenio Rodriguez (Me Dijo Que)
HARBOR LICHTS	Batibiri) Mer 5588
"NO!" SAYS MY HEART	Holiday Mambo-Machito Ork (Donde Estabas) Col 39246
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DELUXE	La Nina Popol-Perez Prado (Jing-a-Ling) V
ROY BROWN	23-5355 La Policia-Noro Morales (Me Pica) Col 39220
and the second se	Mambo Kaen-Chamaco Dominquez (FL Castinador)
GOOD MAN BLUES	V 23-5364 MangaratibaLuis Gonzaga (Baiao) V 23-5363
3312	Me Dija Que Si y Le Dije Que No-Arsenio
ANOTHER KING BRANCH NOW OPEN	Rodriguez (Falso) V 23-5365 Me Pica la Lengua—Nora Morales (La Policia)
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Little Puppet, The-Roger Coleman (Parts 1 & 2) Children's Record Guild CRG 1016 Noah's Ark-Glenn Rowell (Jonah and) Col MJV

101 Peter Cottontail-Derry Falligant (Sonny the) MGM

S 16 Sing a Song of Heroes Album-Happy Students

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#### INTERNATIONAL

Chiny Town-M. Katz (Gehakte Mambo) Cap 1419 Dobre Czasy-Frank Wojnarowski (I Love) Dana 3052 Dotty Dot Polka-Eight Dutchboys (The Dude)

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Dziewczyna Z-Frank Wojnarowski (Syn General) Dana 725

First-Love Waltz-Whoopee John Willahrt (Metro Polka) Dec 45131

Gehakte Mambo-M. Katz (Chiny Town) Cap 1419 Hu-La-La-V. Zembruski Ork (W. Zielonej) Continental C-811

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I Love To Dance-Frank Wojnarowski (Dobre) Dana 3052

Let's Hold Hands While We're Dancing-Ernie Benedict (Theresa) V(45)51-1189

Little Red Sweater Girl-V. Zembruski Ork (Mr. and Mrs.) Continental C-1305

Metro Polka-Whoopee John Wilfahrt (First Love) - Dec 45131 Minnesota Polka, The-Harmony Boys (Picnic in)

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Dana 726 Picnic in the Woods-Harmony Boys (The Min-

nesota) Fortune 481 Poyka and Flicka-Eight Dutchboys (World of) Dutchboys R-726

Syn Generala-Frank Wojnarowski (Dziewczyna Z) Dana 725

Theresa Polka-Ernie Benedict (Let's Hold) V(45)51-1189

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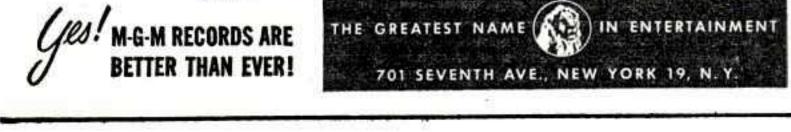
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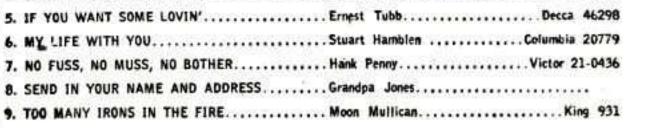
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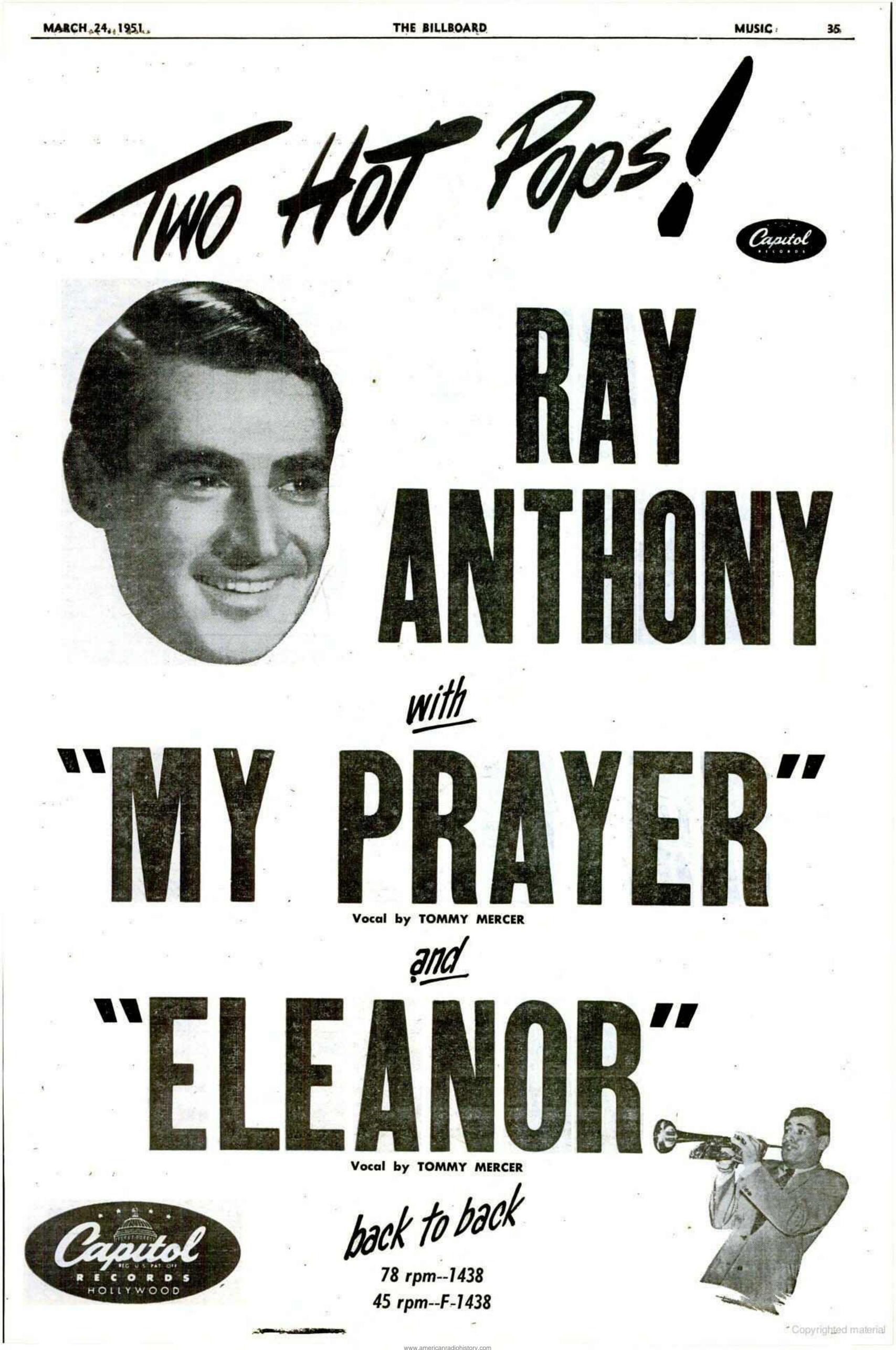




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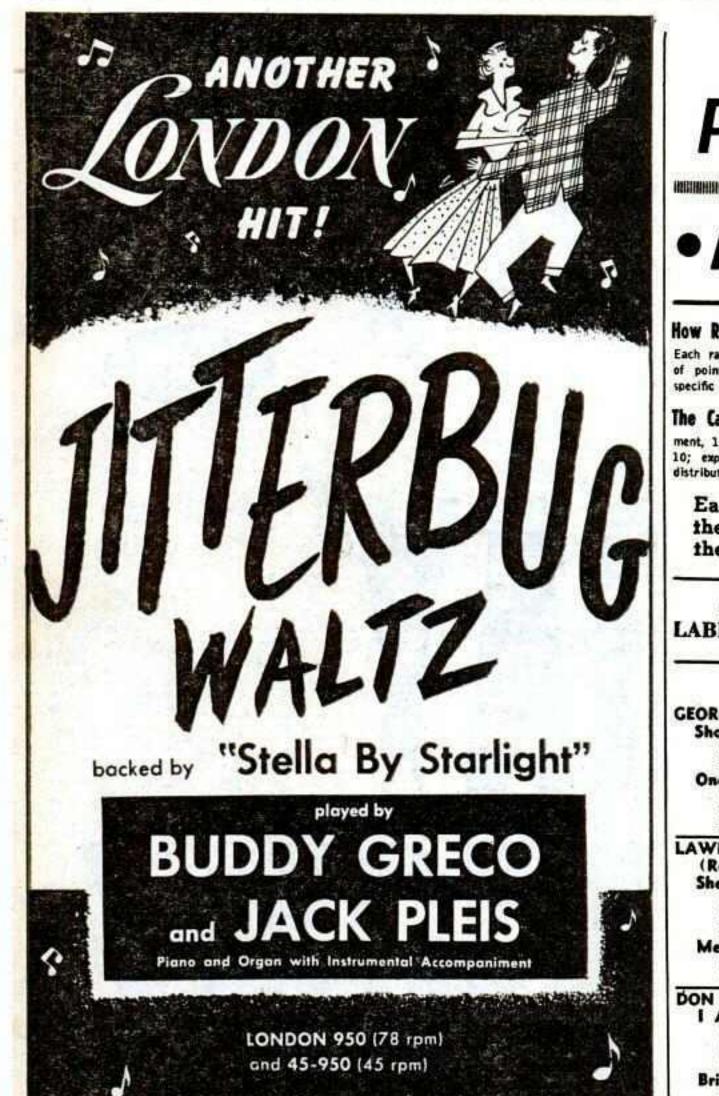
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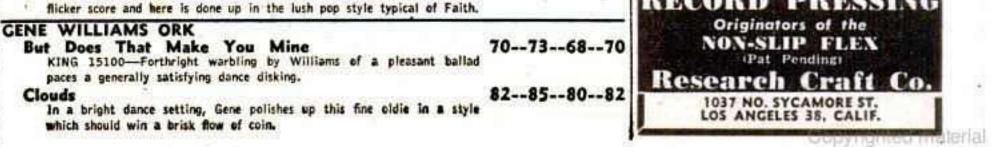


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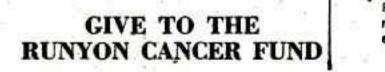
#### THE BILLBOARD Music **Reprinted** from April TV-SCREEN **Popularity Charts** MAGAZINE ... Record Review 90-100 TOPS The Best of The 80-89 EXCELLENT 70-79 GOOD 40-69 SATISFACTORY **Record Reviews** Red Hot Mamas! 0-39 POOR Records are rated four ways: (1) over-all; (2) as to their How Ratings Are Determined value for disk jockeys; (3) for retailers, and (4) for operators. Each rating is on the basis of nine key categories. Each category is assigned a maximum number of points within which new releases are rated. N. S. Indicates record is not suitable for a specific usage. Following are the maximum points that may be earned by a record in each The Categories of the nine categories considered: Song callber, 15; Interpretations, 15; arrangement, 15; name value, 15; record quality (surface, etc.) 5; music publisher's air performance potential, 10; exploitation (record adv't's-promotion film, legit and, other "plug" aids), 10; manufacturer's distribution power, 10; manufacturer's production efficiency, 5. Each of the records reviewed here expresses the opinion of the member of The Billboard music staff who reviewed the record. CITATION OF DIST JOCKED PILLATOR VIII-ALS TUNES ARTIST LABEL AND NO. COMMENT POPULAR GEORGIA GIBBS (Glenn Osser Ork) Shoo Shoo Baby 75--77--74--74 Sophie Tucker the incompar-CORAL 60406-Her Nibs, who introduced this hythm item some year ago, finally gets it down in the groove. able, the magnetic, the dynamic, **Once Upon a Nickel** 86--87--85--87 Vaude-type soft show paean to the nickel is done neatly by Georgia. the spicy, the saucy, the grand old There are probably lots of folks who'll sympathize with this testimonial. gal of show business and the very Should score profitable volume. last of the red hot mamas, has re-LAWRENCE WELK corded the latest and perhaps the (Roberta Linn-Garth Andrews) best seasoned of her songs on a Shenandoah Waltz 79--79--78--79 long-playing disc for Mercury Rec-CORAL 60405-Roberta Linn and Gath Andrews chant the duet vocal ably on the likely new waitz ditty. Should grab a fair share of the ords (MG 20035). Sophie gives out with five brand action. new songs, from the Rabelaisian Metro Polka 79--78---80 Novelty polka is handed a bright, in-tempo reading by the Welk ork and pen of Jack Yellen, that offer five Roberta Linn. First rate juke disk. brand new reasons why Sophie Tucker is still the greatest supper DON CHERRY (Dave Terry Ork) club attraction of our times. 81--80--81--81 I Apologize DECCA 27484-Another good version of the standard to add to The songs, Mr. Siegel, I'm Living previously released waxings. Cherry, ork and chorus set a reat romantic Alone and I Like It, Make 'Em Say mood. Please, Never Let the Same Dog Bring Back the Thrill 87--88--86--88 Bite You Twice and Horse Playing The young singer belts the likely ballad in his best fashion. Big-voiced Papa, are not available on

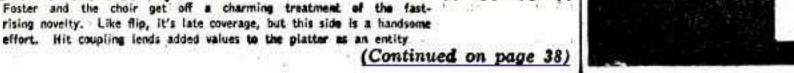
	chant should cop joint honors with the hit Fisher disk.		rupa, are not available on the
S LONDON S'	ART WANER ORK (The Song Spinners) Be Good to Your Father and Mother. BEACON 9131—Sentimental waitz opus bids fair to draw some coin via this "tug-at-the-heartstrings" reading from Andy Pierce and chorus. My Day Dream Bari-tenor Pierce and the vocal group give a prosaic ballad an effective go with a big assist from the hush Waner ork.	73737077 69696969	ated for the tender ears of sister
	KEN GRIFFIN Put Your Arms Around Me Honey RONDO 223—Organist Griffin takes the oldie at a bouncy tempo well suited to rinks and jukes. Margie More of the same on another w. k. standard.	72696977 74717179	album to be played time and again for picked company and private parties. Those who are devoid of formalistic tendencies and enjoy a spicy joke will find Sophie mar-
A LAWDENCE	THE EWING SISTERS (Van Alexander Ork) You've Been So Good to Me, Daddy CAPITOL 1421—Gal trig with an exuberant sound slightly reminiscent of early Andrews Sisters waxings chant a few fast choruses on a near- forgotten oldie with the Alexander ork. Fiddle Faddle Gals try valiantly, but there are just too many lyrics to handle set to the clever melody.	63626464	"make it legal." The other songs will evoke howls that will be heard
ANNE NO	THE LONESOME GAL-PAUL WESTON ORK (Norman Luboff Choir) Never Let the Sun Set on a Quarrel COLUMBIA 39210—The wispy-voiced femme deejay gets a hefty assist from Weston and the choir on a slow ballad of typical Tin Pan Alley genre. Lonesome Gal The platter spinner gives her much-recorded theme a reading figured		great hits which the Last of the Red Hot Mamas has made uni- versally famous during her fifty years in Show Business.
	to attract her steady listeners. HELEN KANE (George Siravo Ork) Hug Me! Kiss Me! Love Me! COLUMBIA 39205—Despite a bright George Siravo orking, Miss Kane's unusual chirping puts this disking into the novelty class. Okay novelty stuff. The Aba Daba Honeymoon Again it's the ork that takes top honors. Miss Kane's strident chant could intrigue the moppets, but the disk won't offer too much pop competition for earlier and stronger waxings.	70736969	
playing	THE MARINERS (Archie Bleyer Ork) With These Hands COLUMBIA 39193—The Godfrey quartet displays a neat blend on the class ballad. Castles in the Sand Group does equally well with the oldie.	73737670 73737670	A Sure-Fire Hit!
	DORIS DAY (Frank Comstock Ork) Please Don't Talk About Me When I'm Gone COLUMBIA 39197-Doris fashions a warm account of the oldie, which is being revived via the "Lullaby of Broadway" flicker; disking is from the album of tunes from the film. With T Dorsey-Mills Bros. disking doing fine, this one could score profits as well. Lullaby of Broadway (Norman Luboff Choir-Buddy Cole Quartet) Thrush's second slicing of the oldie, which serves as title piece for her flicker; first was done with Harry James and had more bite and	77787578	Hey! It's Chuck's Boogie' Chuck Oakes & His Chuck Wagon Boys Still Going Strong!
"HENANUHI CORAL	beat than the one at hand, which is part of the movie album. VIC DAMONE (George Siravo Ork) Mama MERCURY 5444—Vic should have a big winner in this forceful warble of the big Italian favorite set with new English lyrics. Operetta Lovely new story ballad is sung with warmth by Damone. Song will require heavy exploitation and performance to mean anything; if it catches, this disking's bound to score with it.	88898888 80818079	& That House Rocker!
1111 T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T	PERCY FAITH ORK You Are the One COLUMBIA (33)3-3992—Faith tries for the sequel to "All My Love" with this rich choral-ork etching of the new and appealing beguine. If tune scores, should catch a meaty share The Loveliest Night of the Year Latest transcript of "Over the Waves" is being used in the "Caruso"	76787575	FORTUNE RECORDS 11629 Linwood Detroit 6, Mich.















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RITAILE . VII - 411 DISK JOCKET TÚNES 90-100 TOPS ARTIST Record Reviews 80-89 EXCELLENT LABEL AND NO. COMMENT 70-79 GOOD 40-69 SATISFACTORY 0-39 POOR CHILDREN Each of the records reviewed here expresses the opinion of TOMMY TUCKER ORK the member of The Billboard music staff who reviewed 73--73--72 sideration. Sonny the Bunny the record. MGM S 16-The click kiditty gets a relaxed, suitable, treatment from the Tucker ork with lyrics chanted by Don Brown and Sally Sweetland. DISE-JOCKET BUTATURE PILATOR. Should get some of the action. OVER-ALS ARTIST TUNES Peter Cottontail (Derry Falligant) COMMENT LABEL AND NO. Falligant hands the seasonal ditty a clear reading. Orking and vocal trio add to the general effectiveness. HELEN KANE Continued from page 37 (Jimmy Carroll-Donald Bain) 75--77--75--73 Bouncy, Bouncy Bally POPULAR COLUMBIA MJV 102-Neat packaging makes this disk good BING CROSBY material. Tune's been tried as a pop. (The Mellomen-Matty Matlock Ork) I Taut I Taw a Puddy Tat 77--79--77--75 Same comment on this re-release as a kidisk. St. Patrick's Day Parade 85--85--85--85 DECCA 27478-Bing, in high spirits, turns on his winning Irish broque OSCAR BRAND for a sparkling etching of a new St Patty's ditty of superior quality. Bring a Song, Johnny (Parts | & II) 79--79--79--NS Add another solid standard item to the lengthy Crosby list. CHILDREN'S RECORD GUILD CRG 5010-Basic purpose of this disking is to teach the school-agers that songs can be found anywhere. Folk-With My Shillelagh Under My Arm 79--80--78--80 Performance-wise, the same level of spirit and vigor is accomplished singer Brand interprets a ground of w.k. folk tunes with fine production here but the song isn't quite as strong as the topside's. and sound effects assisting. **PAUL WESTON ORK-CHAMP BUTLER** ROGER COLEMAN 81--81--81--NS (Norman Luboff Choir) The Little Puppet (Parts I & II) CHILDREN'S RECORD GUILD CRG 1016-For the pre-school moppets this Let Me In 77--77--77--77 COLUMBIA 39250-Butler continues to impress as he gets off is a good activity disking with opportunities to participate in the puppet's walk and motions. Well sung by Coleman and well played by vibrant vocal on the gang waltz, with spanking aid from chorus and ork. a large ork, this disk is also attractively packaged. How Thoughtful of You 75--75--75--75 ARTHUR Q. BRYAN (Billy May Ork) Ork and chorus do a slow, sweet rendition of a melodic new ballad. For 80--80--80--NS dancing and listening. I'm Glad I'm Not a Rubber Ball CAPITOL Cas 3088-The w.k. radio actor Bryan sings the tune effectively HERB LANCE (Dick Vance Ork) in the character of "Elmer the Hunter" of Bugs Bunny fame. Billy May 75--75--75--75 With Love in My Heart orking is first-rate. For the 2-5 group this should be intriguing. COLUMBIA 39218-Lance, a Billy Eckstine type, registers with a 81--81--81--NS Little Dead-Eve Dick slow, romantic ballad for pop and r & b appeal. Same character, same general effect with another cute hunk of material 80--80--80--80 Jet for the youngsters. instead of the brisk beguine of the Nat Cole disk, Lance wisely takes a different tack-a slow fox trot, sinuous and compelling. Especially SACRED likely for r & b sales. **GUY LOMBARDO** CAPENTER TRIO (Kenny Gardner-The Lombardo Trio) What Could | Do? 60--60--60--NS A Nickel Ain't Worth a Cent Today 74--74--74--74 VICTOR 21-0435-Trio handles an up-tempo sacred opus in a DECCA 27487-One of two currently competing tunes about our shrinktime chant. Poor balance and diction detract. ing currency. This one has an innocuous little romantic twist. Reading 62--62--62--N In the Shadow of Thy Wings is pleasant, bouncy Lombardo. Religious waltz ballad for the home market is capably chanted by the Oh, What a Face 75--78--72--75 fem trio. Gardner and the ork do a buoyant, swingy job with this curious tune about an ugly sweetheart. THE KING'S MEN 71--71--71--NS The King of All Kings LES BAXTER ORK-LINDY DOHERTY

### P.D. Tune

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Brown Eyes is one of the few recent instances. Last time the question came up was with Whispering Hope, versions of which were pubbed by both Lou Levy and Micky Goldsen-Levy's being the Andrews Sisters' Decca Records version and Goldsen's the Stafford-MacRae Capitol version. MDS gave Levy the rack because of a price consideration, plus the fact that it regarded each of the versions as equally entitled to con-

The moral for publishers, it was pointed out, is this: If you bring 70--70--70 out a p. d. for records and plugging, make sure it's sufficiently altered in either title, lyrics or music to create real protection and identity. Tzena didn't make the rack, it was said, because it was a p. d. (Altho the threat of litigation may have also been a factor). Goodnight, Irene was taken for the rack because it was sufficiently new a work so that no cut-rate editions could threaten it.

### London Sets Peak

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Schubert's Wanderer Fantasy by Clifford Curzon; composer Samuel Barber conducting his own Cello Concerto; a series of piano albums of works by Liszt, Brahms and Chopin; songs of Debussy, Brahms and Wolf, and Bach and Franck organ music.

The label will continue to fill in its standard catalog, according to Farkas, and at the same time add eight LP albums of complete opera recordings and other special wax.

The diskery, meanwhile, stepped up its promotional activities with the announcement of Ad Manager Ira Joachim of newly instituted weekly release sheets on pop disks and bi-weekly release sheets for the classical repertoire. London is also increasing its coverage of disk jockeys.

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CAPITOL 1440—Doherty displays an okay pair of pipes on a new and pretty love ballad taken at continental waitz tempo. Sparrow in the Tree Top Nothing about his waxing to steal the action from previous diskings	of a Stuart Hamblen religious opus. Full of backing adds to the salability.	• Continued from page 11
of the potential hit. This should get its share, tho, as coverage wax: JOE BUSHKIN Dah'ling COLUMBIA 39214—Planist Bushkin and a string group with French horn and trumpet move moodily thru an opus dedicated to Tallulah. Portrait of Tallulah No. 2 Tempo picks up for still another Bankhead ode. Bushkin demonstrates his fine jazz style, but the instrumental group adds little of interest to the proceedings. 6365636	INTERNATIONAL EIGHT DUTCHBOYS (Mark Cook) World of Liberty DUTCHBOYS R 726—Bary Cook does well enough with a prosaic patriotic lyric on a typical march opus. 65696363	paid various amounts to have songs published. Federal Judge Harry C. Westover, in freeing the
BENNY LEE (The Stargazers-Primo Scala Band) Flyin' Eagle Polka LONDON 934—Gang-sing disking of the march in polka tempo doesn't figure to happen again on the strength of this belated version. Whose Little Sunshine Are You? Lee and the group hand an effective chant to an above average gang- sing ditty with the Scala band supplying the string band sound. ANNE SHELTON (Bob Farnon Ork)	5 VICTOR ZEMBRUSKI ORK Mr. & Mrs. Waltz CONTINENTAL C 1305—A typical European waltz is essayed by the Zembruski ork in okay dance tempo. 7 Little Red Sweater Girl Band handles a polka in bright fashion with gang shout. (Continued on page 74)	men, said he found no intent to defraud. The judge also found pubberies' catalogs to be in good shape. Nordyke listings were num- bered at 8,000 originals. ,All parties involved were at one time affiliated with Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), who about a year ago dropped the contracts
Come Back to Augouleme LONDON 935—Combination of a lovely ballad, first-rate Farnon orking and Miss Shelton's velvet-voiced reading fails to completely overcome a so-so lyric on the story ballad. Don't Misunderstand Miss Shelton and the ork handle a new ballad with musicianly com- petence, but the French tune with new English lyrics is just fair material for the English chirp. 7677757 7273717	• Album and 80-89 EXCELLENT 70-79 GOOD	<ul> <li>Victor Plans Opera</li> <li>Continued from page 11</li> </ul>
HENRY JEROME ORK (Ray De Meno-The Three J's)       7575747         If It Hadn't Been for You LONDON 979-De Meno and the male trio chant an attractive new ballad in a neat blend of voices as the band supplies the backing in the Hal Kemp style. An okay disking.       7575747         Orange Blossoms (Jolly Joe Grimm) More of the staccate Kemp style with Grimm and the trio handling the vocal Tune, tho, is less effective material.       7172707	ANDY KIRK AND HIS CLOUDS OF JOY- Andy Kirk Ork (1-10") Coral (33) CRL-56019 September in the Rain; Breeze; I'll Get By; Poor Butterfly; I Surrender, Dear; Froggy Bottom; Butterfly; I Surrender, Dear; Froggy Bottom; Columbia (33) CL-6164 Twilight on the Trail; Sorta Kinda; Lover Man; Happy Stranger; Whip-Poor-Will; Yardbird Suite; Let's Call It a Day; Sleepy Serenade. This is a collection of some of the most effective Thornhill ever but to waa; the selections were	items as the Glyndebourne com- pany's etching of Mozart's Don Giovanni and The Marriage of Figaro, Sir Thomas Beecham's readings of Mozart's The Magic Flute and Gounod's Faust, the first domestic release of a complete De-
The integrity and experience of A SOLID NAME RCA's facilities	Four of them, noted standards, feature the vocaliz- ing of the fabled Pha Terrell, who, tho gone from the show business scene for many years, still has a long-memoried following. The sides also feature June Richmond and a demonstration of the fine warbling style of Henry Wells as well as the arranging and keyboarding brilliance of Mary Lou	bussy Pelleas and Melisande as well as a number of excerpts and arias done by leading Victor oper- atic warblers. Billie Holiday
THE WORLD'S TOP ENGINEERS THE WORLD'S TOP ENGINEERS TOP THE WORLD'S TOP ENGINEERS TOP TOP TOP TOP TOP TOP TOP TOP	show upes which comprise this generally topgrade All eight of these have been our as singles and	• <u>Continued from page 11</u> pact calling for a minimum of 12 sides a year. Thrush last waxed for Decca in March, 1950. Aladdin's Eddie Mesner, currently in Chicago for the juke box confab, will proceed to Gotham to record the newly ac- quired singer. Diskery will go all- out in an effort to make Miss Holiday its big draw. Couplings with label's top sellers Amos Mil- burn, Floyd Dixon or Charles
CUSTOM RADIO CORPORATION OF AMERICA REA VICTOR DIVISION	dance Set. Leave ft to T. D. to come up with easy-flowing well arranged and cleanly performed stuff with have ever a miss! So apply the mas-	Complete Phonograph Record



# NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDE

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# Music Hall Okay, **Other Combos NSG**

week at the Music Hall, lifted DeWitt and Molly. over-all grosses last week to smiling.

Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; February average, \$115,000) collected \$139,000 for its opening week with its annual Easter show of Duke Art, Elsa and Waldo plus Royal Wedding.

Roxy (6,000 seats; February average, \$83,000) wound up its threeweeker (final week a five-dayer) with the Ritz Brothers and U.S.S. Teakettle with \$60,000. Second frame had \$55,000 and opener was \$75,000. New bill has Tony Martin and Bird of Paradise.

Capitol (4,627 seats; February average, \$51,000) wound up its two-weeker with Georgia Gibbs, Johnny Long's ork, Artie Dann and Three Guys Named Mike, getting \$39,000. Opener was \$44,210. New bill has Sammy Kaye band, Jack Durant and Inside Straight.

Paramount (3,654 seats; February average, \$85,000) did a poor

# L.A. Trips Up Strip Acts

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .---Clubs using strippers, and strippers themselves, were hit hard by a surprise ordinance passed March 2 by the Los Angeles board of supervisors barring them from county limits.

NEW YORK, March 24 .- A fair- \$50,000 for its tee-off with Nellie ly good week-end, plus another big Lutcher, Sam Donahue ork, George

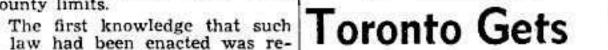
Strand (2,700 seats; February \$402,000 against the previous average, \$39,000) slipped to \$50,000 week's \$334,000. But the majority for its second week with Josephine of other houses weren't doing any Baker, Leo De Lyon, Buddy Rich band and Storm Warning. Opener saw a big \$70,000.

Palace (1,700 seats; February average, \$16,000) came back with \$19,000 for bill of Smith and Dale, Will Oakland, Diana Barrymore. Previous week's figure was \$14,000. New show has Jack Linder's Bowery Music Hall, four other acts and Quebec.

H'wood Casbah **Back to Talent** 

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .--- The Casbah, intimate nitery on the south side of town, is reinstating a temporary talent policy. Spot last used live acts a year ago. Talent rebirth was kicked off Friday (16) with the Mills Brothers. Quartet will work three nights, returning next week-end (23-24-25). Henry Miller, of General Artists Corporation, is booking the club.

Casbah's main room has been shuttered since it dropped flesh acts. Mills boys were the last important name act to play the bistro prior to dropping of talent. If the brief Mills stint hypos biz, club ops Johnny Zaharis and Jim Choumas will go all out to again get name acts. When Casbah was using acts, GAC booked 90 per cent of club's dates.



## THE LILI GILDS A BUBBLE BATH

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .--Now they're bottling Lili St. Cyr's bubble bath. Perfumed water is being peddled under the high-priced Lili's tag in the lobby of Ciro's where she is undressing nightly. This is the first time in showbiz history a strip act has been used to plug a scent, proving dollars and scents go together.

# AGVA Locals For Autonomy Via Petitions

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .- Local autonomy for American Guild of Variety Artists branches was petitioned this week by a committee here headed by Nicky Stewart. More than the required 200 signatures were secured as the result of petitions circulated among 26 AGVA branches. The national office will now verify the signees and is required by constitution to place this proposal on the agenda of the national confab here, June 7-10.

Petition is an outgrowth of longstanding dissatisfaction between AGVA members and execs. Committee backing the autonomy drive claims too much time is lost in negotiations between branches and members and club ops and branches, due to distance and the necessity for national okay on all matters Passage of such a proposition would create set-ups similar to those affecting American Federation of Musicians locals, giving each branch power to arbitrate affairs in its zone without securing approval of the home office, which sometimes delays decisions as much as two months. Los Angeles branch, in a meeting this week, voiced unanimous approval of the plan, and it is believed other AGVA segs will do likewise. Petitions were circulated without any purpose of attempting division or dissention within national ranks, but "in the best interests of local membership comprising the individual branches." Also, Stewart pointed out, there are conditions prevailing today that are termed unjust to members due to edicts that are feasible only in certain sections of the country. Autonomy committee hopes that by placing the proposal on the convention's agenda, the facts can be presented in such a way that local autonomy will be approved. delegates is needed to swing the

# **AGVA** Sees Victory For Anti-Alien Law Union Wins Acceptance of Provision

For Tightening Immigration Loophole

appears in sight of victory following a hearing this week (15) on the McCarran Bill to amend the bill along lines advocated by AGVA are seen certain to survive States. in the version to be reported favorably by an immigration subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary hearing.

Representing AGVA at the hear-Henry M. Katz, AGVA counsel.

The McCarran Bill, as now writ-AGVA's request along the followperformers coming for a temporary are deprived of work." period; requirement that no alien perior talent or performance.

Connors, in testifying before "variety performer," they said, is the sub-committee, said that loop- "defined as an actor, entertainer, holes in the present Immigration player, artist or performer in the Act have permitted hundreds of theatrical industry who renders or aliens to stay indefinitely in the performs a self-contained theatri-U. S. while their agents, under cal performance of his own." This the "impersonation" of employers, classification, they explained, "inengaged jobs for them. He said cludes performers such as jugthe present exemption in the con- glers, acrobatic troupes, aerialists, tract labor law of the "professional clowns, animal trainers, magicians, actors and artists" permit them novelty acts, etc."

WASHINGTON, March 17 .--- A | entry into the U.S. outside of a lengthy drive by the American quota on a temporary status in Guild of Variety Artists toward order to be employed in this countightening of the immigration laws try. "This specific exemption," he so as to protect U. S. performers continued, "permits foreign performers to obtain a visa from an American consul at the foreign point of origin upon the mere present law. Provisions in the presentation of an engagement contract to perform in the United

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"In most instances," he said, "the authenticity and existence of such employment cannot be discerned Committee which held this week's by the American consul, nor is there any administrative machinery in the State Department to aid ing were V. N. Connors, of the the consul in determining whether Guild's outdoor department, and there is or is not a legitimate contract of employment.

"There have been innumerable ten, includes provisions embracing abuses of this exemption. Not only do persons obtain admission ing lines: (1) Application of the to the United States who could contract labor provisions of the not otherwise have secured such immigration laws to alien variety entry, but American performers

In identifying their organization, variety performer be considered Connors and Katz described an "artist" or professional actor AGVA as "a labor union composed within the meaning of the Immi- of performers who earn their liveligration Act unless he is of "dis- hood in that portion of the theatritinguished merit and ability" as a cal industry known as the variety member of a specialty act or troupe field, which includes vaudeville and his engagement in the U.S. theaters, circuses, night clubs, is of a character requiring su- cafes, carnivals, banquets and similar types of work." The term

a law had been enacted was received by two clubs, the Bowery and the Last Call, who were served with summonses by county officials.

The American Guild of Variety Artists was immediately called in by ops of the two clubs. Assistant Coast chief, Irving Mazzei, charged city officials with "political action and flagrant discrimination by the board."

AGVA said it became aware of the board action only when ops complained. It charged that the ordinance was passed without knowledge of the sheriff's office.

# Strand Extends Flesh Line-Ups

NEW YORK, March 17.-The Strand will continue to run with flesh for the immediate future and is currently lining up bands and acts for the next few months. So far the house has bought Tony Pastor for an April 13 opening. Deals are now pending for attractions and other bands.

Warner, who owns the house, had seriously contemplated closing the theater after Josephine Baker, now current, finished, rebuild the theater and reopen with a big flash in the fall.

Governmental restrictions on major alterations of places of amusement stymied the plans, so the chain decided to go ahead, with no immediate shutterings contemplated.

### Sophie Tucker Off With Bad Throat

TAMPA, March 17. - Sophie Tucker, "the last of the red-hot mammas," is ill here with a virus infection.

Miss Tucker, who admits she is "more than 60," is confined to her room in Bayshore Royal Hotel. A climbing temperature and hoarseness forced the trouper to halt her headline performance at the hotel's Skyline Room, which was to have ended Wednesday (14).

She will be forced to cancel her go on," he took two quick ones, scheduled appearances at Sham- leaned back and replied, "Let 'er Mabel Duggan; treasurer, Jules

# New Club 1-2

TORONTO, March 17. - The Club One-Two, formerly the Club Norman, opens March 24 under the direction of Nat Sandler and his wife, the former Ruth Lowe, with the Irving Fields Trio as the feature attraction.

Club was recently purchased from Norm Cornell after a stormy period with the musicians' union and the bartenders' group. Partnered in the new venture is Morris Fishman, who owns other spots in the city.

Before reopening, interior and exterior were redone. The threestory building will have just the cocktail lounge opened at this point. The rest of the building's of materials.

# LA VIE EN RHUBARB La Baker Quits Cafe Theater; M. Proser in a Ragout (Beef)

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Monte | against the singer, which he later | two shows nightly, both tab verdenied. Proser had barely opened his new

cafe theater when he ran into trouble—star trouble—with his late show headliner, Josephine Baker, who was out of the show one night after the spot opened (13).

The reasons for her leaving Proser's club are varied. Miss Baker has presented two doctor's certificates to show that an incipient laryngitis made it too difficult for her to double from the Strand. Behind the scenes reasons involve the lack of a dressing room which Proser was supposed to have promised and a battle of words between | Gorrell, of the Delbridge and Gor-Jackie Gleason and Miss Baker's rell office, was elected president husband over dressing room facilities.

When Proser was first informed that Miss Baker was "unable to Service, as the vice-president.

In the meantime, however, the American Guild of Variety Artists was officially notified that Miss Baker had breached her contract,

siderable financial damage . . ." and asking that AGVA set up hearings to adjudicate the claim.

As of this date, Proser is running

of the Michigan Theatrical Booking Agents Association, with Peter J. Iodice, of Amusement Booking

Other new officers are secretary.

# Extra Added

Brief but important night club-vaudeville news

### New York

The Vagabonds have bought into the Club Caribe, Miami. . . David Martin, Australian Tivoli Circuit topper, in town on a buying trip. . . . Rene Bardy, Parisian cafe op, to the Coast with Hans Lederer to look at acts. . . . Ira Sidelle, formerly with General Artists Corporation, now in business for himself. . . . Molly Picon A two-thirds vote of convention to be on the Palace bill March 28. Dave Jonas ex-Matty Rosen, is opening depends on the availability move. Approximately 45 dele- opening his own office with a flock gates will be authorized to attend. of properties. . . . Jimmy Nelson,

ventriloquist, current at the Copa, is becoming a sizzling property. Henry Dunn, American Guild of Variety Artists topper; Harry Levine, Paramount booker, and Dan Friendly, RKO booker, all left for Miami last week. . . . Julia Lee, nightly currently at the newly redecorated Angelo's cocktail lounge, Omaha.

Pann Merriman, who has just closed at the Beverly Club, New Orleans, will spend a short vacation at her home in Des Moines before starting a run at Chez Paree, Chicago, ... Kalantan, of the "heavenly body." has ended a 20-week stand at Dan's International Club in New Orleans and headed for Los Angeles where she is booked into a nitery.

### Chicago

Jerry Coe and Dick Lynn, young comedy team, are working Chicago indefinitely because Coe must report once a week at a local naval armory for reserve training.

. Winchester Club, Olmstead, Ill., is using its first name in a long time, bringing in Tiny Hill May 21 for a week. . . . Charlie Carts, the card manipulator whom the William Morris office grabbed when he came here from France, has switched to Lou Cohan's office.

### Las Vegas, Nev.

Betty Grable in for visit with Harry James, who played to record crowds at the Hotel Flamingo. . . Al Bernirs and Clark Dennis share headline billing at the Thunderbird. . . . Lucius Beebee will do a spread on the Desert Inn for Holiday magazine. . . Don Cornell is making his first Las Vegas night club date at the Hotel Flamingo. Kay Armen, of "Stop the Music" opened at the Thunderbird for a two-weeker starting March 18. . . . Ethel Smith is the headliner the next two weeks at the El Rancho, with comedian Dave Barry. . . . Also

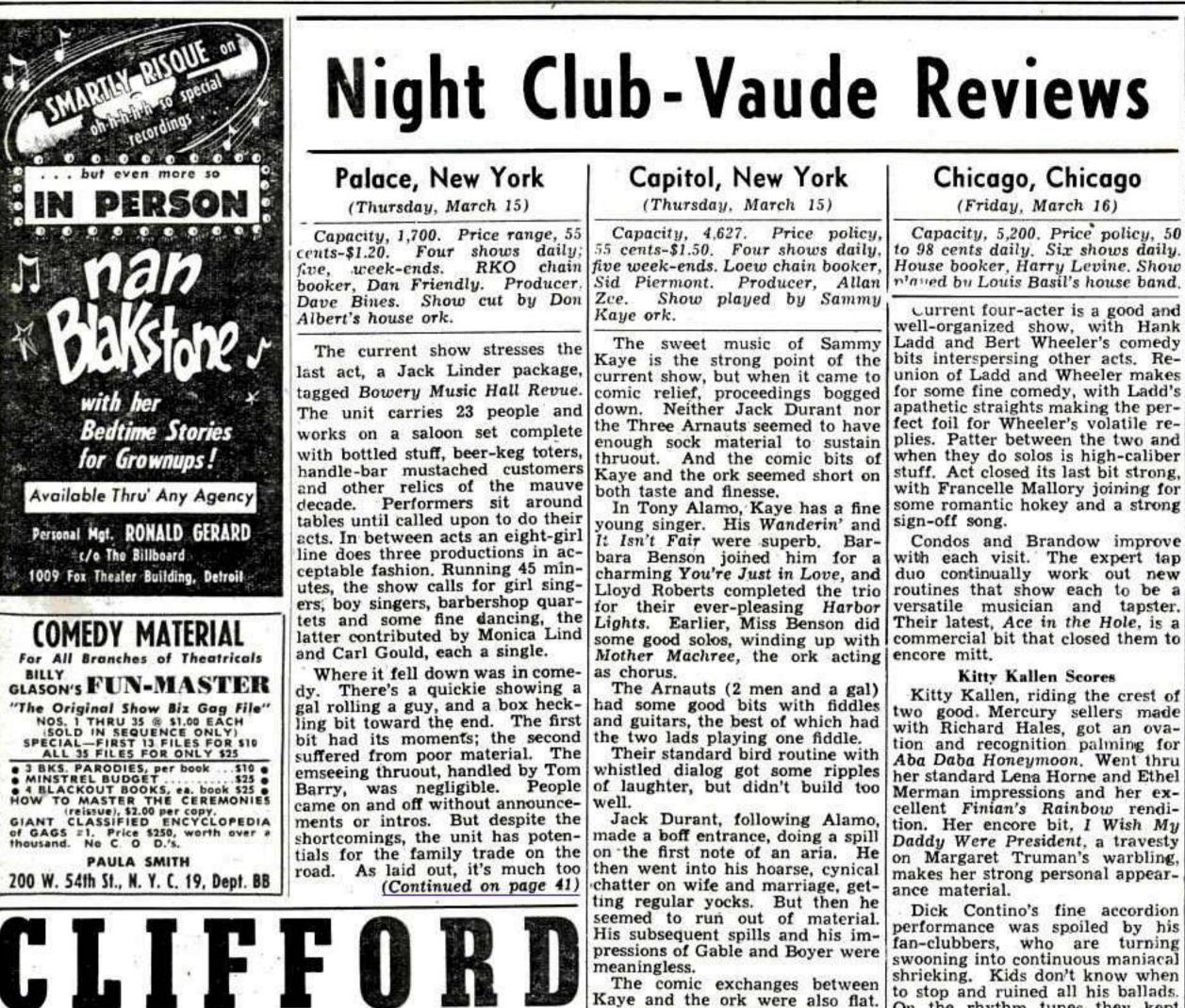
Gorrell Heads Mich. Agents

DETROIT, March 17. - Ray

sions of The Billion Dollar Baby. But if Proser isn't happ: about things at his theater restaurant, he has still more headaches at his tothereby "causing me (Proser) con- be-opened La Vie En Rose. Spot was originally skedded to start rolling February 15 with Salvadore, a Clifford Fischer property, for \$2,200. Contract called for play or pay. Marjane, also a Clifford Fischer property, was to follow Salvadore early in March. Differences of opinion between

Salvadore and Proser arose and latter claimed the contract was breached, and Marjane, in for \$1,500, would open the room. At this point AGVA entered the picture, demanding \$4,400 for Salvadore, and that's where the matter rests now, except that La Vie En Rose is now set to open with Marjane March 25. AGVA has stated, however, that Proser will not be Ted Fio Rito and his band being





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The sweet music of Sammy Kaye is the strong point of the current show, but when it came to comic relief, proceedings bogged down. Neither Jack Durant nor thruout. And the comic bits of Kaye and the ork seemed short on both taste and finesse.

In Tony Alamo, Kaye has a fine young singer. His Wanderin' and It Isn't Fair were superb. Barbara Benson joined him for a charming You're Just in Love, and Lloyd Roberts completed the trio routines that show each to be a for their ever-pleasing Harbor Lights. Earlier, Miss Benson did some good solos, winding up with Mother Machree, the ork acting

The Arnauts (2 men and a gal) had some good bits with fiddles and guitars, the best of which had the two lads playing one fiddle. Their standard bird routine with

Jack Durant, following Alamo, made a boff entrance, doing a spill on the first note of an aria. He then went into his hoarse, cynical chatter on wife and marriage, getting regular yocks. But then he seemed to run out of material. His subsequent spills and his impressions of Gable and Boyer were meaningless.

The comic exchanges between Kaye and the ork were also flat. Chubby Silver's Orange Colored

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current four-acter is a good and well-organized show, with Hank Ladd and Bert Wheeler's comedy bits interspersing other acts. Reunion of Ladd and Wheeler makes for some fine comedy, with Ladd's apathetic straights making the perthe Three Arnauts seemed to have fect foil for Wheeler's volatile reenough sock material to sustain plies. Patter between the two and stuff. Act closed its last bit strong, with Francelle Mallory joining for sign-off song.

> Condos and Brandow improve with each visit. The expert tap duo continually work out new versatile musician and tapster. Their latest, Ace in the Hole, is a commercial bit that closed them to encore mitt.

#### **Kitty Kallen Scores**

Kitty Kallen, riding the crest of two good. Mercury sellers made with Richard Hales, got an ovation and recognition palming for Aba Daba Honeymoon. Went thru her standard Lena Horne and Ethel Merman impressions and her excellent Finian's Rainbow rendition. Her encore bit, I Wish My Daddy Were President, a travesty on Margaret Truman's warbling, makes her strong personal appearance material.

Dick Contino's fine accordion performance was spoiled by his fan-clubbers, who are turning swooning into continuous maniacal shrieking. Kids don't know when to stop and ruined all his ballads. On the rhythm tunes they kept

### Chez Paree, Chicago

(Thursday, March 15)

Capacity, 500. Price policy. \$1.10 cover with \$3.50 minimum. Shows at 8:30, 12 and 2. Operator, Dave Halper. Publicity. Bob Curley. Production, Dorothy Dorben, Booking policy, non-exclusive. Estimated budget this show, \$6,500. Estimated budget last show. \$6.500.

Three strong new acts are introduced in the current package. Topper Billy Daniels, along with his piano-playing foil, Benny Pavne, is a real charmer. The new Mercury disk warbler has had little local flackery up to now and the audience was rather cold to him at first. But two numbers and he was in. Alone, Daniels does a great job of emoting a song. When Payne pitches in with him they set up a kind of rhythmic vocal pandemonium that raises the roof. when they do solos is high-caliber His animation on a floor is artistry all the way. Daniels worked 35 minutes and the closing hand some romantic hokey and a strong indicated he could have stayed. Chez has already taken a commitment on Daniels for a fall return. Comic Larry K. Nixon impressed

with good, original material. The routines have fine continuity. His hubby and wife bit broke down a cold house, while his hospital gags also brought good returns. Nixon fractured 'em with a burlesque on a timid passenger waiting for an airliner's takeoff and walked off to a solid mitt.

Corinne and Tito Valdez are the sexiest act this spot has used in a long time. Blond gal in the first number opens as a fan dancer. Later the partner joins her for some lifts and whirls not for the moppets. The second number toward the end of the show is better vaude stuff, with the gal as pick-up date and the male as a sailor. They got rapt attention all the way.

The Chez line has one new routine, a well-contrived bit around the tune, Circus. Costumes and the line's cavorting are effective. Cee Davidson's ork cut a fine show. Johnny Sippel.



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#### of Magic and Magi By BILL SACHS

p. C. SORCAR, internationally | Magic," just released, devotes a known Indian magician, has full page of pictures to Doc Weiss, just returned to Calcutta from an extended engagement in Bombay with his "Mysteries of India." In Bombay the Sorcar show played to capacity houses on 56 consecutive days. The press described it as the most outstanding illusion show to visit Bombay in the last 50 years. During his absence from Calcutta, miscreants broke into Sorcar's post office box and stole all mail that had been delivered there between last November 10 and December 20. He urges all friends to address mail in the future to him at 12-3A, Brotherhood of Magician's sick and welfare committee, reports that the magic vet and past president of the IBM, T. J. Crawford, of 2814 Belmont Boulevard, Nashville, is sinking rapidly, with his death expected almost momentarily. Cecil urges that friends shower him with cards. . . Dr. Morris Young's new book, "Hobby



New York escapologist, showing him displaying several bits of restraint hardware from his collection. . . . Johnny and Joyce Bower played the Schine Ben Ali Theater, Lexington, Ky., March 8-10, with their comedy act, and Dr. Silkini (Jack Baker) played Schine's Kentucky Theater in the same city with his "Asylum of Horrors," Saturday midnight, March 10, with both acts winding up as guests at the home of Lieut. and Mrs. Lee Allen Estes in Lexington. Dr. Silkini was forced to do two shows in Lexington to take care of the crowds. . . . Joan Brandon hopped from Reno to Los Angeles recently to appear on a TV show over KTLA, and thence moved on to Palm Springs, Calif., where she is currently sopping up the sunshine. . . George Schindler, following a cruise to Nassau, in the Bahamas, opened March 9 at the Moose Club, Shamokin, Pa., for a threeday stand. He reports that Lou Tannen has some new vent figures which are about the best he's ever seen. . . . H. A. Mac-Knight, hypnotist, who begins his 55th year as a trouper in June, recently played for the National Jewelers' Convention in Spokane, Wash., and shows for the Foresters in Pullman, Wash., March 30. He is assisted by his wife

BIGGEST thing to come down Eileen and Peter McNulty do songs is the Magic Wonder Show, featuring Geraldine Conrad Larsen, manlike fashion. Ma McNulty, on which George W. Pughe, well- all the time, works the accordion, known promoter and one-time associate of the late Howard Thurston, is taking into some 40 Southern California spots spiked by in- pants. Ma worked in a green lace tensive promotion. The unit has gown. Hair Styled Pieces already begun its tour and early Write for EE CATALOG business has been gratifying, **Our Hair Goods** Pughe reports. Miss Larsen serves are all expertly made of the fin-est first quality HUMAN HAIR as emsee and is featured in her own spot in the show. Rest of Write for our FREE CATALOG and WHOLE SALE PRICE LIST on latest style Hair Pieces the magic talent comprises Ray Muse (Lu Tsu Bing), Lord Chesterfield and His Magic Violin, Bill and Mary Chaudet, George Boston, and Aubrey and Company. SELAN'S In addition to Pughe, the staff HAIR COODS CO 32 N. State St Dept. 1, Chicago 2, III. includes George McCarthy, advance; Mrs. George W. Pughe, treasurer; W. W. Larsen, legal counselor, and Milton Larsen, stage manager. Handling the advance promotion are R. A. Rush, Roberta Carter, Bernarr Cokley, Hal Hodgeman, Ed (Bo-Bo) Boyle and Audree M. Berry. . . . Larry Weeks, the magical juggler, typewrites from Brooklyn: "After my recent 13-day cruise to the West Indies and South America, I hied myself to the regular monthly meeting of the Magicians' Guild in New York, where I ran into Jack Gwynne, who was guest speaker of the evening and who presented his full show for the boys at Times Hall. I loaned him a bit of scenery for the occasion. His show was great and a sell-out. The list of those attending the Gwynne show read like a who's who in magic. I ran into dozens of top acts like Al DeLage and Shirley, Roy Benson, Milbourne Christopher, Dr. Daley, Al Flosso, Frank and Ruth Clinton Jr., Bob Sherman, Frank Garcia and many others. It was indeed a tribute to a great artist. His closing illusion, an original levitation, left 'em gasping. I have been set by Herman Hanson, formerly Thurston's stage manager and now branch manager of Holden's Magic Shop in Boston, to appear on a show being presented by Boston, Assembly, Society of American Magicians, at John Hancock Hall, Boston, April 7. I'm also set for a show to be presented by Bill Whithill, of Holyoke, Mass., in Northampton, Mass., April 10. The Whithills and Al DeLage and Shirley will appear on the same bill together with several other magic turns." The Great Leon (Leon H. Leon), internationally known magician and inventor of numerous tricks and illusions, died March 13 in Hollywood. Further details in Final Curtain, this issue.

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### Persian Room, NY

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She then came back with a Joan Edwards number, Remember Dad on Mother's Day, with some of the cleverest lyrics heard in a long time. Then it was her old standard Uncle Fud for more howls.

For her last number the gal used a gimmick that is always sure fire as an added applause puller. She brought two kids out of the audience, asked them to imitate her gestures and then went into Efficiency. Obviously, the moppet participation is only for the dinner show, because patrons here don't keep their kids up for later performances. But on this one it worked beautifully.

Russ Black did the piano backing with smooth efficiency. Dick La Salle's band helped cut the show and played for dancing. Mark Monte's group did the interlude dance music. Bill Smith.



long. Less singing and more comedy is indicated.

The bill started with the Ivanovs in their standard high bar work, plus some amusing comedy by Pete Ivanov. The act made for a fast opener and finished very strong. Billy Romano worked in the two spot with his excellent balloon modeling act. Working with audience help, Romano got some fancy yocks and wound up way ahead. Mack, Russ and Owen showed many new bits in their standard hand-to-hand comedy act, also doing well.

The McNulty Family is a good bet for a St. Patrick Day's week at the Palace or any other house. the magic road in a long time and Irish reels seguing rapidly from one to the other in showlater joining the two youngsters for a fast jig. "Two singer-dancers work in top hats, green coats and

> Bill Smith. Pic, Quebec.

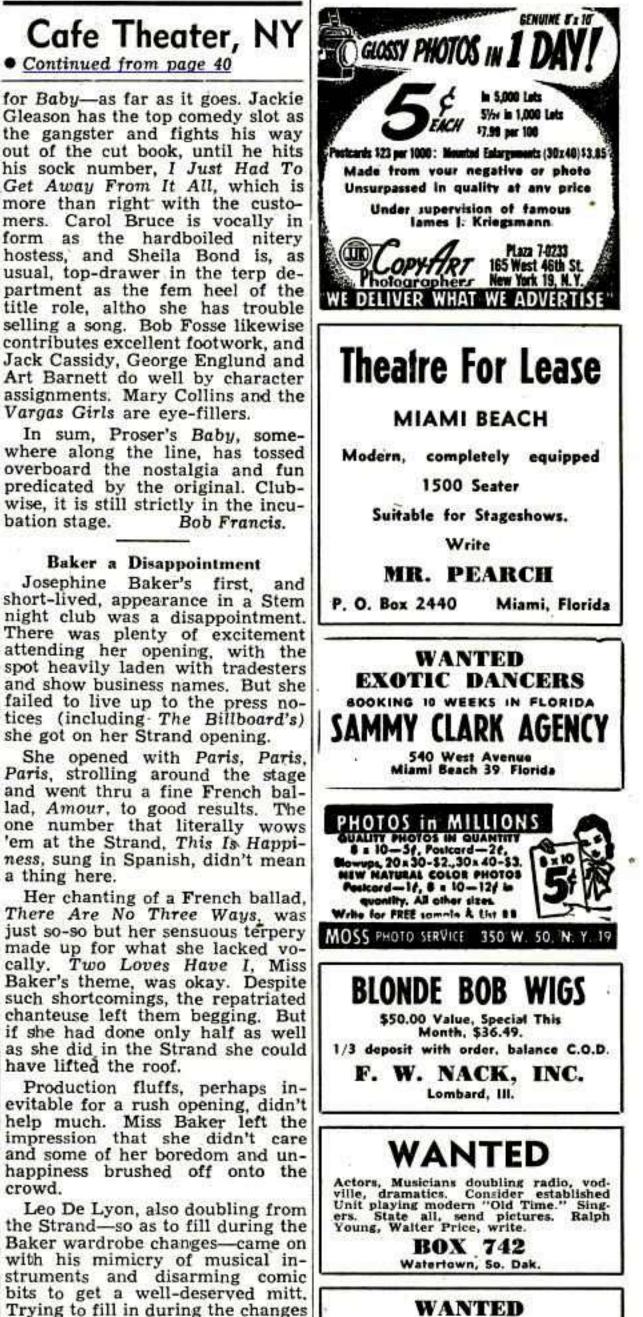


recent engagement at Ciro's, Mexico City, had the title of "The Most Beautiful Girl in Mexico" conferred upon her by President Aleman. She is now headlining over the Midwest Circuit. . . . New principals at the Burbank, Los Angeles, are Sharon Dale, Arabelle, Clarice, Doreen and Harry Meyers. . . Florence Koster Arnold, former burly principal, and her husband, Claude Schenck, were New York vacationists last week from St. Louis, where the former is an exec of Ticket Sellers' Union, Local 774, and the latter is operator of the Garrick pix house. Schenck also handles tickets for wrestling matches. . . . Sam Wachtel, stagehand, is out of the Polyclinic Hospital, New York, following a hernia operation. . . Benita Francis has opened at the Paddock Club, Miami Beach, Fla., where other features are Honey Harlow and Eddie Barnes. . . New cast at the Follies, Chicago, managed by Augie Circella, includes Willie Gordon and Hap Ray, comics; Bob Lee, straight; Sherry Shannon, feature; Jet Carroll, Cheondella, Virginia Ray, Floreda Fuller, Vivian Kelly, Cindy Hale, Julie Bishop, Lucky Carrol and Pat Robbins. Singer is Joel LaBonte; chorus producer, Evelyn Hulin, and ork leader, Bob Victor. Ginger Britton opened March 16, and Lotus Dubois moves in March 23 for indefinite runs:

NADINE, who completed two Hirst Circuit tours March 10,

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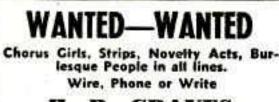
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## London Palladium

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aged competently and with great charm. He threw a few lines, made fun of his film rep and introduced his Be My Love with: "It's not known here and it isn't popular in the States. In fact, no one wants to hear it. Anyway, here it is." But despite his abundant collegekid charm, the magic of a Palladium-sized personality was missing.

Parnell wisely pyramided his star on a bunch of old favorites, led by bouncy, brass-voiced Pat Kirkwood, crackbrained comedian Michael Bentine, and the Bernard Brothers.

#### Bentine Style

Bentine, who launched himself here in the 1950 Folies Bergere. builds his act around household equipment. With hair frizzed like There was plenty of excitement a madman's wig, eyes tight-crossed in memory of Ben Turpin, and with a sink pump, chairback or vacuum cleaner-rod in his hand, he creates a series of scatterbrained, tices (including The Billboard's). situations with a style all his own. she got on her Strand opening.

The Bernard Brothers meander thru their mad-time routine, grim- Paris, strolling around the stage acing and gesturing to off-stage recordings of the Andrews Sisters' lad, Amour, to good results. The Boogie Woogy Bugle Boy of Company B, Betty Hutton's She's a Lady, and a fantastic version of I Taut I Taw a Puddy Tat. They a thing here. tried a new (to London) experiment-the marriage of two disksthat sounded like an 1890 vintage recording of Figaro and a wild ing offstage was ragged and it was sometimes hard to tell whether George was "singing" Bert's piece or vice versa. In any case Flagstaad won. Leigh Vance.

## Loew House **Books Flesh**

TORONTO, March 17 .- Renewing their policy of stageshows. Loew's uptown has booked in the Lionel Hampton review for April 9. On the same bill with Hampton will be George Kirby, billed as "Man With a Thousand the Voices."

his sock number, I Just Had To Get Away From It All, which is more than right with the customers. Carol Bruce is vocally in form as the hardboiled nitery hostess, and Sheila Bond is, as usual, top-drawer in the terp department as the fem heel of the title role, altho she has trouble selling a song. Bob Fosse likewise contributes excellent footwork, and Jack Cassidy, George Englund and Art Barnett do well by character assignments. Mary Collins and the Vargas Girls are eye-fillers.

In sum, Proser's Baby, somewhere along the line, has tossed overboard the nostalgia and fun predicated by the original. Clubwise, it is still strictly in the incubation stage. Bob Francis.

#### **Baker** a Disappointment

Josephine Baker's first, and short-lived, appearance in a Stem night club was a disappointment. attending her opening, with the spot heavily laden with tradesters and show business names. But she failed to live up to the press no-

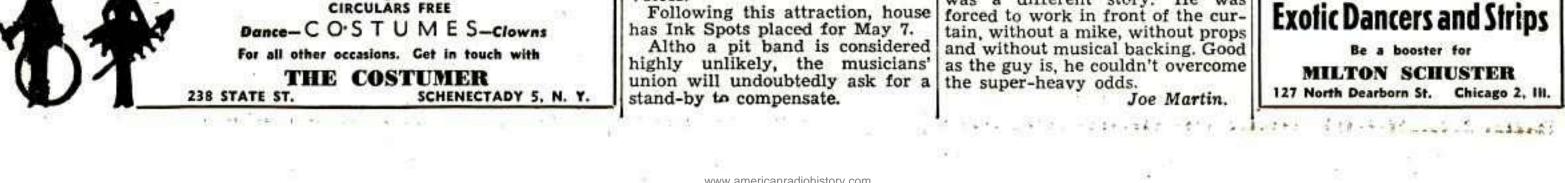
She opened with Paris, Paris, and went thru a fine French balone number that literally wows 'em at the Strand, This Is Happiness, sung in Spanish, didn't mean

Her chanting of a French ballad, There Are No Three Ways, was just so-so but her sensuous terpery made up for what she lacked vo-Wagnerian Woo-Hoo by Kirsten cally. Two Loves Have I, Miss Flagstaad. Unfortunately, dovetail- Baker's theme, was okay. Despite such shortcomings, the repatriated chanteuse left them begging. But if she had done only half as well as she did in the Strand she could have lifted the roof.

Production fluffs, perhaps inevitable for a rush opening, didn't help much. Miss Baker left the impression that she didn't care and some of her boredom and unhappiness brushed off onto the crowd.

Leo De Lyon, also doubling from the Strand-so as to fill during the Baker wardrobe changes-came on with his mimicry of musical instruments and disarming comic bits to get a well-deserved mitt. Trying to fill in during the changes was a different story. He was Following this attraction, house forced to work in front of the cur-





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# **Brees Bill Passes, But Amendment Is Possible**

NEW YORK, March 17.-Despite | The delegation had interviews with last-ditch efforts by combined Arthur H. Wicks (R., Kingston), theatrical trades to combat passage of the Hughes-Brees bill to amend the New York State unemployment insurance law, the State Senate passed the measure Tuesday (13) by vote of 30 to 24, and the Assembly followed, suit Wednesday (14) with a vote of 84 to 64. The bill now goes to Governor Dewey for signature, and there is little doubt in show business circles that he will sign it. It becomes effective June 4.

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The legislation means that anyone in show business, or any other seasonal occupation, must work at least 20 weeks in a year to be eligible for unemployment insurance benefits.

An Actors' Equity delegation, headed by Bert Lytell, Celeste Holm, Dennis King and Peggy Wood went to Albany Tuesday (13) to protest against its passage.

# **Chorus Equity** Weighs Method **To Join Actors**

NEW YORK, March 17. - The quarterly meeting of Chorus Equity was held yesterday (16) at the Hotel Astor. Attendance was 225. Cornelia Otis Skinner presided.

First on agenda was balloting for six representatives of membership on the nominating committee, to be counted Monday (19).

pro-tem president of the Senate, and Senators William S. Hults (R., Port Washington) and McNeill Mitchell (R., Manhattan), whose district takes in the Times Square area. Nothing constructive was accomplished.

However, a ray of hope remains. After hearing the group's protests against the unfairness of the measure to theater workers, (Equity statistics show that over 3,000 of its members didn't work 20 weeks in legit theater during the '49-'50 season), the solons admitted that they had not realized how the new law would apply to actors. They advised that the committee to investigate unemployment insurance is a continuing one, and said that if the theatrical trades found the new measure a particular hardship and could accumulate statistics to back up the claim, the committee would consider suggestions over the summer toward an amendment of the new statute to be submitted to a special session of the Legislature which convenes in October.

As soon as the governor announces final decision on the bill, an Equity spokesman said that a joint committee, repping all theatrical trades, would be set up to gather such data.



NEW YORK, March 17.-Peter Lawrence's musicals-in-a-tent operation in Norwalk, Conn., is now official. The producer this week

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Uppermost for discussion, however, was the recommendation of a merger with Actors Equity Association, either thru a standing committee or thru a special committee set up to outline the general plan and the important data necessary to such a move. Such recommendations would then be brought before Equity Council and, if agreeable, a referendum would then be taken among all members of both Chorus Equity and Actors Equity as to whether or not they desired a merger along the lines indicated by the committee.

A decision will not be an early one, however, since very important problems must be faced. For example, Chorus Equity membership fee is \$50, while actors must fork over \$100 to their union. Also the matter of vote will be a poser. A member of Chorus Equity can vole immediately after being accepted for membership, while the actor must first earn a senior rating.

signed a five-year lease on a portion of the James Melton property and contracted for the rental of a 1,500-seat tent from Ernest Chandler. The operation will open a 12week season June 18 and be known as the Circle of Music.

The schedule is somewhat different from similar under-canvas operations, strictly limited to book song and dancers with operetta ruled out. Backbone of the programing will be an Irving Berlin festival with a half dozen revivals of the maestro's shows on the menu. Other Stem musical hits will be sandwiched between these on alternate weeks. Betty Garrett is the choice to head the opening bill of Annie, Get Your Gun. Lawrence is also negotiating with Hollywood to get stage adaptation rights to two of Berlin's hit pics, Top Hat and Follow the Fleet.

Lawrence is associated with Robert Penn in the \$75,000 undertaking. Ralph Alswang will design all sets and Don Hershey will direct.

Sides and Asides

#### (Empire) (Opened 1-5, '50) COMING UP (Week of March 18, 1951) The School for Wives..... 3-18, '51 (ANTA Playhouse)

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Actors' Album Gets "Chaillot"

HOLLYWOOD, March 17 .- Actors' Album, Ivar Theater producing triumvirate, acquired exclusive Coast rights to The Bad Woman of Chaillot when producers Lewis and Young gave up their hold on the Jean Girandoux production. Chaillot is Ivar's next offering, opening for a fortnight March 27. Play was originally skedded for the Biltmore Theater but Lewis and Young canceled when they could not get Charlotte Greenwood for the lead.

Maurice Valency is adapting the play for Aline MacMahon, who has been inked by Album. This is Ivar's third presentation, house bowing February 5 with Barretts of Wimpole Street. Album's (Frances Austin, Peter Adams and Harold Kennedy) policy of presenting "good plays with important actors" has resulted in a financial loss of several thousand dollars for its initial legiters.



ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 17.—With its base of operations a \$32,000 fire loss, the Pinellas Playhouse (professional stock group) nonetheless went on with the show-without missing a performance.

When fire gutted the playhouse Monday (12), Richard Graham and Zack Waters, co-producers, found temporary quarters in a hangar at Pinellas International Airport. owner of the burned-out playhouse. Lost in the fire was \$10,000

antics. Henry has never been more than an incredibly whispy trifle, an impudent conversation-piece for a quartet of charcters, but the maestro of the petulant grimace has made it something peculiarly his own. As the middle-aged Lothario who tries moral reformation and finds it a snare and delusion, he can grow a belly-laugh out of a situation which only 'ls for a chuckle. Horton's Henry packs a lot of fun at the Golden.

The current edition likewise gives Horton solid support from his three co-stars. Haila Stoddard has been Henry's chief philandering entanglement before, and therefore knows all the ins and outs to playing the amorous Mrs. Jelliwc'l. She provides an excellent foil for e Horton clowning. Hugh Wakefield, last occupied on these shores in the mid-20's, has been imported for the part of the lady's complacent husband, and fits pleasantly and effectively into the incredible scheme of things. Also imported from London's West End is Ursula Howells, a personable young newcomer, 'o play Henry's ubiquitous secretary, and fourth member of the quadrangle. While working in fast company, Miss Howells aquits herself with proper credit.

Producers Bromley, Brandt and Doscher have provided Henry with a handsome send-off. H. A. Condell's set of a bachelor's London flat with decor change ' in tune to Henry's moral uplift is bright and cheerful, and David Ffolkes' 1911 costumes are amusingly right.

Henry won't cause any pewsitters a moment's thought, but it leavens majesterial dignity and is an amusing bit of fluff for a authority with gentleness. He is happy diversion. And it's got Ed- puzzled as much as annoyed by ward Everett Horton, which is erring humanity, but until commore than enough.

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Bob Francis.

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back on humanity and rekindling of his belief in it thru Hezdrel's simple faith in his eventual mercy. All of this is told with high imagination, frequently with robust humor, but always with a reverent tenderness. Pointed up, practically continuously, with magnificently sung spirituals by a new Hall Johnson Choir, its combination is something rare in the theater.

#### **Cast** Gigantie

The cast is gigantic for these days of stage economies, ranging from pint-sized cherubs to archangels. Of course, the prime consideration is the performance of William Marshall as De Lawd. It is likely that no actor in the part could quite come up to the memory of the Harrison portrait. However, Marshall, a huge man, pletely aroused, has an infinite capacity for forgiveness. He is a worthy successor to the role's creator.

Outstanding support stems from Ossie Davis's 'Gabriel, Alonzo Bosan's tempermental Noah, John Marriott's Moses and John Bouie's jovially, sadistic Pharoah, and Avon Long as a couple of sinful influences. On the distaff side Vinie Burrows is fine as a preflood flapper, and Anna May **Richardson and Margaret Williams** are ditto as a pair of celestial scrubbing-brushers.

There should be a whole new

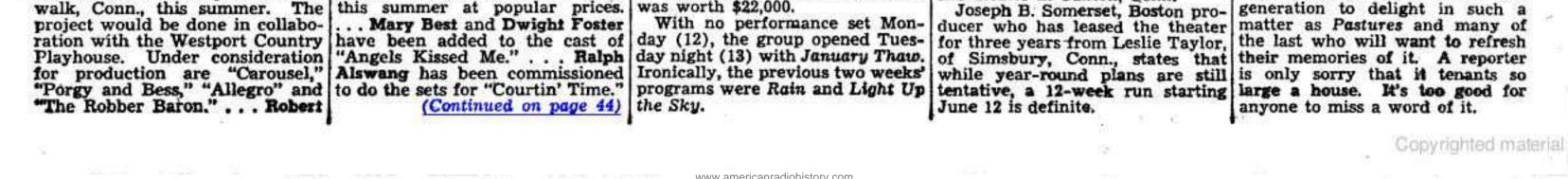
### **Projected Productions** And Cast Alignments . . .

Blue Light" will be the eighth production in the subscription series of the American National Theater and Academy. It will run April 8-21. Pirandello's "Six Characters in Search of an Author," which was to have that slot, has been withdrawn at the request of the Pirandello estate. ... Harry L. Ettinger, an attorney and legit angel, may produce "The Best Years," a new comedy by Marcel Klauber and Charles Williams. Ettinger reportedly wants Hugh Herbert for the lead. The show calls for 10 characters. . . John Wildberg is casting the road company for "Black Chiffon." Wildberg is also interested in presenting "Gower Street," a Yawitz. . . . Philip Langer, Nassau, Bahamas, arena theater producer, wants to open a musical

E. Sherwood's new play will be produced by the Playwrights Company next season. Entitled Edmund Wilson's "The Little "Girls With Dogs," it is in two acts and eight scenes and calls for a cast of 15. . . . The next show at the Pasadena Playhouse, "The Enchanted," opens March 29. . . . Daniel Mann and Martin Ritt expect to start rehearsals on "Seven Without," by Irving Ravetch, late in August. They are now seeking to fill the cast of eight.

Barbara Cook, Louis Nye and Nehemia Persoff have been added to the cast of "Flahooley." . . Reginald Denenholz, who has been the press agent for the Edison Hotel Arena Theater, has joined the Joe Heidt office. . . Joan McCracken, now appearing in "Angel in the Pawnshop," may comedy by Manny Seff and Paul replace Jean Arthur in "Peter Pan" after April 14, Another possibility for the job is Julie Harris. The show may make a tent theater in Westport or Nor- return engagement in New York in stage settings. The playhouse walk, Conn., this summer. The this summer at popular prices, was worth \$22,000.





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**Gilbert Show** 

# Lodi Officials

STOCKTON, Calif., March 17 .-Lodi, Calif., civic organizations. service clubs and the Chamber of Commerce named the Stockton Rollatorium skating show, Circus, the outstanding amateur show to play Northern California during the past year and voted that it be presented April 6 night in the Lodi Grape Festival Pavilion as part of a drive in which city officials hope to raise \$8,000 to complete a Boy Scout building, now stalemated in its construction due to lack of funds.

Paul J. Gilbert, Rollatorium manager and producer of Circus, said that the show, sanctioned by the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association, will be a twohour presentation. Of the 4,000 seats in the Pavilion, 3,000 already have been sold.

Gilbert has eliminated kiddle numbers in Circus, replacing them with featured acts from A Miner's Dream, a show he presented a couple of years ago. The new show will consist of 22 acts and a chorus of six fully costumed. The show will be presented on a 64 by 130foot skating surface in the pavilion and will use theatrical spots, scenery, etc. All advertising space has been sold in a specially printed program for the show. General admission will be \$1.25, including tax.

Among featured acts will be Barbara Ziem in a Red Silk Stockings number and a pair routine, Chattanooga Shoeshiners, with Dolores Cummings, who will also have a sole spot in the show. Others programed are Barbara Dell Espy, and Dee Rigg.

# **Pro Shows at Purdue Arena** Wins Nod From Click With Students, Public **Regularly Scheduled Attractions Make**

**RINKS-ARENAS** 

### Auditorium Focal Point of Community

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of the hectic schedules of both the Purdue undergrads and the people around La Fayette, brought on by the war, some type of diversion was necessary for the student body and the public.

#### **Goldsmith Booking**

The foursome contacted Art Goldsmith, Chicago booker for Paramount Attractions, who had been doing club-date booking in La Fayette thru several local business men. Purdue turned over its first \$1,500 budget, for part of which Goldsmith supplied five acts and a small band. The first show, which ran for a 65-cent admish charge, did well enough that a count of the receipts showed that several hundred dollars were made. In the succeeding nine months, one grogram per month of the Victory Varieties, a name which is still used today, was played. Because each show drew an increasing audience the budget was upped in proportion.

During the past eight years, the Varieties series has purchased an estimated \$900,000 worth of entertainment, with the million-dollar mark to be surpassed by the end of the current school year.

Victory Varieties has run on the average of 11 or 12 times per school year, with budgets hovering between \$9,000 and \$10,000 per package. In the case of outstanding attractions, the show plays two days. Varieties are staged Friday, and if the attraction warrants, Saturday nights, with shows at 7 and

bombs laid here, as well as in any received \$50,000 in grants. box office. Stewart pointed out, however, that many other schools, with similar facilities have attempted to emulate the Purdue venture unsuccessfully. He attributed the failure to the fact that "the budget for professional entertainment must be kept high at all times to give the audience the best possible show." He said that in attempts to imitate Purdue's project, others had cut the talent nut considerably, with the result that attendance fell off. He cited several instances where Goldsmith had booked attractions, okayed by the school, but which didn't look formidable enough. Hurry-up calls and wires were sent to booking agencies by Goldsmith, with, in one instance, a movie singer being purchased for \$5,000 to bolster the show. In another case a comedy name was secured for \$6,000.

The Hall of Music itself has been called the "finest place to work in the U.S." by men in the know, such as Spike Jones, Fred Waring and Herb Hendler, manager of Ralph Flanagan. Designed by J. Andre Fouilhoux, New York architect who also did Radio City Music Hall, the Purdue site is much like its Gotham counterpart in design and seating arrangement.

#### Prexy's Philosophy

The 307 by 195-foot building was part of a philosophy expressed by Allman, Gary Bradley and Myrtle 9:30 p.m. Highest talent budget the late J. H. Smart, prexy of the smith and his new associate, Roy utilized was the entire Bob Hope school, who, in 1890, told the fac- Davis, the ex-record panto act, are ulty that he intended to build a new engineering school "one brick higher" than the one which burned four days after its dedication. The stage floor is a half-moon design, extending back 156 feet from a 110-foot proscenium. Acoustics are good enough to allow the staging of a legit dramatic show without a p. a. system. Waring has said that he would like to stage a TV extravaganza from the hall, once a cable connection can be brought into La Fayette. Typical of the professional operation of the hall are the eight spotlights, of which two are of the high intensity type. The hall also has its own \$5,000 special effects lighting equipment and its own movie projector. Dittemore has devised a central control system for all lighting, with a mike in his control booth atop the hall, while each of eight men behind a spotlight and a ninth on the stage light control board take instruc- a six-week tour of Europe last tions from him via headphones. The stage control board, considered largest in the world, makes possible 1,200,000 different light combinations. Jones told this writer that it was the finest lighting job he had ever encountered. Dittemore makes it a policy to catch a new attraction before their Purdue stay to work over light cues. The hall employs about 12 union electricians and eight union stagehands.

Despite the low cost of ducats, 000, and assorted other additions, the Purdue-La Fayette clientele is plus the special lighting effects discriminating, with box office machine. The student union has

#### **Voices Support**

Does such an expansive professional entertainment alienate outside entertainment sources in La Fayette? Stewart pointed out that the chief of a theater chain, which controls most of the houses in the La Fayette area, has often voiced support of the program. The theater rep feels that bringing in professional talent tends to encourage interest in all brackets of the entertainment biz, especially since the programs run only about once a month. Stewart pointed out that Martin and Lewis built a terrific local following after a recent twoday date at the Hall of Music. Their current pic did terrific business when it played the vicinity as a result. The only movies presented at the hall are a 90-minute program of short subjects, presented each Thursday, to which only students are admitted. There is no admission charge.

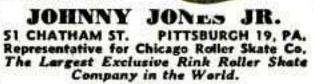
Stewart, when queried as to how he and the university feel about booking the Victory Varieties series, said that all booking is done thru Goldsmith, who turns the submissions over to Stewart. Goldsmith at first handled the account on a club-date basis, but after the fourth show in 1943, the university decided to put him on a straight salary retainer basis as a talent consultant and buyer. Goldnow servicing the Purdue account. Goldsmith does not participate in the convocations and lecture series.



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Gilbert reports progress by Rollatorium operators in construction of their newest rink at Lodi. Workmen are now laying a floor which Gilbert says is of a new type.

## 86 Kids Pass In Bay Area Test Center

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17 .-At the February 18 Bay area RSROA test center in Skatelandat-the-Beach here 78 skaters took 94 tests, of which 86 were successfully passed, reports M. M. Shattuck, Skateland-at-the-Beach operator and chapter secretarytreasurer.

Several hundred skaters, parents and friends were on hand to watch the tests, officiated by 20 commissioned judges, with student judges doing the leg work, said Shattuck.

Skaters took 23 figure bar tests, 6 bronze figure tests, 5 No. 2 figure tests, and 2 No. 3 figure tests. In dancing there were 26 dance bar tests, 17 bronze dance tests, 10 silver bar tests and 5 silver tests.

Next test center will be held Sunday (18) at Rollerland, Oakland, Calif. Skaters entering must have RSROA amateur cards and register a week before the test date.

### Australian Icery **Hikes Admission**

SYDNEY, March 17. - Sydney Glacarium, oldest ice rink in Australia, has hiked admission charges for the first time in 20 years from 50 cents to \$1. Fee has been increased for lessons by reducing the number from eight to six for the same amount.

The 1951 season opened March 9 with a large throng that did not seem bothered by the higher admission charge.

### Plan 70G Fernie Rink

FERNIE, B. C., March 17.-Materials are on hand for this city's of the house was the normal \$1.20. equipment. Previous purchases to proposed \$70,000 skating arena The only promotion or advertis- improve the Hall of Music were

troupe in 1946, when \$25,000 was shelled out for a two-day date.

#### Plays Legit Shows

The 6,200 house has played such legit shows as Brigadoon, High Button Shoes, Anna Lucasta, Mr. Roberts, Oklahoma and Show Boat. A typical all-Negro cast in 1945 included Count Basie's 18-piece band, Hazel Scott, Son and Sonny, and the Step Brothers. A typical variety bill included Joe Stafford. Paul Weston's orchestra, Red Ingle and the Natural Seven, a chorus and Rudy Cardenas. Outstanding headliners have included Danny Kaye, Eddie Cantor, Wayne King, Spike Jones and Fred Waring. Earl Carroll's Vanities also was an attraction.

What probably makes the program click to the extent of fourjammed houses for two days by such all-star casts is the straight \$1.20 scaling of the entire house. Tho each seat runs \$1.20, the unique wrinkle of the Hall of Music admish set-up is that every seat is reserved. Stewart felt that every student and others attending should receive the same consideration. As a result, Goldsmith and Stewart keep the coming attraction strictly confidential until the evening of the preceding attraction's engagement. Before the show, Stewart announces the next attraction. After that, people, wishing tickets, can drop an envelope into the nearest mailbox, designating the number of ducats desired for the next attraction, giving the date and the name of the headliner. The auditorium is scaled half to students and half to the general public. Rows one, three and five and up are scaled for students and the intervening rows are for the public.

#### Use Grab-Bag System

As the mail requests for ducats roll in, the grab-bag system is used. After three weeks of mail requests, the remaining tickets are put on general sale at the university box office. On big attractions, there is little or no box office sale, for the almost 25,000 ducats are gone in three weeks. Stewart has adhered strictly to the distribution of ducats at \$1.20, except in one case, where a program demanded a house scaled to \$3.50. The only seats which went for \$3.50 were the first row. The rest

#### Lecture Series

In addition to the 11 variety shows per year, the hall offers students an elaborate convocation and lecture series at \$8.50 (inc. tax). The series, which runs from 14 to 18 attractions during the ninemonth school year, has included during the past two years such long-hair artists as the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra; Sadler's Wells Ballet; Yehudi Menuhin, James Melton, Jascha Heifetz, the Cleveland Orchestra and the Ballet Russe. The program includes a yearly visit by the Metropolitan Opera Company.

The Victory Varieties series is strictly non-profit, with any profits being turned back to the university for use in furthering and improving facilities for student recreation. Recently, a new aluminum stage bandwagon, costing \$17,000, was added to the stage

#### Student Entertainment

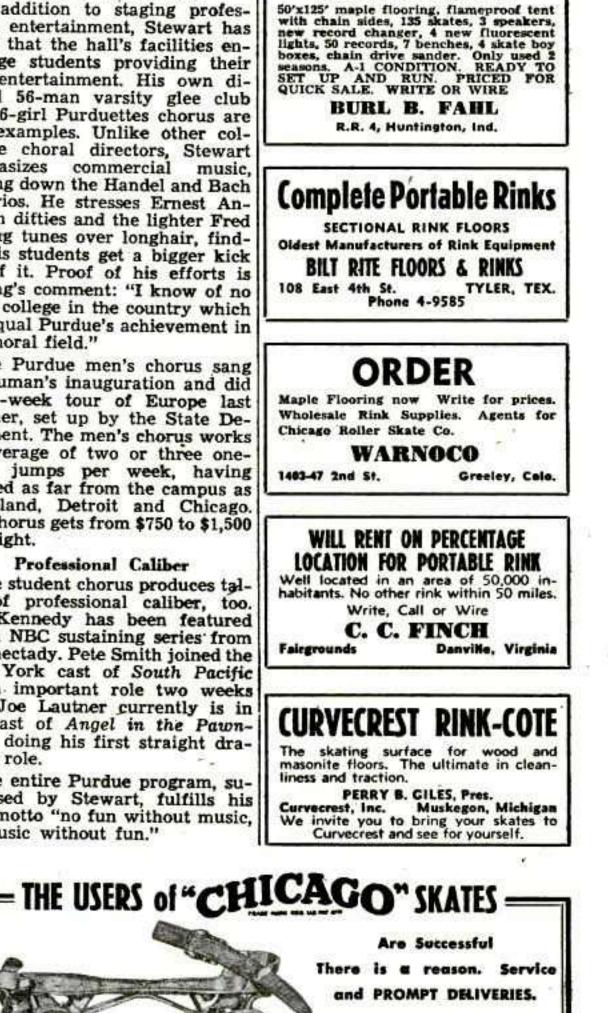
In addition to staging professional entertainment, Stewart has found that the hall's facilities encourage students providing their own entertainment. His own directed 56-man varsity glee club and 16-girl Purduettes chorus are best examples. Unlike other collegiate choral directors, Stewart emphasizes commercial music, playing down the Handel and Bach oratorios. He stresses Ernest Anderson diffies and the lighter Fred Waring tunes over longhair, finding his students get a bigger kick out of it. Proof of his efforts is Waring's comment: "I know of no other college in the country which can equal Purdue's achievement in the choral field."

The Purdue men's chorus sang at Truman's inauguration and did summer, set up by the State Department. The men's chorus works an average of two or three onenight jumps per week, having worked as far from the campus as Cleveland, Detroit and Chicago. The chorus gets from \$750 to \$1,500 per night.

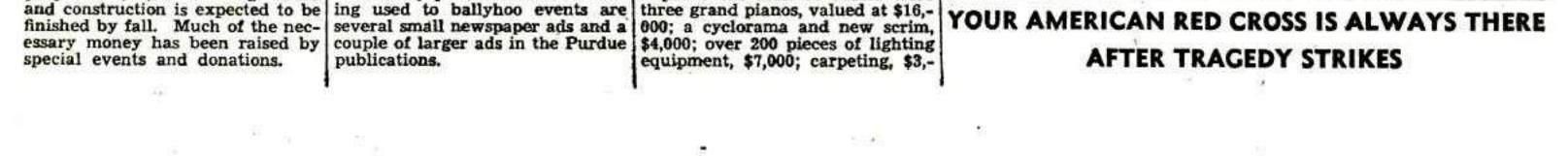
#### **Professional Caliber**

The student chorus produces talent of professional caliber, too. Bill Kennedy has been featured on an NBC sustaining series from Schenectady. Pete Smith joined the New York cast of South Pacific in an important role two weeks ago. Joe Lautner currently is in the cast of Angel in the Pawnshop, doing his first straight dramatic role.

The entire Purdue program, supervised by Stewart, fulfills his own motto "no fun without music, no music without fun."











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old Henderson Stock Company, is convalescing at her home tral South Dakota. Trick is a in Mason, Mich., following a two- three-person family show and week stay in a hospital there. plays anything that comes along. She'd like to know the whereabouts of Charles R. Phipps, who from Texarkana, Tex., that he has was with the Henderson troupe had a small unit successfully when it opened in 1898 and closed playing halls in Southwest Oklain 1935. . . . "Who said that min- homa. He plans to ready his strel shows were dead?" queries Leon Long from Mobile, Ala. "On March 17 J. Ayers brought in Viola Steptoe and the 'Sugar Foot Sam From Alabam'' show to play the Gem Theater, Prichard, Ala. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Rellen. . . In the entourage were Joe Brantley's band; Kid Lewis, Barton H. Ballard and Young Matlock, comedians, and an eight-girl line. The group is playing Bijou Amusement Circuit houses. Two miles away Little Sparky Jones and wife presented the Shufflin' Sam Colored ers are playing one-day stands un-Minstrels, with Lasses Brown, Sam Rhodes, Jim Hayden, comics; a seven-piece band and four-girl line. E. H. Rucker is slated to join in Jackson, Miss."

FANNIE H. HENDERSON, of the | POBISHAW BROS.' SHOW reports good business in Cen-. . . Ed (Chick) Doherty writes store and platform show and play Southern Oklahoma dates until the celebrations and fairs open. In addition to Doherty, the show line-up includes Mrs. Doherty and Harry Kiley will open his platform show late in April in Western Kansas. . . . Henri Lavine is in Boston readying his show for a Western Canada opening. He'll follow up by playing established territory in Ontario. . . . Bay Playder auspices in Southwest Pennsylvania. . . . Tate's Show, which played to good returns in Utah, is moving eastward.

# Paris Peek

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theaters, the Richelieu and Odeon. The latter showing modern plays, is just about solvent. The Richelieu, specializing in the classics, is a losing proposition what with super-expensive scenery and costumes, the best stage hands in France and the usual State-controlled, more-than-normal supply of cashiers, usherettes, firemen, ticket-takers, guards dressed in special-tailored uniforms and musicians. Permanent stars receive 90,000 francs a month, (\$257), on 10-year contracts. With the development of the motion picture industry, a Comedie actor can earn as much in a few days working in a picture, as he can at the Comedie chard's job to keep the actors in line. Also, to see that the Odeon runs sure-fire, box-office hits to support the losing Richelieu.

The Hippodrome in London opened this week with the new edition of the Paris Folies Bergere said to cost over \$100,000. For the first time in Folies Bergere history, the show was produced and designed in London instead of being imported from Paris. Michel Gyarmathy, Paris producer of the epic, commuted between Paris and London for the job.

## Pepsi Missionaries? . . .

A new club is operating here that has a name in keeping with the times. It's Club L'Atomic.

Skitch Henderson and Faye Emerson are honeymooning here and combining business with pleasure. They are accompanied everywhere be the first ork and among others by a publicity man assigned by la scheduled are Guy Lombardo, Emerson's sponsor, and of course Xavier Cugat and Louis Prima. are doing the town in grand style. The sponsor, Pepsi-Cola, we hear on good authority, is planning to move into Paris next year, if local political ostacles can be overcome. Lou Walters is here looking for talent for his Latin Quarter. The granddaughter of Sarah Bernhardt, Lisiane Bernhardt, is displeased with the alleged caricature of her famous grandmother in the new Jean Anouilh play, Colombe (also starring the ubiquitous Daniele Delorme). In the role of a great, but aged actress, Mme. Marie Ventura garnered top reviews, but not from the Bernhardt offspring. Lisidne claimed that there was no resemblance between the performance of Mme Ventura and the Divine Sarah and objected to the imitation and caricature of the Great Bernhardt's intonation and gestures.

## **Mestres Bros.' Faith Backed** By Hefty CMQ-TV Time Sales

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available spots are now sold.

On the other hand, there is no question in anyone's mind (least winds). The lay-out includes two of all in the minds of those who studios already in operation; two know the Mestres) that the operation will follow up its somewhat phenomenal start to become one of the most solid (financially and artistically) video businesses in the world.

To begin with, the Mestres are et al. eminently successful at AM station and network operations. The CMQ seven-station web; CMBF, a longhair music station, and the rather fabulous "Radio Reloj," radio clock, all probably make Mestres have performed what money faster than the TV operation can exhaust it. If that isn't enough, the Mestres, of course, own a number of other businesses, in a month. Hence, it is a common including three wholesale drug minute newsreels daily, plus a full occurrence for an actor to pick a firms, Kresto (the chocolate malt hour news summary weekly, do a beef with the administration in the drink) and Mestre-Conill, one of big league job on several weekly hope of getting notice. It is Tou- the island's biggest advertising variety comedy hours and cover agencies.

> The operating capital is there, but this doesn't mean that the brothers take a drunken-sailor approach to blowing it on television. Quite to the contrary, the CMQ-TV layout impresses as one of the best - planned, most carefully thought-out ever created. No dough is spared, but none is wasted.

#### Cased U. S. A.

Key CMQ pesronnel have visited virtually every department of such American organizations as Radio Corporation of America, Columbia Broadcasting System, National Broadcasting Company, DuMont, the Zoomar Corporation and many others, and made a thoro study of every facet of TV operation. As Al Protzman, of NBC operations, in attendance here at the inaugural ceremonies, put it: "These boys have studied everything we've ever done at home. They've avoided all those mistakes we made in the pioneering days. They've copied all the best of what we've done and they've improved on a lot of it."

spots. About 60 per cent of all house (in the basement) to the super-turnstile antenna, towering 280 feet (385 feet above sea level and built to withstand 225 m.p.h. to be completed in three months, one 50 by 80 foot, the other 45 by 45 foot; film laboratories, news rooms, five cameras (two DuMont, three RCA), innovations in lighting scenic design workshops,

#### **Program Miracles**

And the same efficinecy is apparent in programing and production. In the latter direction the could be termed a minor miracle. In about three months they have six weekly half-hour dramatic shows rolling, turn out two 15such favorite sports as baseball, boxing, jai alai and the roller derby.

The Mestres accomplish this, plus all other funtions of both the radio and television operation, with personnel numering about 300, including some 60 musicians and about 100 performers, writers, producers, directors and other creative talent.

Virtually everybody connected with the operation does several jobs, and doubling, tripling and quadrupling is the rule. No sponsor is allowed more than two cameras per show, and CMQ is proving that two is enough to get virtually anything on a TV screen more than adequately. Production crews on shows number six men for the biggest, and the staff is divided up into 22 such six-man crews. All of these people are versatile in that they can handle either audio or video assignments, camera or mike, technical direction or floor, etc. Actors and actresses who do as many as four and five soap operas dally on radio, take on one and sometimes two halfhour dramatic video shows.

# Short Scannings

Brief but important video news

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ties firms and trust companies. Hitherto the show was being sold the web's new package, "The Hendersons on Irip; only to banks. Since its debut February 22, the stanza has been sold for local sponsorship to 22 banks. The web and Time execs believe the cream has been skimmed off the market and thus are making the program available to other types of sponsors.

**Production Notes and** Personnel Activities . . .

major national advertisers, utili- | chief, is in Chicago confabbing with comic Harvey Stone about Army Game." . . . Martin Ryerson, scripter currently in Mc-Cann-Erickson's radio-TV department, leaves the agency to free lance April 1.

With its April 3 telecast, "Cavalcade of Bands" inaugurates a new policy of using individual bands four weeks. Freddy Martin will

MacDonnell's spot on Goodrich's ers-Jack Douglas, Eddie Coonta "Celebrity Time" beginning April and John Brady - have joined 1, while the latter takes time out KFI-TV, Los Angeles. . . . Dave to have a child. Pappy is pack- Nyren has been appointed direcager Dick Gordon. . . . Lester tor of new program and talent Gottlieb, Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) radio program

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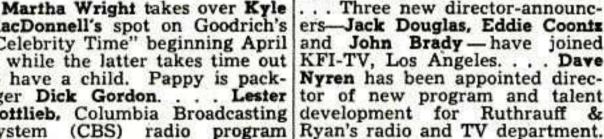
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The Kagran Corporation (Martin Stone) has granted licensing rights to the Alexander Doll Company to merchandise the "Howdy Doody" show's Clarabell clown doll. . . . Robert O'Connor, sports director at WOR-TV, New York, became the father of his second child March 10. . . . The American Women in Radio and Television, a new org of the females in the broadcasting industry, will hold its first convention at the Hotel Astor April 6-8. Edythe J. Meserand, of WOR-TV, is chairman of the convention committee.

Sides and Asides

with Francis Lederer in "Collec-

tor's Item" when it preems in

London. . . . Gene Tierney may

Anne Crawford will co-star

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The plant is a model of streamlined efficiency, from props ware-

# **TV** Talenf and Show Tips

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### **Chaz Chase**

Montmarte nitery in Havana. He opens shortly at the Latin Quarter in New York, and his pantomimic artistry is unexcelled. His matches, cigarette, cigar and shirt-eating bit; his dance to an unheard musical score, his strip-tease satire are all panto in the Chaplin tradition. He's had considerable video experience on English and French telecasts. A sock bet for any variety stanza. J. C.

### Mrs. Arthur Murray-**Chatter Session**

Mrs. Arthur Murray, the terp king's personable frau, has held down the emsee spot on a halfhour variety show over DuMont for some time now. Unfortunately, tho, her flair for making bright, spontaneous-sounding small talk has practically been ignored, in favor of having the lady "bring on the acts." Mrs. Murray would be more at home with an intimate 15-minute interview show, which would provide appropriate setting for the pleasantly un-professional warmth of her personality. Guestwise, the series would have a wealth of material to choose from, since ex-Arthur Murray pupils include everybody from Garbo to Author Phillip Wylie. J. B.

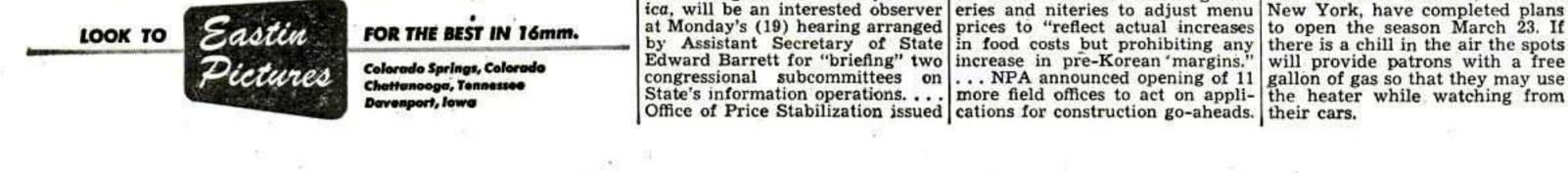
No one has ever made an accurate count of the multitude of tasks the Mestres-Goar, Abel and Luis Augusto-take unto themselves. One thing's for sure, they're no Manana boys.

## **Drivin'** Round The Drive-Ins

THE 600-car capacity Pike Drive-In, Newington, Conn., Outside of a quickie shot on was the first of the Hartford area the Ed Sullivan Toast of the Town drive-in theaters to resume operaa couple of weeks ago, Chase hasn't | tions for 1951, with week-end opbeen seen in the United States in erations launched March 9. . . . years-video, live or otherwise. Paul W. Amadeo, general man-He's been playing all around Eu- ager, said that the week-end oprope and more recently at the eration policy would be in effect until March 23, with nightly operation scheduled from that date on. Thruout the winter, Amadeo used his theater's marquee space to present various good will messages. . . . Opening of the unique Plainfield Theater and Drive-In, Plainfield, Conn., by Edward Lord, operator of the Lord Theater, Norwich, Conn., was scheduled for March 24 at 6 p.m. Lord is introducing a patented projector which throws the film on screens of his 500-seat indoor theater and his 700-car capacity drive-in theater simultaneously.

Willard B. Rogers, president of the Will Rogers Drive-In Thea-Corporation, Manchester, ter Conn., has been named a judge for the \$100 cash prize essay contest the Norwich (Conn.) Summer Theater is sponsoring for senior high school students in Connecticut. . . . Highway Drive-In Theater, Bamberg, S. C., has obtained a charter from the secretary of state to operate a drive-in theater and purchase theater equipment. Authorized capital stock is \$3,600. J. C. Kearse Jr. is president. . . . New Orleans' newest drive-in theater, the Skyvue, held its formal opening Friday night (9). The Skyvue will accommodate 800 cars. Another feature is a patio where patrons who desire to leave their cars may watch the film. . . . Whitestone Bridge and Sun-





Washington **Once-Over** 

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Commissioner Frieda B. Hennock, who'll argue that the plan doesn't give educators enough reserved channels. Male members of the commission are politely waiting for Miss Hennock to draft her dissent. According to FCC staffers, only thing that could further tie up release of the plan would be recurrence of Chairman Wayne Coy's suggestion that all of commercial TV be moved out of the very-high-frequencies into ultra-high-frequencies. Coy sent out a feeler on this, pointing out that presently operating TV stations might be given some five years or so to make the switch. But staffers say he's not-at least not at the moment-pushing for it.

#### Of Weiss and Benton, Of Food and "Voice"...

Lewis Allen Weiss, former president of the Don Lee Network and former MBS board chairman, has moved up to chief of NPA's Office of Civilian Requirements. . . . Sen. William Benton (D., Conn.) sponsor of a resolution for a Senate investigation of Voice of Amer- an order this week allowing eat- rise Drive-In theaters, both in



## Chaz Chase a Cuban Click

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Marco wove and spun in seem- differences between Cuban and ingly authentic old Spain routines, Yank telecasting techniques. but the stand-out terp turn was Lander and Lena Holland, as well other States-side fightcaster, for groomed and restrainedly effective example, have been sharply critia dance duo as this reporter has cized for talking too much in caught since Mario and Flora.

Souveron, did a couple of Gallic tussle made any American teletunes in a clear, fetching soprano. caster seem like a de-larynxed The Montmarte line made up in sphinx. He started talking some verve and spirit what they lacked 15 minutes before fight-time, and in precision and cameo-like beauty. literally didn't pause for a breath Los Churumbeles played the show till the show went off the air well. The Cuban emsee, whose eight rounds later. name we didn't catch, did straight intros in Spanish and English. The rettes consisted of super-imposing croupiers, blackjack dealers, et al., a shot of the ciggie pack over the were well cast.

#### Lotsa Talk

Cuban video is amazingly well advanced (one station's been on for five months, another for three). The Kid Gavilan-Tommy Ciarlo fight, caught via CMQ-TV (Satur-

### Billboard Backstage By JOE CSIDA

 Continued from page 2 radio web, they laughed him off, but now he's cut into their advertising budgets rather severely and they're experimenting with ways and means to halt his progress. I'm laying 8 to 5 on the young broadcaster.

#### **Hoods** Into Havana

The night club owners in Havana have a problem on their hands, too. With gambling closed down in Miami and environs, American hoodlums are moving in on the Havana scene. All the bigger clubs in Havana feature gambling casinos, strictly legal on the island. The hoods have already bought one of the biggest clubs in town, and are angling for one other. Top Cubans are watching developments with a worried eye.

these junkets is always the guys you live with on the way down, on the spot, and coming back. This particular group was great. With John Royal it was like a vaudeville old home week, especially when we caught up with Chaz Chase. Chase played for Royal in 1916 when Royal was manager of the Hippodrome Theater in Cleveland. Listening to these two cut up touches was a real treat, Remind me to tell you Chase's story about the time he played on the same bill with Power's elephants. Had a long, interesting chat with my old friend, Judge Justin Miller, now on an information and propaganda mission for the Department of State. The judge is one of the most unpretentiously learned gentleman I've ever had the pleasure of knowing. When he checks out as president of the National Association of Broadcasters, he's going to be missed. Columbia Broadcasting System's news director, Ed Chester. astounded me with his fluency in Spanish, until I learned he'd spent 18 years in Latin America, five as Associated Press Bureau chief in Havana. And how those Cuban big wheels love Ed. . . . Jack Pegler and Doc Bach, of Zoomar. were in town, and Pegler's story of the superservice he and the Continued from page 6 Doc give video station Zoomar customers is something to write about. NBC from March-April, 1949, to | it stated that a TV home actually another time. . . . NBC's Pat March-April, 1950. Weaver, it turns out, is far funnier than his brother, Doodles-one of the quickest, most droll senses of the evening hours, and "has sufhumors I've run into in years. fered progressively" from video When one of the guys, Jack Conway of Tide, showed signs of contracting some mysterious tropical disease and was pondering on the proper remedies, Pat said: "Why, with non-TV homes. don't you head straight for the operating room." . . . Leonard in a per-network and per-station Reinsch and his beautiful and charming wife, and Campbell basis, show declines that run as Arnoux and his ditto lady, haphigh as 60 per cent, according to pened in on the inugural party in the course of vacations, and a tioned, including affiliates in non-TV cities, reduction in radio time happy addition they were. . . . Of course, the guy who always has muy grande headaches on these junkets is the shepherd, in this case Melchor Guzman Agency's Al CBS. Martinez. He did a great job of keeping this somewhat undischarts presented is that only one ciplined collection of characters affiliates in TV markets is regarded happy. It's especially tough when he has to contend with guys who by ANA as having rates adjusted forget their birth certificates and/ or passports. One guy did, and time in view of TV's growth. This will cost \$1.03 for time and talent the customs inspector at Miami is WSM, NBC's Nashville affiliate. to reach 1,000 radio homes for 30 Springs on the return trip was

more or less native dances. Pepita | day, 10), demonstrated some basic

Ted Husing, Russ Hodges and their video turns. But the Cuban A French chanteuse, Yvette announcer on the Gavilan-Ciarlo

> Commercials for El Cuno cigaring and ringsiders, with the announcer talking in the same fiery, enthusiastic, machine-gun style as during rounds when the Cuban kid was butchering Ciarlo, a real fistic nothing.

That this style of TV-fight announcing is right for the Cubans, however, was amply borne out by the fact that the ringsiders in camera range went into emotional gymnastics every time Gavilan planted one on Ciarlo, which was extremely often. This, of course, was as unlike Madison Square Garden's cold fish ringsiders as the announcer was different from the Husings and Hodgeses.

What the announcer talked about, unfortunately, this reviewer knoweth not. Aside from "separere rojo." which, after several rounds, we determined meant the referee Rojo was separating the men, it sounded for the most part like Spanish for "The kid's murdering the American bum." Which, of course, was accurate reporting.

A full hour variety-comedy show caught Sunday (11), 8 to 9 p.m., again on CMQ-TV, and called something Spanish about a carousel, demonstrated that this newest video station, owned by the Mestre brothers, has already developed this type of stanza to the same degree of perfection as, say, Berle and his cohorts have developed on the Texaco Star The-Part of what makes or breaks ater, no less. The sets, lighting, direction, production were all firstrate. The song and dance numbers were, in turn, tender and exciting. A comedy routine, built around a Berle moron-type character, who permits a suave, handsome carnival gent to show him how to make love to his (the moron's) beauteous girl friend, was wham all the way, even if you didn't understand the language. The entire stanza was bigtime in the largest sense of the phrase. Unique in world broadcasting circles is the "Radio Reloj" (radio clock) operation, also owned by Goar, Abel and Lui- Augusto Mestre. This is a 24-hour per day deal, wherein the time is given every minute on the minute. Between time announcements, two 12-word spot announcements and a news flash are 'orked in. The 24 hours are virtually sold out, so that this station carries roughly 2,880 spots per day. This reviewer didn't listen to a full ?4 hours, but on the basis of some three minutes he can only make the comment that this is fast radio. Sloppy Joe's hasn't changed a bit.

Radio listening in TV homes

In TV cities, radio time values,

#### ANDERSON-Margaret,

56, singer in Los Angeles Swedish groups, recently in Los Angeles. Interment in Inglewood (Calif.) Park Cemetery.

#### BARNEY-Eugene,

ball game concessionaire with the W. S. Curl Shows for several years, March 5 at Veteran's Hospital, Dayton, O. Burial in Dayton March 8.

#### BAUER-Harold,

77, well-known concert planist, March 12 in Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami He made his debut in Paris in 1893. first appeared in this country in 1900 with the Boston Symphony Orchestra. and gave his last formal New York concert at. Town Hall in 1936. In 1948 he published a tome of reminiscences entitled "Harold Bauer: His Book." The Beethoven Association, New York, was founded by him and he was the group's president until 1938. At the time of his death he was music counselor to the University of Miami School of Music.

#### BELL-Minnie,

79. former vaude performer, February 25 in New York. At one time she and her mother. Hattie Bell, were known as the Bell Sisters. She married Dave Marion and they toured this country and Europe as a singing and musical act. Two sons, Clifford and Harry Marion, survive.

#### BURBANK-Arthur,

79, former vaude performer, March 1 at his home in Moncton, N. B. He was a member of a musical act which featured the playing of many instruments. Survived by his widow.

#### CUNNINGHAM-Thomas Francis,

veteran carnival trouper, March 12 at a Miami rest home.

#### EHAUST-Dave.

43, former concessionaire with the Percy Jones Shows, February 17 in Minneapolis of a heart attack. Survived by his widow, Marie and a daughter, Darlene. Burial in Hillside Cemetery, Minneapolis.

ETHARDO-Naomi (Frances Webster), 74. former well-known balancer and juggler with the Ringling Bros. Circus and on the Keith-Orpheum vaude circuit, recently in Los Angeles. She claimed to have originated the balancing act in which she performed a juggling act atop a tier of bottles.

#### HARRIS-Paul F.,

71, former conductor of the Dallas State Fair band, March 9 in that city. He led the group for 30 years, organized bands for the Palace and Melba theaters in Dallas and was closely associated with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra. In 1928 and 1929 he served as the first musical director of Station WFAA in that city, and he also booked Dallas musicians to augment visiting musical and dramatic groups. He was a member of Local 147, American Federation of Musicians since 1910, and served as a board member for 20 years.

#### KRAATZ-Mrs. Bertha W.,

72, widow of Carl F. Kraatz, trombonist for many years with the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, March 12 in St. Louis, where she had resided in recent years. Her husband died 10 years ago. She leaves a son, Carl, Los Angeles; a daughter, Mrs. Clinton S. Tyler, Chesterfield, Mo., and a sister, Mrs. Lena Wissman, Cincinnati, Burial in Spring Grove Cemetery, Cincinnati, March 16.

The Final Curtain

#### LACKAYE-Richard,

75, former dramatic actor, March 5 in Hollywood of a heart attack. Early in life he was a newspaperman. In recent years he had served as a diction coach to many Hollywood radio and picture personalities. Burial in Wilshire, Calif., March 10.

#### LEON-Leon H.,

75, known professionally as the Great Leon, one of the outstanding magicians of the past generation and inventor of numerous magic tricks and illusions, March 13 in Presbyterian Hospital, Hollywood. Leon, who retired from the stage 15 years ago, was a member of numerous magical organizations, including the International Brotherhood of Magicians and Society of American Magicians. He was past president of the Los Angeles Assembly, SAM, and the San Diego Assembly of that organization is named for Leon. He was also a member of the Masons and the Comedy Club of Hollywood. Among his most noted feats in vaudeville were shooting a girl thru a solid sheet of steel and invisibly transferring a girl from a sheath of flame to a sealed tank of water. Services March 16 in Hollywood, with Ray Muse, past national president of the SAM, performing the wand-breaking ceremony over the casket. Surviving are two sons, Leon M. Leon, film sound engineer, and Col. Harry S. Leon, U.S. Marine Corps, and a daughter, Mrs. Edith Arnold.

In Memory of Our Son T. P. LEWIS Well-known Rodeo Performer, who passed away March 20, 1950. Sadly missed by the family. MR. AND MRS. TED LEWIS, Jackie Lewis and Georgina, and sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Hill and Mrs. Lucille Dubrawsky.

#### LEWTON-Val.

46. pic writer-director-producer, March 14 in Los Angeles. In the film industry for 16 years, he recently joined Stanley Kramer Productions, following work with David O. Selznick, RKO, Paramount, MGM and Universal. Survived by his widow, Ruth; mother, Mrs. Nina Lewton;

#### NUECHTERLEIN-John C.,

63, organist and musical director, March 11 in Detroit. Survived by his widow, Emma, and two children. Interment in Glen Eden Cemetery, Detroit,

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#### RICH-Mrs. Rose,

62, mother of the late Louis Rich, who was secretary and arrangements writer for the Horace Heidt orchestra, recently in Milwaukee. Survived by a son and daughter.

#### ROBERTS-Dortha Mae,

30, rep and stock ingenue. March 6 in Howard, Kan., of cancer. She had been with the Christy Obrecht, Tilton, Roberson and Gifford stock companies, among others, and was last with Neil and Caroline Schaffner's group. Survived by her husband, Mason Wilkes, rep pianist, and two children, Roberta and Claudin. Burial in Grace Lawn Cemetery, Howard.

#### SCHMITT-Saladin.

57, president of the German Shakespeare Society and a leading stage producer, March 15 in Bochum, Germany. He staged many different Shakespearean productions during his 30 years as president of the Bochum municipal theaters.

#### STROMBERG-Katherine Kerwin,

57, wife of pic producer Hunt Stromberg, March 15 in Beverly Hills, Calif. She also leaves a son, Hunt Jr., stage-TV producer in New York. Interment in Calvary Cemetery, Los Angeles,

#### SWEENEY-John Francis,

70, former news director of Station CKY, Winnipeg, and a former director of the Regina (Sask.) Exhibition Association, in the latter city March 6 of a heart attack. 'He had been assistant to the general manager of The Free Press, Winnipeg; general manager of The Leader-Post, Regina, and publisher of the short-lived Winnipeg Citizen before joining CKY. He died a few hours after arriving in Regina to take over civil defense director duties. Survived by his widow, a son and three daughters. Burial in Winnipeg.

#### TAMMS-Robert A.,

58, orchestra leader and music teacher in Milwaukee for the past 30 years, March 2 in that city of a heart attack. During World War I he organized a navy unit, the Jackie Jazz Band, which toured Wisconsin for five years as a recruiting show. He fronted the first orchestra to broadcast over radio in Milwaukee, Bob Tamms and His M "ion Dollar Band. Tamms founded the Milwaukee Academy of Music an! Allied Arts 15 years ago. Survived by his widow, Agnes; a son, Cpl. Robert Jr., in the service in Korea, and two

#### KENMORE-Jerome E.,

32, engineer with station WOR, New York, March 14 of injuries sustained March 13 in an auto accident. Survived by his widow and two children.

#### KILGORE-J. D.,

former manager of the Doris Woodruff Stock Company, Beaus and Belles tab show and the All-Star Minstrels, February 12 in Paris, Tex. In recent years he had toured the Kilgore Stock Company thruout Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas and Texas. Survived by his widow, Mabel. Burial in Bristol, Va.

#### KING-Dixie,

73, former wild animal trainer with the Ringling circus, and widow of Tommy King, circus performer, in Houston recently. She retired 15 years ago. Surviving are two brothers, L. E. Bennett, Houston, and T. R. Bennett, Los Angeles. Burial in Houston.

#### KOLLMAR-Mrs. John,

67, mother of actor-producer Richard Kollmar, March 13 in Sarasota, Fia. Her son, with his wife, columnist Dorothy Kilgallen, form the radio breakfast patter show, "Dorothy and Dick."

#### daughter, Mrs. Nina Druckman; son, Val, and sister, Lucy Lewton. Burial in Pacific Palisades, Calif.

#### LIFTON-Louis S.,

51, publicity and ad director for Monogram and Allied Artists, studios, March 10 in Los Angeles. Lifton worked for Brooklyn newspapers and was correspondent for The Chicago Tribune before joining the pic industry in New York He had been connected with Eastern offices of MGM, Educational Pictures. World Wide, British International and Liberty and Republic studios. Survived by his widow, Lillian; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Lifton; a brother, David. and three sisters; Mrs. Molly Goldberg. Mrs. Ana Karp and Mrs. Augusta Sonenthal. Burial in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Glendale, Calif.

#### UBOVISKI-Boris,

66, retired musician, March 11 in Los Angeles. Survived by his widow, Clara; four sons, Milton, Philip, Eugene, Jerry two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Rubin and Mrs. Mildred Wall, and two brothers, Calmon and Sam. Burial in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Glendale, Calif.

#### McDOWELL-Mrs. Georgia.

known to many circus performers and musicians, March 2 at her home in Nashville, Ill. She leaves a son, Harold, and a daughter Naomi, both of Nashville.

#### McFARLAND-Mack,

Veteran carnival concessionaire, March 8 in the Kendall (Fis.) County Home.

#### McGINNIS-Lewis L.,

44, owner of McGinnis Amusements. Cleveland, March 7 at Cleveland Clinic. He had recently entered the carnival business and furnished rides for church carnivals and civic organizations in Cleveland and vicinity. For many years he was a photographer of children. Survived by his widow, Hilda, and three daughters, Marilyn, Joan and Karen, Burial in Highland Park Cemetery, Cleveland, March 10.

#### MENZELI-Lola,

53, ballet dancer, March 11 at her home in Chicago. Born in Vienna, she wrote a treatise on ballet dancing, "From Teacher to Student," and spent several years instructing ballet teachers. Survived by her husband, Senia Solomonoff, former member of the New York Metropolitan Opera ballet, and a daughter, professional dancer Marya Saunders.

#### MILLER-Harry E. (Pat),

69, one of the original Four Casting Valentinos, circus and vaude troupe, March 6 in Cleveland. Survived by his widow, Rose,

#### MURRAY-James B. (Sunny Jim),

66, projectionist at the Columbia Theater, Erie, Pa., and for several seasons past property man for Blackstone the magician, March 7 in Erie. Murray was well known thruout the Erie area for his showing of films to shut-ins at various institutions. Survived by his widow, Ethel; a son, James; a daughter, Peggy and two sisters, Elizabeth and Mrs. Mary Driscoll, Burial in Trinity Cemetery, Erie, March 10.

#### PAYNE-Dr. John L.,

76, father of Virginia Payne, who for 14 years has portrayed radio's Ma Perkins, March 12 in St. Francis Hospital.

brothers, Erwin and Fred, Milwaukee,

#### THOMPSON-Louis M.,

69, retired actor known professionally as Corbet Morris, March 10 in Los Angeles. Survived by a brother, Hervert, and two sisters, Helen and Frances, Burial in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Glendale, Calif.

#### TRADER-George Henry.

\$5, veteran actor and stage director, March 12 at East Islip, N. Y. He came to the U.S. from Sunderland, England, in the early 1880's and began his career on the West Coast as a member of the Joseph Grisman-Phoebe Davies Company for several years, later joining the Alcazar Theater Company in San Francisco. He first appeared in New York with Mrs. Minnle Maddern Fiske in "A Bit of Old Chelsea" and was in the supporting cast of "Chanticleer" with Maude Adams at the Knickerbocker Theater, New York. He acted in George Ade's "Just Out of College" under the management of Charles Frohman at the Lyceum Theater in New York; and later, for several years he was under the management of the Shuberts. In recent years he devoted his time to directing groups and to being a professional reader and a dramatic teacher. Survived by his widow.

#### WARNER-Bill,

35, circus performer, March 11 at his trailer home in Sarasota, Fla. He was a horizontal bar performer and a substitute in the Artoni flying act. Surviving are his widow, also a circus performer, who came here 18 months ago from Germany, and a three-week-old child.

## Marriages

#### CUTTING-WATERBURY-

Richard H. Cutting, Columbia Broadcasting System announcer, and Edwina Booth Waterbury, CBS script ,secretary, March 15 in Los Angeles.

#### LIEWALD-SCHUHARDT-

Capt. Louis A. Liewald Jr. and Marjorie Schuhardt, women's news editor and continuity writer at Station WOAL San Antonio, March 11 in that city.

## Births

#### LLEWELLYN-

A daughter, Maxine, to Capt. and Mrs. Kathrin Llewellyn recently at the Station Hospital, Camp Stoneman, Pittsburg, Calif. Mother is Kathrin Day, singer-actress.

#### McLEOD-

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. T. H. (Tommy) McLeod recently in Regina, Sask. Father is manager of the Regina Exhibition Association.

#### O'CONNOR-

A son, Francis David, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert O'Connor March 10 in New York. Father is sports director of WOR-TV. New York.

radio-only homes. Better than 9 of every 10 families are radio families, and 3 of these 9 also will have TV. One of the 10 reads Life, and one reads The Satevepost, while two read This Week. More Figures On the basis of delivered cir-

outlet, of all NBC and CBS radio Satevepost, 4,415,000.

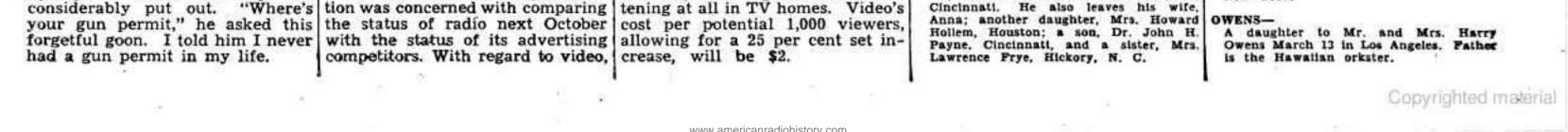
In October, 1951, according to the new presentation on radio by the exactly to the relative value of the National Broadcasting Company, it The bulk of the NBC presenta- minutes, assuming there is no lis-

is one-third of a radio home, since radio listening in a TV home is "approaches elimination" during only 30 per cent of listening in

competition in the afternoon hours, the report says. It notes that in the morning hours it has stood up well in TV homes as compared

Best Foot Wears NBC Shoes

culation, and counting the 25 percent circulation increase credited to TV, the pitch assesses radio ANA. For the two webs men- against the competition, allowing magazines credit for pass-along and secondary readers, with avvalues due to the growth of TV erage Starch "noting" figures apamounts to 19.2 per cent in the plied on a black-and-white full case of NBC, and 19.4 per cent for page ad. The result shows a halfhour radio show reaching 8,565,-An interesting sidelight in the 000 people; This Week, 7,149,000; TV, 6,519,000; Life, 5,509,000; and



Real Bridge Contract

# OUTDOOR

THE BILLBOARD

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

MARCH 24, 1951

# Hughes Aircraft Co., Billsbury Signs Moves To Take Over Three W. Coast Pomona Fairgrounds Show Contracts

### Deal Now Under Way Would Halt **Biggest County Fair "for Duration"**

POMONA, Calif., March 17 .- | craft plants, thru brokers, have Negotiations for the Los Angeles County Fair grounds and buildings to be taken over by the Hughes Aircraft Company are under way and considerably a "probability." Completion of the deal would be "for the duration," which would cancel the event for that time. The aircraft company would convert the 400-acre plant into a guided missile assembly plant.

Altho the discussion of switching the fairgrounds from their present use into a defense plant has been going on for sometime, the final signing of papers is yet to be done. If consumated, Hughes would take over the fairgrounds on a two or three-year lease.

#### **Negotiations Under Way**

C. B. (Jack) Afflerbaugh, fair's president-general manager, said that the negotiations were under way but as yet the board of directors had not voted on the matter. He declared that a number of air-

# Frank Winkley Sets 99 Dates

MINNEAPOLIS, March 17.-With a total of 99 auto race meets Inc., a group of drivers from Paso Robles, will feature Bills- light for freedom will be portrayed. signed for 1951 Auto Racing, Inc., is headed for one of its busiest seasons datewise, manager Frank Winkley, says. Of the total, 53 are of the stock car variety, 46 big car meets and 66 are fair dates. First race of the season is a 100-mile stock car event, April 15, at Louisiana State Fairgrounds, Shreveport. Drivers who will be with the Winkley organization this year include Bobby Grimm, Russ Lee, Clair Cotter, Bert Hellmueller and Leon DeRock.

been bidding for the grounds.

The grounds, located about 20 miles from Los Angeles, are most desirous for such a defense project. The buildings are spacious and capable of accommodating large planes. Another factor is the adjacent acreage used for parking.



Jake Kedenburg, president, Kedenburg Racing Association, said this week that he will promote stock car events at three Long Island Paree to be produced by Nick Sunday (25).

In addition to customary operation of Municipal Stadium here five weeks and the second five and Islip Speedway, a third mile track at Dexter Park, Woodhaven, N. Y., is nearing completion. New track is readily accessible by bus, auto and rapid transit lines. Racing will be held there every Sunnight events start.

Freeport bowing May 5. Racing will start immediately, Billsbury Director Gus Hager said that the said. All-State Racing Stock Car Club,

RAIL RATE HIKE

SEEN FOR SHOWS

**Temporary Increase Okayed; Permanent** 

CHICAGO, March 17 .- Rail- | show, the Ringling-Barnum circus,

increases which, it is believed, will year because of the costs. Another

carnival trains. The Interstate at a late date 'against adding five

temporary boosts while a request freight charges that would be in-

season.

**Boost Expected To Hit Railroad Orgs** 

Inks Hollywood Home

### Expo, Paso Robbles, **Transportation Fairs**

HOLLYWOOD, March 17. -John Billsbury, local outdoor booker, this week signed contracts for the shows at the sixth a percentage to the Cotton Carannual Industrial Exposition and nival. In the past the midway has Home Show, Circus de Paree at been sold on a flat basis. the World Transportation Fair One factor in revam and for San Luis Obispo County Fair.

With the Home Show slated June 14 for 11 days in the Pan-Pacific auditorium here, Billsbury has signed Judy Canova, Russ Morgan and his orchestra, the Lange Family, Doris King and Cecil Stewart and His Royal Rogues for the event.

#### **Talent Booking**

At the' World Transportation Fair, Arcadia, Calif., Billsbury will book talent for the Circus de tracks this year, starting Easter Boila, former Chicago producer. WTF runs for 10 weeks and two days with the first show playing weeks and two days. The second However, among those opening event. June 30 at the Santa Anita Park race track event will be Sonny Moore and His Roustabouts, Elea-Four Musketeers and their Funny

San Luis Obipso County Fair, second parade cotton's role in the Columbia City

# **Royal American Inks** Memph. Cotton Cele

### To Set Up Again on Front Street; Southern Cele Sets Patriotic Theme

MEMPHIS, March 17 .- Royal stars are being sought for this American Shows this week were show.

awarded the midway contract for the Memphis Cotton Carnival, May 5-13.

lacking, it is believed that the contract calls for a guarantee against

One factor in revamping the terms is that the Cotton Carnival terms is that the Cotton Carnival program this year will run one day less than in the past. Midway operations, however, will run nights as heretofore on Front Street, with the Royal American swinging into action the Saturday preceding formal opening of the Cotton Carnival and ending its stand the following Saturday.

#### **Mobilization Motif**

sharply from recent editions in several respects, as execs decided East, with Roy E. Richwine as to tie in festivities with the war mobilization effort. The two daytime parades of past years will not be held, but one of the two-a kiddies' parade-will be merged June 17, July 22, August 19, Sepwith a festival-type program in tember 9, September 31 and Ocstanza has not yet been booked. Crump Stadium as a night-time tober 21. Midget meets will be

There will be a parade on opening and closing night. Both will be themed patriotically, with the day afternoon until April 28 when nor Velarde, Great Fussner, and first tagged Glory of Freedom, to point up the American way of life. Islip track opens April 29, with Ford. The second show booking The other will depict outstanding events in the nation's history, with floats built accordingly. In the

All of the many Cotton Carnival parties and balls are being pledged to turn over 10 per cent of While official confirmation was their receipts to a fund which would be used to provide facilities or services to servicemen or which would be used for contributions to such organizations as the USO.



MECHANICSBURG, Pa., March 17.—Williams Grove Speedway has been selected by the American The Cotton Carnival will differ Automobile Association for the harply from recent editions in opening of big car racing in the promoter.

> He said other big car events would be staged at the half-mile dirt track April 29, May 13, May 27, held on dates between the big car events.

> Track is being graded and turns rebanked for this year's program. Improvements also are planned for the pit area, and repairs will be made to the judges' stand.

## London Cele Inks Thrillers

LONDON. March 17, -- Free thrill acts will be a feature of the Festival Pleasure Gardens, amusement zone of the big Festival of Britain, which will be officially inaugurated May 3. Exhibit area occupies a large site on the Thames River-front of London, while the fun zone occupies a large portion of Battersea Park on the opposite bank of the river.

Thrillers booked for the Festival include the Television Mast Mystery Man, set for May; the Wirengard trio, novelty aerialists, in June; Allan and Co., aerial motorcycle thrill act, for July; the Three Valleys, acro-aerialists, in August; the Steys (7), high wire, during September, and the Stawickis, revolving wheel, for October, the final month.

Also booked for outdoor appearances in the Festival Pleasure Gardens are the El Granadas, trick cyclists and rope twirlers.

### Stock Car Racing At Danville Plant

DANVILLE, Ill., March 17 .- A contract signed recently between Chuck Scharf, of Allstate Racing Association, Chicago, and William Brown, of the Danville fairgrounds, assures the local half-mile track of at least 10 late-model stock car programs in 1951, starting May 20. Races are planned twice a month. The agreement gives Danville its first regular racing schedule in several years.

Allstate sanctioned 173 auto race consideration. However, the im- dication of sharp interest in circus cluded almost all performers and baby elephants, Lucy, 4, and Julia, programs in 1950 at 11 tracks from porter could not sell the beast, and atmosphere and chatter on the clowns, officials of the sponsoring 5, were added to Central Park Zoo Texas thru Ohio. This year it expects to supply at least 400 meets. an attempt to turn her out to part of the air wavers, who were Shrine and even Edwards himself. yesterday. They replace Chang, Cars competing here must not be pasture at Trefflich's Accomac, eager to arrange circus tie-ins. Programs included the Chez Show, 28-year-old bull who was desolder than 1946 models. Purses amounting to 40 per cent of gate receipts will be paid drivers. Plans are under way to increase seating bull has been isolated for the last of the paid drivers. Plans are under way to increase seating bull has been isolated for the last of the paid drivers. Plans are under way to increase seating bull has been isolated for the last of the paid drivers. Plans of temper the bull has been isolated for the last of temper the bull has been isolated for the last of temper the bull has been isolated for the last of temper the bull has been isolated for the last of temper the bull has been isolated for the last of temper the bull has been isolated for the last of temper the bull has been isolated for the last of temper the bull has been isolated for the last of temper the tor the last tor the last tor the the temper tem are under way to increase seating bull has been isolated for the last for Clyde Beatty dates. five years at the zoo. Directing the busy schedule used circus questions. pany, New York. capacity of the local grandstand. Copyrighted material

be presented.

metropolitan New York, will sanc- bury's Hippodrome Thrill Circus. tion the meets. Thrill shows plus Bookings have not been anthe usual type stock car shows will nounced yet. Event runs four days starting August 23.

### low-priced show in the city aimed at attracting servicemen and name

### Storm Damages **Barron's Show**

PAHOKEE, Fla., March 17. - A sudden wind and rain storm which swept the midway at Pahokee Fair on Lake Okeechobee here early Tuesday (13) did considerable damage to the Wild Life Show, owned and operated by Jeanne and Dale Barron. The Barrons said roads this week won interim rate will use 10 cars less than last the Wild Life top, new last season, was damaged beyond repair. be expanded to include circus and show is known to have decided They credited prompt action by employees and fellow showmen Commerce Commission allowed the cars to its train because of the with confining the damage to the canvas.

Show's animals suffered some In both the carnival and circus exposure because of the heavy fields, some railroad shows which rains which continued for several hours and the excitement attendant business or on trucks this year, to the storm is said to have caused and in most cases railroad rates the premature birth of two ocelots have been cited as major factors. The Barrons obtained spare can-If the pending 6 per cent in- vas from Miami and opened on set up on the courthouse lawn, crease goes thru, as is anticipated, time Tuesday night. They reported will be used during the event. the several rate hikes put into ef- that damage to their Girl Show fect since January, 1947, will add and concession stands was superup to more than 82 per cent in five ficial. The Barrons said that they years. A move which cost \$1,000 will open their regular season with in 1946 would cost \$1,821.87 this Lawrence Greater Shows March 26 on schedule.

## 45 P.A.'S AIRED IN CHI Polack Finds Radio, TV Eager for Circus Guests

istered during the local engage- press duties. ment of Polack Bros.' Circus, which closes Sunday (18).

toured last season will be out of

made by circus personnel on Chi- schedule February 28. cago radio and television stations.

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Two The schedule was seen as an in-Circus personnel taking part infor two baby elephants and a cash

CHICAGO, March 17 .- What is here for Polack was Justus Edbelieved to be an all-time high wards, Polack press chief. In Chiin radio-television appearances in cago he devotes full time to radio-connection with a circus was reg- TV works. Al Sweeney handles

The Polack date opened March 1, but a layover between dates Forty-five appearances were allowed Edwards to launch his

Stations handling the guest appearances were WENR, WAIT, a number which came back for WGN, WMAQ, WJJD and WCFL, The park department had traded more, used circus material but and WGN-TV, WENR-TV, WNBQ Adds Two Bulls and WBKB.

## Plans now under way call for a Sets Features

COLUMBIA CITY, Ind., March 17 .- With a large budget set up for free acts, bands and other entertainment, and the Gooding Amusement Company booked to supply rides and shows, August 8-11 dates have been announced for the Old Settlers' Day and American Legion Celebration here by Benton Bloom, president of the sponsoring groups. Last year's event drew a record crowd of more than 45,000.

All contracts have been closed except concessions. These will be sold by the committee, co-chairmaned again by Jack Hancock and Byron Beaver. George Leninger is serving as secretary of the combined organizations. Other Officers are Mayor Edward C. Binder, vicepresident Garland Stickler, Legion Commander Jack Stevenson; Brassie Phillips, concession secretary, and Robert Gates and Paul Fesler. As in the past years, amusements will be set up around the public square. A permanent stage,

# Sked Races At Bridgeport

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., March 17.-Carl Brunetto, owner-operator of Candlelight Stadium here, said this week that the 1951 midget auto racing season starts Sunday (25). The following Sunday will be devoted to a stock car event.

For the first four Sunday afternoons the track will alternate between midgets and stocks. Starting the week of April 15 the midgets will run Tuesday nights, while the stocks show Friday evenings. A new policy governing both types of racing will be put into effect this year, with entertainment being provided between heats.

# **Central Park Zoo**

# Kill Bad Bull At. N. Y. Zoo

NEW YORK, March 17.-Chang, Central Park Zoo elephant who turned mean, was destroyed this week after efforts to dispose of her by Henry Trefflich, animal Sixteen other programs, including importer, failed.

the 28-year-old bull to Trefflich skipped the guest angle.

under ICC rule because the equipment is privately owned and hauled on special moves. The new boosts come on the heels of a summer in which already stiff costs lambasted all rail shows, and a winter in which the shows took steps to save, where possible, on railroading bills. One

for a larger, permanent increase volved.

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#### **GENERAL OUTDOOR**

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#### By HERB DOTTEN

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

VAT RODGERS literally flew his

way into outdoor show business. Now 59 and a veteran showman. Nat learned to fly when planes were a rarity. With a few flights under his belt, he teamed up with Lincoln Beachey, Beckwith Haven and Jimmie Wardleading stunt flyers of that erato form a flying circus. That was in 1910, and Nat's been in show business ever since.

In the slightly over 40 years since he first learned to fly, Nat successively has been an indoor booker, operator of an aviation school, part owner of a circus, a fair manager, ride operator, concessionaire, adviser to major fairs, producer of army camp shows, and more recently owner-operator of a string of war shows with carnivals.

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his father, Theophilus. Russell will continue to feature circus presentations.

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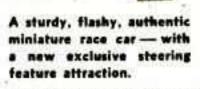
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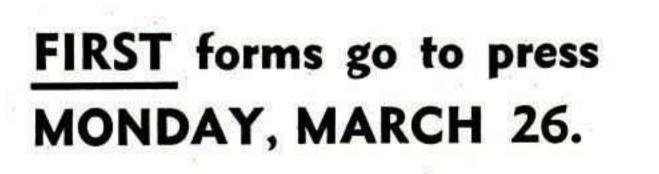
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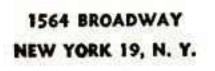
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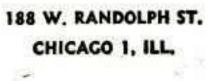


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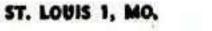
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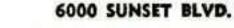




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#### By CHARLIE BYRNES and JIM McHUGH

Cepler Family, high act, reports Chicago recently while en route that group was the free attraction at the recent Delhi, La., Stock Show. Unit's three-high bicycle cus to his Louisville home. pyramid, features seven-year-old Theodora and nine - year - old Bobby Cepler. Unit is booked with Southern Valley Shows until May 19, Herman says. . . . Capt. Albert Spiller's Seals have been booked to open Coney Island Park, Caracas, Venezuela. . . Free attractions at the Strawberry Festival, Plant City, Fla., which concluded a successful run March 5. included Three Bobos, trampoline; Los Gretanos, perch; Great Shafer, sway pole, and Senor Bernardo, slack wire.

Beatrice Dante and her trained chimps recently arrived from the Circo Americano, South American circus. They will return to Argentina following close of their Chicago recently for a short vaca-U. S. outdoor season. Other acts with Circo Americano included Mabel Stark, cats, and Josephine Berosini, high act. . . . Amazing the West Coast. Monahans, Risley, are taking a temporary lay-off in San Fernando, Calif., while Carl Beck, Ill., Fair, by Ernie Young, Chicago, topmounter, has a cartilage include Tom and Betty Waters, growth removed from his wrist. perch; Hoffmann and Kay, come-Bob Butler infos that they re- dy acro; Ming Toy, juggling; Jefcently took delivery on a new ferys, trapeze, and Betty Willis, trampoline from Bounce Ezy dogs. The Jefferys and Tom and Company, Los Angeles. Due to Betty Waters also will play the the enforced lay-off, the Mona- Oblong, Ill., Fair, along with hans will play fairs this year in- Buddy and Jean. skating; Chuck. stead of going out with a circus. Brown and Rita, comedy bar; Tony Scrima, middle man, re- Emil and Evelyn, teeterboard, cently did a single at the Red and Cortello's dogs. . . . Miss Hap-Bluff, Calif., Cattle Show, where py Harrison and Her Thorobreds, he worked with Donald O'Connor, open at Ponchartrain Beach, New The Sportsmen's Quartet and Orleans, April 14, for three weeks. King Cole Trio.

balancing, returned to Chicago Mobile, Ala. recently after spending a week with his wife, who is with the

Herman Cepler, of the Great |... Emil Pallenberg passed thru from the Minneapolis Shrine Cir-

> George, Tom and George Hanneford Jr., of the riding family, were in Chicago Thursday (15), following a trip thru heavy snow from Orrin Davenport's Circus at Rochester, N. Y. The Hannefords left their stock at Mills Bros.' Circus, Columbus, O., winter quarters and will pick it up on their return trip to play Davenport's Dayton, O., stand. LaTosca, bounding ropes, and her father. O. Canestrelli, were in Chicago the same day and will also play the Dayton circus. . . . Bob White, emsee on one of the Barnes-Carruthers 1950 fair units, left tion with relatives in Grand-Rapids, Mich. . . . Hap Hazard, comedy, is visiting relatives on

Free acts set for Shawneetown, Between now and the opening, she is booked into spots at Talla-Stig Olson, of the Vikings, hand hassee and Pensacola, Fla., and

Following Frank Wirth dates at Beatty, Ciyde: Lufkin, Tex., 19; Tyler 20; Theron Troupe, bicycle act, on Johnstown, Pa., and Hartford, Hamid-Morton Circus. . . . The Conn., Roy Barrett, clown, will



(Routes are for current week when no dates are given. In some instances possibly mailing points are listed.)

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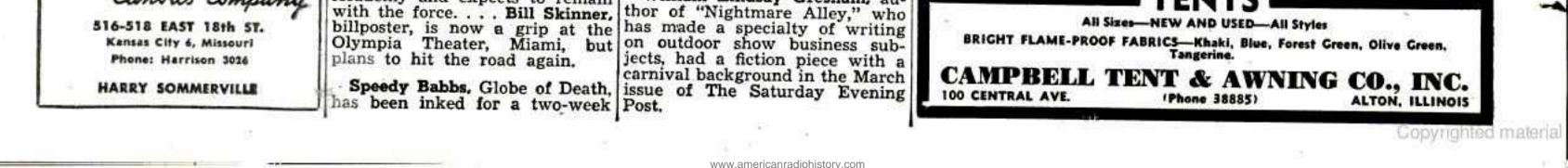
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# Pueblo, Colo., Sets Plans For Jubilee

### **Program Includes** Historical Theme; New Kid Fun Zone

PUEBLO, Colo., March 17 .- The 1951 edition of Colorado State Fair here, August 19-24, will be turned into a giant diamond jubilee celebration to commemorate Colorado's admission as the 38th State in the union. Attractions and exhibits will follow the theme, W. H. (Bill) Kittle, fair manager, announced.

Feature the first three days will be a pageant, Colorful Colorado, which will depict the State's history. The two-hour spec will be held on a 300-foot stage in front of the grandstand with a chorus of 500 furnishing the musical background for a cast of 750 costumed participants. Written by Ralph G. Taylor, editor of The Pueblo Star-Journal, pageant will be produced by John B. Rodgers Producing Company, Fostoria, O., with the fair and Chamber of Commerce as sponsors.

#### **Historical Slant**

Another historical slant will be the replica of a Colorado frontier town to be spotted in the center of the fairgrounds where patrons will (Continued on page 53)

## **3 Midwest States Okay Grandstand** Wrestling Shows

CHICAGO, March 17 .- Profes-

# Pennsy Event Sets Midway, **Talent Pacts**

TARENTUM, Pa., March 17 .--Fawn Township Fair has been scheduled for June 18-23, with Beam's Attractions pacted for the midway. Al Martin Agency, Boston, will supply grandstand talent.

Event is under fire company and civic group auspices, with Everett Shirley secretary. Fireworks will be featured several nights of the run, and a fair king and queen will be crowned Children's Day. Three parades are scheduled.

All exhibit space has been sold, and efforts are being made to secure additional tented space. Farm machinery display space has been enlarged. Fair officials report that the event drew over 40,000 last year.

**Elect Andress** La. President; **Rename Hirsch** 

SHREVEPORT, La., March 17.-R. Thad Andress, who led the successful 1949 drive for \$365,000 to enlarge Louisiana State Fair stadium to 32,000 seats, was elected president of the fair here Monday (12). William R. (Billy) Hirsch was re-elected secretary-manager for his 24th consecutive year. Andress succeeds Walter B. Jacobs Sr.

Edwin F. Whited was elected a director to complete the unfinished term of the late E. A. Forst. Also elected were E. Bernard Weiss, first vice-president; A. H. Weyland, second vice-president and Justin R. Querbes Sr., treasurer.

# FLU EPIDEMIC SMACKS NATIONAL ORANGE SHOW First Six Days' Gate Down 13,082 From '50; Special Days Hold Up

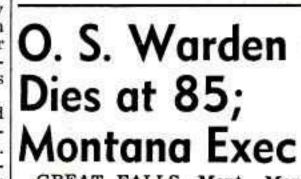
tional Orange Show, which opened a luncheon. for 11 days Thursday (8), was trailing last year's figure by 13,082

at the end of the first six days. Attendance was 107,000 as against 120.082 in 1950.

Dip in patronage was blamed upon the flu and virus epidemic that has hit Southern California. In addition, the fair opened in cold weather, with fourth-day crowds being cut by high winds.

Special day results compare favorably with last year's run. Sunday (11) was attended by the Shriners and Sciots and that day's turnstiles hit 32,457 as against 42,-679 a year ago. Appearance of Bob Hope for his radio broadcasts from the grounds Tuesday (13) accounted for the first day's admissions exceeding those of 1950. The figures were 17,360 compared with 15,262.

Also helping the top day's mark (27) to discuss with Commissioner was Showmen's Day, with the Pa- of Agriculture L. Y. Ballentine the cific Coast Showmen's Association membership attending en masse, and accounting for 700 of the total. A caravan of 107 cars left Lincoln Park that morning with Orville N.



SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., |Crafts, owner of the shows playing | banners, all of the Los Angeles March 17 .- The 36th annual Na- the midway, hosting the group at

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RALEIGH, N. C., March 17. -

Norman Y. Chambliss, manager,

Rocky Mount Fair and chairman of

the North Carolina Association of

Fairs' legislative committee, an-

nounced that a meeting of the group will be held here Tuesday

possibility of legislation to protect

annuals in the State. Various other

matters relating to fairs also will

Association officers and directors

include Curtis A. Leonard, Lexing-

ton, president; Willard T. Kyser,

Greenville, and W. C. York, Ashe-

boro, vice-presidents; W. M. Oliver,

Orange Show went all out on publicity this year using 66 24sheet boards, 13 overhead street

metropolitan dailies and 130 selected weeklies. Thru a tie-up with Circus Peanuts, the event was plugged for 25 nights on television. The gimmick used was a free ride for a wrapper.

#### Silver Buck Admission

Admission to the event was again \$1 with the visitor depositing a silver buck in a turnstile. For the first time in several years, servicemen were admitted for 50 cents. Children under 12 were admitted free Saturday morning before noon. The admission per-

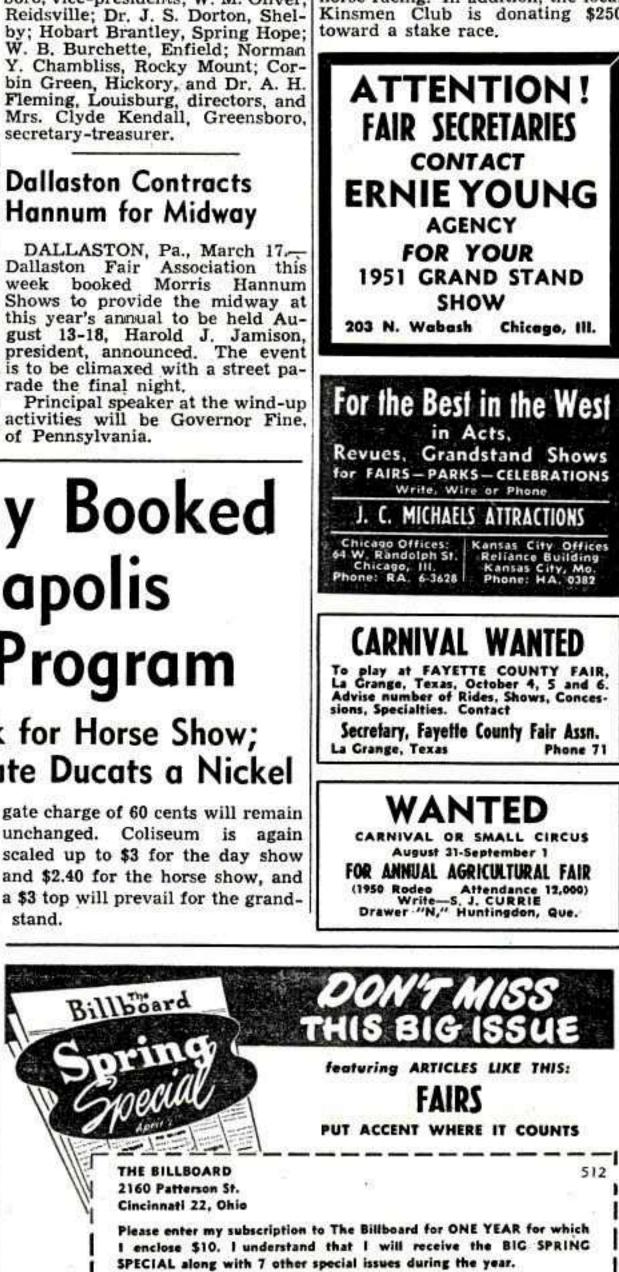
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### North Battleford Names Craig Prez

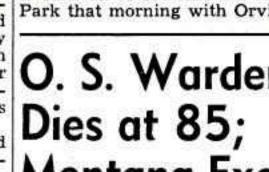
NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask., March 17.—A Millar Craig was elected president of North Battleford Agricultural Society here to succeed A. T. Youngblut, recently transferred by his firm to Edmonton.

Heavy horse classes will be dropped from this year's fair and new classes will be introduced in light horse and cattle sections, with prize money increased \$300 for each.

Directors designated \$1,300 for horse racing. In addition, the local Kinsmen Club is donating \$250 toward a stake race.



Showmen's Day



sional wrestling shows as grandstand attractions at fairs have received the stamp of approval from three Midwest State athletic commissions but permission to operate in Illinois is still pending, Tommy Sacco, Chicago booker, disclosed. Commissions in Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin have okayed the grapplers as an amusement for fair patrons.

Lack of an okay is holding up contracts at nine Illinois annuals, including Jerseyville, Highland, Manteno, Harrisburg, Palmyra, Sandwich, Nashville, Shawneetown and Peotone, Sacco said.

Maurice (The Angel) Tillet, arrived in Chicago recently from France and has been signed as the grunt and groan troupe's headline performer.

### Perry, Okla., Board **Gets New Directors**

PERRY, Okla., March 17 .-Three new directors elected to the Noble County Fair board here for three-year terms include Dr. S. Wayne Bilby; John Shiflett, Red Rock, and Veril Brorsen.

Holdover members are E. L. Wilson, Harry Nelson, Victor Tautfest, Ed Morris, George Wolfe and C. A. Arsdell.

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Fair dates were officially announced as October 20-28.

# Calgary Sets Matinee Acts

CALGARY, Alta., March 17. -Cowboy clown Slim Pickens has been signed for a repeat at Calgary Exhibition and Stampede and three other afternoon program acts will make their initial appearances at the show.

The new acts are Beeswax Moore with his performing mule; Slivers Johnson, comedy auto, and a professional football player who "fights" Brahma bulls at summer rodeos.

Dick Cosgrave, arena director, has announced that the Brahma bulls contracted from Verne Elliott last year will again be used at Calgary.

### Okay Saskatoon Ex Livestock Building

SASKATOON, Sask., March 17. -Permit for the purchase of 100 tons of structural steel has been Continuing its policy of using name awarded Saskatoon Exhibition Association by the steel control board at Ottawa, thus giving the go-ahead to a livestock building expected to radio and motion picture star to be ready for this year's fair.

are already stockpiled on the grounds and the footings were installed last fall.

Ottawa okay was based on the facts that construction had started. that much of the material was on hand and that the contract had been awarded before restrictions were in effect.

## Marshall, Tex., Switches Dates

MARSHALL, Tex., March 17 .-A switch of dates by Central East Texas Fair and Livestock Exposition here has been made to obtain the Bill Hames' Shows as the midway attraction, L. P. Martin, fair and the regular \$175,000 harness president announced. New dates race meet.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., March secretary-treasurer. 17. - O. S. Warden, 85, former president of North Montana State Fair here, newspaper publisher Dallaston Contracts and a leading figure in the development of Montana, died at his Hannum for Midway home here Monday (12).

Great Falls Leader, radio station KMON, and a printing and supply business. He was a director of the Associated Press and served as Democratic national committeeman from Montana for 17 years prior rade the final night. to his death.

Eleanor, and a son, Jock.

be discussed.

Warden was publisher of The DALLASTON, Pa., March 17.-Great Falls Tribune, owned The Dallaston Fair Association this Montana Farmer Stockman, The week booked Morris Hannum Shows to provide the midway at this year's annual to be held August 13-18, Harold J. Jamison, president, announced. The event is to be climaxed with a street pa-

Principal speaker at the wind-up He is survived by his widow, activities will be Governor Fine, of Pennsylvania.

Dennis Day Booked For Indianapolis Coliseum Program

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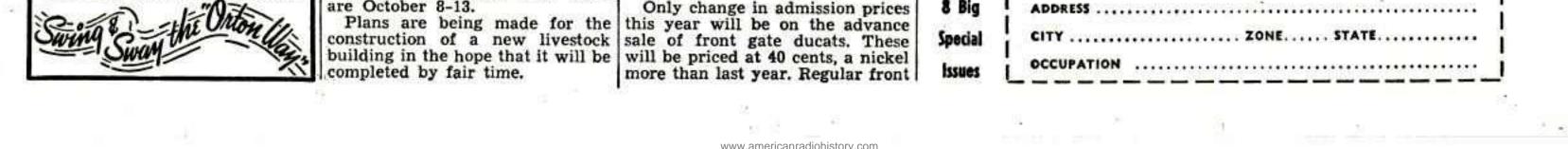
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INDIANAPOLIS, March 17 .-- gate charge of 60 cents will remain attractions to supplement its natural drawing power, Indiana State radio and motion picture star, to head its Coliseum show the first Most of the necessary materials four days of the '51 fair, Carl Tyner, secretary, announced. Day, who will be featured in a two-hour show, follows Bob Hope, whose performance last year grossed approximately \$71,000 for the same number of shows.

> Jimmy Dorsey's orchestra will provide the music for the horse show which uses the big building the last six nights of the run. Tex Beneke's ork filled this spot in '50.

> Other attractions set for this year include the Cetlin & Wilson Shows on the midway, night grandstand revue by Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, three performances by Irish Horan's Thrill Show, a State-wide square dance, one day of running races

unchanged. Coliseum is again scaled up to \$3 for the day show and \$2.40 for the horse show, and a \$3 top will prevail for the grandstand.



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# **Top Crowd Seen** For N.E. Meeting Schedule Special Events To Mark

Silver Anniversary Celebration

BOSTON, March 17. - New tribute to Edward J. Carroll, presi-England Association of Amusement Parks is prepared to welcome a record gathering of members and friends Wednesday (28) at the Parker House here when it celebrates its 25th anniversary.

Final plans were approved here last week at a general committee meeting, headed by President John Collins and Program Chairman John J. Dineen. Advance reservations for the business meeting and the silver anniversary banquet exceed all previous meets, reports Fred Markey, committee secretary. Program highlights include a

**Conneaut** Eyes Banner Season; **Bookings Gain** 

CONNEAUT LAKE PARK, Pa. March 17 .- Conneaut Lake Park officials look forward to a banner season as preparations go forward for the opening of the resort's 51st season on May 25, reports General Manager W. J. Tarr.

Park officials base their optimism on the many conventions that already have been booked for June and September, a large number of requests for accommodations they have been receiving from people planning to spend vacations here, and picnic bookings which already are substantially ahead of the corresponding period last year. Many satisfied organizations that held picnics last year in the park have set their plans early to assure choice dates, Tarr said. Since close of the 1950 season a large crew has been at work in refurbishing equipment and adding new facilities. Shelters have been erected to accommodate thousands of picknickers in inclement weather, as well as midway shelters. New rest rooms thing has been refurbished in also have been completed. Inside preparation for the new season. painting is finished in the Park Grill and Beach Club. U-Drive-Em and row boats also have been repainted, and work has shifted to outdoors with the arrival of warmer weather. Scooter and 20 Dodgem cars. Tarr | two weeks, giving talent a month's reported that the miniature golf work in this area. First in will be course, built last year, grossed far Harrison's Animal Circus, starting Kennywood Park here will open up with 38 tables has been erected beyond expectations. Other facili- April 15. ties include the Hotel Conneaut of 150 rooms, owned and operated Roman target game have been by Conneaut Lake Park, Inc., of added to the beach line-up. The which E. E. Freeland is president. Arcade has been readied for the Freeland is expected to return from Fort Lauderdale, Fla., about April 1. All facilities are company-owned and personnel, in the main, is composed of college students. Radio, newspaper and highway advertising again will be handled by the Yount Company, Erie, Pa. The management is adhering to its policy of offering free acts each week, with fireworks added for July 4.

dent of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches, and the first new England member to be elected to that post.

Forty distinguished service plaques also are to be awarded.

Jones Writes History

The afternoon business session will include a comprehensive study of park and beach problems. A luncheon, banquet, floorshow and dancing also are scheduled. A special history of the organization has been prepared by Wallace St. C. Jones and will be included in the anniversary brochure to be distributed at the dinner.

Gov. Paul A. Dever is expected to convey the Commonwealth's special greetings at one of the sessions.

Scheduled speakers and their topics include Clarence Borggard, Medford, Mass., ride maintenance; Allan E. MacNicol, Rye, N. Y., personnel problems; Harry Storin, Springfield, Mass., advertising; Fred T. Lauerman, Chicago, insurance, and Morris Weiner, Nantasket Beach, Mass., food.

Carroll and Secretary Paul H. Huedepohl, of the NAAPPB, will report on national plans. A num-ber of directors of the NAAPPB have indicated that they will attend the meeting.

# **Olympic Spot** Will Preem **Minus Coaster** Thrill Ride May Be Ready by **Decoration Day**

IRVINGTON, N. J., March 17 .-Roller Coaster at Olympic Park here, which was severely damaged by a gale late last November, will probably not be ready for the spot's daily operations bow, May 19, Robert Guenther, park treasurer, reported this week. He expressed the hope that the ride **Gay Way Plans** would be ready for Decoration Day, May 30.

Management plans to open the park over the first and second week-ends in May, and the spot's takes for those dates would be greatly affected by the absence of the Coaster. Guenther said that reconstruction of the ride had barely started, with the lack of a For G.I. Trade

for the device handicapping work. Over the years since the Roller Coaster's installation additional plans were drawn up, making the task of H. P. Schmeck, of Philadelphia Toboggan, who is redesigning the structure, that much tougher. Schmeck must incorporate his plans with those of the original designer, and Olympic is waiting for his finished product. The park has the materials on hand and has placed all in readiness for the actual construction work.

General refurbishing activities at Olympic are proceeding.

# **COMPETITION PLANNED Swim Suit Sponsor**

Spurns A. C. Contest

Miss America Beauty Pageant immediately after Miss America staged here annually lost one its was selected last year contest offisponsors this week as E. W. Stewart, president of Catalina, Inc., swim suit manufacturers, announced that his firm would withdraw because of the contest's new policy of focusing more attention on talent than figure beauty.

Catalina has backed the pageant

# Western Motif Army Camp Hypes Activity; Funspot To Use Auspices

REDONDO BEACH, Calif., March 17 .- Announcement that an army camp will be installed in this runners-up would get a variety of vicinity brought activity at the Redondo Gay Way, with Al (Moxie) Miller being named manager. He was instrumental in establishing the amusement area about five years ago.

Miller said that plans are underway to convert the three-block property into a pioneer or Western town. Zone will operate under auspices of several civic organizations, with the groups receiving a percentage of the revenue.

ATLANTIC CITY, March 17 .- for 12 years. Stewart said that cials refused to allow her to pose in a bathing suit for a magazine cover shot. He further claimed that because of the pageant's failure to fulfill its obligations to Catalina the firm was forced to cancel its usual Miss America retail store personal appearance tour for the coming season.

#### New Promotion

Stewart said that Catalina, Pan American World Airways and a leading Hollywood studio not named would team up to choose a Miss Universe. Plan would be tc bring beauty queens from about 40 countries to compete with an American representative for the title. Branch offices of the three parties involved would supervise selection of foreign country fems.

The American girl would be chosen in Hollywood from 48 representatives, who in turn will be selected by their respective States. Final competition for the Miss Universe title would be held in Hollywood in June of each year. The winner would be slated for a long-term movie contract, while awards and screen tests.

New event would be under general management of Oscar Meinhardt, advertising and sales promotion director of Catalina. He made the original tie-up with the Miss America contest and produced several of the pageants.

**Batt Sets Easter Bow**,

## Pennsy Spot Gets New Op

WEST CHESTER, Pa., March 17.-Chester County Rod and Gun Club, Inc., recently announced that Arley B. Ellsworth, Wilmington. Del., has leased Brandywine Park for five years.

Ellsworth plans to make extensive improvements to the spot, opening April 29 with 12 half-hour

# Ratt Hypes Free Act Sked

NEW ORLEANS, March 17 .- | Schmidt at La Jola: Doug Wiser, basis Easter Sunday (25) and will ney's San Francisco beach. have all facilities except the beach open on April 15, operator Harry J. Batt reported this week. Swimming will start April 29, he said.

Batt, recently returned from the West Coast, reported that every-

He announced a new plan for booking free acts, which he believes will give Ponchartrain its strongest showing in this field. Batt will work with a Dallas operator on the bookings. Each spot has New this year will be a Flying agreed to book the same acts for

> A hammer balloon game and a opening.

Murphy at Long Beach; George A. equipment has been added.

Pontchartrain Beach will get into game manufacturer; Louis Jenkins, partial operation on a week-end Santa Cruz, and George K. Whit-

> He praised the Whitney set-up, saying it has set the pace for beach centers. Batt also visited munici-

> pally owned Mission Beach at San spot.

Rides, Concessions

While no definite opening date has been set, it is believed it will be about June 10. Miller said the zone will feature 12 rides and about 24 concessions. Plans also are being made to open the ballroom as a United Service Organization project.

In addition to the amusement Diego. He expressed a belief that area, the Gay Way will be adverpublic operation is unsatisfactory tised nationally to attract people and predicted difficulties for the to its sports fishing pier and seafood restaurants.

Kennywood Starts April 22; Cars Added to Three Rides

PITTSBURGH, March 17 .- | Klub, walk-in. A Fascination set-April 22 for Sunday operation and May 16 for full-time business, A. B. McSwigan, park president, announced this week. Government restrictions have curtailed new building plans, but much renova-In California, Batt visited Pat tion has been completed and new

> New in the ride line-up will be an Allan Herschell Sky Fighter, kiddie ride. Also new are nine cars on the Roller Coaster, 30 new cars on the Lusse Auto Scooter and six new Rocket cars.

> Eight new scenes by A. L. Dudek have been installed in the .Old Mill, and a number of new stunts from Philadelphia Toboggan Company have been added to the Daffy

in the building formerly used for penny pitch. John T. Gibbs was on hand to assist in the installation.

McSwigan said picnic bookings for the 110-acre funspot are being signed at a speedy rate and that advance indications are for a good year for the park.



fication of the National Production Authority's recent ruling on priority ratings for chlorine has been received by the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches, it was reported this week.

Pool operators have been in doubt as to whether the ruling would restrict or even prohibit their purchases of chlorine. Paul H. Huedepohl, secretary of the NAAPPB, said that several governmental agencies are reported to be in conflict over which one will have jurisdiction.

Huedepohl stated that he had received no reports of any pool



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NEW YORK, March 17. -Beaches and amusement areas on the Rockaway peninsula, from Far Rockaway to Rockaway Beach, will be served this season by a \$680,000 highway improvement program slated for June 1 completion. The only highway providing toll-free access to the Rockaways has been Rockaway Boulevard, which bisects Belt Parkway and the junction of Woodhaven and Cross Bay boulevards, the principal large capacity routes from New York to Brooklyn.

Rockaway Boulevard is the logical route for patrons heading for the Rockaways, but for years bottlenecks resulting from a two-lane bridge over Hook Creek, and a stretch of narrow roadway, caused such week-end congestion that the route was avoided by most motorists.

Building of the huge International Airport at Idlewild forced this city to shift a large section of Rockaway Boulevard inland from Jamaica Bay, and it is this section which has been expanded into a four-lane highway, which will eventually be increased to six. New bridge over Hook Creek is large enough to carry six lanes of traffic. The Rockaway peninsula end of Rockaway Boulevard is destined to become a major recreation and amusement center. Area has a ball park, stadium, bowling alleys, restaurants, cinemas and legit theater.

## Philly Zoo Opens **Building April 14**

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PHILADELPHIA, March 17 .-shows. Concessions, rides, picnic rides. Animals at the Philadelphia Zoo grounds and swings for children City Rides Opened The spot was left without a are being moved into the recently are part of the renovation plans. major attraction for night business, completed carnivora house, which RALEIGH, N. C., March 17 .--Using the name Cousin Lee, Ellsworth has headed a cowboy Municipally owned Pullen Park's he said, and consequently will be will be opened to the public April Merry-Go-Round and miniature limited to beach, picnic and con-14. The building will allow display troupe playing thru Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey and Mary- train were opened Sunday (11) for cession business. The beach area of animals in natural surroundings. being refused chlorine. land. For seven years he con- week-end operation thru the will open April 1 for week-ends separated from the public by Several pool operators are exand July 1 for full time. moats. spring. Announcement has not pected to meet at Ohio State Uniducted Radio Park between Johnson's Corner and Booth's Corner been made by the City Recreation Fawsa, one of four lions at the Betts reported that 50 new picversity this week for the annual near the Delaware line. He also Department when full-time operanic tables, additional stoves and a pool clinic and refresher course. zoo, died recently. The lioness had runs an early morning record tion will start. Free ice cream was picnic shelter have been added this Huedepohl said that the chlorine had 27 cubs in the 16 years she show on WDEL, Wilmington. distributed Sunday. ruling would be discussed there. was at the zoo. season.

## Summit Beach **Board Elects** New Officers

AKRON, March 17.-Evan B. Brewster, manager of Summit Beach Park here, was named president of the operating corporation in a recent change following the resignation of Ed Scheck, who was chairman of the board, and James V. Sawyer, who was president.

Scheck and Sawyer continue as stockholders. Scheck resigned to give more time to his legal practice and Sawyer resigned because of health, it was reported. Frank Thomas has been elected treasurer of the corporation.



REDONDO, Wash., March 17 .-Total loss of the huge Redondo Beach Skating Arena here in January has forced W. J. Betts, owner, to abandon plans for regular park operation this year. He said a new location will be sought for his

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## VIDEO'S DOYE O'DELL OPENS CALIF. KID SPOT

COMPTON, Calif., March 17 .- | over the KTLA-TV show but much The Doye O'Dell Tiny Town Park, of the bally goes to the sponsor's operated by the TV cowboy and products. However, the release of Harry Matthews, teed off Sunday the video TV series. The Adven-(11) with O'Dell making an ap- tures of Marshall Doye O'Dell, of pearance. Stunt pulled nearly 10,- which 38 have been made, is ex-000 riders, with children account- pected to create new and additional ing for 99 per cent of the revenue, interest in the performer and his Rides go for 9 cents, three for a quarter. Pony ride is 25 cents, however.

six-day KTLA-TV show. With 15 kids furnishing background on the show nightly, each is given, among other things, six free tickets for rides. Rides also are premiums for coupons found in O'Dell's sponsored popcorn packages. Thru a deal made with other kiddie parks, the coupons also are honored by them.

#### **O'Dell** Appearances

Entrance into the park field is not new for O'Dell, for he has appeared at Lucas Kiddieland, Los Angeles; Venice Lake Park, Venice, and at Ocean Park Pier. However, the local deal marks his first permanent association with the amusement zone business.

Arkansas Slim Andrews, who appears on O'Dell's video show, makes a personal appearance tomorrow (18). O'Dell returns Sunday (25), with the children getting Easter baskets and free rides. The day is being sponsored by the Compton Elks. In addition to his appearance, O'Dell autographs pictures and poses with the kids for snapshots.

The park gets some plugging

### Whitney Buys Train

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17 .--George Whitney, owner of Whitney-on-the-Beach here, has purchased a miniature train from Miniature Train Company, Rensse-laer, Ind., for addition to his kiddie ride set-up this season.

park.

O'Dell has been plugging the park. designed for kids, over his Catskill Farm **Sets Opening** For April 15

CATSKILL, N. Y., March 17. -Opening date for the Catskill Game Farm will be April 15, it was announced this week by Roland Lindemann, operator. The spot's season will continue thru November 15.

About 250 animals, including llamas, alpacas, deer, yak, antelope, mountain sheep and mountain goats, roam freely over the zoological and recreation park. The public is allowed to mingle with and feed them. Other animals are displayed in cages on the 100-acre grounds, bringing the total number to about 700.

Two elephants are scheduled to arrive here on opening day. Canadian mose and chestnut duiker antelope are recent additions. Lindeman said that in addition to local exhibits, he supplies animals to zoos and other buyers.



# War Show Op Flew Into Biz **As Flying Circus Pilot**

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career. It also left him with a leg to the management of the Arso weakened that he was required to use a cane and he still uses a cane. This, plus his ever-present cigar, are almost his trademarks.

Nat was returned to the States after he was shot up and he was discharged at Dallas. There he settled. He had previously been active in Shrine work, but he became increasingly active. Because of his flying circus experience he was named to the committee handling the Shrine's sponsored dog and pony show. This led him into the circus business, for the sponsored show-Gentry's Dog and Pony Show-registered whopping business at the Dallas stand; such big business that Nat asked himself, "How long has this been going on?"

He made inquiries and decided the circus business was for him. In association with E. L. Harris, a Dallas man with no show business Birmingham one year then debackground but the necessary wherewithal, Nat organized the Harris & Rodgers Circus to play Shrine-sponsored stands.

#### **Plays** Midwest

The show remained out from 1922 thru 1927, playing thru the Midwest and the South. By 1927 business for such tented circuses was in a bad way, and the show, which wintered in Dallas the first year and shifted its quarters to Tampa the following year, was sold, piece-meal.

During the years the show wintered in Tampa, Nat had acquired many friends. Too, his years in the circus business had given him show business know-how, so he shifted to booking indoor shows. For about three years he handled names stars, such as Will Rogers, spotting them in Florida cities.

In 1931 he was invited to join the staff of Chicago's Century of is an ambassador-at-large for Progress. Named chief of amuse- Kaaba Shrine Temple, Davenport, ments, he held that post thru 1933. Ia. The following year he, in associa-

kansas Livestock Show.

#### **Produces Camp Shows**

When World War II broke out, Nat was put in charge of producing shows for National Guard camps in the Eighth Army Service Command, which embraced Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and parts of Oklahoma.

In four years he was responsible. for putting together 484 show units, which used a total of about 800 standard acts. The units played three shows a night, seven nights a week, using the 134 camp theaters in the service command. This operation continued even after USO shows came into the picture.

Following the war Nat went to Birmingham where he assisted in the operation of Alabama State Fair, which then was managed by J. C. McCaffery. He remained in veloped a war show to go out with carnivals.

The first of these he put out in 1944 with the Royal American Shows and it continues with that show. He developed still other war shows and this season will have units on the Hennies Shows, Cavalcade of Amusements and the World of Mirth and James E. Strates shows.

#### Travels With Show

He travels with the unit on the Royal American and makes his home in Tampa, the Royal American's winter base. He is first vicepresident of the Greater Tampa Showmen's Club. He also is a member of the Showmen's League of America, the Miami Showmen's Association and the Hot Springs Showmen's Association.

He is a past president of the Royal American Shrine Club and

Mrs. Rodgers, who Nat married



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lax increases

CHICAGO, March 17 .- Edward J. Carroll, president of the Na-Parks, Pools and Beaches, thru the org's office here, has alerted members to possibility of new tax proposals which would increase excise levies at parks.

He urged members to write congressmen, including members of the House Ways and Means Committee, in an effort to head off such new taxes.

Carroll said that park patrons already are overburdened with taxes, that some spots have free admission, that picnic groups frequently are taxed 40 per cent now because rates are on full rather than reduced prices, that the season is short and that the tax is repetitive inasmuch as park goers' make a series of purchases rather than buy a single admission ticket.

**Pueblo Sets Plans** 

view historical exhibits from over

the State. Street lights will be in-

stalled in the area and Boy Scouts

will serve as caretakers and guides.

tures will be the \$60,000 Tinker-

town play area for children. Fea-

turing Mother Goose characters in

neon lights, the 155 by 187-foot

zone will have benches, swings,

sand boxes and gravel walks in

addition to a variety of kiddle

rides. L. R. Schrader Shows will

Leo J. Cremer's rodeo will fol-

low the pageant as the grandstand

attraction, with four afternoon and

evening performances skedded.

The rodeo will be supplemented by acts booked thru Barnes-Carruth-

ers Theatrical Enterprises, Chi-

cago, to include the Oranto Trio,

perch; Capt. William Heyer, high

75-Year-Old Queen

The fair also will crown a Miss

Plant improvements for the jubi-

have the regular midway.

One of the year's top new fea-

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tion with Dick Olson, of Chicago, seven years ago, is the former had numerous operations at the Betty Jane Albaugh, of Oklahoma Century of Progress. These in- City. They have one child, Sherry, cluded horoscope and whistle con- age 9, Nat's daughter by a former cessions and a ride, the Flying marriage. Turns, a toboggan-like device, tional Association of Amusement which was one of the major rides of the exposition.

#### **Big Fair Experience**

His achievements at the Century of Progress gave him stature in the fair field, and in '35 he became a member of the planning commission that developed plans for the Texas Centennial. He also was named director of concessions for that event. In '36 he headed the midway operation and in addition, on his own, had Streets of All Nations, a composite village with a stageshow produced by Ernie Young, plus exhibits. The Dallas expo did not fare well, the Streets of All Nations even less profitably because of terrific competition provided by the Fort Worth Frontier Days.

In '37 it was figured that Fort Worth wouldn't run again, so Dallas decided to re-run as the Pan-American Exposition. After putting their plans into action, Dallas execs were fooled; Fort Worth decided to go again. It did, and again it hurt Dallas. In this year Nat revamped the midget village, transforming it into the Bowery, which he operated, but it didn't win money, again because of the opposition by Fort Worth.

In succession, Nat went to Houston at the urging of the Houston Chamber of Commerce to launch and operate the Houston Fat Stock Show. He remained in the Houston post three years, meanwhile putting the event on its way to its present stature. Sandwiched in those years was a stint at Little Rock, where he lent a helping hand

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mits visitors to attend the shows in Swing Auditorium, which also features headline acts. Talent was booked by the Phil Bloom Agency, in association with Sam Shayon.

The loss of the main exhibit building two years ago prevents the funneling of people thru the grounds. This year the area was used for the midway with Crafts Shows being on the 800 by 200-foot lot.

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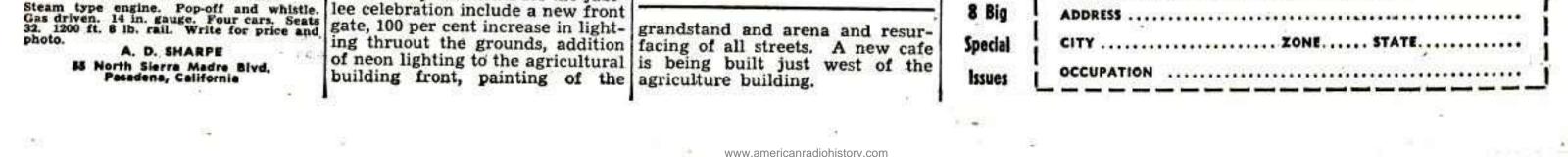
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# **CLUB HQ ENDORSES BEERS-BARNES ORG**

### Unique "Blanket Okay" by Ruritan Urges Local Units to Sponsor Circus

BRADENTON, Fla., March 17 .- land, Va. Ruritan officials, includservice club, and active support other towns. of the organization in booking dates under auspices of the club's units in about 300 towns.

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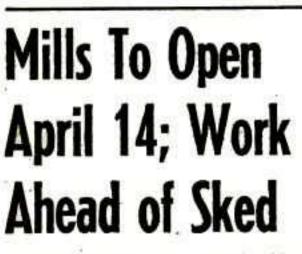
The blanket endorsement, believed to be the first of its kind in circus business, already has led to the signing of several dates under Ruritan auspices.

A comparitively new club, Ruritan is made up largely of farmers and its units are in Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky and West Virginia-all established Beers-Barnes territory.

The circus opens in Valdosta, Ga., in mid-April and will play a few Western Georgia spots as it jumps northward.

#### **Officers** Inspect Show

Gene Christian, general agent of the circus, said here that the Ruritan deal began in August, 1950, when the show played a "test date" under Ruritan auspices at Court-



COLUMBUS, O., March 17 .-Mills Bros.' preparations for opening here April 14 are ahead of Fitch and the Ketrow family and

Beers-Barnes' Circus has won en- ing the executive secretary, Mardorsement of the national head- vin L. Gray, of Wakefield, Va., quarters of Ruritan, a community were on hand there and at several

> The December' issue of the Ruritan magazine carried an article suggesting that member clubs sponsor the circus, and the February issue carried another, directing interested clubs to contact Christian. Both Christian and the Ruritan office have received inquiries from club units.

> Christian pointed out that the blanket endorsement was expected to lead to "wholesale" bookings, and he said that negotiations for similar backing from national headquarters of other clubs were underway for 1952.

> > Family Gives Show

Beers-Barnes is managed by Charles R. Beers and Roger A. Barnes. Mrs. George Beers, widow of the founder, will travel with the show again this season. Families of her children, Charles Beers, Mrs. Tillie Lawton and Mrs. Roger Barnes, make up most of the show's personnel. The family makes its home in Miami, where animal training is under way. Equipment stored at Valdosta, Ga., is being prepared for opening.

Show will have a new big top, an 80 with three 30s, and will add a chimpanzee act to the performance. A seal act was added in mid-season last year. Harry L. (Happy) Holmes, juggling and table rock, is back for another season.

Christian joined the show in August, 1949. Previously he had worked with Jimmie Hodges, Dan schedule, Co-Owner Jack Mills re- had been in promotion and Cham-

MINNEAPOLIS SHRINE SHOW SETS RECORD

> Attendance, Gross **Reach New Peaks;** Advance Credited

MINNEAPOLIS, March 17 .--Altho plagued by almost daily snowstorms, annual Zuhrah Temple Shrine set a new attendance and gross receipts record for its Minneapolis Auditorium run March 1-10.

Bud Johnson, general circus chairman, before departing Sunday (11) for a three-week vacation, said that the attendance figure of approximately 150,000 was 10,000 more than 1950 when the Shrine held its first 10-day circus. Prior to that it had been a six-day run.

Gross receipts will be between \$140,000 and \$150,000, Johnson said. Altho the gross is up, the net is not expected to equal the \$65,000 of 1950 because of increased advertising and a 10 per cent boost in price of the show built for the Temple by Noel Van Tilburg.

#### **Concessions** Ahead

Concessions generally were 25 per cent ahead of a year ago, with ice cream and peanuts alone bringing in \$12,000 more in sales. Balloon sales were at least 50 per cent better than in 1950, Johnson said.

In the three final shows, Saturday morning, matinee and evening, the audience was "hanging from the rafters," Johnson said, with attendance at each performance

storms, some the worst of the

### OPS' UPS, DOWNS

only up-and-down business.

Most observers attribute in-

creases to federal government re-

strictions which they believe leave

more change in the public's pock-

ets. Weather takes the rap for

many of the weaker takes, with

taxes, local unemployment and in-

evidenced in January dimmed

slightly by March, but most op-

erators indicated they anticipated

1951 takes would exceed those

of last season.

A check shows that enthusiasm

fluenza coming in for mention.

## Most Indoor Stands Show Increased Biz for 1951

CHICAGO, March 17 .- Most in- much as a 30 per cent hike over door circuses have shown an in- 1950 in Milwaukee. crease over last year's early busi-

Mrs. Bessie Polack reported that ness, according to reports from both Flint and Lansing, Mich., show owners. But some recent were above last year, that Roanstands have fallen below the aver- oke, Va., was considerably ahead age set earlier in 1951, and in and that Huntington, W. Va., was some cases show owners report excellent for Polack Bros.' Eastern Unit.

Louis Stern, managing director of the Polack Bros.' Western Unit, said the season so far had been spotty. Hammond, Ind., was good and at Fort Wayne, Ind., the show was limited only by the size of the building. Louisville was off but Cincinnati was okay. In Chicago, advance sales were well ahead, but business during the first half of the stand was 10 per cent down. Stern expected to make up more than that loss during the second half.

Orrin Davenport reported increases in grosses at Toledo; Grand Rapids and Saginaw, Mich.; Cleveland, and two spots played last fall, Kansas City and Wichita, Kan. More recently, Detroit broke about even with 1950 and St. Paul showed a decrease. Earlier, Erie, Pa., was off, but not as much as reported some weeks ago.

#### Hefty Increases

Hamid-Morton scored hefty increases over 1950 in Memphis, and in Milwaukee it filled a much larger building to exceed previous takes. Bob Morton anticipated as



**To Get Gross** Of R-B Bow

### **Tie-Up Brings Big Show Boff Promosh Outlets**

NEW YORK, March 17.-Estimated gross proceeds of \$250,000 from the opening night performance of the Ringling-Barnum circus, slated for April 4 at Madison Square Garden here, will be donated to the Louise Baer Memorial Fund of the New York Heart Association by circus prexy John Ringling North. In return, the Ringling show has secured billing in a section of New York that would be otherwise inaccessible because of restrictions. Advertising displays spotted thruout this city's east side, the upper income bracket region, have featured the R-B title prominently. This section of Gotham can be counted on to have the cash with which to meet the \$6 top the circus is asking. In addition to the full-scale circus show, top talent slated to appear at the opener includes Jim: y Durante, who will serve as honorary ringmaster; Bob Hope, Benny Goodman, Mindy Carson, Imogene Coca, Ken Murray, Dagmar, Lily Pons, Lauritz Melchior, Bert Lahr, Gypsy Rose Lee, Mary Pickford, Buddy Rogers, Basil Rathbone, Jerome Cowan, Morey Amsterdam, Mrs. Arthur Murray and the Police Glee Club. For the opener prices have been scaled thusly: Ringside boxes, \$1,-000 and \$750 and single tickets ranging from \$1.50 to \$50.

ported this week. The act line-up ber of Commerce work. is virtually completed, band members are signed and building is futher along than at any comparable time in Mills Bros. experience, he said.

Mills announced that Dime Wilson had been contracted as producing clown and that the alley would be considerably strengthened this season. Bob Mills reported the band was set. No indication of what performers will be on the Mills show was given, but Jack Mills said only a single family act, from Europe, remains to be signed.

#### **Booking Satisfactory**

Fred Stafford, press rep, has added Tom Bynum Jr. and Lawrence Lewis to his staff. H. W Ahrhart Jr. and R. M. Harvey report satisfactory booking progress in the Middle West. Four more promotion managers are expected to be added to the Mills crew.

The new big top, a 130 with three 40's, will be picked up early in April, Mills stated. Reservations for 500 persons have been made at the Deshler-Wallick Hotel for the Mills opening day party. New paper and window cards from Triangle Poster Company, Pittsburgh, will be used.

# **Barker Skeds** April 30 Bow; Names Talent

CHICAGO, March 17.-Barker Bros.' Circus will launch its fullshow season April 30 at the annual spring stock show in Birmingham, Bill Blomberg, manager, announced here Wednesday (14). Part of the show, with Donny Beal at the helm, has been playing Southern dates since early this year.

Program at Birmingham will include an aerial ballet, Eddie Hendricks, bareback riding; Frank Doyle, heel and toe catch; Lou Henderson and George Lerch, juggling; Jimmy Statz, Ginger Woodie, Rose Mary Johnson, Don Beal and Fred Horius, trick riders: Marcus Troupe, acro; George Lerch, Lou Henderson and Ginger Woodie, roly-boly; three spotted Liberty horse acts, a baby ele- Those so-called clowns (non-pro) amputated.

# Cristiani Org May Buy Bulls, Rhino, Hippo

CHICAGO, March 17. - Lucio Cristiani, co-owner of King Bros.' Circus, left here Thursday (15) to negotiate with Tony Di'Ano of Canton, O., for the purchase of major additions to the King menagerie.

Among animals that may be bought are a rhino, hippo and three African elephants. Cristiani and Di'Ano also will discuss return of Di'Ano's giraffe pit show to the King circus for another season, and the purchase by Cristiani of two zebras and two cheetahs.

#### Menagerie Grows

The possible additions would give King Bros. its largest assortment of menagerie attractions. Already set with the show is a fiveelephant act worked by Norma Davenport, says Cristiani, bringing the show's elephant herd to 12. Last season the show carried a minimum of cage animals.

In Chicago after appearing at the Minneapolis Shrine show, Cristiani purchased wardrobe and other materials for his show. Horses and elephants used at Minneapolis were transferred from a railroad car to King Bros.' trucks here for their return to Macon, Ga., quarters.

Cristiani and wife, June, visited their son, Belen, who attends school here, and the boy's aunt, Jessie Sterba. They also attended the Polack Bros.' show here. Cristiani will return to Macon from Canton by plane. His wife will return from Chicago.

## **Clown May Show Politicos the Way**

DECORAH, Ia., March 17. -

winter, hitting during the 10-day period. However, it was the big advance ticket sale that helped put the attendance figure beyond that of 1950, Johnson concluded. Final figures will not be available until after he returns from his vacation.

# **Strong Houses** Bring Polack From Behind

CHICAGO, March 17.-Polack Bros.' Circus moved into the final days of its stand here with high expectations of exceeding its 1950 over-all gross. Big houses thru the week erased most of the 10 per cent dip registered earlier. Six performances Saturday (17) and Sunday (18) would tell the story.

The Western unit headed into its second week with full-house business over the week-end and an unusually strong house for Monday (11). The big attendance continued thru the week despite snow. 'Friday's night show was sold out in advance and other night shows during the week filled up by whistle time. Matinees were good.

Advance ticket sales, program and promotion were up this year. but cash ticket sales were down. It was pointed out that the big advance diverted part of the ticket window take. During the first week the show was running neck and neck with 1949.

Next stop will be Chanute air force base, Rantoul, Ill.

### **Ringling Man Injured** By Bulls; Loses Arm

ALBANY, Ga., March 17 .- Eddie Grogan, 47, Ringling-Barnum elephant attendant, lost an arm as a result of injuries received while trying to quiet nine elephants in a railroad car. He also received chest and lung injuries. His left arm was crushed and was amputated at Putney Hospital here. Earlier his left hand had been

# Go to Hollywood

SARASOTA, Fla., March 17 .--Circus training sessions at Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus' local quarters are in full swing and unusually large crowds have been on hand daily.

The regular Sunday performance, together with other activity, drew an estimated 12,000 persons Sunday (11). Admission prices this year have been boosted to 40 and 75 cents.

Staff for the project includes Peter Grace, ushers and gates; Willis Lawson, parking and traffic; Pat Valdo, performance; Lloyd Morgan, props, and Dave Murphy, announcing.

Merle Evans, bandmaster, is assembling his 30-piece group and will start rehearsals immediately.

#### Movie Wind-Up

Virtual wind-up of movie work here was the shipment of three flats carrying eight baggage wagons and two seat wagons to Hollywood for scenes to be filmed there for The Greatest Show on Earth.

Twenty wooden railroad coaches, unused since the show bought new cars after World War II, have been set up on permanent block foundations and are being converted into living quarters for show personnel. Each car will have two efficiency apartments. A cafe also is to be set up in the car colony.

NEW YORK, March 17.-Led by Roland Butler, Ringling-Barnum's press crew, including Allan Lester, Frank Braden and A. J. Clark, arrived here Monday (12). As in the past; they will be assisted for the Big One's initial date April 4 at Madison Square Garden by Bill Fields and Arthur Cantor.

Press campaign which will precede the opener was being mapped thru the remainder of the week, with the drive expected to mesh gears by Monday (19). Butler, winter quarters of the Don Robin-Braden and Clark came in from son Circus here Monday (12). The

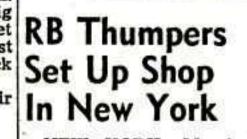
## **Repenski's Barn Burns; Frucks** Lost

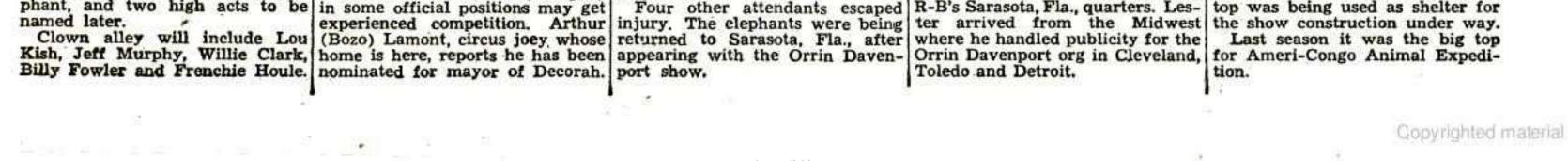
SARASOTA, Fla., March 17 .--Fire Monday (12) destroyed the Repenski Family's riding barns and spread to equipment of the Zacchini brothers. Losses were estimated at more than \$40,000.

Firefighting equipment from the adjacent quarters of the Ringling-Barnum circus was used, but the blaze, which started as a grass fire, moved rapidly because of recent dry weather. The Zacchinis lost two semi-trailer trucks. Four other vehicles, including a sound truck and panel truck, were damaged. All were loaded with rides and other equipment.

## Don Robinson Top Damaged in Storm

SARASOTA, Fla., March 17 .--A strong gale accompanied by heavy rain damaged a tent at





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# CRAFTS' 3 UNITS MERGE AT NAT'L ORANGE SHOW

### 33 Rides, 8 Shows in Operation; Separate Kiddieland Is Featured

bined his 20 Big Shows and Ex- lot well illuminated. A total of 32 position and Fiesta units to fill the towers, 40 feet high, run down the 800 by 300 foot lot at the 36th an- center of the lot between the cennual National Orange Show, which ter rides and concessions and the opened for 11 days Thursday (8). shows and concessions on the Crafts moved the Exposition unit in here after it played successful dates at Brawley, Yuma and Calexico, Calif.

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carnival here is larger than that filled in 1949, the last time the organization was featured, Crafts has a compact and flashy layout. Using four Ferris Wheels and a Spitfire directly behind the main arch, the colorful neon gives ample animation to the lot. The line-up includes 33 rides, 8 shows and about 80 concessions. Of the rides, 18 are major. Kiddieland was set up at the southern end of the lot with 15 rides. It is flashed with its own arch.

#### Warren Layout

Show lot was laid out by Roger Warren, Exposition unit manager. Altho the Ferris Wheels and Spit-

# BOOK REVIEW Side Show Act Recounts Experiences

March 17 .- Orville N. Crafts com- Crafts has the other part of the searchlights.

Altho the area allotted to the III. State Fair Contract Goes **To Hennies Org** 

> SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 17. -Hennies' Shows, thru the Amusement Corporation of America, have been awarded the midway contract for the 1951 Illinois State Fair, Hubert Elliott, fair manager, announced here this week. The Hennies org, which is general agented by J. C. McCaffery, who also is one of the show's owners, held down the midway last year. Barnes - Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, again has been signed to present a grandstand revue. The BC revue is to be offered five nights. WLS Attractions, Chicago, has contracted to present a one-night grandstand program.

Efforts are being made to secure name stars to head the grandstand program on other nights of

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., fire form the focus of the lighting, perimeter. Shows use six 60-inch

#### Personnel

Crafts personnel on hand for the opening included Frank Warren, manager, 20 Big Shows; W. Lee sociated with the Johnny J. Jones recently resigned, Shop staff in-Brandon and Charles Salyer, Exposition for several years in a cludes George Bouic, head of the agents, and Roy Shepherd, superintendent.

Harold Mook, auditor and Mrs. Charlotte Warren, ticket cashier. Ticket sellers: Etta Ballard, Patsy Powell, Jeri Ruddle, Alice Stoner, Rosetta Kelly, Mary Ross, Virginia Curron, Lila Hileman, Leah Midgett, Goldie' Reaves, Charles Lewis, Mildred Mideke, Sybil Dillon, Barbara Thompson, Rachel Boughen, Marie Newton, Louise Lewis, Helen Prescott, Shirley Jones, Neva Drennan, and Donna Eytche-500.

#### Shows

Crime Car., Frank Platten Jr., Zack Hargis, Swing Girls, Jeff and Dee Griffin, Ella Mae Hunting, Vera and Bill White, Roy Hayes; Side Show, Jeff Griffin, Lee Belyes, Brownie and Josephine Smith, Louie Echols, Manuel Martinez, Mary Lopez, Wilfred Wilson; Glass House, W. B. Stephenson, George Walker, Harry Stephenson; Wild Life, Gladys and Howard King; Monkeydrome, Jennie and Bob Perry, Chuck Trotter; Funhouse, Harry Matthews, Glenn Durstine; Motor-(Continued on page 60)

### **Phoenix Bow Okay** For Siebrand Bros.

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 17 .--Siebrand Bros.' Circus and Carnival winds up its season's opening here tomorrow, after racking up good business for its 16 days on the show-owned East Van Buren street lot.

Good weather prevailed thruout

# **GOODING KICK-OFF** FOR EARLY APRIL

### Much New Equipment Added; Bert Miner Joins Staff; Dates Go Over 120 Mark

Opening early in April at Mid- be handled by Fred Maurer. Al western locations, Gooding Amusement Company will start their 53d Gooding Greater Shows. season with eight units, according Office staff includes to F. E. Gooding, president.

Gooding also announced the appointment to his staff of H. B. (Bert) Miner, who had been as- roll clerk will replace Jenny Sanor, managerial capacity.

John Enright, Joe Gaskell, Mr. and mer, chief carpenter. Mrs. Gerald Frantz, Charles Much new equipment has been O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. William added in 1951, Gooding reported. Leisure, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph The firm recently received an Auto Andress, Homer Dennison and Mr. Scooter ride; cars were purchased



NEW YORK, March 17 .- Hardships imposed by high tariffs are outlined in an article titled Railroad Carnivals Face a Rate Problem in the February 19 issue of Railway Age.

Quoting a petition submitted to

COLUMBUS, O., March 17. - inson, with special area posting to Deggeller will serve as lot man for

Office staff includes Kathleen Holleran, secretary; Doris Zechman, secretary to Gooding, and Lou Crothers, bookkeeper. A new paymachine shop; Jimmy Wolfe, head Other 1951 staff members are artist and painter, and Charles Cly-

and Mrs. Ray Riffle. Hal F. Eifort will again serve as general agent and handle adver-King Amusement Company. Everly tising and promotions. Advertising Aircraft Corporation delivered sevagents and billposters include eral new kiddie rides, while the Charles Pottorff and Wayne Rob- Allan Herschell Company has delivered another Merry-Go-Round and several other rides. A new Dark Ride, housed in an extra-large building, was recently completed in the Gooding factory here. All inside furnishings were supplied by Messmore & Damon, New York. Several tractors and trailers have been added to the fleet to absorb new equipment. Gooding now contemplates building a Midget Revue and a Fat Family Show. Previously it had been Gooding policy not to own show equipment.

Many new fairs have been boked for 1951, in addition to established dates. The company will play more than 120 fairs and celebrations. Fairs start at Anderson, Ind., the first week in July and end with Mid-South Fair, Memphis, in October. Others that have been announced are Kentucky State Fair, (Continued on page 60)

NEW YORK, March 17 .-- Claiming three years' background as a stellar Side Show attraction, Dan Mannix has put his experiences in a book on carnival life, Step Right Up! (270 pages, \$3) which will be published next Wednesday (21) by Harpers, New York.

The story is largely concerned with a Side Show and its personnel.

Mannix, an imaginative youth who disdained the advantages offered by a well-to-do family, attached himself to the show unit and became, in rapid succession, a fire eater, a sword swallower, a

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## Page Bros. Ink 14 Fairs, Celebrations

SPRINGFIELD, Tenn., March 17.—Page Bros.' Shows will open their season April 14 to launch a tour that includes 14 fairs and celebrations in Tennessee and Kentucky, W. E. Page, manager, announced from the org's winter base.

Tennessee dates signed include fairs at Waverly, McMinnville, Springfield, Camden, Ashland City, Lewisburg, Spencer and Lexington, the Humboldt Strawberry Festival, April 30-May 5, and the Martin July 4 Celebration. Kentucky dates are fairs at Scottsville, Murry and Uniontown and the Firemen's Fair and Horse Show at Princeton.

A crew of 15 is busy here prepping for the opener.

Recent visitors included W. J William, Gem City Shows; E. A. (Hoppy) Chapman, Tennessee Valley Amusements; 'Larry . Burns, Burns Society Circus, and Phil Rocco, Kelly Grady Shows.

### American Midway Inks Temple, Tex.

attractions at the Cen-Tex Fair, For Mack McFarland Temple, Tex., September 18-23,

the fair, Elliott said. The fair is and the two-a-day circus and mid-I way pulled good crowds. scheduled August 10-19.

# **Penn Premier Set** For April 1 Preem

fair route, Lloyd D. Serfass, manager, Penn Premier Shows, announced at local quarters that his org would be the first organized shows to play Selinsgrove (Pa.) Night Fair. Season opens at Hopewell, Va., April 1.

Other annuals booked include Red Lion Fair; Montgomery County Fair, Hatfield; Somerset County Fair, Meyersdale; Huntingdon County Fair, Huntingdon and Juanita County Fair, Port Royal, all Pennsylvania; Charlottesville (Va.) Fair; Durham County Fair, Durham; Lee County Fair, Sanford; Golden Belt Fair, Henderson; Scotland County Fair, Laurensburg; Shelby County Fair, Shelby, and Moore County Fair, Carthage, all North Carolina; Lancaster Legion Fair, Georgetown, all South Carolina.

Org also has set the American

# G&B To Bow At Mason City

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., March 17.-Manager George Broas, of G. & B. Rides reports from winter quarters here that all equipment is ready for the show's April 14 bow at Mason City, W. Va.

Show will carry 6 rides and 30 concessions. Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Normandin will again be on the org with four concessions. Normandin also will act as the show's electrician and The Billboard sales agent. Ted Cole will have bingo and other concessions with G. & B.

GOLDSBORO, N. C., March 17. Legion Celebration, Morrisville; -In the process of disclosing his Pringle Firemen's Celebration, Fountain Hill Firemen's Celebration, Johnsonburg Firemen's Celebration and Old Home Week, Williamsport, all Pennsylvania; Firemen's Celebration Decoration Day week, Dover, N. J.; Old Home Week, Allegany, N. Y., and Fire-men's Celebration, Bolivar, N. Y.

#### Staff

In addition to Serfass, staff will include May B. Serfass, treasurer; Jack J. Perry, assistant manager; Frank Long, secretary; Grove Hill and Bill Porter, lithographing and billposting; William Allen, me-

(Continued on page 60) Association.

# and Moore County Fair, Carthage, all North Carolina; Lancaster County Fair, Loris, and American Legion Fair, Correctours of South For Early Bows

a week, or two at the most, a sizable representation of Eastern organizations will be on the road. The exodus of managerial and working personnel from here has been under way for several weeks and the front end guys and gals, whose make-ready problems are minor, will shortly hit the road.

What the season will bring has long been the subject of wild guesses. During the early part of winter optimism generally ran high. Now, with the kick-off in sight, some are seeking assurance from acquaintances who are no better equipped with occult powers.

#### **Plans Vary**

catching and everyone is anxious year. to start. As in the past, opening

the rate makers by the Railroad Show Owners Association and recent articles on the subject in The Billboard, the article points out that the high rate structure is resulting in the curtailment of equipment in use by railroad shows, including circuses. The possibility that some units may be forced to abandon the rails in 3-State Tour favor of truck transportation also is presented.

Pictures of the Johnny J. Jones Exposition illustrate the article. Ralph G. Lockett, Jones staffer, reportedly aided in preparation of the article.

### T. F. Cunningham **Dies in Miami Home**

· MIAMI, March 17. - Thomas Francis (Doc) Cunningham, veteran carnival trouper, died here Monday (12) at a rest home. His body is at the Philbrick Funeral Home, awaiting word from relatives. Cunningham was a member of Miami Showmen's

# Floyd Kile Sets 34-Week,

BATON ROUGE, La., March 17. -Floyd O. Kile Shows will open their season here for the fourth consecutive year and will follow the bow with a 34-week trek that includes fairs and celebrations in Louisiana, Mississippi and Arkansas, Floyd O. Kile, manager, announced.

Work here in quarters is about complete, as Kile had prepped a small unit the forepart of the year and took it out on early dates. Show will have six rides when Mrs. Kile returns from Alabama with one additional and another truck.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Dove are due here after Easter, which they will spend with their sons at Paris, Tex. Others expected soon include J. P. Schotzell, Mr. and Mrs. Gawle and the Madisons. Mrs. Stanton will not join until later due to a recent illness.

# **Baker United Prepares** for April 20 Bow

INDIANAPOLIS, March 17 .--Baker United Shows take to the road April 20 with 10 rides, 4 shows and around 40 concessions, Tom L. Baker, manager, said upon his return to quarters from a winter in Pompano Beach, Fla.

The addition of two more I .diana fairs has virtually completed the show's route for this year, Baker said. Quarters work will be stepped up during the next few weeks.

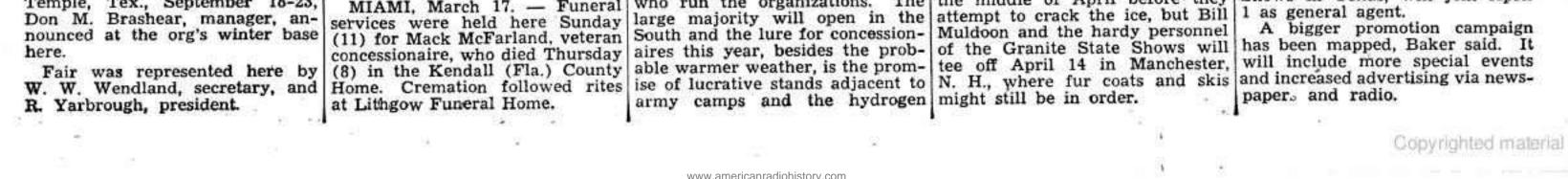
Activity here thus far has been under supervision of Chester Pierce, who has been with the shows since 1942. New ride and The fever to get going again is be on the chilly side this time of show tops are being made and a new marquee is to be delivered in time for opening. H. Dale

NEW YORK, March 17 .- In just bomb plant site near Aiken, S. C. Next week Ross Manning and the Lawrence Greater Shows will be operating. Among those slated to go in the first week of April are the James E. Strates Shows, which are scheduled to open in Washington on the 5th; Penn Premier, Vivona Bros. and Heller's Acme. The latter will open in New Jersey despite the chance of bad weather.

#### Harrison at Aiken

Harrison Greater is set to open Friday (30) at Aiken, S. C., which may well become a boom town as work progresses on the new hydrogen plant. Wolfe Amusement is set to open tonight at Tyron, N. C., a mountain town that can

Most of the Eastern units which MIAMI, March 17. — Funeral who run the organizations. The the middle of April before they Shows in Texas, will join April



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Johnny Wuetherick, wellknown concessionaire, is in a serious condition with a heart ailment in Bay Pines Veterans Hospital, St. Petersburg, Fla. . . . Professor Reese reports from Texarkana, Ark., that he will not return to the road this season, but Shows this year. . . . Fred Silber, will continue to operate his palmistry booth in that city. . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Sabia, formerly with O. C. Buck Shows, recently took delivery on a new house trailer.

Eddie Owens, lot superintendent with a number of the major carnivals in the past, and off the road for nearly a decade, is again working at Gulfstream Park, Hallandale, Fla., this season. Eddie makes his headquarters at the Senate Hotel, Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Murray, concessionaires and Motordrome operators on James E. Strates Shows, are in Bluffton Hospital, Bluffton, O., recovering from injuries sustained in an auto accident near Lima, O., while en route to Canada for a vacation from their home in Orlando, Fla. The Murrays report that they will be on hand for the Strates Shows' Washington opening early in July, while his wife, Bertie, is April. . . . Leu Pease advises that expected to remain there until he has a year-'round Girl Show at the main gate to Camp Rucker, Alabama. . . . Vicki LaPage and Cheri Vaughn have returned to Heart of Texas Shows with Vicki's Girl Show.

Miami Notes: Doc Cunningham, veteran showman, is at the Floridan Rest Home and will not go out this season. . . . J. B. Schleifer, who with **Red Goehrman** has a against it by Abler. Abler and a snipe plant in Miami, will handle fellow-worker were injured while billing for Prell's Broadway erecting a Ferris Wheel at Gates. Shows this season. The duo also Ore. The law firm is in touch bills for Dade County Fair here.

Danny Arnett, manager of the disposition of the case. . . . Bill American Eagle Shows, was re- Rabon, for the past several seacently presented with a son, Mi- sons electrician and lot man with chael Dwayne, by Mrs. Arnett. ... Blue Grass Shows, will not re-Flash Williams, veteran of out- turn to the road in 1951. He has door showbiz, returned to Chicago accepted a position as chief elecrecently from a tour with his girl- trician with the Fitz-Mills Corin-the-tank show. Unit played in poration, Fitzgerald, Ga. Rabon Venezuela, Cuba and Florida.

Detroit Notes: George Harris held a two-fold celebration recently when his wife presented him with a new daughter on their wedding anniversary. . . . Charles Duma again will be with Sam Solof on the World of Pleasure carnival supplier, returned here from Miami and Mrs. Roscoe Wade returned from the funeral of Mrs. Frank Wagner in Buffalo.

. . . Eddie Burge and Charles Rafal are skedded to work Flint Park this season. Doc Louis Firestone, owner of the Flint spot, was a recent visitor here. . Irving (Stash) Rubin joins Jack Gallagher's Playland Shows, which open in Detroit, April 23. Edward Parker, org's business manager, announced the shows will spend most of the season around Cleveland. . . . Tommy Paddles, Dick Lewis, Raymond Coffeen, Herb Pence and John Cargan were seen in concession booths at the Detroit sports show.

Mr. and Mrs. William O. Perrott, carnival troupers, are confined in Central Florida State Sanatorium, Orlando, Fla., where Bill is in charge of entertainment. He expects to be discharged in October.

Osterman & Williams, law firm of Salem, Ore., are anxious to learn the whereabouts of Maximillian (Max) Abler. They are holding a check for him from the Oregon Industrial Accident Commission, which has been ordered by the Oregon Supreme Court to pay off an accident claim made with Abler's fellow-worker, but must contact Abler to make final



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Shows for 1951.... Leo Shoreck, of years, in charge of the tent with Dumont Shows the past two and front. seasons, will not take to the road until late in the season. He's a patient at Veterans' Hospital, as billposter with Blue Grass Aspinwall, Pa. . . . Frank T. Shows, marking his fifth consecu-Griffith is in his second season as tive year with the org in that assistant manager of the James H. capacity. . . . Bob and Flo Verner, Drew Shows. Bill Hughes again bingo operators, left Tampa Monhas his concessions booked with day (12) for Mobile, Ala., to join the org for 1951.

Miami that he has sold his "Jewel tal City Shows in Bainbridge, Ga., Box Casino" and is framing a with his bingo. . . . Wanda Brown, concession line-up which he has Jack Kellow and Steven Van booked on United States Shows. Russell, of Prell's Broadway . . Mrs. Frances Ray, formerly with John R. Ward, Imperial Exposition, L. J. Heth and Ohio Strates Shows, Sanford, Fla., last Valley shows, is operating Ray's Theater, Essex, Mo., which had its formal opening March 14. . . . Peggie Ewell reports good business for her unit on United States Shows in Florida. Albert Buckhanon is handling the front. Peggie visited with Lee Houston, Stanley Barbay, Eddie Hill, Ray Marsh Brydon and Ann Lee King recently.

Billy and Bobbie Ann Wingert, well-known in carnival circles, were in the show given for patients at Fort Thomas, Ky., Veterans Hospital, Thursday (8). Also in the cast were Norman (Little Abner) Bullick and Ken Charles' "Television Stars on Parade." Barry Lane emseed the show with Ken Charles as producer.

Mrs. Verna Avery, owner of Avery's Modern Shows, is convalescing at her Royal Oak, Mich., home following a flu attack.

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Leo Arduengo again has signed Gem City Shows for the season. Bob's dad, Pierre Verner, left George West reports from Tampa Monday (19) to join Capi-Shows, enjoyed a visit from Claude Bentley, of James E. week. Guests at a luncheon in his honor included Dottie Oakley, Donetta Cooper, Dr. Marie Annett, Honey Lee Walker, Miss West and Peggy Ewell. Kellow plans to leave Florida soon for the Sam Tassell units in Philadelphia with his concessions.

> Ted Cole, who will have the bingo on G. & B. Rides this season, was a guest recently of George Broas, manager of the show, and his wife at G. & B.'s Parkersburg, W. Va., winter quarters.

> Steven Haley and Mary Scott, cookhouse workers, who were married in Tampa recently, join Tri-State Shows after a brief honeymoon. . . . Goldy Restall, a New York visitor last week, reports that he will again have the Motordrome at Belmont Park, Montreal. He'll also play Canadian fairs.

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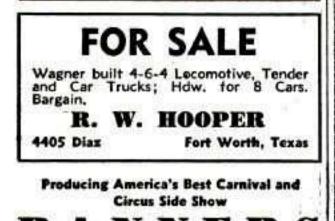
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### Michigan Showmen's Association

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DETROIT, March 17. - March 12 meeting was presided over by President Stahl. On the rostrum with him were First Vice-President Robert Templeton, Third Vice-President William Zakoor; Treasurer Louis Rosenthal, Secretary Paul Greeley, Chaplain Edward Ford and Auditor Joseph Lattin. Summer activities were discussed.

Membership was shocked to learn of the death of Mrs. Frank Wagner in Buffalo March 6. Sam Gold, Herman Manguson and Leo Lippa are still on the sick list.

Letters were received from Robert Morrison, Sam Stone and Mellin Whalon. Mike Tesser was here this week. He plans to remain for some time. A. Magid, of Cleveland Merchandise Comany, also is here. The Ladies' Auxiliary held its annual St. Patrick's Day dance today. Margie Manzel, chairman, emseed the floorshow. Red Mc-Kernan is doing a good job with the lunch counter. Buffet lunch was served after the meeting by Louis Maltin, Sam Burd and Pork Chops Ginsburg.

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Jim Dunn, reporting for the sick and relief committee, said that Marshall Brown was still confined to Sawtelle Veterans' Hospital, but was recovering. Gene Rose has been discharged from the hospital. Theo Forstall, who recently underwent surgery in Glendale, was in attendance, Forstall leaves Sunday (18) to join the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus in New York.

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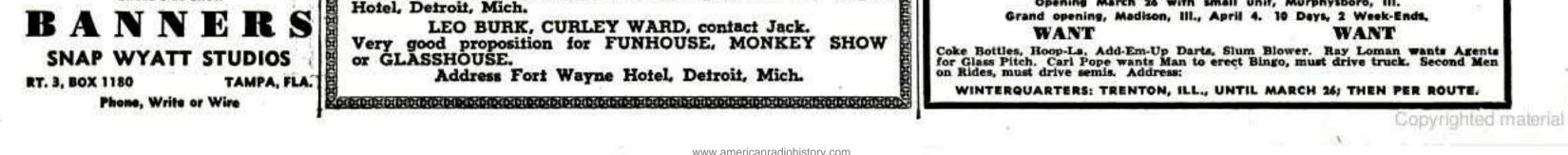
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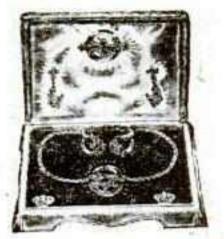
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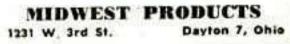
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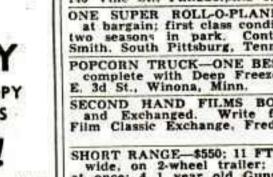


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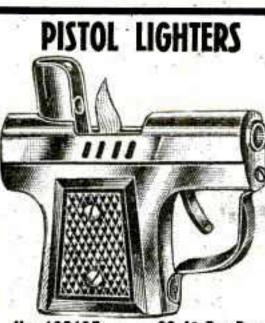
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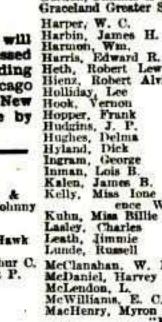
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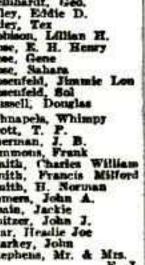


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Sam Feldman, Harlich Corporation, Chicago, sales manager, announces eight new boards now set for delivery. Two are Baseball boards in nickel and quarter play, with the remaining half dozen new 400-hole boards with five numbers on a ticket. These are all 25-cent play. Sam predicts high volume demand for the new eleases, with the baseball numbers being timed with the season. The others are expected to continue pulling as have other similar boards.

T & C Sales Company, Jacksonville, Ill., turns in a repeat on its previous uptrend reports for its board, ticket and premium lines. J. M. Trotter takes the bow for the good news this week. . . Columbia Sales Company, Wheeling, W. Va., says demand for pull ticket games is good. Firm is looking for even further advances in this field.

Superior Products, Inc., Chicago, is pulling out all stops in pushing its new Play Baseball nickel board. Ralph Cryer, ad manager, holds that the number's action-plus portends a threebagger reception in the operator and player fields. The diamond board sports 1,600 holes, colorful header and punch area.

H. M. Shoemaker, Muncie Novelty Company, Inc., Muncie, Ind., makes the comment that firm's fair play deals are credited with the growing volume of sales in its entire 14-item line. Overtime hours are still on the production agenda to keep shipments current. Muncie Novelty points to its baseball numbers, punch-boards, carded deals and pullboard deals as heading the order lists.

Dick Hitter, Carol Sales Com- the King show this season as utilpany, Elmira, N. Y., continues to ity man. . . . Great Siegfried, canbe a booster for Bee Jay Products' nonball juggler who formerly boards and Universal's tickets. played parks and indoor circuses, Dick keeps a bulging stock of is in Chicago after playing theaboth in his quarters and also a ter and night club dates. He varied supply of premiums. . . . closed recently in Indianapolis. DeLuxe Sales Company, Blue ... Otto Griebling, last season pan, New York, and Paul Van Earth, Minn., reports thru Gen-eral Manager Harry C. Hayes that with Orrin Davenport, will be Hugo, Okla., to look over the conboard business is stepped up comboard business is stepped up com-pared to volume for same periods son. . . . Vander Barbette will be and Cole & Walters circuses. . . in both '49 and '50.



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later took up paperhanging as a hobby. Following the program he gave a party attended by the Elmer Hanscomes, the R. M. Jiminezs, Ernie Beauvais, the N. Gaitons, Marcy Mary, Irene Rogers. Ida Stewart, Mary Biedenweg, Flo Bell Moore, Catherine Cauley and her mother, the C. Toppins, shows and recounts circus history. the Ed Thompsons, Fred Haynes, Charlie Haley, Thomas Owen, E. N. Moses, Noel George, Don Suskin, Max Darwin, Rose Westlake and Harry Frankel.

Clown Carl Mark is on the perto show how performers might rehearse before entering the top. Kids from the studio audience will be chosen to work with some of the acts.

Berni Miller, clown, returns to with Ringling-Barnum this seawith Clyde Beatty Circus. . . .



Freddie Freeman, clown, is working in Peru, Ind. . . . Harry Thomas, equestrian director, will miss the opening day of King Bros.' Circus in order to complete the Orrin Davenport date at Columbus, O., but expects to join King April 9.

Polack Bros.' Western Unit is the subject of a major publicity break in The Chicago Sun-Times. National edition was set to carry the story Sunday (25). Yarn was prepared by Al Sweeney. It traces as trend toward indoor Edition due will include a front page headline, one and a half pages of text and pictures and a full back page of pictures.

Frankie Saluto, Ringling clown who is with the Orrin Davenport manent roster of "Hollywood show, was a visitor in Chicago last Junior Circus," NBC television week. . . . The Olveras (2), perch Junior Circus," NBC television week. . . . The Olveras (2), perch program launched Sunday (11) act, will play Sioux Falls, S. D., from Chicago. The program will for Orrin Davenport and join Gil use circus acts in a format said Gray's indoor org at Springfield, Mo., March 26-31.

> George Mills, rodeo clown, was the subject of a major write-up in The Saturday Evening Post. Others mentioned in the yarn were his wife, Sis; Jimmy Schumacher, Jack Knapp, John Lindsey, Howard McGrory, Glen Randall and Everett Colburn. Color photos illustrate the piece.

Vincent Williams and Mack Mc-Connell, of the Coca-Cola Com-Frank Ellis, who has Cole & Walters concessions, has purchased a trailer. . . . Laura Anderson, formerly of the Cole & Walters Circus and now of Wallace & Clark Circus, is recuperating at Emporia, Kan., from an operation and will join Wallace-Clark in California soon.







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# COIN MACHINES

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# **Bowl-O-Matic** Introed in NY; Next Stop Chi

### **To Name Distrib** Net; Preview All-**Coin Music Mite**

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Eastern operators had their first look at Bowl-o-Matic, new dime-play game manufactured by Universal Industries for the Bowl-o-Matic Sales Company, Wednesday and Thursday (14-15). Nat Cohn, president of Bowl-o-Matic, estimated the cumulative attendance at the two-day show in the Park Sheraton Hotel at "more than 1,000," with firms from up-State New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Massachusetts well represented.

The show also featured a sneak preview of the Model 52 Music Mite, produced by Williams Manufacturing and distributed here by Cohn thru a separate enterprise, the Natco Sales Company. The new 45-r.p.m. phonograph, incorporating a nickel, dime and quarter single-entry coin mechanism, is (Continued on page 85)

# Williams Bows **Baseball Type** Shuffle Game

CHICAGO, March 17. - Distributors of Williams Manufacturing Company began showings this week of a one and two player shuffle game with a baseball theme. It is called Big League and provides dime play. The game can be played in a relatively short time because of its stepped up rebound action. It measures 8 by 2 feet and features manikins running bases. Team not at bat is stationed in simulated fielding position to give the actual feeling of a real baseball game. It also can be played by a single player. Each person participating deposits a dime play.

### OUTDOOR SHOW FEATURES GUN, GAME EXHIBITS CHICAGO, March 17. -

Altho coin machine representation was not large at the International Sports and Outdoor Show in the International Amphitheater here, operators reported satisfactory business. Show closed a 10-day stand Sunday (11).

Red Gawlik, Chicago operator, who had 20 United Shuffle Alleys and four Exhibit Supply Dale Guns on the floor, said business had been slow the first couple of days but picked up later.

Jack Witt, in charge of A. B. T.'s six-place Rifle Sport, also reported satisfactory play. Only other coin machine rep was a Pepsi-Cola vending display which drew considerable interest.

**Union Dispute** Hits Two L.A. **Op-Rep Firms** 

LOS ANGELES, March 17 .-Pickets of Teamsters, Local 396, continued to patrol the front of Minthorne Music and California Music, both West Pico Street companies this week, in what the union said was an "official picket line."

Jean Minthorne and Sam Ricklin of the companies involved said that the difficulties followed the Teamsters Union's effort to unionize office help, clerks, warehousemen and truck drivers. Both com-

# Sked 2d U. S. Shuffle Meet May 25-28 at Madison, Wis. ASLI Again Sponsors Tourney; **Team Eligibility Rules Eased**

pected to participate, including the team champions of 14 State tourneys to be held in April.

Every team registered in ASLI will be eligible for the U.S. meet and operators thruout the country already have notified Howard W. James, ASLI tournament manager, that they intend to be represented by one or more teams. Last year only State champs and runners-up were permitted to play in the team championships at Peoria, Ill.

#### Entry Fees

fee money will be earmarked for the cash prize fund. Application blanks will be ready soon and it is expected that entries will close Illinoise (Rockford), Glen Fife and the first week in May.

sidered several locations before (Greenfield), James McNicholas; deciding on Madison's Turner Hall. Missouri (St. Louis), Louis Ritter;



Second annual United States able grandstands which bring Korte; New Jersey (Camden), Shuffleboard Championships will viewers closer to the scene of play Frank Kiss; New York (Syracuse), be held in Turner Hall here May than most other arenas. It is well Howard C. Conlon; Ohio (Toledo), 25-28, under American Shuffle-board Leagues, Inc., auspices. A record number of teams are ex-play. Ventilated and has excellent illumination for day or evening (Reading), Frank Klopp; Utah (Hooper), Bud Fackrell; Washing-

#### Four Groups

The U.S. meet will be conducted on 22-foot boards and 12foot cushion boards. How many boards will be used will not be determined until a tentative figure on the number of entries has been tabulated. Both men and women tabulated. Both men and women teams will compete in the longboard and cushion events as was board and cushion events as was the case in the Peoria meet last year when \$10,000 in prizes was awarded.

Entries for the 14 State meets Entry fee tentatively has been closed Thursday (15). All will be set at \$30 for State meet winners held in April but specific dates and \$40 for other teams. All entry have not been decided. Sites of these meets and their operatormanagers follow:

Idaho (Boise), Armand Martens; Harry Hogan; Michigan (Saginaw), ASLI's executive board con- Stanley Warner; Massachusetts

MADISON, Wis., March 17 .- | It was built in 1941 and has port- | Indiana (Fort Wayne), Williard H. ton (Seattle), David Talbot; Wisconsin (Madison), Ken Poulsen and Wisconsin Cushion (Wausau), Mickey Green and D. E. Wright,



DETROIT, March 17. - House Bill No. 38, proposing a tax upon coin machines, was referred back to committee when it came up for a third and usually final reading in the Michigan House of Representatives Monday (12). Rep. Louis Anderson of Northport, chairman of the taxation committee, requested the action.

The coin machine industry has been active in opposition to the , bill, which, it is contended, would make operation of machines impossible in many areas by reason of the proposed annual \$100 levy on juke boxes and \$200 on pinball games. Up-State locations in particular, it is believed, would be

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Big Leaguer features are protected under four patent numbers.

## **Ohio Studies Bell Ban Bill**

COLUMBUS, O., March 17. The Ohio House Judiciary Committee Wednesday (14) recommended the passage of a bill aimed at banning bell machines in the State.

The bill would make it a felony, punishable by prison sentence of one to five years and a fine of \$5,000, to own, possess, exhibit or transport bells for delivery in Ohie. This measure, when originally offered, also covered pinballs and devices used by religious and charitable organizations. The substitute okayed by the committee idea about the area surrounding limits the proposal to bells.

pany-owners admitted befuddlement over the union's move.

Minthorne has two firms, Minthorne Music, a distributing company, and Minthorne Music Systems, a music operation. Employees of the music operation are members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 1052, which, according to the locals representative Hal G. Sherry, has jurisdiction in the coin-operation field.

#### Coverage

Ricklin, one of the largest operamen in the Teamsters' Union but of late had switched to IBEW. (Continued on page 84)

## Most Quotations Keep Upward Trend

current Index of Advertised Used Machine Prices (appearing else-where in this issue). The key development was an increase in the number of different units listed, up more than 11 per cent over a week ago (The Billboard, March 17).

In the over-all picture, less than tors here, at one time had service 8 per cent of the advertised prices fluctuated from last week's quotations. Most of the changes were in the amusement game division,

CHICAGO, March 17. - Amuse- made up of five-balls, giant pins, ment games, particularly giant roll-downs and novelty games. In pinballs, and music equipment list this classification 12 per cent of at high levels in The Billboard's all price listings varied and 9 per cent were up from \$5 to \$20. Judging by the number of different distributors advertising giant pinballs, such as Bally's Champion Citation and Jockey Special, and Universal's Photo Finish, this type of equipment is reaching new heights in the buying and selling marts.

#### Shuffle Games Up

The shuffle game situation continues to be one of slowly rising prices. Games of this type listed two or more consecutive weeks either remained at the same price levels or advanced from \$5 to \$30. Among those showing increases were Chicago Coin's Bowling Alley, Keeney's Pin Boy and Double Bowler, Williams's Double Header (Continued on page 85)

Pin Ops Lose 1st Round in **Buffalo Test** 

BUFFALO, March 17.-Supreme Court Justice Philip Halpern Friday (16) denied a motion to restrain police in Eric County from seizing pin games. He said sufficient evidence had been presented to indicate that the machines were 'potentially" gambling devices.

But the justice also enjoined police from destroying picked up equipment for the next two weeks. He asked that Charles J. Mc-Donough, who initiated the suit on behalf of game operators, and the district attorney file briefs on the matter of final disposition within a week. He said his decision will be handed down in two weeks.

The case arose last week after authorities here cut off game operation on orders of District Attorney Gordon Steele (The Billboard, March 17) on the heels of a county grand jury investigation into crime. Several thousand games, both of the one and fiveball variety, are affected.

unable to pay such a fee.

Speaker Victor A. Know of the House said that an attempt to refer the bill back to committee was made when it came up on "general orders" last week, but that this failed. The presentation of the case for the industry by William E. Bufalino, president of the Service Drivers and Helpers' Union, and by Irving Ackerman, counsel for the (Continued on page 87)



CHICAGO, March 17.-Allied Coin Machine Company has purchased the facilities and stock of Shuffleboard Specialists. Vic Weiss and Billy Knapp, Allied owners, said Julian Crum, former executive of Shuffleboard Specialists, joins Allied as manager-buyer. The Allied staff will be enlarged to handle the additional lines assumed thru the sale.

Allied expansion is in the premium department. Additional merchandise lines are being added and new facilities will be leased to house this department.

### **Rockaway Arcade** Name Changed As Promosh Gim

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Penny Arcade at Rockaway's Playland, one of the shore area's largest, opens under a new name with the start of the season Sunday (18) and, at the same time, inaugurates a policy that will keep it open week-ends during the fall and winter.

The giant arcade, occupying a building 220 by 60 feet, will now be known as the WNBC Hall of Stars, tying in on a two-way promotion campaign with the local TV and radio station. Blowup photos of NBC stars will ring the interior walls of the arcade, and the radio station will air plugs publicizing the establishment.

Meanwhile, all equipment in the arcade has been refurbished Denver, who also is president of Last week Justice Halpern asked in Playland's own service and

## SO. CAROLINA BIZ SHOWS BOOM SIGNS Defense Plants, Soldiers, Good Crops Aid Pic; Reps See Machine Shortages

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 17 .- | Aiken. Machines have been movworld conditions.

A survey of ops revealed that almost everybody has had the same the new atomic energy plant near

Coin machine operators in this ing in by truckloads, with every State are looking forward to the type of vender, music machines brightest season they have ever and pin games included. So far, it experienced, despite troubled looks like there will be enough play for all.

In Central South Carolina, the soldier trade from Fort Jackson near Columbia has hypoed biz tremendously.

#### Good Crops

In the lower Pee Dee area, where South Carolina's Bright Belt tobacco is grown and marketed, the picture gets rosier every day. The winter has helped crops, and big prices and lots of free cash looms

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### Steal \$4,500 From **Juke-Ciggie Route**

BROOKLYN, March 17 .-Thieves broke into the service headquarters of Lincoln Service, Inc., here Monday night (12) and escaped with about \$4,500 in collection money. The firm, headed by Albert S. Denver, operates a large route of phonographs and cigarette machines.

# RING TO TEE **Taran Traded Boxing** For CM-Golf Careers

built up sales, but aided his opera- new world for him. tor-customers at the same time. One such distributor is Sam Taran, Taran is one of the men who first who a number of years ago hung put shuffleboards on location, proup his boxing gloves after trading moted them via tournaments. punches with the best pros in his newspaper and radio coverage and weight class to become a distribu- can still report that his boards are

MIAMI, March 17 .- When a dis- | equally important value of ballytributor of coin machines makes a hoo. His promotions are still success of that business, he usually among the most constant winners has applied a sound promotional in the coin machine business in campaign to his selling program this area and his sports activity, and thru promotions has not only now confined to golf, has opened a

On the coin machine front,



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## SELLS SERVICE

# Pitt Ops Find Rental **Biz Can Be Successful**

By LEON M. LEFFINGWELL PITTSBURGH, March 17 .- Established practice of furnishing rental phonographs, serviced so practically that they have good tone, hold volume, and do not damage easily, has built a steady business for Service-Rental Coin Machine Company, reports William and George Sopira, partners.

In some fields operators today are at a standstill because of taxes and rising costs. But the Sopira brothers, booking extensively in the rental field, have built up a steady trade until in the holiday

# Denver Music **Ops Inaugurate 10c Play Test**

DENVER, March 17 .- The phonograph operating industry here appeared to be headed toward 10cent three-for-a-quarter play as 10-cent machines began their appearance.

The actual change of many machines from 5-cent play followed special meetings of the Colorado Music Guild, association of phonograph operators and distributors, which were called by Wolf Roberts, president of the group. The experience of various operators in other territories with 10-cent play was outlined and an appeal made to all operators to switch over simultaneously. Roberts indicated Distributing held a one-day show-

season they get more orders than they can fill.

"Nice part about renting phonographs," says Sopira, "is that once the rental is sold we are sure of our minimum fee, and by cultivating better sources we practically are assured of repeat business, party-after-party."

Building up these bookings into an established business has been a long, hard climb. "If today we have few if any complaints," says Sopira, "it's because early we learned the problems of driving to a rental location with a truck and getting a phonograph into that location when the stairs leading to the second floor were steep and the walls were narrow. We also learned how to get along with prospects who offered us \$12 at the door when the 24-hour rental was \$15 in advance."

That is one reason for the success of Service-Rental's business. When the firm was just getting started, the prospect either paid the full \$15 on the spot, or the phonograph went back on the truck.

"We ran into other people," (Continued on page 77)



CHICAGO, March 17.-Coven that only by increasing the take of ing and school on the Wurlitzer each machine could the individual models 1400 and 1450 as well as new remote equipment at the Jefferson Hotel, Peoria, Ill., Thursday (15). Over 100 operators from burgs, have gone on location Peoria, Champaign-Urbana, Rantoul, Bloomington, Pekin, Canton, Havana, Galesburg, Monmouth, Macomb and surrounding areas at-At the same time a showing of PMA Plays Host tended. the Permo needle line for operators was held at the Jefferson Hotel under direction of Bert Davidson. The Wurlitzer showing was held under Ben Coven's supervision, with his wife, Trudy, acting as hostess. Mac Brier, Coven office manager, and Harold Saul, advertising and promotion director, also attended. Operator school was conducted by Lee Taylor, head of Coven's service division.

## PHILLY EXEC ARRIVES AT 5c CONCLUSION

PHILADELPHIA, March 17.-With the music machine operators still in the testing stages for a dime minimum for the juke box play, Charles Hannum, executive manager of the Music Machines Association of Philadelphia, summed up the initial reactions this way:

"Frankly, I don't know what we're going to do. Chicago's gone to a dime, so has Detroit. All our expenses have gone up - everything except the price. Seems to me the time's here when a nickel, plugged or otherwise, isn't much good!"

# 10-Cent Play Leading Topic Meet

CHICAGO, March 17. - Parts and records took a back seat, discussion-wise, at the monthly meeting of the Music Operators of Northern Illinois (MONI) at the Hapsburg Inn, near suburban Des Plaines, Wednesday evening (14) and the accent was on dime play. Previous meetings had featured

supply and maintenance discussions, but a MONI spokesman said that the rising cost of operation forced major attention to the play price problem. He pointed out that the 10-cent play was advanced as just that-not a plugging of the nickel chute and two plays for a dime, but a straight 10 cents per play.

# **CSCA Holds Meet; Sets Delegates to MOA Meet**

Connecticut State Coin Association, Inc., will have three delegates at the Music Operators of America national convention at the Palmer House, Chicago, March 19-21.

The three, James Tolisano, of Hartford; Art Rode, Bristol, and Frank Marks, New London, were named at the CSCA's meeting Thursday night (8).

The delegation marks the first time the Connecticut organization will be represented at a nationwide coin meeting.

Abe Fish, State organization president, presided at the meeting, attended by 50 coinmen from all parts of the State.

Speakers included Bill Barnes, regional field sales representative for RCA Victor, who discussed the growing prominence of the 45 r.p.m. record in the coin machine short in the industry, in the face industry; Murray Simon, Chicago Coin; Bill Bresco, Radio & Appliance Distributors; Mac Perlman, Atlantic-New York Corporation; Seeburg distributors, and Ralph Colucci, of Seaboard Distributors of Hartford, coin machine distributor.

Fish declared: "Today more than ever before there is a need for a



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HARTFORD, Conn., March 17 .- | specific public relations code within this industry. Today more than ever before we have to take greater cognizance of the need to conduct ourselves as business men as our businesses are growing concerns of commercial importance."

A new member was voted into the organization. He is Paul Rechtshafer, of Reliable Coin, Hartford.

"We need men like Rechtshafer in our organization," added Fish, "because he represents that element of newer and younger coinmen who are continually thinking of new ways and means of improving the status of the coin industry in the eyes of the paying public."

Mac Perlman, of Atlantic-New York Corporation, declared that there is a possibility that equipment supplies will continue to be of the world situation.

Chris Magenta, Thompsonville coinman, who recently returned from a 28-day European cruise, showed colored slides of his trip.

A non-CSCA member, Irving Clapp, Hartford operator, was among the dozen outside guests.

# **Gotham Music Ops Still Shy Of Dime Jukes**

NEW YORK, March 17.-Despite a few ardent partisans, local phonograph operators are still generally CHICAGO, March 17 .- Chicago opposed to switching over to dime olay; This was made clear at an off-the-cuff discussion of the problem following the general meeting Association Tuesday (13).

operator hope to stay in business at today's high costs.

Many machines, chiefly Seeequipped with 10-cent chutes and four-for-a-quarter play, which Roberts characterized as "experimental." Results have been satisfactory in 10 locations thus equipped to date, and it is expected that all new machines, at least, will be on 10-cent play in the future.

# **AMI Skeds Chi Distrib** Meet

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., March 17 .- The complete distributor network of AMI, including reps in Canada and Mexico, will convene in Chicago tomorrow (18) at the Bismarck Hotel for a pre-MOA convention conference called by John W. Haddock, AMI president. Move is designed to evidence the manufacturer's strong support of the Music Operators of America.

Conference will get under way in the afternoon, carrying thru a special dinner. On the agenda are discussions on production output plans, material situation and the music business in general.

Distribs will all remain in Chicago for the three-day MOA convention which starts Monday morning. AMI headquarters will be maintained in rooms 738 and 739 at the Palmer House.

### KID STUFF NO JOKE FOR OPS

DETROIT, March 17 .- Operators of vending machines and juke boxes here have found the answer to the flood of lead nickels which recently jammed their machines. Three youngsters, 12 and 13 years old, had cleverly made up moulds for nickels and prepared them out of melted lead foil.

The youngsters were apprehended by the police, who also found a mould for half dollars.

The soft nickels caused trou-



LOUISVILLE, March 17 .--Southern Automatic Music last week thru branch manager Leo have been leased for 15 years.

ing space for 100 cars and trucks. | and Joseph Abrahams.

Membership appeared evenly divided for and against the dime plan, however, and no decision was reached.

It was decided the April meeting, set for Wednesday (11), would also be held at the Hapsburg Inn.



CLEVELAND, March 17 .- Singers Vic Damone and Helen O'Connell were guests of the Phonograph Merchants' Association at a reception in the Hollenden Hotel Friday (16). The association, which cooperated with the local Mercury distributor in sponsoring the affair, was on hand to see the artists perform at Loew's State Theater before the party.

In addition to members of PMA and Mercury, newspapermen and disk jockeys had an opportunity to meet the artists. Jack Cohen, head of the association, was in charge of the party.

Among the members of the PMA Weinberg said new 40,000 square and their wives who will attend foot facilities will be opened April the MOA convention in Chicago, 15. The additional quarters, pro- are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cohen, Mr. vided thru remodeling and en- and Mrs. Lou Pearlman, Mr. and largement of the original building, Mrs. Hyman Silverstein, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lukin, Arnold Lief, The site also will provide park- Delbert Witman, Sanford Levine

Manager Ed Levin, has appointed five distributors to handle its selective 45 r.p.m. counter box, Hit of the Automatic Music Operators' Parade. New unit, placed in production last week (The Billboard, March 17), will have its premier trade showing at the Music Operators of America convention at the Paimer House here Sunday, Monday and Tuesday (19-21).

Distributors appointed and their territories are:

**Bush Distributing Company, 286** Northwest 29th Street, Miami, and 60 Riverside Avenue, Jacksonville, Fla., for Florida and Cuba.

Northern Illinois, Northern Indiana and Wisconsin.

Lieberman Music Company, 257 Plymouth Avenue, North, Minneapolis, for Minnesota and North and South Dakota.

Donald Fielding & Company, 587 Bank Street, Ottawa, Ont., and 1106 Hall Avenue, Windsor, Ont., for the territory surrounding Ottawa, Windsor and Toronto.

Roxy Specialty Company, 703 Notre Dame West, Montreal, for the territory surrounding Montreal.

It also was announced that Al Simon, Eastern factory representative, is setting up distributors for the East, and Phil Robinson, Western factory representative, is appointing distributors to handle the Western States.

Chicago Coin will have Room 733 at the MOA show.

The concensus again seemed to be that local operators have little to gain financially in doubling the play price. As reported previously, they feel that the surest way to increase route earnings, locally at least, is to further improve income splits with location owners.

One proposal advanced was that dime play be confined to late model machines in selected locations. This gained no support since op-Coven Distributing Company, erators seemed agreed that dime 3181 Elston Avenue, Chicago, for play in the city would have no chance of success unless all machines were switched to the higher rate.

> During the meeting, Al Denver, president, said that one of the surest methods to increase take-back revenue via improved contract deals is to follow a progressive system of machine rotation. He pointed out that installation of a later-model phonograph can almost always be accompanied by an upping of minimum guarantees.

Denver also assured operators that there seemed to be little liklihood that the war situation would lead to serious shortages of records.

Sidney Levine, AMOA attorney, addressed membership on current legislative threats to the exemption from royalties operators presently enjoy under the Copyright Act. He urged operators to support efforts of the MOA to counter the revision attempt which, he said, is being sparkplugged by the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers.

## **RED BOOK JUKE** ADS BUILD BIZ

CHICAGO, March 17.-A series of paid listings in the current local Red Book telephone directory, promoting specific makes of juke boxes, have paid off by being directly responsible for several new installations, Adolph Ray-mond, A. & M. Music Company, reported this week.

Raymond's Red Book ads, in addition to his regular firm listing, are under leading phonograph manufacturer names, and read: See us for the new

# CHI PLAYS HOST TO MOA; **RECORD OP-REP TURNOUT** Somber Undertone Noted as Juke

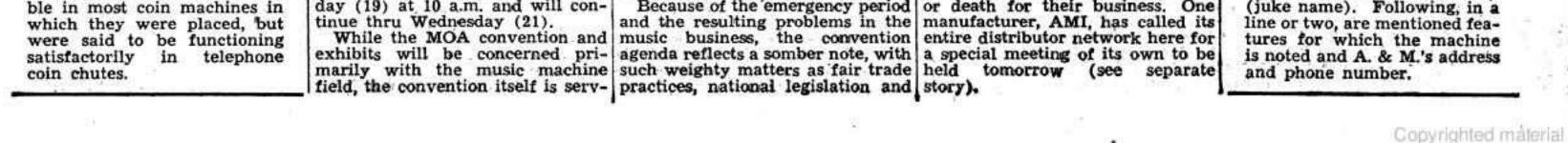
# Meet Tees Off at Palmer House

#### By NORMAN WEISER

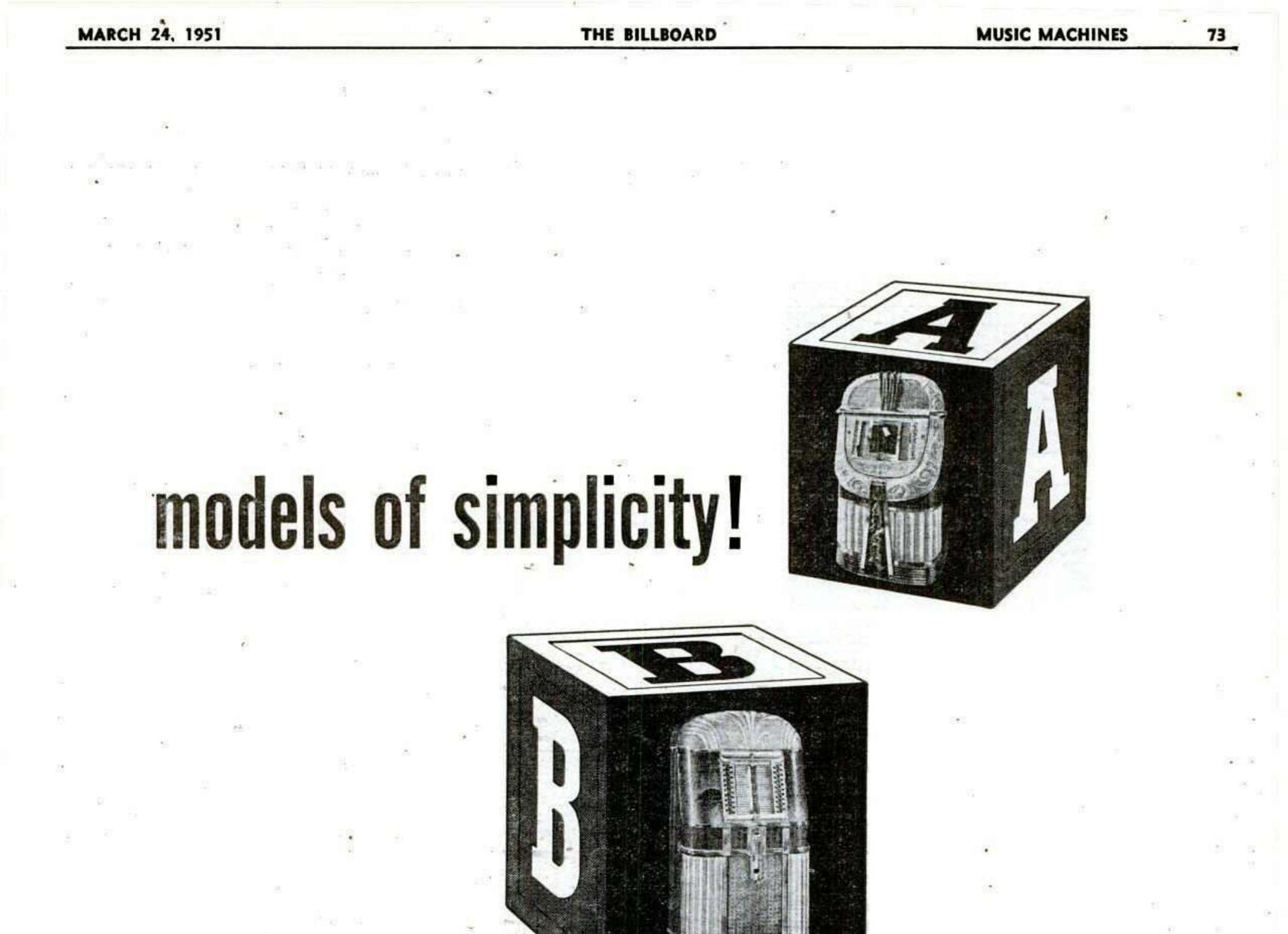
only major coin machine convention scheduled for 1951 gets under- ator and distributor visitors during way tomorrow evening (18) at the the convention period. Several Palmer House when the executive firms not in the music field recommittee of the Music Operators served private rooms at the hotel of America (MOA) convenes. The to display games, venders and full-scale convention starts Mon- other equipment,

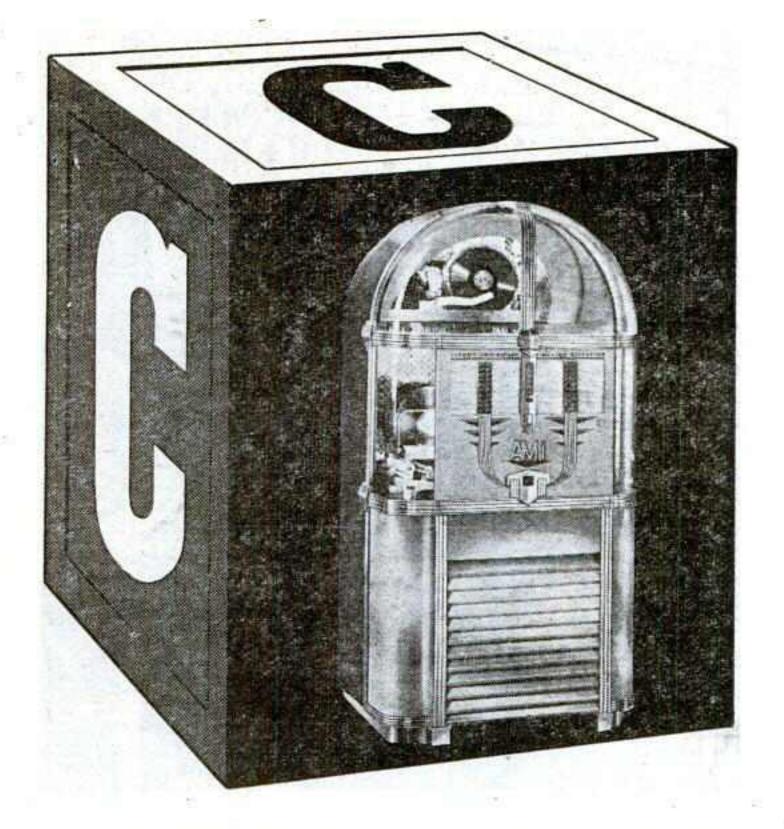
try. Practically every coin ma-CHICAGO, March 17 .- Chicago's chine manufacturer in the city was get-together last year, the 1951 prepping for an overflow of oper-

ing as a hypo for the entire indus-try. Practically every coin ma- Unlike the first MOA national meet is attracting not only a large number of operators, but a heavy distributor representation. Those in the latter group are making the trip to Chicago this year to get the answers to the production and output picture which may spell life









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• Record Reviews 40-69 SATISFACTORY 0-39 POOR	LABEL AND NO. COMMENT		Merchandising Music
Each of the records reviewed here expresses the opinion of the member of The Billboard music staff who reviewed the record.	<ul> <li>BROTHER JOE MAY         There Must Be a Heaven Somewhere             SPECIALTY SP 388—The Brothers drive shouts and rocks up a storm             on a typical gospel item with piano, organ and drum backing.      </li> <li>Our Father         With fine support from a male vocal group, the Brother shouts an effective organs in the wall known "Our Father With Act in Heaven" from     </li> </ul>	808080NS 848484NS	<b>SLEEPERS PROVE WINNERS</b> A pair of old-time sleepers have been uncovered by Dover Music, Brooklyn, and the two tunes are ringing up increased
ARTIST TUNES LABEL AND NO. COMMENT	style reading with a light hand-clap backing. What a Blessing in Jesus I've Found	757575NS 727272NS	grosses for this operation. Tunes are "Malaguena," by the Noc- turnes, which has been going around the clock in jump stops as well as the regular spots, and
INTERNATIONAL MICKEY KATZ ORK Chiny Town CAPITOL 1419—Katz, the Spike Jones of the Yiddish market, makes hash of "Chinatown, My Chinatown." A couple of big yocks are sur- rounded by lots of little ones. Mainly for Jewish nabes. Gehakte Mambo Hilarious gag disking has Katz hollering a funny lyric and interjecting	ACORN 316-Alternating male and femme lead voices spark the group thru a rhythmic gospel chant. It's All Right With Jesus	707070NS 767676NS	"Orchids in the Moonlight," as recorded by <b>Ben Light</b> on the Tempo label, which has also been pulling a heavy play. In both cases, reports Dover, the tunes continue to draw heavy week after week, in comparison to the quickie pops.
belly-laugh asides throout a slice which also is suitable for dancing. Should prove a big metropolitan area favorite, especially in Jewish- dominated nabes. <b>LAWRENCE DUCHOW ORK</b> Zing Zing—Zoom Zoom VICTOR (45) 51-1187—For Midwest terpers, Duchow has a straight-	MILLS BROTHERS Now the Day Is Over DECCA 14550—Group sets a fine religious mood as it sings the sacred opus with much feeling.	747375NS 747375NS	<b>TWO-FOR-TEN</b> City Music Company, Suffolk, Va., recently started a two-for-a-dime test in that city, and initial reports have been most encouraging, officials say. Collections each week dur-
Iaced instrumental disking of the pop hit taken at a relaxed tempo.       757575         Dick's Polka       757575         Accordionist Dick Metko and Duchow are credited with writing this light and easy polka instrumental. Metko, natch, takes the solo.       757575         FRANKIE YANKOVIC (& His Yanks)       71707072         COLUMBIA (33) 3-39116—Carl Paradise handles the so-so lyric competently as the ork plays a lovely new waltz ballad with organ and accordion leads.       717171         My Girl Friend Julayda       72717173         Yankovic himself takes the vocal chorus on the w, k. Walt Solek       72717173	FLIP PHILLIPS ORK Dream a Little Dream of Me MERCURY 8935—A pedestrian run down of the standard with take- your-turn solos by Flip, Harry Edison, Bill Harris. Boys are apathetic on this one. Be Be The boys come alive to bop a jump original, with Buddy Rich swinging them excitingly. Engaging riff and moving solos by Flip, Sweets and	53565350 69747064	ing the test have shown increases. Meanwhile, William Turner, who formerly was associated with Mystic Music in Norfolk, has joined City Music. Turner re- ports that "Mockin' Bird," as re- corded by the Pinetoppers, is go- ing over big in the Suffolk area. Kelly Pace reports that the two- plays-for-a-dime deal has also re-
novelty polka. ERNIE BENEDICT (Polkateers) Theresa Polka VICTOR (45)51-1189—Accordion-led polka group gets off a danceable reading of a typical Pennsylvania terper. Let's Hold Hands While We're Dancing Kendall Sisters trip contribute an adequate vocal to an okay waltz ditty. 727272 73737273	MERCURY 8934—Prez blows a masterly tenor solo on the standard, backed by plano, drums and bass. The approach is light, delicate and beautifully controlled	67716763 73777368	operators in many areas have re- ported difficulties in obtaining new releases for the phonos in
RELIGIOUS R. S. B. COSPEL SINCERS (Agnes Washington) Don't Turn Around COLUMBIA 30237—Revival meeting rocker sparked by the lead shouter adds up to a spanking disk. My Lord and I (Paul Martin) Another hand-clapper but lead singer is less effective. SARAH VAUGHAN	stand solution in a good lick, too.	65676760 68707064	the TAC Amusement Company has been an exception. Nick Caruso, Joe Caruso and Happy Giaurruso are all assigned the job of not only purchasing plat- ters for the firm, but seeing that juke box operators get their or- ders filled as quickly as possible. Actually these close record dealer-operator liaisons play an
Ave Maria COLUMBIA 39207—Miss Vaughan has a fine standard disk in this English version of Schubert's famous religious work. Backed by the		545850NS	important role in the juke box field—in many instances spelling the difference between success

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Norman Leyden ork, she sings the prayer with heart.

**City Called Heaven** 

79--79--79--NS The well known spiritual serves as an excellent backing for the reverse side. Again, the singer forsakes her jazz style to give the work a meaningful interpretation,

even in the jazz market. Blue Lou

Brown bows this one for an effectively swinging disking still with limited jazz mart appeal.

and failure in an operation.

UNIFORM VOLUME? ... Paul F. Miers, Easton, Pa., operator, (Continued on page 77)

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### **Rental Biz Can Be Successful** Continued from page 72

#### when their party was half over and wanted a refund on what remained of their unsued 24-hour period, because they claimed they we had to explain to them again of the phonograph for 24 hours, and for another \$5 we would be glad to deliver it anywhere else

#### **Record Aspects**

area.

Sopira, "have been pretty reasonable, and like the records we give them. We keep our phonograph records up-to-date, put on anything we have which people request in advance, keep albums marily to determine just how much of old dance numbers, and slow of a price hike the average juke dance numbers. But we do not today is that beginners see the go out and buy specialized music big ads promoting records and willingly. "We're not encourag- for a particular rental, because ing one play for 10 cents," he said, the next renter always wants big splash may be all that is "and we're not going to try to push something else. Last year we needed to make a go in the game. such an idea. We've been trying to had just two orders for square Being inexperienced and unor-

> The Sopiras have built rentals into an established business by (1) securing standard orders each year from the chairman of various entertainment committees, and (2) building an inventory of "popular" (purchased in response to repeated requests) records for all nationalities. These standard orders often come because girls in the offices are acquainted with Sopira's rentals from having attended other parties where machines were used successfully. These girls then recommend the firm to their office entertainment head.

#### What Renters Want

"People today who reorder for their parties," says Sopira, "are box line,

says Sopira, "some called up one would do much more for the industry, Sopira feels.

"To make a success of renting phonographs today, you need good business sense," Sopira bewere going somewhere else. And lieves. "Even selling the rental of phonographs to storekeepers cations, Abe Fish, Connecticut that they were entitled to the use in this area isn't easy these days, because of TV competition. Customers can watch TV for free, and many of them don't have TV they wished within our rental at home. What's more, it takes a lot of nickels to pull in enough money to make operations pay. "Most people, however," says And when the new phonographs come out, the storekeeper is interested in having the latest model. So to make renting music machines pay, you have to know how the storekeeper can pull in coin.

> "Another difficulty in renting phonographs, feel that making a ganized, they don't understand that the type of records they should have for specific locations isn't determined simply by reading the ads and buying some records.

> "It takes a long time to get your money out of a phonograph once you've invested," advises Sopira. "You'll have a much better chance of success if you realize before you start that renting machines is a business."

## Can. Distribs Add Wire Music

ST. JOHN, N. B., March 17 .-Coin machine distributors and operators thru the Maritime Provinces are devoting special attention to personal music for restauare rants, diners, lunchrooms, cafendy terias, hotels and lounges, bowling

Mdsing Music Continued from page 74 has several suggestions to offer.

First, Miers would like to see all recording firms use a uniform level on records, thus affording uniform most interested in getting a sturvolume on locations. Second, as dy phonograph that will not a play booster, Miers suggests break down under unusual cirsome more of the colorful picture cumstances. Beauty is secondary

NORO MORALES OKK (Pellin) Me Pica La Lengua COLUMBIA 39220—An infectious melody line puncehd Pellin and crisply keyboarded by Morales should pleas element. La Policia From tune to performance and recording, this side is way. Primarily for Noro's fans.	e the hip-shaking 64656462	ed. He believes that with the new phonographs, offering full- view vision of the player mech- anism, colorful picture records	to renters; pretty lights on a box are nice if you own the machine, operate a restaurant, and are there or have a manager handy to see that a patron doesn't get rough with the machine. But when you're merely the enter-
TITO PUENTE (V. Valdes) Domingo Pantoja VICTOR 23-5346-Valdes and ensemble handle the danceable disking in the new "sucu-sucu" rhythm of mambo and samba.	derived from the	MYSTERY TUNE VARIA- TIONS Charles Kopacek. La Crosse, Wis., operator, has a twist on the mystery tune gim which has worked out to his advantage,	tainment chairman and don't want the box to go bad halfway thru the party you're in charge of, it's important to have a box that's serviced to stand assault."
Ya Bo Hay Mujeres Feas The hip-swinging set should pick up on a typical disking with rhythm vocal by Valdes and ensemble.	717171 I Puente mambo	and he herewith passes it along to other ops thruout the country.	This point has proved so im- portant that many firms have called Service-Rental thru the
TITO PUENTE Cuban Cutie TICO 10-020—An original by Ethel Smith and Billy a modern jazz instrumental reading by the ork. Disk i jazz collectors than terpers. A Burujon Punao Band comes up with a bright reading of a danceable r	is more suited for 727272	jukes, then uses a plain title strip with just a question mark on it in the selector panel. Charlie claims most operators will be surprised at the number of persons who	years and said specifically, "we want that box you had here the last time. It was a good one!" What is more, there's no argu- ment on prices nor on price changes. Since Service-Rental was first organized it has had one
• Classical Reviews	90-100 TOPS 80-89 EXCELLENT 70-79 GOOD 40-69 SATISFACTORY 0-39 POOR	a good side to use in conjunction with the promotion so that when	standard price for 24-hour rent- als—\$15 for first floor, \$20 for sec- ond floor, \$25 for anything else, depending on mileage—and that price has never been raised be- cause of higher costs. When party chairmen budget their entertain-
Continued from page 24		chosen and the people who interpret them are	ment, without even calling up to inquire, they're sure of the rental
MAJOR FOR VIOLIN AND PIANO, OP. UD 47 ("KREUTZER")—Zino Francescatti- Robert Casadesus (1-12") Col (33) ML-4327 Violinist Francescattl and planist Casadesus, whose recent collaborations on the Franck and Debussy sonotas on recent Columbia LP's were well received, do a fine Kreutzer here. There work is vigorous, strong, and well co-ordinated. However, what with the Kreutzer's place as a real standard work, opera de	OF MOZART AND SONGS OF ERT — Genevieve Warner-Franz 60 (1-12") (3) ML-4365 In a Lonely Forest; Song of Separation; ouise Burned the Letters of Her Un- over; Evening Mood; The Violet; To Chloe Song of Mignon; To the Nightingale in Sunset; God in Spring; The Bush Genevieve Warner, who made a Met- ebut recently in Mozart's "The Magic	both well known and deserving of recorded preser- vation of this port. Yet there are some failings. Sandburg is overly dramatic, Welles impersonates Lincoln's voice instead of selling the full meaning of the two speeches as he might have done and some of the works seem included only to fill out the recording of a 12-inch disk. Despite the short- comings this is both a credit to Decca and a recording that deserves wide circulation. Ripest markets are in educational outlets.	price. Sopira believes phonograph promotion can be improved. Spur to both the rental and route mer- chandising of music machines, he explains, would be manufactur- ers' improvements. Improve- ments, for example, planned with more clear-cut style changes would keep the public much more
probably the most popular of the Beethoven violin- piano sonatas, it is well represented on wax, and by star "name" performers. Among the competi- tion is another Columbia LP, a transfer of the highly regarded Busch-Serkin job. There is also the Kraus-Goldberg on Parlophone, which Decca, it would seem, figures to add to its recently activated LP program, and the Menuhins' Victor	to considerable critical huzzahs, demon- perfectly lovely way with song selections Mozart and Schubert. Her voice is warm ious, very full and controlled on top and otes as well as in the middle range. Her is fluid and graceful, her interpretation i intelligent. The recording is very close- alive. In fine, a perfect item for the devoted minority addicted to bel canto.	TSCHAIKOVSKY: CONCERTO FOR VIOLIN AND ORCHESTRA, OP. 35 IN D MAJOR —Michele Auclair, Austrian Symphony Ork, Kurt Woss, Cond. (1-12") Remington (33) RLP 199-20 The familiar Tschaikovsky concerto is well repre- sented on records, including the long-playing vari- ety; yet there is considerable room for this par- ticular waxing. As a low-priced disk, the Auclair-	interested in music machines. "For instance," he says, "down in Miami at a location on Collins Avenue as early as 1948 I saw a combination TV-phonograph the management had rigged up, painted, and was using success- fully. Back then it looked like a future innovation, and it attracted
Cond.—Stravinsky, Schoenberg, Milhaud, Toch, Tansman, Tedesco, Schilkret (1-12") Cap (33) P-8125 This is a new recording of project done for Artist Records seceral years ago. Undertaken and in- spired by Nat Shilkret, this work, based on read- ings from the Book of Genesis, is comprised of disdainful	BARERE PLAYS LISZT-CHOPIN 68 (a) ton (33) RLP 199-17 aust Waltz; Liebestraume; Dance of the CHOPIN: Ballade No. 1 in G Minor; n C Sharp Minor. with tremendous technique and an almost insouciance, gives an astonishing exhibi- ianism on these familiar Liszt and Chopin	shows to advantage. Apparently the combination of a fiery French violinist and a slightly heavy Austrian orchestra has served to balance the two basic temperaments. The few recording lapses are so minor as to have little affect on the ear	Billboard Billboard

get alleys and rinks. But

In line with the trend, the Island Amusement Company, with ion't a base at Sydney, N. S., and branch at Glace Bay, N. S., has been appointed distributors for Solotone. The company also distributes juke boxes, pinball machines, venders and games.

> The Halifax Coin Machine Exchange, Halifax, N. S., is another firm to recently start distribution and installation of personal music. Representatives of this firm have been calling on restaurant owners in the provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island in behalf of the new line. Co-operative advertising is being issued in newspapers and direct mail promotion calls public attention to the installations. In practically all cases the eating places also offer the juke box music, via one or two machines.

The distributors report the personal music will ring the bell during the tourist season, which will start the latter part of May and last until mid-October.





stance of the master's later day orchestral apboth Lincoln's own writings and those about him stylized virtuosity. In the eight segments of the proach and in itself has an enduring value. Ernst written by Sandburg, Edwin Markham, Walt Whit- work, there are innumerable passages in which Toch's closing "The Covenant" has moments of man, Rosemary Benet and Vachel Lindsay. For the Enesco displays fluent, persuasive, distinct style. brilliance which creates a curiosity as to why we poetry of Whitman, Markham, Benet and Lindsay Altho the recording is slightly marred by surface do not hear more of his writings. The religioso there is orchestral accompaniment by Lehman noise, not much damage is done considering the aspects of this set, timely these days, as well as Engel or Victor Young. In all, this is a fine ad- price of the disk. musical qualities will help as a sales factor. dition to history education on wax. The selections (Continued on page 78)

showcase pieces. His speed and facility on the

fast passages are marvelous. On the slower parts,

he phrases correctly but coldly, with a deliberately

assumed, almost eccentric manner. However, there

is a place for this kind of plano-bravura, amusing

and amazing. Reproduction is good, a bit woody

in spots. It's a good buy at the \$2.06 Remington

ABRAHAM LINCOLN-Read by Carl Sand-

Agnes Moorehead (1-12")

Decca (33) DL-8515

burg, Walter Huston, Orson Welles,

price.

lights of modern music. It is quite a successful

venture on several counts. Amazingly enough, the

general musical approach, the done by seven com-

posers of varying styles and beliefs, achieves a

fairly even level and lends the work a unity ex-

pected of a lengthy work. The new recording varies

from the Artist disking on a few counts: the order

of the selections has been changed somewhat so

that Schoenberg's Postlude has become the opening

Prelude; the narrator now is nameless and un-

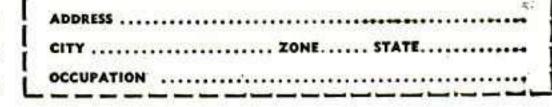
known whereas it originally was Edward Arnold;

the narrative parts have been edited; the record-

ing, with performance conducted by the original

maestro, has greater room resonance and more de-

tail shows. The Schoenberg Prelude is an in-





"war horse" work. With the label having changed

to hard covers instead of paper envelopes, this

should be a strong commercial item particularly

with the large budget-minded longhair family

Better known to the layman, perhaps, as a com-

poser, Enesco is here presented in his lesser-known

but equally proficient role of performer. While

for the average listener Bach sonatas for unaccom-

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Special

ssues

BACH: SONATA FOR VIOLIN NO. TWO

Remington (33) PL-1-149

IN B MINOR-Georges Enesco (1-10")

trade.

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Along with poet Sandburg, actors Welles, Huston panied violin may be difficult to digest, this disk and Miss Moorehead are bere assembled reading could interest many if only for Enesco's highly MUSIC MACHINES

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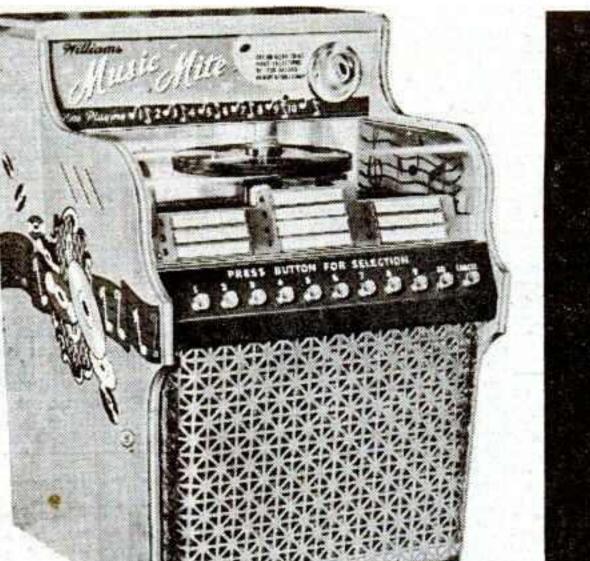
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orchestras, however, have established an enviable Miss Sydney, a leading singer with the Vien reputation off previous diskings on this a

Wide critical acclaim given Miss ond Piano Concerto, Malcuzynski and Kletzki, siece of all the romantic literature for violin. are the forces responsible for this dynamic reading viously warranted this recording of her full-blown The technical challenges are as nothing to him, State Opera and a protege of Lotte Lehman, dis- labels. Both readings are spirited and colorful, of the powerful, expressive, lyrical and romantic contralto voice. The three operatic arias she and he sails thru the most difficult runs in the plays a flair and voice for lieder so superb that no recording and packaging are excellent.



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## VENDING MACHINES

MARCH 24, 1951

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

## Map Expansion **Of Jersey Tap Mixer Service**

RED BANK, N. J., March 17 .--Tap Mixers Service, having concentrated most of its placements in New Jersey during the past two and a half years, is mapping an expansion program aimed at extending its activities into other territories, Sam Rabinowitz, owner, disclosed this week.

soda, ginger ale and flavored drinks. Under the marketing plan a rental set-up or as a direct sale. They then service the equipment and supply the location with sirups. Promotion stresses the economy Rolls; \$200 Tag and ease of the method for locations as against the handling of a variety of bottled beverages.

#### **Awaits Distribs**

Rabinowitz said some operators have recently been franchised to handle the dispenser in up-State New York territories. But full penetration of other markets will await the appointment of regional distributors to further the plan among local operators. Preliminary negotiations leading to several such appointments will get underway soon, he stated. -

No curtailment of Tap Mixer output is anticipated because of parts shortages in the predictable future, Rabinowitz asserted. He said the firm has stocked a heavy suppliers with which it deals. The units, put together according to location requirements, are assembled at the Tap Mixer plant here.

Recently, the firm added a self-

## **BOTTLER SAYS 5c** COKE---OR ELSE!

HENRYETTA, Okla., March 17.-When retailers hiked the price of Coca-Cola here recently their supplier, Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Okmulgee, Okla., discontinued shipments. Said Ray Smith, bottler head, "I haven't raised the price. Why should they?"

Smith pointed out that he will deliver Coke only to dealers who sell at the nickel price. Others will be cut off from their regular supply.



CHICAGO, March 17. - Du-Grenier, Inc., has started production line output on its eight-column, 160-bar candy vender. First NO NICKEL SQUEEZE IF--units are scheduled for presentation by James H. Martin & Company here within two weeks. Martin, who controls patents on the machine's bar vending system (coin, delivery mechanism and the converted cigarette vender cabinet are DuGrenier's), is prepared to handle national distribution to operators.

The machine, to list for about \$200, will vend both nickel and dime candy thru any of its columns. According to Martin and DuGrenier, materials are on hand to turn out 1,000 machines, with inventory of parts from the seven the first units to be available for your overhead," says Dan Felddelivery within 30 days.

models was held during the NAMA convention last November.

## CIGGIE OPS SOBER AFTER PRICE CONVERSION BINGE

**20-Cent Vend Out if Excise Tax** Hiked; Mfrs. Ready Switch Kits

#### **By IS HOROWITZ**

NEW YORK, March 17 .- While cigarette machine operators in many areas will be confronted should the federal excise tax be hiked above its present 7-cent level, their initial panicky reaction to the administration tax proposal has tapered off.

This fieling is reflected at the manufacturer level, with producers of machines reporting operator approach to the problem more realistic than only a few weeks ago. It is the rare operator who has gone off half-baked and prematurely initiated a conversion program that may or may not prove advantageous.

Certainly one of the main factors contributing to this more relaxed attitude is the quick action manu-

for supplying changeover parts operators seeking assurances that should the need for them arise. their equipment can be switched

#### **Can Fill Orders**

. For the most part, manufacturers with real conversion headaches now state they are prepared to meet any reasonable influx of conversion orders with little or no delay and at little or no cost to purchasers of their equipment.

Another factor is the general belief, considered sound in informed circles, that the tax increases, if COLLEGE COIN and when instituted, will be smaller than the 3 cents per pack recommended by Treasury Secretary Snyder. If a compromise is reached, the actual excise boost may be small enough for absorbtion in a number of price territories under present coin limitations.

Vender jobbers specializing in conversion work also report a tafacturers took to ready facilities pering off in frantic appeals from

come the increase and that they would be granted a fair share of the diminishing supply of critical chanageover parts.

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Still other factors are seen as militating against a concerted leap

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## Tell Cornell Milk Vender **Op Findings**

ITHACA, N. Y., March 17.-Experimental milk- vender operation by Cornell University, started in 1950, has turned up some interesting findings on type of milk in most demand, high volume periods, sales pattern over and extended period, etc. Tests, involving machine installations in various buildings on the campus, are being conducted by the college's School of Nutrition in co-operation with the New York State College of Agriculture and Home Ecomonics and are part of a program to find ways of increasing milk consumption.

All milk venders under test offer half-pint cartons of both plain and chocolate whole milk. With sales of several thousand units per week, it has been found chocolate is perferred by students by a ratio of more than three to one. Buttermilk and a coffee-flavored milk also have been tried, but did not prove popular. By equipping one of the venders with an electrical recorder, to chart the time at which each sale was made, buying habits were studied for most efficient reloading. It was found that a large amount of milk was sold in the classroom building installation from 8 to 10 a.m. Because of the volume of chocolate milk sold, it was assumed that a large proportion of vender sales was in addition to the usual milk consumption of the machine patrons. A characteristic sales pattern developed following initial installation; heavy sales due to interest of persons desiring to "try the new gadget." Then, curiosity satisfied, volume drops, but later begins to climb again as more persons form the habit of patronizing the vender. Finally a sales plateau is reached which fluctuates with the weather. It was pointed out that the dairy industry should be particularly interested in the fact that the hotweather period of greatest vending machine sales of milk corresponds with the season of greatest milk production.

**Adjusted Overhead Key To Diversified Op Profit** PITTSBURGH, March 17 .- "It's | tion and commission reductions are

squeeze between the 5-cent product and costs today if you reduce Initial showing of hand built Automatic Catering Company, a diversified operation. "And in today's market more efficient opera-

not too difficult to adjust to the two methods of reducing overhead."

Doing its best to maintain prices at a nickel and trim costs, Automan, partner with Bob Stanton in matic Catering has switched from "high-cost service" and has experienced only a 6 or 7 per cent drop in volume during the switch-over by using business-like methods.

contained ice-cube machine to its line. Device also is being marketed to locations thru operators, and Rabinowitz declared that he had been appointed exclusive national distributor of the unit to the coin machine trade.

### Hollywood Candy Signs To Sponsor Tele Show

ports signing with National Broadcasting Company for sponsorship of a television show, Hollywood Junior Circus, to be presented as a half-hour program on alternate called Milk-o-Matic, as soon as tons. Sundays.

key market areas will see the presentation by kinescope.

## **BRAUN SETS 12-VENDER** TEST MILK OPERATION

Manufacturing Company, in view out. of delayed production on its bottle milk vender which was scheduled for delivery in January, reported this week it would "mark time" test operation.

W. Collier, secretary, said firm conditions permit. Meanwhile In addition to the live telecast, firm expects to gain valuable operational experience in automatic merchandising for its future role as

CHICAGO, March 17. - Braun | a vender manufacturer, he pointed Bottles were chosen as the con-

tainer medium for three reasons, according to Collier. Company claims they are (1) easier to drink by setting up its own 12-machine out of; (2) resist crushing and eliminate leakage, and (3) enable dealing with many small dairies still plans to produce the machine, which do not at present use car-

> Braun is eliminating the coin changer on the 12 models making up the test route. Should early production be realized, the changer also will be eliminated on such

units. The milk vender, which will be priced about \$550, has a capacity of NEED STEEL? 105 one-third quart or one-half pint bottles and offers three selections.

## Defense Program Plans Set at NAMA Meeting

fense program, including mobilization of operators to promote acceptance of automatic merchandising as a vital part of the nation's defense program, were made at a meeting of the executive group of the association's Defense Commit-Goldman, of G. B. Macke Corpora-

## NAMA, Region 2 Sets May Meet

NEW YORK, March 17 .- Problems faced by the vending industry in a defense economy will be the theme of a two-day meet scheduled by Region II of the National Automatic Merchandising Association, says Raymond H. will be held at the Ten Eyck Hotel, Albany, May 4-5.

officers will be elected, and a ban- City, Mo.

CHICAGO, March 17 .- Detailed | tion, Washington, committee chairplans for carrying out NAMA's de- man, and Ernest H. Fox, Austin Packing Company, Baltimore, vice-chairman, presided.

In attendance were representatives from the various branches of the automatic merchandising industry, including Frank J. Bradley, Automatic Equipment Co., Buftee held here Saturday (10). Aaron falo; William S. Fishman, Automatic Merchandising Co., Chicago; M. L. Heffer, Johnson Tobacco Co., Chicago; Hugh Howes, Howes-Shoemaker Co., Detroit; Robert B. Kyle, American Chicle Co., Long Island City; John S. Mill, Rowe Mfg. Co., Inc., New York, and R. L. Strain, American Locker Co., Inc., Chicago.

Other industry representatives, members of the Defense Committee, who were unable to attend were:

Thomas B. Donahue, National Vendors, Inc., St. Louis; I. H. Houston, Spacarb, Inc., Stamford, Conn.; Maurice Levitch, Stern Cigarette Vending Machine Co., Lund, regional chairman. Confab Norwood, O.; Harry Rosen, Allegheny Cigarette Service Co., Wilkinsburg, Pa.; J. Herman Saxon, All-day sessions will feature Saxon's, Inc., Charlotte, N. C.; round-table discussions on matters | George M. Seedman, Rowe Service | of current concern to operators and Co., Inc., Los Angeles, and Robert suppliers. A new slate of regional W. Wagstaff, Vendo Co., Kansas How steel for civilian use is al-

## **National Skeds Defense Model** For NATD Debut

ST. LOUIS, March 17.-National Vendors, Inc., will introduce a new 'defense model" 7-M cigarette vender at the National Association of Tobacco Distributors' convention in Chicago April 9-12.

National officials stressed the only changes in the model will be in decorative trim, due to government restrictions on use of scarce metals and alloys.

Firm plans to place the defense model 7-M, along with a similar model 9-M to be shown later, in production only after materials almodels have been used.

It was stated that the number of new machines to be available this year will depend on two factors: located, and on its availability, ac-

Since the firm was first organized Automatic has made steady progress by promising its locations (1) a quality product; (2) good equipment; (3) good service, and by doing its best to make good on those promises.

#### Switch Solution

"To render service the public will like, and reduce costs," says Feldman, "we have replaced a brand product in our machines with another of like quality but minus an advertised reputation.

"The switch-over is quite a problem. Six months ago we started the change in one product. We had a manufacturer make up samples until we felt they had a satisfactory product. We could have made our own product, except that would have meant in-

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## Not Us, Says Coan Co. Sales Chief

NEW YORK, March 17.-Has the steel situation eased? Decidedly yes, for at least one major vending machine producer.

Frank Q. Doyle, general sales manager of Coan Manufacturing, said here this week that supplies of sheet steel had loosened up considerably during the past three weeks. His firm is now able to order and receive deliveries for normal needs with little delay. And this is at mill prices, he noted.

For months now, manufacturers have reported steel in short supply. When a source was uncovered, the metal could be purchased only at greatly inflated prices.

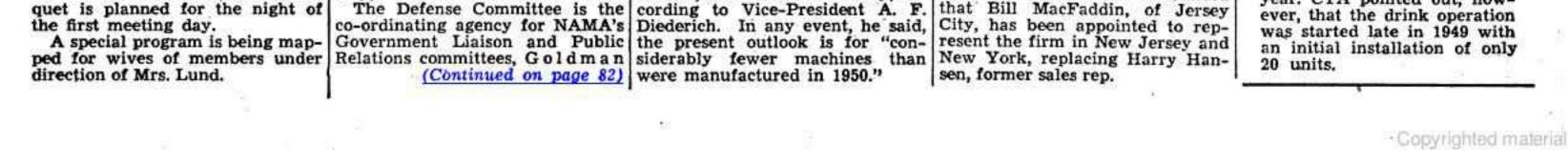
Doyle, here for a meeting with Eastern sales representatives, advanced the view that the lag in industry conversion to defense work may have precipitated the sudden change. Many factories are still ready fabricated for non-defense unable to secure government contracts, but due to shortages of certain critical items have been forced to cut civilian output. Steel therefore is again available for those ready to use it, he suggested.

The Coan executive announced

### VENDERS GROSS CTA \$84,155 **DURING 1950**

CHICAGO, March 17.-Chicago Transit Authority released final figures on its 1950 earnings this week with comparison figures for 1949. Gross CTA returns from 75 cup beverage, 247 penny gum, 145 penny nut and 186 penny candy venders and 267 scales on subway and el stations totaled \$84,155. The 1949 gross was \$55,196.

Penny equipment (venders and scales) operated by Transit Sales returned CTA \$53,-315 last year against \$47,849 in 1949. Beverage venders, operated by Mechanical Merchants, brought in commissions totaling \$30,840 compared to \$7,347 the preceding year. CTA pointed out, how-





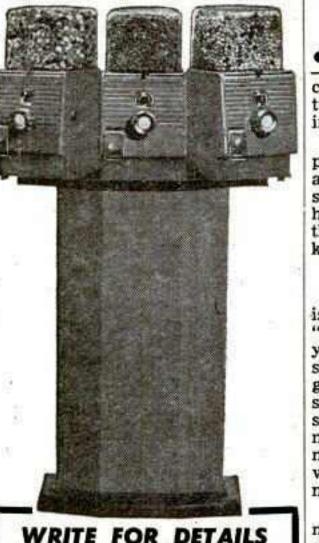
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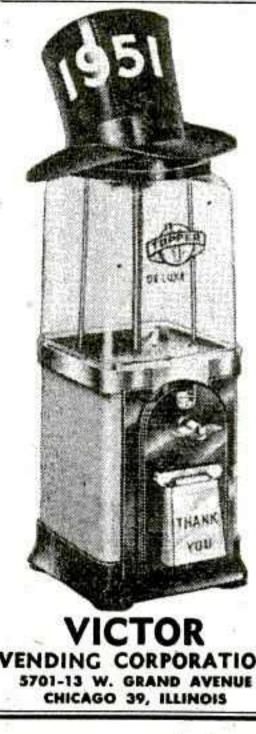




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**OPERATORS** 



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## **Op Location** Service Ups **Field Staff**

CHICAGO, March 17.-National Vending Machine Location Service, formed last year to offer the small or new operator an independent source thru which to acquire installations, has announced both an increase in its field staff and the shift to women personnel.

Harry J. Brown, president, stated the same basic rate is being continued for bulk equipment, with a minimum charge of \$100 figured at \$3 per location plus a 5-cent per mile additional charge, one way, for installations outside Chicago. Other placement fees range up to \$35 for ice cream and \$50 for hot coffee venders.

National Vending's six-member field staff covers all parts of the country and is currently emphasizing placement of cold sandwich and cookie vending equipment, in addition to bulk units. Brown said increased placement of candy machines is also requested by its operator customers.

**Defense Program** 

As such, he said, the Defense

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VENDING CORPORATION



### Kaufman Resigns NATD Exec Post

NEW YORK, March 17.-Jerome Kaufman today resigned his post with the National Association of Tobacco Distributors to "embark upon an independent venture in the commercial world." With the organization for the past six years, he served it most recently as associate managing director and director of industry and public relations.

In announcing Kaufman's resignation, Joseph Kolodny, NATD managing director, paid tribute to his "sincerity of purpose" and valuable service to the association. Kaufman said he will remain active in the tobacco industry and soon will announce the nature of his new enterprise.



### The One for '51 VICTOR'S



SACRAMENTO, March 17.-The California Legislature reconvened this week and will remain in session probably until June. Outstanding proposals are:

State sales tax increase from 3 to 4 per cent.

State sales tax decrease from 3 per cent to 2½ per cent.

A State veterans' bonus which would be financed by a tobacco tax.

A cigarette tax of 2 cents a package to pay for greater State apportionments to the public schools.

A bill which would make any person who installs or maintains a machine for the vending of tobacco or tobacco products within 600 feet of the closest outer boundary of any school, guilty of a misdemeanor.

A tax on anyone owning or operating any cigar, cigarette or tobacco vending machine.

A bill which would require any vending machine used for the sale of cigarettes to be placed so that it is not accessible to the public, and to be operated only by the person in charge or an employee.

### Coffee Org Plans To Hype Java Biz

NEW YORK, March 17.-Representatives of 10 Latin-American coffee-producing nations, comprising the board of directors of the Pan-American Coffee Bureau, have scheduled their annual meeting here April 16 to discuss advertising and related promotion plans for the fiscal year starting May 1. During the current fiscal year, according to Andress Uribe, PACB president, the bureau spent over \$1,500,000 in such promotion.

Of interest to coffee vender operators is that PACB will consider long-range plans, in addition to ad and various promotions, to build over-all consumption of coffee,

ALEXANDRIA, Va., March 17.

-A city ordinance preventing the

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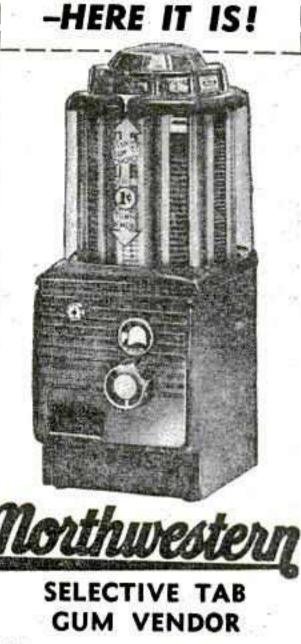
WASHINGTON, March 17.-Bu-

Based on preliminary estimates,

Total poundage sales increase

dollar sales volume went up 21

per cent. Package goods pound-



A sensation from the start! It has everything operators want in a gum vendor . . big capacity . . . fast servicing . simple construction. It is a dependable, rugged machine. proved on location for nearly a year before being offered. See your Northwestern distributor or write for circular.

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NPA in its contacts with association officials has repeatedly emphasized the importance of what the man in the street thinks of automatic merchandising and its role in defense, Goldman said.

#### **Committee Heads**

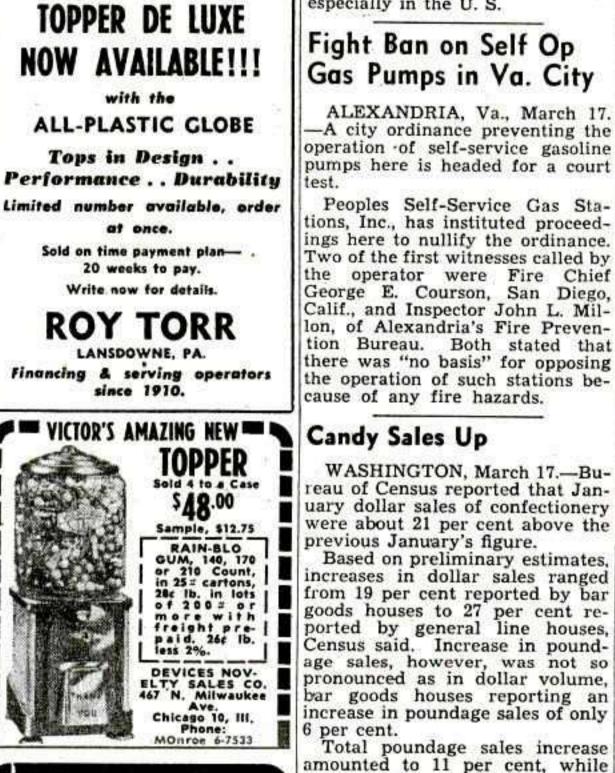
To carry out mobilization plans he appointed the following chairmen to head various industry mobilization committees: Operators, William S. Fishman; national operators, R. L. Strain; suppliers, E. H. Fox; machine manufacturers, John S. Mill; bottlers, M. L. Heffer; component parts manufacturers, I. H. Houston.

New defense services to NAMA members, approved by the committee and now either under way or soon to be inaugurated, include: (1) Report on the Defense Mobilization Survey, conclusive proof of automatic merchandising's importance to the defense program and reprints of which will be available for use locally as well as nationally; (2) a new series of mobilization bulletins entitled Defense Facts to keep members informed of government rulings and progress of the association's over-all defense program, and (3) a Defense Public Relations Kit, containing material for use at the local level together with instructions on how to use the material most effectively.

### Phoenix Park Meters To Be Rejuvenated

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 17.-An estimated 1,500 parking meters, some of which have been in use 14 years, are to be rejuvenated and repaired. They will also be reset

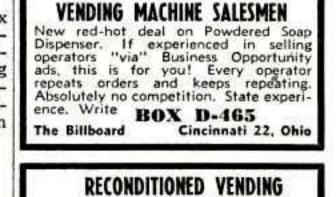
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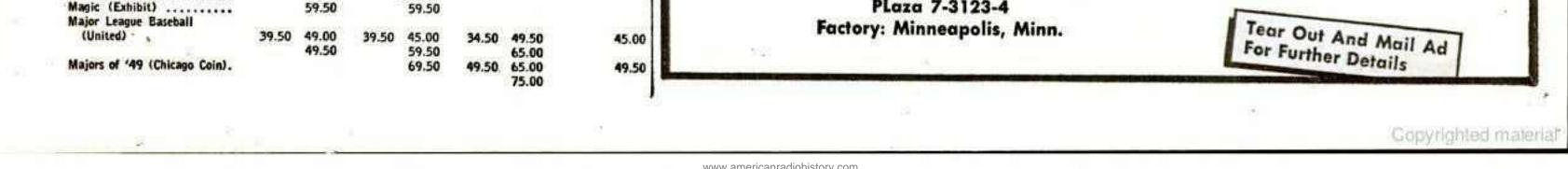
### VENDING MACHINES



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Hi Ball (Exhibit)	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	
Hockey (Seeburg)	59.50			00.00	<ul> <li>Continued from page 71</li> </ul>
Hockey (Chicago Coin)	75.00 79.50	95.00	95.00	95.00	The selement of the 141
Hollycrane (Como)	dente and a state of the state	495.00 (late)			The coinmen admitted they were
Irish Poker Pool		\$2743.2750 \\ MASTES		90.00	unable to ascertain the teamsters
Jack Rabbit (Amusement Corp.)	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	jurisdiction over office help and
Kicker & Catcher (Baker)	18.50	5.00 18.50		iii iiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii	clerks. The local would make no
Lite League (Amusematic)	75.00				comment other than to say it was
Love Pilot (Mutoscope)	95.00				an "official picket line." A spokes-
Magic Pen	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00	man for the retail clerks, also AFL
Mercury Deluxe 13-way	10.00				said that no pickets had been
Gripper Monkey Shines Ray Gun	65.00			1040 12	placed on the spots and confirmed
Panorams	175.00	00.00 160.00	250.00		the fact that clerks were within
	250.00 250.00	99.00 150.00 250.00	250.00	250.00	their jurisdiction.
Peek (Shipman)	2.50.00	230.00			While Local 396 has placed the
Periscope	125.00	125.00	125.00	35.00	pickets, one at each store, deliver-
Phil Toboggan Ski Ball	525.00	525.00	525.00	125.00	ias have been made to both store.
Photomatic (Mutoscope)	375.00 695.00	375.00 795.00	375.00	375.00 795.00	ies have been made to both stores
HEALT IN AREA	795.00 (late)	(late)	795.00(late)		since the picketing started several
Photomatic '47	area en la estatat de la compañía de		a a service a se	(late)	days ago. A spokesman who asked
(Mutoscope)		695.00			not to be identified said that one
Pistol Pete (Chicago Coin)	100.00	94.50 150.00	150.00 159.50	150.00 159.50	truck driver had called his com-
	150.00 (2)	159.50 189.50		100.00 101.00	pany to ascertain the reason of the
	159.50 189.50				picketing and was advised to make
Pitch 'Em & Bat 'Em	225.00 (2)	169.50 225.00	225.00	225.00	the delivery.
Pool Table (Edelco)	75.00 79.50	79.50	75.00 189.50	75.00	Jurisdiction
Quizzer	124.50 125.00	124.50	95.00 125.00	125.00	2.5 Research Table 1997 (Street Street Stree
Rabbit and Bear (Seeburg)		275.00	0325275222		Sherry, whose IBEW is now is-
Ray Gun (Seeburg)	85.00 95.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	suing stickers for the juke boxes
Recordio (Wilson-Gay)	175 44	25.00	1222	3.940-0020	on many routes in the area, said
Rifle Range (ABT)	175.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	that an injunction had been is-
Robco Vibrators	49.50	299.95			sued in 1949 and that contempt
Rocket Busters	65.00	65.00		1	proceedings would be started with-
Rotary Claw	199.50 225.00	225.00	225.00		in the next few days. According to
Rotary Pusher	219.50 275.00	275.00	275.00		Sherry, his union has been given
Seven High (Edelman)	49.50 (2) 75.00	49.50(2)	49.50	49.50	the right to represent the coin-
MERCENTRALING AN MERCENCE	102-22 BRM	75.00(2)		47.50	operated machine men. He termed
Shoot the Bear (Seeburg)	375.00 410.00	395.00			the picketing as part of a juris-
Silver Bullet (Exhibit)	195.00 (2)	195.00 225.00	195.00	195.00	dictional dispute.
Six Shooter (Exhibit)	289.50 295.00	295.00			
Skee Ball (Wurlitzer)	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	
Skee Roll (Wurlitzer)	121272-210 Doministra		1.000 1000	125.00	So Complian D'
Sky Fighter (Mutoscope)	95.00 120.00	125.00		025505425	So. Carolina Biz
Solar Horoscope	110.00			as annound	• Continued from page 71
Speedway Bombsite	(7203)4352	122-5 A		175.00	- continued from page /1
Spitfire (Genco) (Scientific)	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	in the area. Coin ops should have
Standard Metal Typer Super Bomber (Evans)	349.50	349.50	. 349.50	362.00	their best year in this section.
Targets (ABT)	195.00	195.00			At Charleston and section.
Ten Strike (Evans)	44.00 75.00	5.00			At Charleston, ops report grosses
3-Way Gripper	44.00 75.00	75.00	50.00 75.00	75.00	have been better than ever, and
(Gottlieb)	18.50	10.50	10.00		they point to a coming election as
Tommy Gun (Evans)	85.00	18.50	18.50	18.50	a probable cause.
Undersea Raider (Bally)	00.00	95.00		105.00	In the cotton belt, too, the situa-
Vitalizer (Exhibit)	95.00	95.00	95.00	125.00	tion looks good. Coinmen in and
Voiceograph (Mutoscope)	395.00	395.00(2)	395.00	95.00	around Orangeburg say their take
Western Baseball	85.00	85.00	85.00	395.00 85.00	should materially increase when
X-Ray Poker (Scientific)	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	the sales start paying off.
See States		27272/2011	03.00	05.00	Beach trade should be good,
• Music	14	Name and A			probably up from last season.
	Machin	AC			The distribution situation doesn't

### **Music Machines**

Equipment and prices listed below are taken from advertisements in The Billboard issues as chines are bound to be in short indicated below. All advertised used machines and prices are listed. Where more than one firm supply before much longer. advertised the same equipment at the same price, frequency with which the price occurred is

indicated in brackets. Where quantity discounts are advertised, as in the case of bulk venders, 150.00 only the single machine price is listed. Any price obviously depends on condition of the equipment.

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Total Roll (Genco)							5 6	ED. 24
(roll-down)		35.00		39.50			19.50	25.00
Trade Winds (Genco)	29.50				29.50 (2)	55 00	29.50	55.00
				95		65.00	L7.30	59.50
Trinidad (Chicago Coin)	1.1	29.50			29.50	34.50		37.50
						50.00		
Triple Action (Genco)	34.50	55.00			29.50	55.00	29.50	49.50
		1.012412-0417514				65.00		55.00
Tropicana (United)						1000000		
(roli-down)				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				29.50
Tucson (Williams)				100.00				
Tumbleweed (Exhibit)				125.00		125.00		
Utah (United)		104.50						109.50
Victory (Bally)		49.00						
Victory Derby (Bally)				35.00				
Victory Special (Bally)			59.50	65.00				
Virginia (Williams)		39.50		39.50	29.50	65.00		29.50
Whirl-A-Ball (Amusement								112/2/2010
Enterprises)		12.50		12.50		12.50		12.50
Wisconsin (United)	34.50	39.50		39.50	29.50	34.50		29.50
12570-0-12503-0300-0300						50.00		2020.000
Yanks (Williams)	45.00	49.50		49.50	39.50	65.00		39.50
STARTING 24211 23					1.00			

## Arcade Equipment

Equipment and prices listed below are taken from advertisements in The Billboard issues as indicated below. All advertised used machines and prices are listed. Where more than one firm advertised the same equipment at the same price, frequency with which the price occurred is indicated in brackets. Where quantity discounts are advertised, as in the case of bulk venders, only the single machine price is listed. Any price obviously depends on condition of the equipment, age, time on location, territory and other related factors.

	Issue of March 17	Issue of March 10	Issue of March 3	Issue of Feb. 24
Ace Bomber (Mutoscope)	CARLING POST AND STORED OF CARLING	\$150.00		
Air Hockey	385.00			
Air Raider (Keeney)	125.00	125.00	\$125.00	\$100.00
Astroscope	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00
Atomic Bomber (Mutoscope).	125.00 150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Ball Grip	85.00	0.000.0045	(5-5,8,68,8,1)	
Bally Bowler (Bally)	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00
Bang-A-Fitty (Edelman)	0.000	69.95	00.00	05.00
Bank Ball (Amusement				

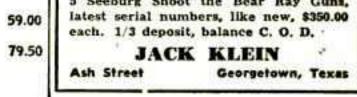
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Bank Ball (Amusement Enterprises)		100	only the single machine price	e is listed. Any pri	ice obviously depe	o, as in the case ands on condition o	of bulk venders,	IMMEDIATE DELIVERY
Batting Practice (Scientific). 75.00	75.00	75.00 75.0	1 30P TIME OR LOCATION TART	tory and other rel	ated factors.		in the equipment,	IMMEDIATE DELIVERY
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Blood Pressure Gauge	407.30	150.0	For this week's prices	consent the Us	eo machine a	avertisements	in this issue.	Jun - W
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andid Camera 15.00	15.00	15.00 15.0	00	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00	
hallenger (ABT) 19.50 20.00 hicken Sam (Seeburg) 95.00	20.00 79.50 95.00 69	20.00 20.0						A Long A
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Music Machines At that time, said Cohn, he expombs. pects to complete his roster of distributors for regional sales of the bowling game. To date only one Issue of Issue of Issue of Issue of March 17 March 10 March 3 Feb. 24 outlet has been named-Lou Wol-Reconditioned SHUFFLE GAMES Guaranteed 249.50 315.00 146 ..... cher's Western Distributors, cover-146 M ..... 269.00 275.00 295.00 299.50 299.00 299.50 ing California, Nevada, Oregon and 299.00 Washington. 146 S ..... 195.00 249.00 249.00 250.00 245.00 249.00 249.00 Meanwhile, first shipments of 275.00 the coin game have been made to 347 ..... 329.50 the Pokerino Arcade here. Four 147 H..... 269.00 147 M ..... 295.00 309.00 325.00 349.00 325.00 339.50 units are to be placed in operation 295.50 339.50 \*Complete with Flyaway Pins 325.00 349.00 349.00 350.00 at the Times Square establishment 350.00 349.50 350.00 today, according to Nat Choderker, WELLING CONTROL OF THE OWNER. 147 MA ..... 339.50 339.50 arcade manager. 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Shuffle Games

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	Issue of		Issue of	Issue of
	March 17	March 10	March 3	Feb. 24
ABC Bowler (Keeney)	\$79.00			\$62.50
Ace Bowler (Chicago Coin)	175.00			159.50
Baseball (Chicago Coin)	50.00 75.00 (2)		\$89.50	45.00 75.00
	89.50		0464403480	89.50
Baseball (Genco)	69.00	A		
Baseball (Nation Wide)				99.50
Bowl-A-Line (Genco)		99.95		
Bowler (Williams)	40.00 45.00			30.00
Bowlette (Gottlieb)	49.50(2) 59.50		42.50 59.50	42.50 75.00(2
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	135.00 w/p			120.00 w/s
Bowling Champ (Gottlieb)	39.00			120.00 W/P
Bowling Classic (Chicago Coin)	185.00 (2)		129.50	190.00
Bowling League (Genco)	35.00 37.50		37.50 39.50	25.00 37.50
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Deluxe Bowler (Williams)	75.00 80.00		145.00	79.50 105.00
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Deluxe Twin Bowler		145.00		
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(Universal)	225.00 195.00 210.00			
Double Bowler (Keeney)	100 March 1 March 1 100 Later 1 100 Later		120 60	220.00 225.00
Double Header (Williams)	150.00	Contraction of the second s	139.50	104 54
Double Shuffle Alley (United)		89.50		124.50
Duck Pins (Keeney)	150.00	150.00		
Four Player League Bowler	57			
(Keeney)	285.00	Concernence of the second s	20022	
Glider (Genco)	30.00	.30.00	34.50	20.00 34.50
		s and an		44.50
King Pin (Keeney)	50.00 145.00		140.00 165.00	140.00 165.00
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League Bowler (Keeney)			378.50	
Lucky Strike (Keeney)			129.50	
Die Day (Vasaev)	20.00 47.50	20 00 00 00	AT CO. CO. CO.	20 00 47 50



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## **Coinmen You Know**

### Chicago

Manufacturers readied their plants for open house festivities in conjunction with the Music **Operators of America convention.** Planning to host operator and distrib visitors during the week were United, Universal, Exhibit Supply, Gottlieb and Genco. Chicago Coin and Williams had exhibits at the meet, showing their music machines, but they laid plans for turnouts at their plants where game lines were shown.

Joe Cohen, head of Ristaucrat, Inc., Appleton, Wis., was due in town over the week-end to complete his display at the Palmer a lot of time at the MOA show House for the MOA show. Cohen unveiled his new S-45-the selective model encased in a completely new cabinet and including many exclusive features. Joe Caldron, who handles Ristaucrat exports, was on hand at the juke firm's Rodstein, of Banner Specialty, exhibit thruout the three-day Philadelphia, were in for confershowing.

Wally Finke, partner in First at peak levels. Distributors, planed from Florida over the week-end for the MOA show to join Joe Kline, and hold down the fort. Meanwhile the firm is trying to catch up with its growing list of orders from foreign markets, and Mal Finke, head of the premium department, is readying the spring sales drive for coin machine and outdoor accounts.

Ben Coven, head of Coven Distributing, accompanied by his wife, Trudy, and members of his staff, including Harold Saul, Mac Brier and Lee Taylor, were in Peoria last week for a showing of the new Wurlitzer models. Ben reported a heavy turnout, especially for the operator school which he held, and which was conducted by Taylor.

John W. Haddock, AMI presi-

sic. Al Stern, World Wide boss, is now able to concentrate on firm executive duties with the return of the sales staff to full manpower.

Over at Atlas Music, Eddie and Morrie Ginsberg have noticed an increase in operator traffic now that the income tax deadline has passed. They say that incoming coinmen are optimistic about spring biz and are buying in proportion. Joe Glasberg, Nate Feinstein and Harold Schwartz report interest in Seeburg's 45 r.p.m. model.

Universal's top brass, Mel Binks and Bill Ryan, expect to put in at the Palmer House since it will be the only trade-sponsored national amusement machine convention this year. Dan Stewart, Dan Stewart Company, Salt Lake City, and I. H. Rothstein and Al ences on giant pinballs. Ryan says demand for Winner remains

Ralph Sheffield, Empire Coin Machine Exchange, is on vacation. Gil Kitt is back from a road trip in Wisconsin. Meanwhile Stanley Levin is back from a swing thru Iowa, where he was snowbound last week. Despite the handicap, Levin came thru with a healthy batch of game requests. Howie Freer has been handling an increased number of export inquiries originating in Australia, Europe and the Far East.

Chicago Coin execs Sam Wolberg and Sam Gensburg are enthused over initial reception of Hit Parade, the 45 r.p.m. selective counter juke. Sam Lewis and Ed Levin were making final plans for the firm's exhibit at the MOA show. . . . At Automatic Coin, Oscar Schultz has been busy handling a rush of spring business.

Williams Manufacturing Company expects a lot of interest in its shuffle baseball game, Big Leaguer. Firm is debuting a new model Music Mite at the MOA show.... At J. H. Keeney & Company, Charlie Pieri and Grant Shay are working out a sales campaign for the firm's new model 17-inch TV receivers. An all console line, the Keeney sets are now available in blond or mahogany cabinets.

### Vital Statistics Deaths

John Moran, 68, sales representative for Rowe Manufacturing for the past 15 years, died in New York Tuesday (13). Burial in Bridgeport, Conn., Saturday (17). Survivors include two daughters, Ruth and Virginia: a son, Edward, and two brothers, Michael and Thomas. Moran's most recent territorial assignment for Rowe was New York State and Pennsylvania.

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dent: John Stewart, Haddock's assistant, and Bill Fitzgerald, advertising and sales promotion manager, hosted AMI Distributors Conference at the Bismarck Sunday (18) and then stayed on for the MOA show at the Palmer House. Haddock is scheduled to make one of the major addresses at the MOA meet. Among the distribs arriving in town early for the AMI get-together were Sam Taran, Miami, and Wolf Roberts, Denver.

were George Miller, MOA national chairman; Al Denver, vice-For this chairman, and Sidney Levine, counsel. They set up headquarters at the Palmer House. . . First Distribs, thru Joe Kline, served as a reservation center for out-of-town ops who wanted to remain in Chicago for the convention.

Julius Crum, former Shuffleboard Specialists' exec, assumes an executive post with Allied Coin, now that the latter has bought the firm. Vic Weiss and Billy Knapp, Allied toppers, report the firm is expanding its premium lines, and will add space to house this department. Salesmen also will be added to the staff in the near future.

Leonard Micon, sales manager of World Wide Distributors, is back on the job after a speedy recuperation from an appendectomy. He says the next few weeks he is going to concentrate on picking up nothing heavier than a dinner check. With Micon's return, Monty West was able to make a road trip thru the territory and greet operators with the news that World Wide has a complete stock of games and mu-



Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association (MAPOA), impressed leaders of the Legislature and made possible the holding of a public hearing on the bill. It was scheduled for Thursday Silver Ki night (15).

Among those to appear in opposition to the bill are Bill Miller, Stamp Ve Grand Rapids; John Minemah, operator and mayor of Traverse City; Roy W. Clason, MAPOA executive



### Vending Machines

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Columbus 46 Z 1c Bulk				7.50	1.00	7.50		7.50
Columbus 46 ZB 5c Bulk				8.00	10.00	8.00		
Columbus Gum, 1c		7.95		7.95		7.95		8.00
DuGrenier Candy Man		57.50		57.50		57.50		7.95
DuGrenier Challenger		95.00		95.00				59.50
DuGrenier Model S (7 col.)		95.00				95.00		95.00
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Master 1c, 5c		10.00		10.00		10.00	1	10.00
Master Pistachio 5c		7.95		7.95		7.95		7.95
Mill's Scale		50.00		50.00		50.00		50.00
Monarch (8 col.)		85.00		85.00		85.00		85.00
National 9 A		75.00		75.00		75.00		75.00
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Rowe Royal (6 col.)						82.50		82.50
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Silver King 1 and 5c		7.95	7.95	8.00	7.95 (2)	8.00	7.95	8.00
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Silver King Ball Gum				7.50	7.50	7.95		7.50
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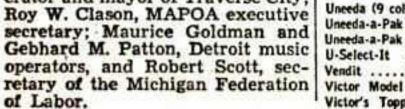
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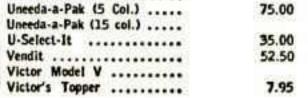
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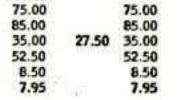
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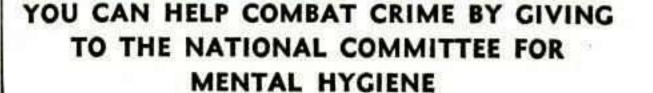
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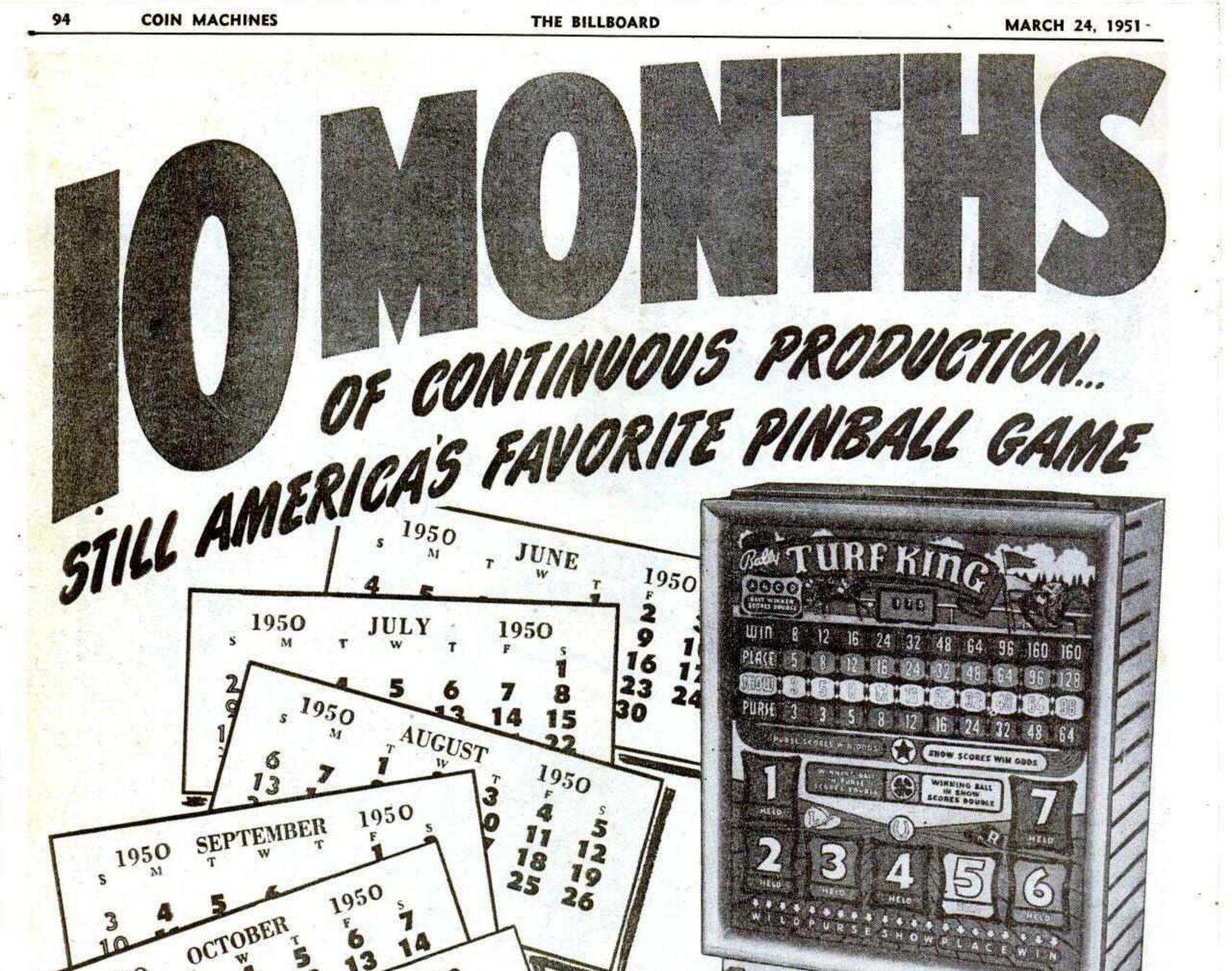
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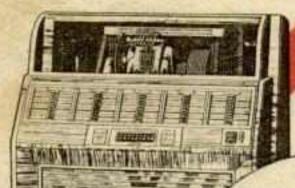
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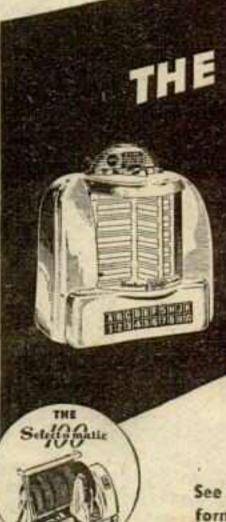
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